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The first day of summer is Friday, June 21. Will it be warm?

Lakeview's Summerfest weekend is over and it was a success. Pictures of the events are on pages 9, 10 and 11.

This weekend the Village of Coral will be holding its Coral Days celebration. The schedule ran in last week's newspaper.

The first weekend in July, Six Lakes will be holding its annual Dizzi Daze festival.

Edmore has a new village manager. See the story on page 5.

Debbie Ashbaugh, who makes hats for the needy, is in need of donations of yarn. Please bring them to the newspaper office and we will see that Debbie gets them.



## **Summerfest Had Something** for Everyone



The mini tractor pull contest drew a lot of spectators.

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#### **By Linda Huckins**

Lakeview held its annual Summerfest celebration this past weekend and we are happy to report that the rain that threatened to fall on Saturday didn't happen.

The first Summerfest event for this year actually took place a week before the official Summerfest weekend with the Miss Lakeview Pageant. The village's new royalty is: Miss Lakeview Jaylyn

Hiler, Jr. Miss Lakeview Bradley, and Princess Audrey Lincoln. They rode in the parade last Saturday in a red condriven by

Michelle McElhinny. Throughout the week and into the weekend, yard and garage sales sprang up all over town with bargains galore. The fifth annual art show was on display at Tamarack District Library all week as was the launch of their Summer Reading Program

with special events, speakers and activities for children and adults.

The Lakeview Area Museum held an open house on Friday and Saturday. On Friday, there were also a truck show, crafts at the United Church of Christ, a soapbox derby, a customer appreciation cookout at Lakeview Family Chiropractors, the opening of the kiddie rides and ending with the annual Firemen's parade.

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Philip Wu, former Lakeview High School exhange student, graduated from DePaul University in Chicago. He is pictured with his grandmother who traveled from Hong Kong for the ceremony.

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# **Building Beds for Children without Beds**



The local SHP wants to thank all, each and everyone who helped on tional SHP. To apply for a Saturday. Thank you for bed, go to the national page vour time and talents. "We will be blessing at least 40 children as we get them off of the floor, Barnes said. "Final numbers report to come soon."

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### **Spring Forecast**

Thurs., mostly cloudy, H: 71, L: 54; Fri., partly cloudy, H: 77, L: 57; Sat., thundershowers, H: 75, L: 61; Sun., thundershowers, H: 81, L: 65; Mon., thundershowers, H: 76, L: 61; Tues., mostly sunny, H: 78, L: 60.



### **By Linda Huckins**

"It was an amazing day!" said Kathy Barnes of the Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) bunk bed build that took place last Saturday, June 15th.

The local chapter of SHP built the beds, joined by 30 volunteers. Two of the volunteers were Lakeview High School students.

Volunteers from all over the county came to the pole barn in back of the Sleep and Stay Motel in Sheridan to make bunk beds for children who are currently sleeping on the floor.

After the five-hour build, they had built 20 bunk beds. Now they are waiting for people to apply for the beds.

The volunteers included: the Eagles, the Corvette Club, members of the Lion's Club, and veterans. A young man who was part of a previous build at Montcalm Area Career Center and his school friend were part of the group of volunteers. Some

folks heard about it on the radio and came to help.

"People came from all walks of life," Barnes said., "and with various levels of skill. One ladv just wanted to come and see what it was all about. I gladly gave her the tour!"

Since the local chapter of SHP was founded in the fall of 2018, they have built 80 sets of bunk beds. "That means that 160 children are off the floor," Barnes said. "We couldn't do it without the help of the community."

Rev. Phillip VanDop, Pastor of First Congregational Church in Sheridan, is the local SHP president. The local chapter covers Montcalm County and

at www.shpbeds.org, click on "Request a Bed" and follow directions.

If you want to help with the next build or if you would like to donate to help with the expense of materials, call 616-894-7643. You can make your check out to SHP Sheridan, P.O. Box 3, Sheridan, MI 48884.



