

From the Executive Director Barbara Pfeil



BAY VIEW: A BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO BE NEIGHBORS

Our 2023 inter-program theme is:

"Bay View: A Beautiful Place to be Neighbors." Bay View Association is blessed to have neighborhoods in a variety of topographical settings. Cottages are perched high on bluffs, surrounded by woodlands, situated near the bay, and located close to our attractive green spaces such as our campus parks. We hope that you enjoy strolls and visits in your neighborhoods this summer.

Our Worship program will coordinate **Porch Chats** in Bay View neighborhoods on June 22, July 13, and possibly in August as opportunities to enhance connectedness and to make/build friendships among neighbors.

Here are a few notes that may help with your **planning for 2023:**

- Our Bay View Association 2023 *Summer Program* will be mailed in mid-April

- Registration in ASAP** for Education and Recreation classes, events, and programs will open on Monday, April 3rd

- Committee Chairs Kick-Off Meeting** is scheduled for June 20th at 2:00 p.m. in Loud Hall (There will be a reception and break-out sessions after the presentation).

Recruiting is in progress for seasonal jobs. You can view job descriptions via Bay View Association's Home Page. Scroll down and select the "Employment Opportunities" button.

- Sunday Worship Nursery Caregivers (need 2) *A special thank you to Carolyn Nelson, who served as our Nursery Caregiver for 27 years.*

- Waterfront Operations Manager
 - Grounds Crew (need 2 to 3 individuals beginning in mid-April)
 - Coordinators for Rec Club Teen Nights (need at least 2 on the roster)
 - Trolley drivers for the City of Petoskey (wouldn't it be nice to have the Trolley coming to BVA again?)
- Contact: Becky Goodman
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We gratefully welcome back two outstanding seasonal employees from last year:

- Laura Reece** will again serve as Post Office Clerk extraordinaire (The Post Office opens on May 1st).



- Lisa Thompson** will continue her service as our gracious Librarian (The Library will open on June 12th).



Woods Walk II will occur on Monday, July 3rd beginning at 4:30 p.m. Just like last year, you are welcome to support our Recreation program and eat at the Sam Spade Hot Dog Roast after touring Bay View Woods.

The 2023 Woods Walk will use last year's event as a model. This year's event will again appeal to people of all generations and will be open to the public. It will blend creative story-telling, art, education, environmental conservation, and music that is inspired by, focused on, and set in our Bay View woodland environment.

At the Mid-winter meeting, your Board of Trustees approved **landscape improvement projects** for central campus. New landscaping will be installed around two significant buildings: Crouse Chapel and Hall Auditorium this spring. Many special services and events occur at these locations. Social spaces exist both inside and outside the chapel and the auditorium where members and visitors interact and create cherished memories.

Our landscape architect, Beckett and Raeder created sustainable designs that complement each building and each location on campus. The goal is to offer joyful environments around each building that will enrich the quality of an individual's overall experience at Bay View Association.

The new landscape designs reduce grounds maintenance work related to hand mowing and minimize annual weeding and other plant maintenance done by grounds staff and volunteers. Irrigation around the chapel will be reconfigured to prevent further damage to the building exterior. A soaker hose/timer irrigation system will utilize existing water connections at Hall Auditorium. Thus, efficient use of water will occur.

As we approach our 150th Jubilee, the beautiful landscaping around Wade, Hall Auditorium, and Crouse Chapel will be flourishing and reflect our Association's pride in preserving its National Historic Landmark that upholds treasured Chautauqua traditions.

In closing, I look forward to seeing you in your neighborhoods this summer. It is such a pleasure to go for walks in Bay View. If you see me out and about, I hope that we can take a moment to enjoy each other's company.

