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Happy Mother's Day

Sunday is Mother's Day. Do something nice for your mom.

In our May 20, 2021 issue we will be featuring the Lakeview High School 2021 graduation class. If you would like us to print a message for your special graduate(s), see the ad on page 4 for details.

Memorial Day is Monday, May 31. The VFW 3701 will be holding a car parade at Cato Cemetery at 9 a.m. and one at Lakeview Cemetery at 10 a.m. There will be activities in Lakeside Park from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. See page 4 for more information.

The Heckman Funeral Home in Howard City has been sold and is now under new management. The new name is Howard City Funeral & Cremation Services.



Spring Forecast

Thurs., showers, high 54, low 33; Fri., am showers, high 52, low 30; Sat., partly cloudy, high 55, low 37; Sun., am showers, high 54, low 36; Mon., partly cloudy, high 57, low 33; Tues., mostly sunny, high 59, low 38



Open House Held at Tamarack Meadows



A lot of visitors toured this model home at Tamarack Meadows last Saturday

By Linda Huckins

On Saturday, May 1, 2021, Preferred Homes held its first open house at the newly renovated Tamarack Meadows in Lakeview. Tamarack Meadows will soon become a community of manufactured homes that will ease the housing shortage in Lakeview. Currently there are three model homes on the site, one single wide and two double wides and on Saturday people had an opportunity to tour the models and talk with Wendy DeLange, Scott Byxbe, and Gabrielle Hensch from Preferred Homes about purchasing a model or ordering a home to their specifications. Each home is a 35-acre property that

is sold unfurnished but comes with a full size refrigerator, a stove, and a dishwasher. The single wide models have two bedrooms and two bathroom while the double wide models have four bedrooms and two bathrooms. All models have a spacious open concept.

"We had a good day," DeLange said. "It was a steady flow of people ranging from retirees to couples with young children." Byxbe said that he noticed more seniors than families.

She called the day "a success". There were food trucks and ice cream available for visitors to the open house.

Tamarack Meadows

will be developed in three phrases. Right now they are in Phrase 1 that includes installing homes on 23 pads. By the end of all the phrases, there will be 135 homes, a community center, and a playground.

DeLange said that an added coming feature will be a locked, fenced-in section near the Dollar Genend of development where residents can store larger vehicles such as boats and

People will purchase the homes and rent the lot to put it on. Rental includes lawn maintenance, trash pick-up, and snow plowing of streets and sidewalks.

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Lions Announce Raffle Winners



Raffle Co-Chairman Mary Snyder reading the winning ticket while Gayla King, who drew the winning ticket, looks on.



We Serve

By Nancy Olsen

Lakeview Lions Raffle Drawing was held on Wednesday, April 28, 2021, at their regular meeting. The lucky winners were: Albert Jongewaard and Kirstin Sitts. Congratulations!

The raffle was a hugh success. Thank you to all who participated in this event to keep our local Lions Club active.

The Lions Club is also looking for more teams to play golf in their upcoming golf tournament scheduled for Friday, June 11, 2021. Sign up sheets can be obtained at McKenna's Restaurant or by calling (989) 534-1916.

The Lions Club looks forward to serving many at its annual chicken BBQ during Summerfest on Saturday, June 19 from 11:00 a.m. until sold out. Thank you for your support so we can better serve our community.

The Lions meet the second and fourth Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. at McKenna's Restaurant during the months of April through September. They meet on the second Wednesday of the month October through March.

They are always looking for new members. Call 616-540-5119 if you would like to visit a meet-

Masks Did Stop These Thespians



By Linda Huckins

Putting on a high school play is not easy under normal circumstances, but putting on a play this year under Covid-19 restrictions was espechallenging. Lakeview High School drama club students under the guidance and direction of teacher Delaina Freedman rose to the challenge and did a fantastic job with last week's production, "The Internet is Distract -Oh Look a Kitten!" This is a modern-day play about the Internet and its distrac-

As actors and playgoers know, facial expressions play a big part in developing a character, expressing emotions, and understanding the plot. So,

what do you do when your actors have to wear face coverings?

"I used make up to exaggerate features and compensate for the face coverings," Mrs. Freedman said, "but my biggest concern was volume loss due to masks and enunciation."

She said that she used more mics than usual to increase the volume and held

lots of practices with everyone wearing face

"One student asked me if she was too loud," Freedman said. "I told her that she could never be too loud."

She added that the students did a great job. "They were just happy to be able to have the play even if they had to wear

masks," she said.

This is Mrs. Freedman's 11th year as drama coach at Lakeview High School.

A couple of our Lakeview High reporters will have a review of the play in an upcoming issue.

Congratulations to Mrs. Freedman and the actors on a job well done.

Photo by Lisa Jensen

