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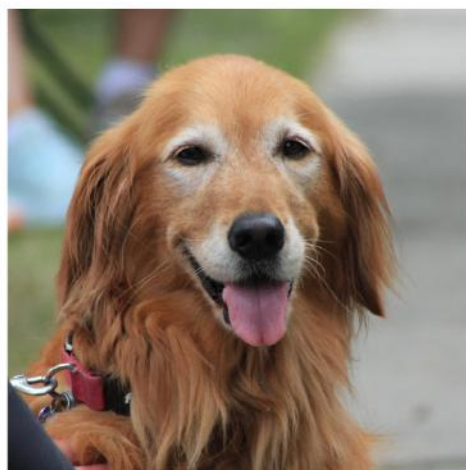
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FOR AN AMAZING 151ST SEASON



From the Executive Director, Megan DeWindt



One Last Thought...

As our 151st Assembly season comes to a close, I find myself overwhelmed with gratitude.

Gratitude for our volunteers who quietly said “yes” one more time. Gratitude for our staff who worked long days so others could rest, learn and grow. Gratitude for faculty who shared their gifts so generously. Gratitude for neighbors who became friends and friends who became family.

Last week, *The Wall Street Journal* introduced Bay View to readers across the country. It highlighted our historic cottages, our traditions, and our unique membership process. Those are certainly part of our story. But as I read the article, I couldn't help but think about what it couldn't possibly capture.

It couldn't capture the spontaneous conversations on a porch after a lecture.

It couldn't capture children giggling on the raft.

It couldn't capture the tears shed during worship, the standing ovations after a concert, Chris Ludwa seemingly floated as he conducted *This Little Light of Mine*, the quiet joy of volunteers preparing the Craft House before children arrive each morning, the sacred stillness of the Memorial Garden, where more than 400 of our friends and family are laid to rest, or the simple act of neighbors checking on one another after a smoky day gave way to sunshine.

It couldn't capture what makes Bay View...Bay View.

Last week, I invited members of our community to share the moments and lessons they will carry home after this summer. As their reflections arrived in my inbox, I was struck by something remarkable. They didn't write about headline events. They wrote about gratitude. They wrote about community. They wrote about the quiet moments that remind them who we are.

Worship Committee Chair Meredith Pyers reflected on the smoke that blanketed Bay View earlier this season. She wrote that it served as a “COVID-esque reminder” that experiences like these are never guaranteed. Rather than expecting our blessings, she invited us to breathe them in each day with gratitude. I have thought about those words often.

Annie Koch shared another beautiful moment. During a Morning Council meeting, Martha Gray Horn offered a devotional on the Breaking of Bread, followed by Bruno Sandes and Hee Kyung performing *Let Us Break Bread Together*. Annie described it as “a wonderful reminder of the richness of our Bay View community.”

Those reflections have stayed with me because they answer a question I've been asking myself:

What do we take home from Bay View?

I hope it is more than wonderful memories.

I hope people know where we come from, not because we tell them about our cottages or our history, but because they recognize something different in us.

May they see people who invite others to the table.

People who listen before speaking.

People who are willing to lead, knowing they won't always get

it right. As Rabbi Dan Gordon expressed, wisdom rarely comes from making every perfect decision. More often, it comes from having the humility to learn from the imperfect ones.

At the beginning of the season, Reverend Hendree Harrison challenged us to “Be the salt.” Salt doesn't call attention to itself. It quietly brings out the best in everything it touches.

What is our Bay View legacy?

Not simply that we spent our summers here, but that our families, workplaces, churches, schools, and communities are richer because we did.

When I asked what people would remember about this summer, they didn't write about buildings or policies. They wrote about people.

Perhaps that's because Bay View has never simply been a place. It has always been a way of living.

The choice is ours.

May we choose kindness over criticism.

Curiosity over certainty.

Gratitude over entitlement.

An open seat instead of a closed circle.

And may everyone we meet experience a little more grace because someone from Bay View has walked into the room.

Thank you for another remarkable summer. It has been one of the greatest privileges of my life to serve this extraordinary community.

Until we meet again, may God bless you, keep you safe, and bring you home to Bay View next season.

BAY VIEW ASSOCIATION PRESENTS:
MONDAY NIGHT MOVIES
 August & September 2026

Mondays | 7:30 p.m.
Voorhies Hall

My Mom Jayne
 2025 | TV-MA
August 10

The Friend
 2024 | R
August 17

Dream Horse
 2020 | PG
August 24

The Boy in the Striped Pajamas
 2008 | PG-13
August 31

Bob Trevino Likes It
 2024 | PG-13
September 7

North By Northwest
 1959 | NR
September 14

Dial M for Murder
 1954 | NR
Tuesday, September 15

Vindication Swim
 2024 | NR
September 21

The Holdovers
 2023 | R
September 28

community would come to feel like home.

This summer has been my first as Education Director, and as the season winds down, I want to take a moment to say thank you. Thank you to the families who trusted us with their curiosity and their growth. Thank you to the volunteers who showed up early, stayed late, and never once made it feel like a chore. Thank you to the teachers who poured so much heart into every class.

I've watched this department in action nearly every day since May, and I'm still amazed by what I've seen. Cottagers' genuine curiosity sparking lively conversation and strong turnout at our Scarrow Friday Forums. Families gathering to enjoy our Monday Night Movies. Community members discovering something new through our class offerings. Bay View has always been a community of lifelong learners, and this summer proved it again and again. There is something about this place, about the porches and the pines and the rhythm of the day, that brings out the best in people, young and old alike.

None of it happens on its own. Behind every successful program this summer stood people who cared enough to make it so. Our staff gave their energy and their patience day after day. Our volunteers gave their time without ever needing to be asked twice. And the families of Bay View entrusted us with their summer, which is no small thing.

A special thank you to Julia Healy, for curating such outstanding programming for the 2026 season. Julia, thank you for your friendship, and for the research, time, and dedication you invested. Your

efforts did not go unnoticed.

I'm grateful, too, for the generations who built this tradition long before I arrived. Walking through campus, past the old cottages, I've felt the weight and the warmth of Bay View's history, a history built by educators and dreamers who believed that learning and community belong together. I'm honored to now carry a small piece of that forward.

As my first year in this role draws to a close, I find myself already looking ahead to next summer, to the friendships that will grow, the lessons that will be taught, and the memories still waiting to be made. But before I turn toward next year, I wanted to pause here, in this moment, and simply say thank you. Thank you for welcoming me. Thank you for your patience as I learned. Thank you for reminding me, every single day, why this work matters.

Bay View, you have given my first year more than I could ever give back. I am deeply grateful, and I can't wait to see what we build together next.

The remaining education classes are as follows:

Canasta, M, 10 a.m., Campus Club
 • 8/10

Toddler Art, M, 10 a.m., Loud Hall Rm. 26
 • 8/10
 • 8/17

Jam Session, T, 1 p.m., Loud Hall Kitchen
 • 8/11
 • 8/25

Ballet, T/F THROUGH 9/18, 8:30 a.m., Loud Hall Dance Studio
Chautauqua Book Club, TH, 4:30 p.m., Bay View Library
 • 8/13

Leftovers... The Pot Roast Edition M, 10 a.m., Loud Hall
 • 8/17

Carl Palazzo will be on campus in August to distribute books to those who pre-purchased. A text message will be sent prior to his visit. Questions? Contact laura@bayviewassociation.org

From the Education Director, Lori Bolone



When I arrived at Bay View this spring, I knew I was stepping into something special. What I didn't know was how quickly this

Bay View Reading Circle, W, 3 p.m., Loud Hall

- 8/12
- 8/19

The Voorhies Hall Box Office closes for the season on Friday, August 7th. Register for post-seasons classes at <https://bayview.asapconnected.com/#ProgramID=651>.

From the Performing Arts Director, Chris Ludwa



Unsung Heroes

Want a sneak peek of the time, commitment, creativity, and problem-solving

that take during the first 24 hours of tech week?

Nothing begins until the vesper concert ends at roughly 9:15 p.m. on Sunday when the truck borrowed from Russell Hall comes down the drive next to Wade. Most production companies have a scenic build team of 5 to 6 people, but Bay View housing limits us to 2-3. First, the cross is removed from its counterweighted rail called a batten. Next, we hang a cyclorama, or an enormous white screen the size of the entire back wall of the stage. It is tied to the batten in 24 different places. Meanwhile, over in Evelyn Hall, four heavy racks of clothing are dragged over to the auditorium by the costume design team, in our case 2 people. Each character in a show has an average of 3 costumes. For a cast of 40, so that's 120 for the musical! Two weeks later, the opera cast of 16 people double-cast in each role, so that's 96 more.

A lighting design team of 2 work to focus and hang lights above the seating area as well as above the stage. Most theaters have programmable lights controlled from the lighting booth in the balcony. Bay View has conventional lighting elements, so a ladder is required every time a light is moved.

After all the set pieces are loaded from the truck to the stage, we essentially re-construct several rooms or exteriors of the scenic elements that were built in a small scene shop behind Russell Hall. (Back in Willard's day, this occurred in Evelyn Hall!) By this point it's about midnight, if we're lucky. In the sound department, 24 wireless mics are tested by our design team of 2 to ensure they work. Another crew of students move speakers around and try to get the best sound, a challenge since many speakers are in need of replacement. By 2:30 a.m., most head home to sleep. The stage managers create a punch list for the next day.

The next morning (Monday), technicians are back by 8:30 a.m. to work on what's left. Meanwhile, the voice students continue their voice lessons in the morning, have a staging rehearsal in Hitchcock from 2 to 5 p.m., a short dinner break at 5 p.m. (including a 5 minute walk to and from Crist Hall) and then at 6 p.m. get into makeup. At 6 p.m., we run a mic check before a 6:30 p.m. "fight call" to safely practice the fight scenes followed by an "intimacy call" to ensure that those actors feel comfortable and safe with what's happening in those type of scenes. A piano tech rehearsal starts around 7 p.m. and goes until 11 p.m. when the stage director or conductor gives notes

to each area, including paint, scenic, props, costumes, lights, sound, and actors. At 11 p.m., the actors are released, but the technicians typically leave Monday night around 12:30 a.m. Stage managers compile the notes for all until around 3 a.m. on Tuesday, when they send out an email with "fix this" notes for all 52 people involved in the show.

In Bay View, we execute with a team of about 11 people though most theaters have 22 people working for at least 6 weeks per show. I'm grateful to our team and we strive to retain them year over year, but turnover can be high given the rate of burnout. It's an honor to work beside this team that creates this magic on stage. We're also thankful to many donors who contribute to this effort and your contribution is never taken for granted. We can't wait to see you again next year as we raise the curtain again on another Bay View tradition.

From the Recreation Director, Amy Liddicoat - Seamster



As the sun sets on another Bay View summer, there are many thank yous, see you later, and even a few goodbyes to be said. This

season was full of energy, growth, laughter, and Fun and Recreation for ALL, and none of it would have been possible without every camper, leader, staff member, parent, and volunteer who made it happen.

Before anything else, I want to take a moment to recognize someone whose fingerprints

are on nearly every part of this community's life at the waterfront: our Swim Director, Bill Hauschild. As he moves on from his career at Bay View, it is important to reflect on his legacy.

For as long as many of us can remember, Bill has been the one standing at the water's edge, making sure every family who walked down to the beach found it safer and friendlier than they expected. He taught countless swim lessons, turning nervous first timers into confident swimmers, and there are grown adults in this community today who learned to swim under Bill's watch as kids. He trained and certified generations of lifeguards, and because of that, our waterfront is one of the safest gathering places in Bay View. That is not a small thing. It is the kind of quiet, steady work that an entire community benefits from without ever fully realizing how much effort it takes.

Bill's impact was never just about swimming or lifeguarding. It was about the kind of community he builds around the water. Everyone, young and old, member and staff, knew what Bill expected of them. He believed in doing things the right way, and he held all of us to that same high standard. He has a rare gift for balancing fun with responsibility, and he made that balance look easy, year after year.

On a personal note, I know I am a better leader today thanks to Bill's guidance. He wasn't afraid to challenge me, to encourage me, or to remind me to keep things in perspective when I needed it most. One of the things I will miss most is hearing him say, "You know what, Seamster...

you're alright." Coming from Bill, that meant more than he probably ever realized.

That is really what makes Bill so special. He didn't just show up for the swimmers and the lifeguards. He showed up for the whole Bay View community, for every family that walked onto that beach and every young staff member who needed someone to believe in them. His legacy will live on in every child he taught to swim, every lifeguard he mentored, and every person who had the privilege of working alongside him or simply passing him on the waterfront. Few people have embodied our motto, "Fun and Recreation for ALL," quite like Bill did, because for Bill, that motto was never just words. It was how he treated every single person who came down to the water. Thank you for everything, Bill.

While we are sad to say goodbye, there is plenty to celebrate. At our annual Recreation Awards Picnic, we recognized the individuals whose enthusiasm, talent, leadership, and kindness helped shape this season into one for the books. **Please join me in congratulating the 2026 Recreation Award winners:**

Craft House & Woodshop

- Mary Spayde (Craftsperson) Award – Maggie Mahan
- Harry Bethea (Craft Enthusiast) Award – Leia Hallett
- Tom and Marsha Busyn Award – Harper Smith
- Innovation in Woodworking – Preston Schwab

Fawns

- Fawns of the Year – Ada Hallett & James McPheely

Tennis

- Most Improved in Tennis – Byers Quina
- Most Improved in Tennis – Colette Hotard
- Twenty-Four Seven – Graham Heflin
- Twenty-Four Seven – Margaret Naltner

Boathouse & Sailing

- Seaman – 1st Class – Zander Kopp
- Most Improved Sailor – Andrew Lupinacci
- Sailing Enthusiast – Cate Lear
- Boathouse Enthusiast – Amelia Kramm

Swimming

- Most Improved Swimmer – Landen Laporte
- Swimming Perseverance – Jake Ananich
- Swimmer of the Year – Iris Horan
- Swim Instructor of the Year – Grace Perry
- Lifeguard of the Year – Mia Pensinger-Sok

Boys' & Girls' Club

- Bob Beckwith Award – Landen Laporte & Eli Dalton
- Good Guy / Good Gal Awards – Auggie Stelling & Beatrix Prescott
- Campers of the Year – Elliot Ludwa, Nick Sharai, and Lila Heflin
- Parent of the Year – Andy Lewis

Leadership Awards

- Tom Shearer Safety Award – Aaron Darrold
- Sam Spayde Award – McCann O'Brien
- Ruth Deal Award – Lucie Harvey
- LIT of the Year – Teddy Piper
- Assistant of the Year – Sophia Savarino
- Leader of the Year – Michael Savarino

Congratulations to all our award recipients. Your dedication, growth, and positivity were felt in every corner of our campus. And to every participant in our programs this summer, thank you for bringing your energy and spirit. Together, we made memories that will last a lifetime.

Here's to a successful 2026 season, and to many more summers of **"Fun and Recreation for ALL."**



CONGRATULATIONS to our Campers of the Week!

Week 8: Ryan Habursky, Hadassah Brooks, Jack Taylor, Keziah Brooks, Jude Stegmann, Hadley Smith, Beckham McPheely, Liesl Quinn

From the Worship Director, Jason Byassee



As we look toward the final weeks of the 2026 Assembly season, I find myself filled with gratitude. Thank you for the warm welcome you have extended to

me and my family this summer. It has been a joy to worship, learn, and grow alongside you in this remarkable community.

Many of you have shared kind words about this season's worship programming. While I deeply appreciate those compliments, I must recognize my colleague, Rev. Dr. Hilary Barrett, whose vision

and thoughtful planning shaped this outstanding lineup long before I arrived. Her work has been a tremendous gift to Bay View, and I know I speak for many when I say thank you, Hilary, for your faithful leadership and for creating such a meaningful season.

The summer is far from over, and we have much to look forward to.

On **Sunday, August 9th**, we are delighted to welcome Rev. Canon Dr. Jennifer Smith to Assembly Worship. Jennifer joins us following a week at our sister Chautauqua, Lakeside, continuing a partnership that enriches both communities and strengthens our shared connection to the Wesleyan tradition. She will also lead our Religion & Life lectures Monday through Thursday, **August 10–13, at 10 a.m.** in Voorhies Hall.

On **August 16th**, we welcome back our friend Rev. Dr. Trygve Johnson, whose thoughtful preaching has become a favorite among many in our community. If you see my good friend Trygve, tell him to fix my bike and give it back. Then, on **August 23rd**, we are honored to welcome Bishop Tracy Malone, whose leadership in The United Methodist Church reminds us of Bay View's enduring connection to the wider church. She was the first woman of color to lead any American denomination when she was president of the United Methodist Council of Bishops, and more importantly, she baptized one Will Byassee in Wheaton, Illinois in 2007.

Finally, I will have the privilege of concluding our Assembly Worship season on **August 30th**. It will be a meaningful opportunity to reflect on all that God has done in our midst this summer and to send one

another home with hope for the year ahead.

One of the great gifts of Bay View is that while our summer season eventually comes to a close, the relationships we build and the faith we share continue long after we leave these grounds. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly into your community. I look forward to staying connected throughout the year, and, God willing, returning to worship with you again in 2027.

I'm a little hesitant to add this last part. But more than one of you has told me you don't have a church back home when you're not at Bay View. And you've asked me whether you can take part in the church where I pastor off-season. In fact, you can, and we'd be delighted to have you worship with us online. Timothy Eaton Memorial Church is a historic congregation in the United Church of Canada, and much like Bay View, it has exceptional music. Our 11 a.m. worship service is livestreamed here:

<https://temc.ca/livestream> and

you can find past services on our Youtube channel here:

<https://www.youtube.com/@TEMCToronto>

Bible Study

Women's Bible Study

(Fridays, 9:45 a.m., Campus Club)

- **8/14** - Practical Christian Living

Men/Teenagers Bible Study

(Fridays, 8 a.m., Campus Club)

- **8/14** - The Power of Prayer

FINAL Children and Youth Sunday School of 2026 (8/9)

Meet at 9:30 a.m. at Hitchcock Hall

**Children's Sunday School
(ages 4-10)**

**Youth Sunday School
(ages 11-15)**

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 to create joy, connection, and inspiration all season long.

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

Sponsor a Monday Night Movie – Starting at \$125 per individual movie

Help keep this fun tradition alive and accessible for all!

This season's films are sponsored by Jim and Kathy Schroeder.

Sponsoring an individual movie is an easy and affordable way to honor a loved one and share in a beloved Bay View experience. *Individual movies were underwritten this year by Charlotte Van Horne Squarcy, Steve and Ellen Liestenfeltz, and Grace Ann Beebe.*

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 celebrating 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 8's concert was generously underwritten by Dan and Marylynn Mullen.

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

Sponsor Youth Theater – \$1,000

Provide a formative theater performance experience to our youth while providing some of Bay View's most beloved summer entertainment. *Youth Theater was underwritten by Petoskey Plastics, Dennis and Merritt Delano-Taylor, John and Remi Schloff, and Bill and Patti van der Have.*

Sponsor a Recreation Leader – \$3,000

Support the Recreation program and create a legacy for your family. *Lisa-Marie and John Maxon, Jim and Andrea Ananich, Jeff and Beth Jones, Kienan and Liz Murphy, Mark and Sarah Parker, and Betsey Spayde sponsored a record 6 leaders this season, honoring the program that connects their family to Bay View.*

The Ernie Gray Olympics are sponsored by the Ernie Gray Endowment Fund.

Sponsor a Vespers Concert – \$3,000

Support the heart of Bay View's musical tradition by sponsoring a Sunday Vespers concert. *The*

August 9th Vesper Concert is generously underwritten by Bob and Lisa Jones, In Memory of Karen Bohn.

Sponsor a Pops Concert – \$5,000

Support the events of the season through Bay View's popular pops concert. *Straight No Chaser was made possible thanks to the generosity of David and Theresa Crouse, Jay and Laura Crouse, Richard Dicker and Linda Crouse Dicker, Karen Crouse Miller, and Brian and Jan McPheely.*

Sponsor a Speaker or Lecture – various levels

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

Rev. Canon Dr. Jennifer Smith, arriving August 9, is sponsored in part by the Butterfield-Thomas Endowment and by your generous contributions to the Worship program.

Theme Week 2026 was sponsored by Myron Matz of MGM Construction.

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

Please reach out to giving@bayviewassociation.org to pursue any giving opportunities.

The sponsorships highlighted here are just a few examples of the many ways donors make a difference. We are grateful for every donor who helps make Bay View so special—yesterday, today, and always.



Important 2026 Dates

Sunday, August 9, 2026: Last day of the 151st Assembly Season.

Friday, August 21, 2026: Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Child Board Room and via Zoom.

Friday, September 11, 2026: Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. (Membership & Lease Transfer approvals) in the Child Board Room and via Zoom.

Friday, September 25, 2026: Last Regular In-Person Board of Trustees Meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Child Board Room and via Zoom.

Monday, October 12, 2026: Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. EST.

Monday, November 2, 2026: Last day cottagers can be in their cottage. Closing day of Bay View.

Monday, December 14, 2026: Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. EST.

Election Results Are In!

Per By-Law 7, the following individuals were elected to serve a three (3) year term on the Board of Trustees via voice vote at the Annual Meeting:

- Martha Blandford (Incumbent)
- Jeff Jones
- Dan Mullen (Incumbent)

We are pleased to announce the officers of the Board of Trustees for 2026-2027:

- **President:** Walt Byers
- **Vice President:** Dan Mullen
- **Secretary:** Kirsten Lowell
- **Treasurer:** Martha Blandford

These officers were elected by the Board of Trustees following the

Annual Meeting. We congratulate and thank these Trustees for their service.

Thank you to all who came out to vote!



Pulse Survey

As our 151st Season comes to a close, we want to take a moment to thank you for being part of the Bay View experience. Every concert you attended, every class you participated in, every walk along our beautiful campus helped make this year truly unforgettable.

Now, we'd love to hear from you. Our End-of-Season Pulse Survey is your opportunity to share your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions. Your voice matters—and by participating, you help shape the future of Bay View Association.

What did you love most about this season? What could we improve? Are there programs or experiences you'd like to see next year? We are listening. Your feedback is vital in helping us plan, grow, and ensure that Bay View continues to thrive for years to come.

Please take just a few minutes before August 21st to complete the survey. Whether you've been here for the whole summer or visited for a single event, your perspective is valuable. Together, we can make next season even more memorable.

Link: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8927324/BV-Pulse-Survey-2026>

Campus Club

Campus Club's popular potluck suppers return **Tuesday, August 11th, at 6 p.m.** in the Campus Club building, where strangers become friends. Bring a dish to share and your own tableware.

At the club's August 4th annual meeting, Skylar Higgins was re-elected president, with Steve Franklin elected vice president, Bart English treasurer, and Alison Ford secretary. Thanks to everyone who attended this season's Campus Club happenings!



Congratulations to John Lewis and Dick Heltsley on winning first place at Campus Club's Croquet Tournament!



Congratulations to Bart English on winning first place at Campus Club's Lawn Bowling Tournament!



Thank you to everyone that participated in Campus Club's Lawn Bowling Tournament!

Woman's Council

The Bay View Woman's Council has had a great 2026 season. At our final meeting on August 4th, we installed our new officers and members-at-large. Our president is Chris Howell, vice-president is Kathy Duquette, treasurer is Barb Emmer, and secretary is Jane George. Our members-at-large who are serving 3-year terms are Jan Ramsey, Cathy Solberg, and Jan McPheely.

We had a very successful bazaar on July 14th. The proceeds from the bazaar are enabling the Woman's Council to give **\$8,500** in grants to the 4 Bay View Pillars and charitable organizations in the Petoskey Area in 2027.

Our programs and activities this summer were outstanding: A 4th of July craft, our wonderful Music Students, a Bazaar, Sue Child's father's diary of WWII, an introduction to Lavender Hill Farms, a Conversation with Dr. Risa Renae Harman, and the "Bon Appetit!" mini Opera.

We are planning great programs for next year's season. Mark your calendars for these two events. There is much more to come!

- **June 17th:** The Joint Woman's Council/Morning Council Opening Luncheon.
- **July 13th:** No need for Bay View cottagers and friends to cook. **Taco Tuesday** and a fundraiser are being planned!

We want to express our sincere gratitude to the Bay View community for its support of the Woman's Council this season. And we look forward to a special 2027 season. See you next summer!



Bay View Museum

As the 2026 Bay View Season comes to a close, we want to thank all Bay View Members, visitors, and friends for their support of the Museum. It is truly a Bay View Association treasure!

In celebration of our nation's 250th birthday, we have had wonderful displays of Military and Presidential memorabilia, classic American-made products, and Bay View historical artifacts. We continue to acquire beautiful objects of historic significance from Bay View members. Our most recent acquisition is the uniform of Ensign Mary Helen Bradshaw Whaley of the Waves. Her family has included her obituary and picture with a narrative of her distinguished military and civilian career.

We are making plans for interesting displays for the 2027 Season. Our work at the Museum never stops. Barb Turkal has been hard at work updating our accessions this week.

The Museum will be open to the public for the final time this season on **Sunday, August 9th** after Assembly Worship until 1 p.m. Following the season closing, contact Kathy Haskins at (734) 545-2534 for an appointment to visit.



Bay View Archives

The Bay View Archives will be open **Monday August 10th** and **Friday, August 14th from 1-4 p.m.** After August 14th, visits may be arranged by appointment only. Email archives@bayviewassociation.org to schedule an appointment.

Thank you for a wonderful season.

Library News

One Last Chapter Before We Close the Book on Another Great Season!

As another wonderful library season comes to an end, we'd like to thank everyone who stopped by to discover a new favorite author, introduce a child to the joy of reading, or simply enjoy the pleasure of a good book.

Before we close the book on this season, we have one important reminder:

All library books are due by Thursday, August 20th.

At the beginning of the 2026 season, we gave everyone a fresh start by waiving all outstanding overdue fines from previous years. We were happy to begin the season with a clean slate for every patron.



To help keep our collection moving throughout our short summer season, we do charge 10 cents per day for overdue books (weekends excluded). We know many public libraries have eliminated overdue fines, but our library operates for only a brief season each year. Returning items on time helps us quickly cycle popular titles back onto the shelves so as many children and adults as possible can enjoy them.

If you have library books at home, now is the perfect time to gather them up and bring them back by **August 20th**. Your timely returns help ensure our collection is ready for another fantastic season next year.

The library will soon switch from summer hours (June 15th - August 14th, Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.) to **post-season hours (August 17th - 28th, Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.)**.

Thank you for making the Bay View Library a special place for readers of all ages. We wish you a wonderful rest of the summer and look forward to seeing you again next season. Happy reading!



Bay View Inn - Northern Renewal Retreat

- Friday, November 6th - Sunday, November 8th
- Bay View Inn | 2011 Woodland Ave
- All Weekend
- Pricing starts at \$998

This fall, we invite you to join wellness professional Kat Palms for a restorative weekend centered on longevity and everyday well-being. Through gentle movement, guided reflection, nourishing meals, and meaningful connection, you'll experience practices designed to help you feel grounded and refreshed. Reserve your spot by **August 31st** and you will receive \$100 off your retreat experience!

Environmental Interest Group

Appliance Tips from the Environmental Interest Group

At local appliance stores we heard several basic but helpful comments for Bay View. Before you shop, *measure*. Measure the location of your appliance AND the doors, steps and corners required to get

your old one out and the new one installed. Many BV cottages have older electric panels. Upgrades to handle new equipment can add considerably to your cost. Because our cottages are historic, some of our utilities are in small crawl spaces that present complications for new installations. On the upside, local stores are eager to do business with us. One (Kaufman's) offers a 10% discount for Bay View cottages.

Shop for the best EnergyStar rating. Any upgrade you make will save you money!

You may be interested in reducing your reliance on natural gas. Gas has the highest carbon footprint. It relies on direct methane combustion in *your* kitchen. Indoor emissions include benzene, nitrogen dioxide, and PM2.5. PM2.5 is fine particulate matter that can penetrate deep into your lungs and even enter your bloodstream, making it one of the most dangerous air pollutants.

Do you need a new kitchen stove? If you compare induction, standard electric, and gas, including purchase price, cost to run, and return on investment, induction is the way to go. Standard electric is the most affordable to purchase, but rarely the best choice. Gas stoves offer low operational costs, but come with higher environmental and health risks.

Crooked Tree Arts Center School of Ballet Comes to Bay View

Join the Crooked Tree Arts Center School of Ballet on **August 22nd**, 7 p.m., in Hall Auditorium, to celebrate an artistic legend, a radical activist and a pioneer of

modern dance— Martha Graham. “Dance Legends: Little Traverse Bay Celebrates Graham100” is part of a global celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Martha Graham Dance Company, the country’s oldest dance company. Under the guest direction of former Martha Graham Dance Company principal dancer, Peter Sparling, this performance features two of Graham’s iconic works: *Appalachian Spring Suite* (1944), and *Lamentation* (1930). This performance also includes *Our Own American Document*, an original work of Peter Sparling, modeled after Graham’s 1938 masterwork, *American Document*. *Our Own American Document* illuminates the rich history of the Little Traverse Bay area.

Tickets are \$5 for students, \$25 for adults, and \$50 for VIP seating and are available online at <https://www.crookedtree.org/>, by scanning the QR code, or by calling (231) 347-4337.



Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra presents: *Ravel & Mendelssohn*.

Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro Libor Ondras, opens its 26th Concert Season on **September 12th** at

7 p.m. in Hall Auditorium with “*Ravel & Mendelssohn*,” proudly bringing the next generation of exceptional talent to northern Michigan. Experience the brilliance of Ravel’s *Piano Concerto in G Major*, featuring the Gilmore Young Artist Elliot Wu. Mendelssohn’s *Symphony No. 4, “Italian,”* and Rossini’s *The Barber of Seville Overture* will also be performed.

Tickets (Assigned seating at \$35, \$45, \$65) are available at <https://glcorchestra.org/concerts/> or at (231) 487-0010. Call for complimentary tickets for veterans, active service members and students 18 and under.



22nd Annual Little Traverse CROP Hunger Walk Results

Thanks to all who supported the 22nd Annual Little Traverse CROP Hunger Walk, held in Bay View on June 27th. A total of **158 walkers** showed up on a beautiful sunny Saturday morning and walked together around Bay View to show our concern for those locally and around the world who don’t always have enough to eat, and to raise money to alleviate their hunger.

Together we raised \$28,665 to support hunger relief projects sponsored by Church World Service. CWS will return one quarter of these funds as a grant to our local Manna Food Project, a Harbor Springs-based food bank supplying

food pantries in Emmet, Charlevoix and Antrim Counties.

Several teams of walkers and donors from around the region participated. These included Bay View Members and Friends (75 walkers; \$7,119), Jerry Rees Memorial Team (20 walkers; \$6,755), First Congregational Church of Charlevoix (14 walkers; \$2,747), Emmanuel Episcopal Church (25 walkers; \$1,710), Doug Bowden Team (\$650); First Presbyterian Church Harbor Springs (\$500), Cross of Christ Lutheran Church (3 walkers; \$350), Pat Sehr Memorial Team (3 walkers; \$302) and First Presbyterian Church Petoskey (3 walkers; \$185).

In addition, please help us thank our institutional sponsors. Gold level donors (\$500 or more) were Bay View Association, Bill’s Farm Market, and First Congregational Church of Charlevoix. Silver level donors (\$250-\$499) were Auto Service Specialists, Bay View Inn, McCune Real Estate, Stone Funeral Home and Ward & Eis Gallery. Bronze level donors (\$100-\$249) were Dave Kring Chevrolet, First Presbyterian Church of Petoskey, Fletch’s, Kauffman’s Furniture & Appliances, MD Auto Clinic, Meyer Ace Hardware, Taylor Automotive, Terrace Inn, Tri Rivers Collision, and Wherever Forever Life Coaching. Copper level donors (\$50-\$99) were Alfies Attic, Hamill’s Floor Covering, Horton Bay Community Church, Northern Copy Express and Tom & Dick’s Grocery. The 23rd Annual Little Traverse CROP Hunger Walk will be held in Bay View on **Saturday, June 26th, 2027** (last Saturday in June). Those who wish to volunteer to help with walk logistics (planning is already starting), please contact Steve Vella who is the coordinator for next year’s walk (spvella1957@gmail.com).

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Sunday

- **Assembly Worship**
10:45 a.m. in Hall Auditorium
(FINAL - August 31st)

Monday

- **Monday Night Movie**
7:30 p.m. in Voorhies Hall
(FINAL - September 28th)

Tuesday

- **Pot Luck Supper**
6 p.m. at Campus Club
(FINAL - October 20th)

Board of Trustees Meetings:

- **Friday, August 21st**
- **Friday, September 11th**
- **Friday, September 25th**
- **Monday, October 12th**
8:30 a.m. in Child Board Room

Special Events:

Sunday, August 9th

- **Vesper Concert - Grand Finale**
8 p.m. in Hall Auditorium

Thursday, August 13th

- **Garden Club Meeting**
3 p.m. in Evelyn Hall
- **Handbell Choir Concert**
7:30 p.m. in Hall Auditorium

Saturday, August 15th

- **Vocal Art Song Concert - mOthertongue: Lived Experience in Asian America**
7 p.m. in Evelyn Hall

Friday, August 21st

- **Evensong Service**
7 p.m. in Crouse Chapel

Saturday, August 22nd

- **Crooked Tree Arts Center School of Ballet - Graham100**
7 p.m. in Hall Auditorium

Thursday, August 27th

- **Organ Concert - So In Love**
7:30 p.m. in Hall Auditorium

Friday, September 4th

- **Crooked Tree Arts Center School of Ballet - Choreography Showcase**
7 p.m. in Hall Auditorium

Saturday, September 12th

- **Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra- Ravel Piano Concerto with Gilmore Young Artist**
7 p.m. in Hall Auditorium



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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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