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The first day of school for Lakeview, Montabella, and Central Montcalm students is this Monday, August 29, 2016. Drivers, please watch for children and buses while you make your way into work in the morning.

Congratulations to Leppink's Food Centers for receiving the 2016 Al Kessel Outstanding Achievement Award. Turn to page 4 for the story.

There are two local festivals that are planned for this weekend. Check out page 4 for the Potato Festival schedule in Edmore. The Blanchard Steamfest is the other planned festival.





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**Chief Darin Dood and James Perkins** 

# In Spite of Rain, Danish Festival Was Fun



### Lakeview Policeman Honored by Local SCV Camp Submitted by James D. and

Perkins

Thursday, August 18th has been designated as Law Enforcement Appreciation Day by the National Headquarters of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, a heritage group that honors the citizen soldiers who served honorably in the War for Southern Independence (i.e., Civil War) during the years 1861-1865. SCV Commanderin-Chief Thomas V. Strain has recently issued General Order 2016-01, which is stated below:

Subject: Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

I– Whereas, with the current vicious and despicable attacks being waged against the law enforcement officers around the country today, and

II– Whereas, law enforcement officers are the domestic protectors of our citizens, our society, and our way of life, and

III– Whereas, a society cannot survive without the valor, dedication, and sacrifices of our law enforcement officers and the support from their families, IV– Whereas, responsible citizens have a moral duty to support the institutions and citizens who place their lives in peril every day so our society can have the rights, privileges, and freedoms of citizens of a great republic which our forefathers and God provided us,

V– Now therefore, the following proclamation is hereby published to the Confederation:

Hence, we the Major-General Patrick R. Cleburne, Camp 2257 of Western Michigan, would like to honor and personally recognize Lakeview Police Chief Darin Dood, for his dedicated service to his community. For the past ten years, Darin has held the position as Chief and has worked tirelessly to make the police department stronger and more efficient. "I have always had a desire to fix things, leave them better than when I found them. When I took on the role as chief of police in Lakeview, I brought that mentality to the department," replies Dood.

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# Larry Cole to be Arraigned

### **By Linda Huckins**

On August 16, 2016, Larry Cole of Lakeview, appeared in the 64B District Court in Stanton for a probable cause hearing to determine if there was enough evidence against him to continue with legal proceedings. Cole is accused of six counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct in the 4<sup>th</sup> degree, which are felonies. It was determined that there was enough evidence so his case has been sent to the circuit court. The alleged incidents took place at the Alley Cat Bar & Grill (and bowling alley) in Lakeview, which Cole owns. An arraignment date has been set for September 8<sup>th</sup>, but that doesn't

mean that a trial date will soon follow. According to the clerk of the circuit court, it takes quite a while after an arraignment for a trial date to be set.



### **Summer Forecast**

There is a 60% chance for scattered thunderstorms for today (Thu.). Expect to see partly sunny to sunny skies for Fri. and Sat. Then there is a 60% chance for morning thunderstorms on Sun. Back to partly sunny to sunny skies for the rest of the week, Mon. - Wed.

Highs in the 70s and lows in the 60s.



**Danish Festival Royalty** 

#### By Linda Huckins

Last weekend, Greenville hosted its 52nd Annual Danish Festival with activities and events for all ages taking place at various venues around the city. This year's Grand Marshals were Dennis and Shirley Hayes.

The festival started on Thursday and continued through Sunday. On Thursday, there was a health fair, hot air balloon demonstrations, and a concert, plus a used book and bake sale at the library that continued through Saturday.

Things picked up on Friday with a traveling exhibit of Danish culture, museum tours, Hans Christian Andersen events for children, a Hans Christian Andersen Fairy Tale Parade, a car show by the Greenville Area Corvette Club, a softball tournament, the "Princess and the Pea" bed race, an ice cream contest, a band concert, more hot air balloon flights, plus live performances and the first day of the arts, crafts and food booths.

Saturday was a big day with events, sometimes overlapping, throughout the day. Families flocked to the downtown area to enjoy the arts and crafts show and partake of the many food items including the famous Danish aebleskivers.

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There needs to be attorney meetings and other things that have to happen first. She said it could take a while.

Lakeview is a small town and rumor runs rampart. People should not speculate without having all the facts. Two rumors floating around are definitely untrue. One is that the Alley Cat was closed for a month and the other is that Cole sold the business. The Alley Cat is open and Cole still owns it.

We will bring you more information as it becomes available.

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