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Volunteering is the of Bay View!

At Bay View, volunteers are the magic-makers. You build community, create lasting connections, and bring our programs and events to life.

As we celebrate our **150th Jubilee**, we need **YOU** more than ever. This once-in-a-lifetime milestone is filled with unforgettable moments—and it takes many hands and warm hearts to make it happen.

Years from now, when someone asks, "Where were you during the Jubilee?" you can proudly say, "I was volunteering."

You were part of the team that made history happen.

Can you give just one hour to the Jubilee?

Bring a friend or family member—more hands means more fun! Whether it's welcoming guests, serving root beer floats, or helping behind the scenes, every minute you give makes a difference. We have room for you, and for your friends and family too.

Let's celebrate together—join us in

making the Jubilee truly extraordinary. And, volunteers will receive a special Jubilee t-shirt!

Sign up at <https://www.bayviewassociation.org/volunteer-opportunities/>

If you missed the sign up for the Fun Run but still want to be part of it, you can volunteer: We need **24 folks** to make the event a success.

Bay View's *Jubilee Float* is ready to roll in two parades on July 4th, and we need your help to make it spectacular!

Bay View Parade – 10:00 AM

We need **10 more volunteers** to help bring our float to life as it makes its grand debut in the morning parade right here on campus.

Petoskey Parade – 6:00 PM

For the **first time in our 150-year history**, Bay View will serve as **Grand Marshal** in the Petoskey Independence Day Parade! We need **12 more volunteers** to help showcase this once-in-a-lifetime Jubilee moment.

Volunteering in the parade gives you a front-row seat to the joy and excitement of the day—you'll see the crowds from the best view possible: the parade route itself! It's a magical, memory-making experience.

To sign up, contact Annie Montagne at amontagne@bayviewassociation.org or stop by the Bay View Donor Relations office in Wade Administration office.



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of the United Methodist Church



From the Executive Director, Megan DeWindt



Wow! Enthusiasm for the Jubilee is unstoppable! Excitement is building across campus as we prepare to celebrate Bay View's 150th Jubilee. Thanks to your overwhelming enthusiasm, we've met our catering deadline and finalized BBQ ticket numbers. If you didn't get a ticket, we know you're disappointed—but **there's so much more to the celebration.** The picnic will be amazing, whether you pack your own with traditional family favorites or simply enjoy a sandwich, the feeling of coming together on our historic grounds to celebrate 150 years of community and tradition is one you won't want to miss.

The Jubilee takes place **Sunday from 4–7 p.m.**, and promises an afternoon full of joy, creativity, music, and community. Spread across campus, we'll feature **three stages of live entertainment**, as well as **balloon twisting, face painting, a festive photo booth, and our time capsule station**—where families are encouraged to leave their mark for future generations. The time capsule display will include the masterful craftsmanship of our own **Roger Plummer**, showcasing a tribute to Bay View's legacy built by hand and heart.

Thanks to the generosity of **Bob Kammeraad**, guests will also enjoy **root beer floats in commemorative cups**, while supplies last—a sweet treat to

match the spirit of the day.

To commemorate this once-in-a-generation milestone, we've worked throughout the year with **the Jubilee Merchandise Team** to bring you a thoughtful and stylish collection of Jubilee merchandise. These items are available in **the Shirt Shoppe** and **The Gathering Post**, and include something for everyone—whether you're looking for a keepsake for yourself or a gift for someone who loves Bay View as much as you do.

One of the most exciting offerings is our **commissioned painting by local artist Kevin Barton**, capturing Bay View's most iconic buildings. This artwork will be on display at **Crooked Tree Arts Center through July 12**, then will be shown on campus **July 13–August 2**, before being **auctioned to support Bay View's non-profit mission.** You'll also find this beautiful image featured on our **Jubilee puzzle** and other exclusive merchandise available at The Gathering Post.

Fourth of July is coming fast and we plan to celebrate in Jubilee style. Not only will we be debuting our Jubilee Float in our Bay View Fourth of July Parade on the morning of the 4th, but we will also share it at the Petoskey Fourth of July Parade where Bay View is the Grand Marshal! We would love for you to volunteer to accompany our beautiful Jubilee float.

Volunteering is another wonderful way to join the fun and deepen your connection to the community. We have **many one-hour volunteer opportunities** available throughout the Jubilee. Whether it's helping with activities, greeting guests, or pitching in behind the scenes, **your service helps make this event**

possible—and it's a great chance to work alongside friends, neighbors, and fellow Bay View lovers.

To sign up, visit our website (<https://www.bayviewassociation.org/>) or reach out to **Annie Montagne** at amontagne@bayviewassociation.org

As we mark **150 years of history, tradition, and transformation**, we invite you to celebrate with us—not just as a guest, but as a vital part of this beloved community. Let's make the Jubilee one to remember!

Jubilee Volunteers

Thank you to all of the kind individuals who have already signed up to volunteer at this year's Jubilee Picnic! Jubilee volunteers are welcome to pick up their Jubilee Volunteer t-shirts on **July 1st in the Child Board Room from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Family Business

Two members of the Seymour family started a ripple that would affect Bay View in unforeseen ways. Father and son, Mark and Henry, started their tenure at Bay View last summer. Mark serves as the Director of the Craft House, and Henry works as an intern for Buildings and Grounds. Fast forward to this summer, we have welcomed the other two Seymours, Nicole and Sam. Sam works alongside Henry as a Buildings and Grounds intern and Nicole is the Director of our Fawns program. "We love that Bay View stands for multi-generational families. It is so special to be here alongside my family," Nicole notes. Needless to say, they already have a deep love for this community. Bay View is a multi-generational community, and we are excited to

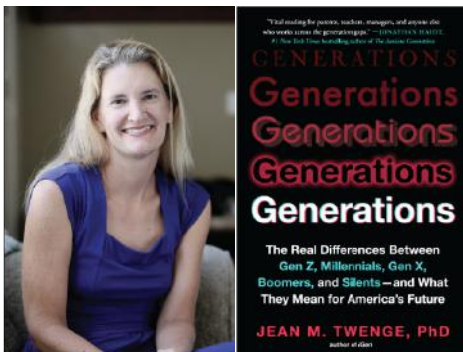
welcome a multi-generational family to enrich our community. If you see a Seymour, make sure to say “hey”!



From the Education Director, Julia Healy

Jean Twenge

Bay View is blessed to feature transformative scholar and widely esteemed social psychologist Jean Twenge at Hall Auditorium **Saturday, July 5 at 7:30 p.m.** Her surprising, engaging, and informative talk will forever change the way you view your parents, peers, coworkers, and children—no matter what generation you call your own. Bring the whole family! [Tickets: \\$20/\\$30.](#)



New Classes Next Week, June 30 – July 4

- Tuesdays at 10 Story Time, Tuesday at 10 a.m., Bay View Library
- Glass Class #1: Jewelry, Tuesday at 1 p.m., Loud Hall Room 12
- 4th of July Essential Cooking Class: Wednesday at 1 p.m., Crist Hall
- Happy 4th of July. No Scarrow Friday Forum

Meet Todd Tordova: Bay View's Crist Hall Chef and Culinary Instructor

Thanks to Chef Todd Tordova, PhD., Bay View music students and faculty dine well in Crist Hall throughout the summer. Students of the Education Program also learn to master a variety of delectable repasts under his tutelage. He garners rave reviews from his students, such as “best cooking class I’ve ever been to! Chef Todd was incredible” and “I learn so much from Todd... [his] was the most informative class I have ever taken.”

A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, Tordova once served as personal chef to two Baltimore Orioles, and he worked as a chef at camps in Wisconsin and Maine. He has served as a culinary instructor at Johnson and Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island for almost 30 years.

Chef Todd Tordova returns for a third year to the Bay View Education faculty, with a full roster of culinary classes that demonstrate his versatility and virtuosity in the kitchen. He plans his lessons with an eye to summer entertaining, feeding large groups and houseguests. Tordova’s cooking classes take place in the Crist Hall kitchen on Wednesdays from 1 – 3 p.m., giving students a chance to see a part of campus that many Bay Viewers don’t often see.

This summer, Tordova’s culinary classes are:

- Portuguese Feast: July 9
- Awesome One-Pot Meals: July 16
- Antipasto Party with Lasagna: July 23
- “Off-the-Charts” Sandwiches: July 30



Chef Todd Tordova’s class “4th of July Essentials” includes new twists on cookout classics such as coleslaw, savory baked beans, potato salad, spinach and artichoke dip, and an easy, gorgeous fruit display.

Don’t Miss Historian Jefferson Cowie on the American Experience of Freedom!

This summer’s **American Experience Lectures** will be presented by **Jefferson Cowie**, Professor of History at Vanderbilt University. Professor Cowie’s talks will draw from several of his recent and forthcoming books, starting with two lectures based on his recent Pulitzer-prize winning *Freedom’s Dominion*** (2022). These talks, like his book, use the lens of one Alabama county’s experience to explore the varied and contested understandings of freedom, federal power, and states’ rights from the early Republic through Reconstruction to the present day. Friday’s concluding lecture is based on Professor Cowie’s in-progress biography of Johnny Cash. Lectures will be held

Monday-Friday July 7-11, 2025 at 10 a.m. in Voorhies Hall, with informal Tent Talks at 4 pm on Tuesday and Thursday in the Events Tent. All American Experience events are free and open to the public. **Copies of *Freedom’s Dominion* are for sale at the Gathering Post.**

Questions? Please reach out to **Susan Scarrow** at sescarrow@gmail.com.

From the Performing Arts Director, Chris Ludwa

Summer has officially arrived, and we're kicking things off with a weekend full of great music, great stories, and great company. Whether you're a fan of pop classics, Broadway hits, or timeless chamber music, there is something to tune up your summer.

We're starting the season on a high note—literally—with ABBA MANIA, a tribute concert that **captures all the energy and fun of an original ABBA performance.** From "Winner Takes It All" to "Waterloo," it's hit after hit, performed with incredible musicianship and just the right amount of nostalgia, sure to get you out of your seat like a "Dancing Queen".

It's a perfect way to kick off summer—bring your friends, your family, and your best singing voice this **Saturday, June 28th at 8 p.m. in Hall Auditorium!**

THIS EVENT IS SOLD OUT.



Join us **this Sunday** for Vesper to experience a celebration of Broadway—the soundtrack of American storytelling. This revue brings together songs that reflect the depth, diversity, and dynamism

of the stage, from golden-age classics to more contemporary favorites.

Our beloved faculty chamber music concerts are back for the season, offering world-class performances in a relaxed and welcoming setting. Whether it's Bach, Beethoven, or a modern surprise, these concerts bring music to life in a way that's intimate, inspiring, and uniquely Bay View.

Take note: This upcoming Chamber concert is Thursday, July 3 at 8 p.m. in Hall Auditorium, where you will experience EMBLEMATIC – Faculty Wind Ensemble. This special Thursday performance will showcase the expressive power of our faculty wind players, featuring our 4th of July patriotic hymn-sing and armed services medley always a highlight of the series.

From the Recreation Director, Amy Seamster Liddicoat

Summer is in full swing at Bay View Association. Our first week at the club was a great success, with online registration running smoothly.



Fawns enjoying the annual Fawn House Window Painting.

Please remember **cut-off times for Tot Lot and Fawns program registration is 5 p.m. the Sunday prior to the commencement of Monday's activities to allow us to plan for every camper.** Additionally, please dress appropriately for all activities. Join us for "Throwback Thursday" on **July 3rd**—contact rec@bayviewassociation.org to participate.

Swim lessons have started at our waterfront. Lifeguards are on duty from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. A red flag at the beach means it is **unguarded**, and **swimming is at your own risk.** Please use caution and stay safe while enjoying the water.

The boathouse is up and running. We're open Monday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. We offer rentals for SUPs, kayaks, and Sunfish sailboats, plus a Day Sailor for experienced groups. Come down and take one for a spin or a splash! Additionally, Summer 2025 storage fees are now due and can be paid at the boathouse.

Reminder: **Youth sailing is from 1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.** to accommodate for the new adult sailing class. Thank you for your understanding.

Also, it's not too late to register for the 5K Fun Run happening **Saturday, July 5th at 10 a.m.** Start is at Terrace Avenue between the Woman's Council building and Epworth Hall. **All recreation registration is online, including the Fun Run.**



Racquet Sports Update

Non–Bay View member **season passes are sold out. Registration for daily and weekly passes will be paused June 27–July 12** to ensure a great experience for those already signed up. Passes will reopen to non–Bay View members on **July 13**, based on availability. **All players must be Racquet Club members—no guests permitted.** This includes Ladder League, Open Play, and tournaments. For questions, email racquetsports@bayviewassociation.org

Campers of the Week!

Ants: Beckham McPheely

Bunnies: Lizzie Nalter

Cubs: Parker Celichowski

Chippies: Lucy Hart

Wolves: Emmett Lewis

Skunks: Simone Hart

Bears: Teddy Piper

Squirrels: Annabelle Burgin



CONGRATULATIONS!



Chippies made flower arrangements on Thursday, June 26th!

Thank you for your support as we work to maintain great experiences for everyone this summer.

Fun and Recreation for All!

From the Worship Director, Rev. Hilary Barrett

The 2025 Worship Program continues the longstanding Bay View tradition of welcoming preachers and teachers, visionaries and healers from around the country to help us reflect upon the things that matter most. Each week, outstanding preachers and lecturers bring their message to our Assembly Worship Service (Sunday at 10:45 a.m.) and then provide spiritual enrichment through a series of faith-deepening discussions in our Religion and Life Hour, **Monday through Thursday, 10-11 a.m. in Voorhies Hall.**

The Rev. Dr. Mary Luti will be our Preacher of the Week – June 29 – July 3.

Rev. Dr. Mary Luti is a retired minister and professor. For twenty-two years before her retirement, Luti taught the history of Christianity, Christian worship, and preaching at the former Andover Newton Theological School (now Andover Newton Seminary at Yale). Ordained in the United Church of Christ, she also served First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, as its sixteenth minister since 1633 and the first woman to occupy that historic pulpit.

Dr. Mary Luti will preach during the 10:45 a.m. Assembly Worship Service on Sunday, June 29 in John M. Hall Auditorium. Her sermon, **“Heaven”** is based on Revelation 21:1-5; 22:1-5, 20-21 and Matthew 25:31-40.

Join us as the conversation continues Monday through

Thursday in our Religion and Life Hour: Talks Inspired by an Inquiring Faith. Mary's lectures are entitled, **“They in Glory Shine” -**

Reconsidering the Saints:

- Monday: What's A Saint, Anyway, and Why Don't Protestants “Do” Them?
- Tuesday: Revisiting the Saints: What's In It for Us?
- Wednesday: Francis of Assisi: Not Just for Backyard Birdbaths
- Thursday: Teresa of Avila: Don't Mess with the Wandering Nun.



Rev. Dr. Mary Luti

Mary Luti's Religion and Life Hour Lectures are sponsored in part by a generous grant from the Woman's Council and by your contributions to the Worship program.

Save the Date for Big Sunday: July 6th

People who know the history of Bay View tell the story of a day back in the late 1800s they called BIG SUNDAY when people came to Bay View from miles around – by horse, by train, by steamer, and on foot. They gathered outside in the grove of trees called the Tabernacle and they spent the whole day singing and praying, listening to preachers (and eating).

A few years ago, the Worship Committee fell in love with the idea of BIG SUNDAY. We loved the idea of folks coming together for one special day. We loved the

idea of singing and praying and worshipping together. And we loved the idea of providing a chance for people to share fellowship with one another – enjoying coffee and donuts and conversation before worship.

This year's BIG SUNDAY will be all of that – and more – as we once again welcome the people, pastor, and Praise Team from First Presbyterian Church of Petoskey. Together, we will join in praising God on this BIG SUNDAY!

Returning to the Bay View pulpit for Big Sunday will be the **Rev. Dr. Trygve Johnson**, CEO of The PreachFor Foundation, an organization working to identify and empower a new generation of talented young leaders to help churches reach their full potential, and make a positive impact in their communities.



Rev. Dr. Trygve Johnson

Join us before worship at 9:45 a.m. for conversation in Evelyn Hall – complete with donuts and coffee. Then head over to Hall Auditorium at 10:45 a.m. – where we will hear a great preacher and some wonderful music.

Join us for BIG SUNDAY! You won't want to miss it!

Worship Committee Muffin Ministry Volunteers Needed!

Support our Muffin Ministry by stocking the pantry at Ditto Cottage (1771 Moss) for our visiting ministers! Sign up at <https://www.bayviewassociation.org/community-care/>

Prefer not to use the website? Email Meredith Pyers at Meredith.Pyers@gmail.com to coordinate. We're looking for breakfast items like juice, fruit, eggs, pastries, and cereal.

Donations should be new and delivered the Friday evening or Saturday morning of the minister's arrival. Meredith will follow up with a list of current needs. Thank you!

Muffin Ministry Schedule

- July 6: Dr. Trygve Johnson
- July 13-17: Marilyn McEntyre
- July 20: Rev. Grace Imathiu
- July 27-31: Rev. Dr. Will H. Willimon
- August 3-4: Ann Voskamp
- August 7-10: Dr. Robin Wall Kimmerer/Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery
- August 17: Rev. Aaron Tredway

Thank you!

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is seeking volunteers for knitting, crocheting, weaving or quilting. Prayerfully consider helping winter or summer.

Contact Jan McDermott
(651) 210-3408 or
flossingisfun6@gmail.com.

Memorials

Maureen McDevitt

Sunday, June 29th
2 p.m.

Crouse Memorial Chapel
(Reception to follow at Evelyn Hall)

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Pat Sehr

Tuesday, July 1st
2-4 p.m.

Evelyn Hall

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John and Barbara Moran

(Interment Ceremony)

Thursday, July 3rd
2 p.m.

Bay View Memorial Garden
(Open House to follow at 1885 Woodland)

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Jack Giguere

Saturday, July 12th
2 p.m.

Event Tent

(Interment of Ashes afterward)

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Helen Evenson

Sunday, July 13th
2 p.m.

Crouse Chapel

(Reception to follow at Woman's Council)

Bay View Memorial Garden is Hosting an Open House!

The Bay View Memorial Garden Committee is hosting an Open House on **Monday, June 30th from 3-5 p.m.** to help celebrate the Bay View Association 150th Jubilee (Rain date - July 1st). Come tour the beautiful BV Memorial Garden overlooking Little Traverse Bay, meet our loyal and dedicated volunteers and honor the 400 individuals interred over the past 32 years. Free gifts and refreshments.

Each Saturday morning from 9-11 a.m., the Memorial Garden volunteers help deadhead the flowers, mulch, remove unwanted

plants and beautify the garden. New volunteers are always welcome. No experience necessary. Gardening tools provided. Your help will be greatly appreciated.



Woman's Council

The Woman's Council 2025 season is off to a wonderful start. Last week, we sponsored the first Vesper Concert of the Assembly Season, celebrated the Joint Woman's Council Morning Council Opening Luncheon, enjoyed the first Meeting and Tea with a program on "Making Food Fun" along with the presentation of the 2025 Grant Recipient Awards, and enjoyed a Joint Woman's Council/ Morning Council Salad Supper. Please join the Woman's Council at the **Weekly Meetings and Tea on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 p.m.** at the Woman's Council Building. **All are welcome.**



Mark your calendar for the next meetings:

- July 1: Jane Bauer presents **"The Royals"**.
- July 8: **"Get To know Our Music Students"** will showcase some of our extraordinarily talented Bay View Conservatory students.
- July 15: **"Octogenarian Tea"** celebrating all 80+ year old women of Bay View.
- July 22: **"A Conversation with Dr. Everett McCorvey"**, Opera Conductor and Director of the American Spiritual Intensive.
- July 29: **"African Adventure"** with Shelley Hunsberger.
- August 5: **"Annual Carry-In Luncheon"** and Installation of Officers and Directors.

In 2023 the Woman's Council installed a **Commemorative Tree** on the north wall of our building to honor past and present Woman's Council and Morning Council Members. During this summer of Jubilee Celebration, please consider adding a leaf to the Tree to honor a beloved Woman's Council Morning Council family member or friend. The suggested donation for each leaf is \$100. Please contact Cooper at (586) 303-5285 or rcooper01@att.net for information.



The **2026 Woman's Council Grant Applications** are now available. The due date for submission is Wednesday, July 9. Please contact Mary Bowden at (815) 238-8099 or dbowden6@aol.com for information.



CROP Walk this Saturday Morning

All ages are invited to join in the 21st annual Little Traverse CROP Hunger Walk which starts from Evelyn Hall at **9 a.m. on Saturday, June 28th.** Walk 3 miles all around Bay View or follow a 1 mile accessible course that stays on the terrace level. If walking is not your thing, you can rock on Evelyn Hall's porch. Please arrive early (8:30 a.m. onward) to register, mingle and learn more about the Walk's partner organizations – Church World Service, an ecumenical non-profit that has projects around the world that provide disaster relief and support sustainable development to reduce hunger, and Manna Food Project, a Harbor Springs-based non-profit that supplies local food banks and has other projects to reduce hunger in a three-county area around Bay View. There is no charge to walk or rock, but cash or check donations that support these partner organizations will be accepted at the registration table. Please make checks payable to CWS/CROP. Return to Evelyn Hall after walking for a celebratory ice cream and to listen to recordings of long-time CROP Walk fund-raiser and singer, the late Pat Sehr. If you wish to honor Pat's memory with your CROP walk donation, you may designate it in the memo or at <https://crophungerwalk.org/petoskey> in support of the "Pat Sehr Memorial Team".



Attention Leaseholders: 2025 Lease Renewals

All cottages will renew their 15-year lease in 2025. For your convenience, this update will occur via email using DocuSign. These emails have already gone out to the head of households and once they are signed, other leaseholders will receive their copy to sign. If you need assistance, please call (231) 347-6225 to make an appointment with Jen Cronk.

Thank you!



Important 2025 Dates from Jen Cronk

Thursday, July 3, 2025:
Absentee ballot applications must be postmarked by this date in order for an absentee ballot to be issued.

Thursday, July 3, 2025: Board of Trustees meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Child Board Room (Consent Agenda). ****Voting time qualification: new Leaseholding members must be approved no later than this meeting in order to vote.**

Saturday, July 5, 2025: Candidate & By-Law Forum in Voorhies at 8:30 a.m.

Friday, July 11, 2025: Notice of candidates and proposed By-Law amendments posted at the Post Office, the Wade Administration Building and electronically.

Saturday, July 12, 2025: Town Hall Meeting in Voorhies at 8:30 a.m.

Monday, July 14, 2025: Electronic voting begins. Paper ballot voting in office begins.

Friday, July 25, 2025: Board of Trustees meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Child Board Room.

Wednesday, July 30, 2025:
Deadline for in-person applications for members voting by absentee ballot in the business office by 5:00 p.m.

Friday, August 1, 2025: Electronic voting ends at 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 2, 2025: Annual Meeting at 9:00 a.m. in Hall Auditorium. **Voting by paper ballot ends at 12 p.m. Election of Officers at 4:00 p.m.**

Friday, August 8, 2025: Final day of Recreation Programming.

Friday, August 8, 2025: Board of Trustees meeting at 8:30 a.m. (Consent Agenda) in the Child Board Room.

Sunday, August 10, 2025: Closing day of the 150th Assembly Season.

Friday, August 22, 2025: Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Child Board Room.

Friday, September 12, 2025: Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. (Consent Agenda) in the Child Board Room.

Friday, September 26, 2025: Final Regular In-Person Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Child Board Room.

Friday, October 10, 2025: - Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. (Consent Agenda) in the Child Board Room.

Monday, October 27, 2025: Board

of Trustees Meeting via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. EST.

Monday, November 3, 2025: Final day cottagers can be in their cottage. Closing day of Bay View.

Monday, December 15, 2025: Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. EST.

***Red signifies dates regarding voting**

Russell Hall Updates Jake Porath, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds

Growing the Team: Introducing, Tyler McKerby

Originally from Pellston, Tyler joined the Bay View team after working at Boyne Highlands. With a love for the outdoors, Tyler spends his free time mountain biking, snowboarding, hiking, and enjoying just about any activity that gets him outside. He's quickly found joy in the variety of work at Bay View and enjoys being part of a team that helps care for such a unique and historic community. His favorite snack? Reese's Peanut Butter Cups—hands down. Tyler is taking over for Mike Teike, who retired in May.



From the Donor & Communications Director, Michelle Hansen

Celebrate, Honor, and Remember

Meaningful Ways to Make Your Mark at Bay View

Every summer at Bay View, our community finds beautiful ways to honor loved ones, celebrate life's milestones, and remember those who have shaped our lives. Whether through flowers, music, learning, or leadership, your gift can carry meaning far beyond the moment — creating joy, connection, and inspiration all season long.

Here are just a few ways you can make a meaningful impact each summer:

Sponsor a Speaker or Lecture – various levels

Support our Worship and Education programs by sponsoring a Religion and Life speaker or an Education lecture.

Mary Luty, arriving June 29, is sponsored in part by the Woman's Council.

Our July 5 Generations Lecture is supported by Steve and Kathy Olmsted.

Sponsor a Monday Night Movie – Starting at \$125

Help keep this fun tradition alive and accessible for all!

This week's film, "The Way, Way Back," is sponsored by Ellen and Steve Liestenfeltz.

Sponsoring a movie is an easy and affordable way to honor a loved one and share in a beloved Bay View experience.

Sponsor Altar Flowers – \$150

A beloved tradition, altar flowers grace our Assembly Worship services each Sunday. After the service, they are carefully rearranged into smaller bouquets

and delivered across the community — offering comfort, encouragement, and joy to those who need it most.

Whether you're marking a birthday, anniversary, graduation, or remembering someone special, this gift blooms with beauty and love.

Your dedication will be printed in the Sunday bulletin.

Sponsor a Chamber Music Concert – \$500

Bring classical music to life by supporting one of our cherished chamber concerts.

July 3's concert is sponsored by James and Lynette Copas in memory of Bill and Ruth Tompkinson.

The full season of Chamber Music is generously sponsored in memory of Robert Jensen Dau by the Robert Jensen Dau Foundation.

Sponsor a Recreation Leader – \$3,000

Support the Recreation program and create a legacy for your family. Steve and Barb Turkal, J.J. Turkal and Jeffrey Conlin, and Amy and Trent Bowman *joined together* to sponsor a Bears leader — honoring the program that first brought their family to Bay View.

Sponsor a Vespers Concert – \$3,000

Support the heart of Bay View's musical tradition by sponsoring a Sunday Vespers concert. The June 29 concert is generously underwritten by Doug and Minda Lehman in appreciation for the gift of music shared with students, faculty, and the community.

There are opportunities at many giving levels to honor, celebrate, and remember the people and moments that matter most.

Let us know how you'd like to make your impact — and be part of what makes Bay View so special. Thank you for being part of what makes Bay View so special — yesterday, today, and always.

Big Smiles for our Anniversary!

On **Wednesday, July 2 at 9:30 a.m.**, cottagers, local residents, students and guests are encouraged to gather on the **steps of Hall Auditorium** for a **special anniversary photo.**

This commemorative picture will be taken by the Petoskey Chamber of Commerce as part of our ongoing celebration of 150 years of community spirit, and enduring legacy. We need you to help capture the essence of what makes this place so unique.

This is more than just a photo—it's a celebration of generations of tradition, shared memories, and the vibrant community spirit that defines Bay View. Come dressed in your Bay View best and help us mark the occasion with a lasting image.

Don't miss your chance to be part of this historic snapshot!

Fourth of July Picnic in Boothdale Park

Residents of the "Bay View Flats" and their guests are invited to Boothdale Park on **Friday, July 4th** for a potluck picnic. Please bring a dish to share, eating utensils, drinks, and either a blanket or tables and chairs.

We will give thanks for our nation's independence and the delicious food at 3:00 p.m. so plan to arrive accordingly. For anyone interested, bring games to play starting at 2:00 p.m. (cornhole, bocce, badminton, etc.).

Do you Know your Enneagram?

This summer, Bay View Association invites you to a meaningful day of spiritual discovery and personal growth at the Enneagram Retreat, led by Rev. Clare Loughrige—a seasoned pastor, spiritual director, and internationally accredited Enneagram teacher.

The Enneagram, an ancient symbol represented by a circle inscribed with nine points, offers a powerful map of the human personality. It reveals the innate patterns that shape how we think, feel, and respond to the world. When paired with the contemplative practices of Ignatian spirituality—rooted in the teachings of St. Ignatius of Loyola, who emphasized attentive listening to the soul—this retreat becomes a unique opportunity for transformation.

Rev. Loughrige, co-founder of Crossroads Soul Resources, is known for skillfully weaving the Enneagram with Ignatian wisdom to guide individuals beyond their personality "hardwiring." Through this integration, she helps participants uncover new pathways toward a life of greater faith, hope, and love.

This one-day retreat will go beyond intellectual understanding and invite participants into embodied practice. Through guided reflection, prayer, and practical exercises, you'll explore the three centers of intelligence—IQ (Head), EQ (Heart), and GQ (Gut)—as tools for discernment, balance, and growth.

Whether you're new to the Enneagram or seeking to deepen your spiritual and relational

awareness, this retreat offers space to:

Reconnect with your inner life; Learn to regulate emotional and instinctive responses; Engage in practices that support personal and professional transformation; Experience meaningful reflection in a supportive, contemplative environment.

All are welcome, whether you're pursuing personal renewal, seeking to support others in your community, or looking to foster healthier relationships in your work or family life.

If you're new to the Enneagram, you can discover your Enneagram style ahead of the retreat using this online assessment (\$15): <https://www.wepss.com>

Join us at Evelyn Hall on **Wednesday, July 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** for this enriching experience of reflection, growth, and spiritual integration. Register here:

<https://bayview.asapconnected.com/#EventDetail=309588>

For more about Rev. Clare Loughrige and her work, visit <https://scottandclareloughrige.org/>.

Join us at the BV Library!

Step Into the Wardrobe: A Magical Family Reading Experience Awaits in Bay View

This summer, something truly magical is happening in Bay View—and you're invited to be part of it. "Bay View Family Read: Into the Wardrobe" is more than just a book club. It's a journey for the whole family into the enchanted world of C.S. Lewis's timeless classic, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*.

Hosted by the Bay View Library

and guided by longtime Lewis enthusiasts **Meredith and Zach Pyers**, this free community class is your ticket to Narnia—a land of talking animals, epic battles, and deep truths about *courage, friendship, and sacrifice*.

Why You'll Want to Be Part of It!

All Ages Welcome: Whether you're a parent reading to your toddler or a teen diving into fantasy for the first time, there's a version of the book for everyone—from board books to full editions. Grab your family's copy at the Bay View Library today!

Weekly Adventures Begin July 7: Every Monday (July 7, 14, and 21), you'll receive specially designed worksheets filled with fun prompts and thoughtful discussion questions to spark meaningful family conversations. There will also be activity and prizes for all ages!

Talk About Narnia: Dive deeper with others in the community during weekly group dialogues. It's a chance to share favorite characters, discuss themes, and explore Lewis's world together.

The Grand Finale – Party and Movie Night! On **July 24**, there will be a party, starting at **5 p.m.** Then, there will be a screening of the film at **6:30 p.m.** in Voorhies. But there's more! There will be **2 grand prizes** at the event: *Narnia-themed artistic creation and Narnia-themed costume*.

Don't Miss This Chance to Rediscover the Magic. Whether you're new to Narnia or revisiting it through the eyes of your children, this is the summer to rediscover the wonder. "Bay View Family Read: Into the Wardrobe" promises laughter, learning, and a shared

sense of awe—exactly what summer should be.

Contact the Bay View Library today for more information. The magic begins **July 7**. *Will you be there?*



with reviews and examinations, encouraging habits of thoughtful reading and saving time while fostering a literary spirit, opening an avenue of superior social life, and cultivating among the members something of the college spirit.” He made the BVRC available through his innovative development of correspondence courses so that fees could remain low enough to be accessible to all. An annual subscription to his literary Bay View Magazine was \$.50 and the cost of the class was \$2.50 which included the textbook. At its peak, enrollment was estimated to be 150,000 members from nearly every state in the Union as well as those who enrolled from abroad.

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Gates of Knowledge

Submitted by Sophie McGee

In honor of Bay View’s Sesquicentennial, the Historical Museum has created a replica of a once significant BV gate entitled “Gates of Knowledge” representing the importance and popularity of the Bay View Reading Circle. The gate has been installed in front of Evelyn Hall next to the BVRC Rock. After completing the four-year course of study, students came to Bay View to participate in elaborate graduation ceremonies which included the passage through the “Gates of Knowledge” that symbolized one’s entry into cultural enlightenment

It was an enthusiastic John M. Hall who masterminded the program declaring that the Bay View Reading Circle offers a “definite and systematic thoughtful course,



Original Gates of Knowledge (1897).



BVRC Rock and Replica of the Gates of Knowledge (2025).

Bay View Woods Reopen for Summer Adventures

Thanks to the tireless efforts of the Russell Hall crew—and the hands-on help of our wonderful community volunteers—the Bay View Woods has officially reopened following the March ice storm.

The June 25 cleanup day brought a flurry of activity: volunteers remulched the Gateway Trail entrance, trimmed low-hanging

branches, and pushed back overgrowth encroaching on trails and boardwalks. These efforts, coupled with the earlier hazard clearance by Bay View staff, have readied the woods for another season of recreation and discovery.

That said, please note that while trails have been cleared of visible hazards, visitors enter at their own risk. In particular, poison ivy has been spotted growing near Richards Street and Knapp. Russell Hall is coordinating environmentally responsible spraying by the end of June, but hikers should remain alert. Looking ahead, we hope you’ll



Please remain alert of Poison Ivy during your time in the Woods!

join us for our **4th Annual Woods Walk on Monday, July 14th, between 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.**, beginning at the Knapp Avenue entrance. Enjoy music, storytelling, nature stations, and more as we celebrate the beauty and community spirit of the Bay View Woods.

See you on the trail!



Current Trends in American Foreign Policy: A Conversation with Dr. Vivian S. Walker

The U.S. approach to foreign affairs changed significantly since January. *But is the policy really that different from past years?* How should we understand these developments in the larger historical context of American foreign policy?

Vivian, a retired career Foreign Service Officer with the State Department, is currently a professor at Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. She has also taught at the University of Southern California, the Central European University's School of Public Policy, the National Defense College of the UAE, and the National War College in Washington. She is the former Executive Director of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy. Vivian has had extensive overseas assignments and led the first interagency discussion on public diplomacy in the aftermath of the 9/11 terror attacks.

Dr. Walker has published and lectured extensively on the practice of public diplomacy in complex information environments. She graduated from

Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and earned her doctorate from the University of Chicago.

Come join BV Cottager Vivian Walker for a structured, but informal discussion, **Monday, July 14, 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**, under the BV Event Tent.



Dr. Vivian S. Walker

For Your Convenience:

Our wonderful postmistress, Laura, has graciously offered to open the Bay View Post Office for package pickup on **Saturday, July 5th**, since there will be no mail service on **Friday, July 4th** due to the holiday. We're grateful for her dedication and extra effort to keep things running smoothly. **Thank you, Laura!**

ONLY trash in official blue Bay View trash bags will be picked up. These bags may be purchased at **Wade, Russell Hall, Gathering Post, and Shirt Shoppe**. Thank you for your cooperation.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Saturday, June 28th

- **CROP Walk for Hunger**
9 a.m. at Evelyn Hall.
(Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.)
- **ABBA Mania**
8 p.m. in Hall Auditorium.

Sunday, June 29th

- **Assembly Worship**
10:45 a.m. in Hall Auditorium.
- **Vesper Concert - Broadway: The Heart of America**
8 p.m. in Hall Auditorium.

Monday, June 30th

- **Memorial Garden Open House**
3-5 p.m. at Bay View Memorial Garden.
- **Monday Night Movie - The Way, Way Back** (Thanks to Steve and Ellen Liestenfeltz).
7:30 p.m. in Voorhies Hall.

Tuesday, July 1st

- **Woman's Council Program & Tea - "The Royals"** - with Jane Bauer.
1:30 p.m. at Woman's Council.

Wednesday, July 2nd

- **Jelly Roll Blues Band**
7 p.m. at Swift Field.

Thursday, July 3rd

- **Leaders Reunion Softball Game**
7 p.m. at Swift Field.

Friday, July 4th

- **Proscenium Curtain on Display**
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in Hall Auditorium.
- **Declaration of Independence Reading**
11 a.m. in Hall Auditorium.

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BAY VIEW MISSION

To be an institution in which Christian values and traditions are central. To enrich the human experience for individuals and families within Bay View and the surrounding community through a seasonal program of religious, educational, cultural and recreational opportunities. To provide a Christian perspective in a changing world.*

**Such as love, faith, grace, hope, respect, hospitality, and service to others.*

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