

CHAMBER MUSIC

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*The 2008 calendars are included, as well as the dues coupon. We have provided return envelopes to make it convenient for you. We use these funds to put on our summer events, so we ask that you pay by the **end of March**. Your support is greatly appreciated and if you'd like to get more involved, just let us know. More volunteers are always welcome!*

Thanks to everyone who helped out at the Christmas Sing a Long and Santa's visit. We had 35 children attend, down 20 from last year. Thanks to Darleen Ferensic for coordinating this event.

Thanks also to everyone who helped or came to the New Year's Eve dance. We had 105 people attend and made \$215. Thanks especially to Bill and Eileen Kennedy Catering for their wonderful food. It was a great evening. It was decided at the February meeting to hold it again this year at the Amvet's Hall.

The Pointe Aux Barques Lighthouse Society puzzles were big sellers. They are planning three more puzzles for this spring. If you are interested in being a \$100 sponsor on the side of a box, contact Bill Bonner after April 1 at 428-3035.

The motion was made and passed at the December meeting to reduce the price of our postcards to \$.50. If you

have postcards to sell, please make a note. If you need some postcards or t-shirts to sell this spring, please contact Shirley Dorland at 428-4715.

Huron City Museums are adding a new fundraiser this year. Dresses that have been packed away in attic trunks will be on display from June 15 through June 22. On June 15, there will be an opening event, an ice cream social, from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. If you would like to volunteer to host in one room of the House of Seven Gables on June 15th, please contact Patty Finan at 989 738-6007. The cost for the opening event is \$25 per person. The cost during the week will be \$15 per person. The clothes and accessories range from the 1850's to the 1930's. Plan now to get a glimpse of life in the past. Reservations are required and visits during the week need a 24 hour notice.

It was voted by the board to participate again in Outdoorama in Novi. We will be participating with the Port Austin and Caseville Chambers, and the Thumb Area Charter Captain's Association. The cost was \$250 and our new brochures will be handed out. The event runs from February 28 through March 2.

The Chamber welcomes D&G Farms, LLC of Harbor Beach, Proto-Crafts Inc. of Deckerville, Thumb Area Transit of Bad Axe, Northern Star Realty of Port Hope, Innovative Housing Development of Fort Gratiot, and Holdwick Metalworking of Bad Axe as new members! We thank you for joining. We currently have 56 associates and businesses in the Chamber.

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Reminder - Daylight Savings Time starts on March 9th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead!

History tidbit: According to Florence McKinnon Gwinn in a 1922 booklet called Pioneer History of Huron County Michigan, New River began in 1845. J. Spikeman and Walter Hume purchased land there. Cooper, Creevy & Co. operated an extensive salt block, with headquarters located in Port Austin. As late as 1883, New River had a long dock for steamers, which stopped regularly. There was also a church, school house and store. "Where the village stood is now the farm of Frank Kinch, one of the most enterprising and modern farmers of the Thumb." The town declined as the salt industry declined and all traces of it eventually disappeared.

The next newsletter will be published at the end of May. If anyone has anything to be included, please contact Patty Finan at 989 738-6007.

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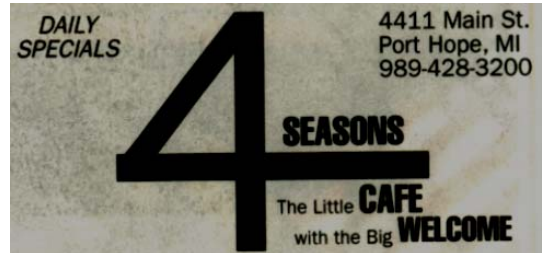
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