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The Lakeview Area News office will be closed on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving!

Bethlehem Blanchard was held last weekend. Over 250 people attended the annual event. Turn to page 9 for the article.

Exchange students at LHS held an International Fair Tuesday evening. Check in next week's paper for pictures of the event.

The Friends of the Tamarack District Library will be hosting their annual Celebration of the Seasons event November 27 through December 1 at the library.

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Autumn Forecast

Cloudy skies are in the forecast for Thu. (H: 41: L: 35). Then there is a 100% chance for rain showers for Fri. (H: 45; L: 32) and a rain/snowy mix for Sat. (H: 50; L: 44). Cloudy skies for Sun. (H: 34; L: 28); sunny skies for Mon. (H: 39; L: 27); and cloudy skies for Tue. and Wed. (H: 41; L: 30).



Lakeview Council Meeting

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Police Chief Darin

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Eric McLaughlan to install data backup

By Joe Tilton

Protecting data in village computers was a major topic at Monday night's Lakeview Village Council meeting in the airport meeting room.

Eric McLaughlan, an official with Big E Technologies, told the council that a triple-redundancy system plus off-site backup was the most secure way of avoiding loss of records used daily.

McLaughlan, who is also the county's IT director, said the system he will be installing for the village will be good for five to seven years. While the total cost was not disclosed in the meeting, it's believed to be in the \$2,500 range. Setup takes about two weeks and will be in service by the end of the year.

Two public hearings began the meeting, one on the Burn Ordinance and

more savings!

Another rise in calls came from drive-offs at gasoline stations. "With more surveillance cameras," the Chief said, "we can solve crimes those much quicker."

A new officer was introduced to the council. He is Officer Mike Froehlich, formerly from the Detroit area. He told the council that he "followed his girlfriend here." He also said he is getting accustomed to a small town and that he enjoys it here.

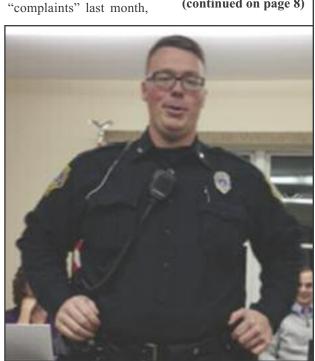
up from 55 the month before. Many calls were from domestic disputes and arguments that were

getting out of hand. Some

calls were from schools.

The public works report revealed why leaves still remain to be vacuumed; the engine on the pick-up unit stopped working.

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New Officer Mike Froehlich

Where the LAN Has Been



Eleven members from St. Thomas Lutheran Church, Trufant, took the Lakeview Area News to Wittenberg, Germany for the Luther 500 Festival. Pictured, from left to right, are Penny Therkildsen, Kelli Medler, Dwight Poulson, Mary Lou Poulson, Ruby Larsen, Lane Magera, Skye Magera (holding paper), Pastor Mathew Magera, Jenna Funk, Janette Funk, and Kathy Shroyer. The members are standing in front of the 95 Theses Doors. The Lakeview Area News was also spotted in Copenhagen, Denmark and Amsterdam, Netherlands.

If Only One Remembers ...



Jim and Lee Wood

By Linda Huckins

For decades, Lakeview has honored America's veterans with a brief ceremony in Lakeview Cemetery at the monument for the unknown dead on November 11. It always takes place at 11:00 a.m. on the exact day and time that the Armistice was signed in 1918, ending Woodrow Wilson was the President of the United States at that time and he

ordered November 11 to be set aside to honor those who fought in WWI. In 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower expanded the day to honor all veterans and renamed it Veterans'

In Lakeview, there was an American Legion post that put on the ceremonies for Armistice and then Veterans' Day; later the VFW post took over that honor after the American Legion closed.

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Schuitema Sworn in at **Council Meeting**



Art Schuitema being sworn in

By Shirley Pool

After a nasty fall and a period of healing, Art Schuitema was finally able to attend the Edmore Village Council meeting on November 13, 2017 and be officially sworn in as President of the Village of Edmore. Art provided some of his work history and noted that he had served for a short time as the Village Manager as well as a trustee.

It was a lengthy meeting which lasted over from Berthuiame & Co. provided the results of the 2016 audit. He noted that there had been a problem with the reconciliation of accounts in a timely manner. He also mentioned that there had been a problem of the deposits not being made in a timely manner, with some deposits made only once a month. The issues are better at this time. There were two accounts that were low and they were the water and sewer.

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