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NARCONON DENIED; OTHER ISSUES LOOM

As you may know, on May 19, 2005, the Petoskey Planning Commission denied the request of Narconon for a special approval use to operate a "drug treatment and rehabilitation center" on the site of the former Reus Memorial Home on Arlington Avenue. As of this date, there is still a possibility that the Planning Commission's decision will be appealed by the applicant.

Recent development trends in the Little Traverse Bay area dictate that your Board of Trustees keep a vigilant eye on what is occurring on vacant properties in the immediate vicinity of Bay View. The possibility that any such property might be developed for a use that

is incompatible with our historic Victorian community remains. The proposal from a major developer to acquire the country club for a major retail development in exchange for building a new country club at another location is a perfect example of what can happen if we do not take adequate steps to protect our borders.

In the past two years, your Board of Trustees has discussed purchasing the vacant land south of the Bay View woods near the Mitchell and Division Road intersection. What happens in that area could have a significant impact on Bay View and the woods.

The Board also studied the

possibility of acquiring the Reus property for future use. Indeed, an effort was made to "take the property" off the market before the recent zoning hearing.

The Board of Trustees is interested in receiving ideas and suggestions on how vacant and unused parcels in our vicinity might be acquired and developed for uses compatible with our Bay View community or even acquired by Bay View to meet its needs. If you or someone you know has any ideas or suggestions, please contact Rod Slocum, our Executive Director.

Tom Shearer
President

MUSIC FESTIVAL'S OPENING CONCERT IS JUNE 19

At 8 p.m. Sunday, June 19, the Bay View Music Festival commences with its first concert of the season.

The Festival Chorus, under the direction of Thomas J. Hart, will offer an excerpt from the Brahms "Requiem."

Peter Lightfoot, baritone, will appropriately start the season with Richard Rodgers' "It's a Grand Night for Singing."

Scott Thornburg, trumpet, will perform "Scherzo in D" by Raphael Mendez. Andrew Bruck, violinist, will perform "Flamenco

Memories," his own composition.

A light-hearted scherzo from the noted D minor piano trio of Mendelssohn will be offered by Seunghee Lee, violin, Carl Donakowski, cello, and Anthony Padilla, piano.

Kelly Hale, organist, will play Edwin Lemare's stately "Marche Moderne." Richard Kennedy, Bay View's new tenor artist, will make his debut with two wonderful songs of Joaquin Turina.

The Bay View Brass Quintet will begin their season with Eric Ewazen's "Frostfire." Quintessence,

Bay View's woodwind quintet in residence, will perform the "Finale from Suite for Wind Instruments" of Lefebvre.

Mezzo-soprano Martha Hart will sing "Chanson de Zora" of Rossini and Risa Renae Harman will close the opening concert with Donizetti's "O luce di quest' anima."

Collaborative pianists for this concert include Timothy Cheek, Anthony Patterson and Anthony Padilla.

Please call 231-348-9551 after June 13 for tickets and information.

EDUCATION REGISTRATION MONDAY, JUNE 13

Registration for the 2005 Bay View Education Seminars will be 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. Monday, June 13, at the Campus Club.

Members of the Education Committee already are receiving positive comments from cottagers about the 2005 program.

An excellent variety is on tap, including such favorites as bridge and exercise classes.

New offerings are planned in the Study, Reading and Viewing category, including "Our Beautiful Minds - Perspectives on Sanity," which will be presented by four professors from North Central Michigan College.

Complete information on all classes can be found in the Bay View Summer Program or on the Bay View website (www.bayviewassociation.net).

CRITER PUBLICATION DATES AND DEADLINES

Beginning today, The Town Crier will publish every Friday for the rest of the summer.

The deadline is noon Tuesday the week of publication. If at all possible, please email your articles to perry@bayviewassociation.net.

Thank you in advance for your submissions and helping us meet our printing schedule.

DEATH NOTICE

Luanne Sanquist passed away during the winter. Our thoughts are with her family.

PERFORMING ARTS ANNOUNCES AUDITION TIMES AND DATES

The Performing Arts Department is announcing auditions for its 2005 productions.

Audiences are sure to love this year's play, "The Fouponster," a timeless valentine to the institution of marriage which follows one couple as they struggle through all the familiar stages of their relationship. Performances of "The Fouponster" are at 8 pm on July 14, 15, and 16 in Voorhies Hall.

Director Sarah May will hold auditions in Loud Hall 2:30-6 p.m. Sunday, June 19, and 7-10 p.m. Monday, June 20. Needed are two energetic, versatile performers in their 20s to 40s who can play the couple as they progress from blushing newlyweds to empty-nesters.

"The Secret Garden" is a musical theater version of Frances Hodgson Burnett's much-loved novel, in which a bit of earth, a persistent girl, and some moorland magic bring a secret garden to life. "The Secret Garden" will come to life at 8 p.m. July 28, 29, and 30, on the stage of Hall Auditorium.

Returning West Coast director James Haffner, who directed last season's production of "Fiddler on the Roof," will hold auditions at 7 p.m. Friday, June 24, and from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 25, in Loud Hall. Roles for all ages are available. Come prepared to sing and move, dressed in comfortable clothes. An accompanist will be provided. If you don't have a song prepared, one will be given to you. Rehearsals begin Monday, June 27.

Puccini's opera "La Bohème," beloved by generations of opera-goers, transports the audience to 1830s Paris in a story of undying friendship, love, and compassion among artists. The production will be presented at 8 p.m. August 11 and 12 in Voorhies Hall, and at 7:30 p.m. August 13 and 2 p.m. August 14 at the Cheboygan Opera House. Auditions for the chorus will be announced at a later date. Rehearsals begin on July 18.

For more information, contact Mark Kobak, Director of Theatre Arts, at 231-348-0901 after June 15.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING BEGINS THURSDAY

Curbside recycling at Bay View begins Thursday, June 9.

Bear Creek Township will provide curbside recycling each Thursday through August 25. The

service is being offered in cooperation with Emmet County Recycling and the Bay View Association. There is no charge. For more information, contact Russell Hall at 347-1240.

BOARD SETS NEW MINIMUM FOR ENDOWMENTS

The Board of Trustees on May 27 adopted an endowment fund minimum which is required to establish a named fund. The minimum for a named endowment will be \$20,000. Existing endowment

funds containing smaller amounts will be consolidated and aggregated with permission of the donor family, where they can be located. Any restrictions on use of the funds will be honored.

MEMORIAL SERVICE PLANNED FOR MABEL J. HAGER

A Memorial Service for Mabel J. Hager will be held at 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 11, at the First Presbyterian Church of Petoskey.

PLANTING DAY CHANGED TO JUNE 11 AT MEMORIAL GARDEN

The season is gearing up ... and so is the crew at the Bay View Memorial Garden.

“Planting Day” has been changed to Saturday, June 11. The time is the same, 9 a.m. until noon. Past gardeners and newcomers are cordially invited to attend.

If you have never gardened or haven't gardened with the BVMG gang before, here are half a dozen great reasons to make this your weekly Saturday Bay View time commitment:

– Gardeners are a welcoming bunch. It is no accident that plants that pop up unexpectedly are happily labeled “volunteers.”

– Gardeners thrive on change. Without it, a garden cannot grow.

– Gardening can be as high or low-maintenance as you need it to be at any given point in your life. If it is necessary to miss a Saturday,

there will be plenty to do next time.

– Roberts Rules of Orders are not big on a gardener's agenda. Gardeners just do their thing and it all turns out well in the end.

– Gardening is a grounding experience ... a labor of love that helps us cope with the seasons of our own lives.

– Gardening in Bay View is about community. Gardeners feel a very real and powerful bond with the loved ones interred in that Garden, their families, and our own personal life journeys. We thank God every summer for this special ministry.

Above all? The Memorial Garden team needs you. Just bring a pair of work gloves (or not), favorite garden tools (or they will be provided) and the desire to get involved. Weekly Saturday work sessions run from 9 a.m. to about 11 a.m. Just meet us at the garden along the bluff near the Stafford's parking lot.

FIRST CHORUS REHEARSAL JUNE 16

Please join us for the first Festival Chorus rehearsal of the season at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 16, in Hall Auditorium.

An excerpt from the Brahms “Requiem” will be sung at the first Vespers at 8 p.m. Sunday, June 19. All choral singers from the region are welcome to join the Festival Chorus. The final Vespers will be August 14. In the interim, the Chorus will perform a large work with orchestra on Wednesday, July 20.

FIELD SCHOOL OFFERS LECTURES, WORKSHOPS

Bay View cottagers are welcome to attend evening lectures and workshops offered as part of the field school. Ilene Tyler will present the program “Common Sense

Preservation” at 7 p.m. Monday, June 6, at Evelyn Hall. Steve Seebom will lead a session at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 7, at Campus Club entitled “Paint your Historic Home.”

TRANSFER FEES NET \$111,045 IN 2004

In 2004 the Association received \$111,045 in cottage sales transfer fees, based on a fee of 2 percent of the sale price. Those revenues were distributed as follows:

\$50,000 Replacement Fund
\$8,963 Retire the outstanding debt on the Ditto Cottage (manse)

\$52,082 Establish a Sinking Fund for upgrades to John M. Hall Auditorium

The Board of Trustees increased the cottage sale transfer fee to 4 percent beginning Nov. 1, 2004. The first \$50,000 is allocated to the Replacement Fund and the remainder to the Hall Auditorium Sinking Fund. As of this date the Association has collected \$19,396 from the sale of three (3) cottages.

YOUNG AMERICANS GROUP RETURNING TO BAY VIEW

The popular dance and singing group “The Young Americans” are returning to Bay View this year after a successful visit in 2004.

The group will perform at 8 p.m. Sunday, June 12, in John M. Hall Auditorium.

“The Young Americans are a group of 30 highly talented young singers and dancers, 15 young men and 15 young females who radiate a sense of caring and reality to their audience,” according to the group's web site.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students. They are available at the Petoskey Chamber of Commerce, the Bay View Business Office and at Hall Auditorium the night of the performance.

JAZZ GREAT CHICK COREA COMING TO BAY VIEW JUNE 18

Chick Corea, an award-winning international pioneer of modern jazz, will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 18, in John M. Hall Auditorium.

The concert is presented by The Bay View Association in collaboration with the Crooked Tree Arts Center.

Appearing with his new Touchstone quintet, Corea revisits the Spanish/Flamenco influences

at the heart of his classic Touchstone album, and continues the exploration in a brand new set of compositions.

Tickets are available at the Bay View Business office, at www.crookedtree.org, or by calling 231-347-4337. Reserved seats are \$50; general admission is \$25 (\$20 for Bay View members). A Patron Package that includes premium reserved seating and artist reception, is \$100.

CAN'T HEAR THE MUSIC? HELP FIX IT!

Have you ever been annoyed when a once-in-a-lifetime lecture or sermon failed to be recorded? Do you wish you could hear every voice in the musical?

Don't you want the sound to be enhanced for all events held in John M. Hall Auditorium?

Then help is on the way. If we all get behind this project, we will hear a significant difference this summer.

An ad hoc committee, chaired by David Doidge, has authorized a request for approximately \$15,000 from Performing Arts to fund a sound equipment upgrade.

This equipment will be the foundation for whatever is ultimately decided for Hall and Voorhies. It is 100 percent portable. It will not go to waste.

Checks should be written to the Bay View Association with "sound equipment" on the memo line. We encourage you to give generously.

Tay Howell, a noted Bay View artist, has offered to paint a watercolor sketch of your cottage if you donate \$250 or more.

Contact John or Barbara Moran, 347-2968, with questions. More details are forthcoming.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CRIST HALL UPGRADE

Bay View has a need for volunteers for an exciting project. Crist Hall has been totally renovated and looks beautiful.

The rooms need to be furnished to complete this wonderful project, but the funds are not there. It would be greatly appreciated if each family could take one room and be responsible for furnishing it.

Bay View wants new, matching comforters, not extras from cot-

tages, in order to avoid mustiness. Comforters should be soft and washable. Penney's is a good source as are discount stores like K-Mart.

Please call Gerrit or Jan Gucky at 1-517-351-9442 or 1-231-347-1373; or email us at ggucky@cs.com, if you are able to participate.

We look forward to hearing from you and to a fun time helping Bay View in a very exciting project.

PHOTO I.D. NEEDED TO OPEN BAY VIEW POST OFFICE BOX

Due to new United States Postal Service rules, when opening your box at the Bay View Post Office this year, you will need to show two forms of identification.

One of those forms of identification must be a photo I.D.

Vickie and Kittie thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

LAWNS AND SHRUBBERY MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds Dave Ellis reminds cottagers that the Bay View By-Laws require that leaseholders keep their lawns, grass and shrubbery well trimmed between June 21 and September 1.

If the Superintendent determines that a leasehold fails to comply with this requirement, the Superintendent will notify the leasehold of the work required. Failure to perform the work may cause the leasehold's grass and shrubbery to be cut and trimmed at the leasehold's expense. The cost will be added to the leaseholder's tax bill and constitute a lien against the leasehold.

CHAUTAUQUA NETWORK

The Annual Network Meeting will be held at Chautauqua, New York, July 28-31 this year. Bay View hosted the event in 2004. We encourage members to give serious consideration to attending the conference. This is a wonderful opportunity to participate, share and learn from our sister network institutions.