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TOWN TOPICS

The Lakeview Festival Committee held its annual Fallfest on Saturday at Lakeside Park. See the article on the bottom of this page and turn to the back page for more pictures.

The Lakeview Area Community Fund (LACF) is holding its annual free Community Dinner on Tuesday, October 15 at 6 p.m. in the Lakeview High School cafeteria. The public is welcome to come, enjoy a good meal, and learn about what is happening in our community. Dinner is free, but you must make reservations at Tamarack District Library with Bethany.

Where the LAN has been is on the back page this week.



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Autumn Forecast

Thurs., partly cloudy with high 69, low 53; Fri., pm showers with high 69, low 43; Sat., cloudy with high 46, low 41; Sun., mostly cloudy with high 47, low 40; Mon., partly cloudy with high 48, low 40; Tues., am showers with high 51, low 39.



CROP Walk Exceeds Expectations



Posing before the walk

By Linda Huckins

Last Sunday, the Lakeview Ministerial Association sponsored Lakeview's 37th annual CROP Walk for Hunger. The CROP Walk, as it is commonly called, actually started in 1969 in Bismarck, North Dakota. A group of young people had been hearing about world hunger and how people in

other countries have to walk many miles just to get food and water to survive. These young people decided to do something about it. They got their friends and neighbors to participate in a walk to raise funds to support Church World Service's programs to alleviate hunger.

As more people heard about what those

young people did, other walks sprang up in other communities until today the CROP Hunger Walk has grown into a national movement fighting hunger and poverty both around the world and in over 800 communities throughout the United States, including Lakeview, Michigan.

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Lakeview's Fallfest



Three generations of the Winter family.

By Emmy Lou Killinger

On Saturday, October 5, 2019, the rain stopped as the sun shined through the leaves for the community to enjoy Fallfest at Lakeview's Lakeside Park.

Lilley, Violet, and Paisley of Edmore were delighted to be carving pumpkins with their mom and dad. Children laughed as they squished pumpkin seeds and stringy pumpkin pulp between their fingers.

Friends Ruby, Eli, and Grace practiced their flips in the huge bouncy house. Sisters Lorelei and Zoey dressed up as little witches with their purple

witch hats. They enjoyed their first event in Lakeview, having just moved here from Traverse City. Their mom was excited to get to know members of the community.

Hot, fresh cinnamon donuts made by Joyce Greiser melted in the mouths of happy children and adults. Kids lined up to ask for more! An open bar was available by donation for adults.

The Ed and Christine Winter family gathered for an impromptu three-generation picture! Milo, the dog, was a hit with the kids. They enjoyed petting him and including him in the fun.

D.D. MacGee's Grill cooked up some juicy hot dogs. He served a large serving of French fries that put smiles on faces and warmed many bellies. Families joined in the fun playing corn hole and frisbee golf. They bundled up in jackets and blankets to stay warm.

Roby Mickey and Tony Rogers played music to top off the afternoon with great memories and songs.

Fall is the perfect time for outdoor family fun. See you next year.

Turn to the back page for more Fallfest pictures.

Understanding Eastern Equine Encephalitis



By Kyle Ogden

The mosquito-borne virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) has been a health concern within Michigan this fall. Prevention of EEE is important and educating ourselves is vital. There's no vaccine and no treatment other than support measures like IV fluids. The virus has infected about 9 residents in Michigan with 4 fatalities as of October 2, according to a state update. Reported cases of EEE have been found across 15 Michigan counties. 16 human cases of EEE and other arboviruses have been reported this year.

Who and what can get infected with EEE?

Anyone can get infected with EEE. Children under the age of 15 years old and people older than 50 are more susceptible to EEE. One third of the cases of EEE infections result in fatalities. Thirty-three animals have been infected with the virus in Michigan. This includes horses, mules, donkeys, pigs and llamas. Birds serve as the primary reservoir host and amplifying hosts. The mosquito feeds on a host then bridges the spread of the virus to humans and horses.

What are the symptoms of EEE?

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the symptoms start about four days after the bite from an infected mosquito. The symptoms are chills, fever, fatigue, joint pain/muscle aches and inflammation. Anyone experiencing symptoms should see a doctor immediately.

What can you do to protect yourself?

Wear a long sleeve shirt and pants; use insect

spray with one these ingredients: DEET, Picaridin, IR3535, Oil of Eucalyptus (OLE), Para Menthane-diol (PMD), or 2-Undecanone. Avoid outside activity between 7p.m. to 7 a.m., secure window screens, keep grass cut, discard old tires, repair failed septic systems, clean clogged gutters, and flush oriental fountains. Also, replace water in pet bowls twice a day.

When applying insect repellent to babies and children, always follow the recommended instructions. Adults: spray insect repellent onto your hands and then apply to child's face. Do not use products containing oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE) of Para-Menthane-Diol (PMD) on children under 3 years old.

Where in Michigan are people getting infected?

Cases have been reported in 15 counties: Allegan, Barry, Berrien, Calhoun, Cass, Genesee, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Lapeer, Livingston, Montcalm, Newaygo, St. Joseph, Van Buren. Montcalm, Newaygo and Kent are considered high-risk counties.

Lakeview Area News has spoken with Leslie Kinnee of Mid-Michigan District Health Department about the townships that have been sprayed in the higher affected areas. Those townships are Montcalm, Pierson and Eureka. Pyrethrins are chemicals [used for spraying] found naturally in some chrysanthemum flowers. This chemical has been evaluated and found to be safe. This may reduce the risk of getting infected by killing the mosquito larvae.

For up-to-date information can be found on www.michigan.gov/EEE or www.cdc.gov/EEE.

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