



Jan-Feb '08

ShareCare™ of Leelanau Inc. *Connector*

Neighbors helping neighbors—Promoting independent living in members' homes.

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MONDAY-FRIDAY · 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Stroke Support Group

Munson Medical Center hosts the Grand Traverse Bay Area Stroke Club every month. The support group provides stroke survivors and support persons with an opportunity to learn, share, and connect through speakers, demonstrations, and group discussions.

They meet the second Wednesday each month from 2:30-4:30 PM at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1050 Peninsula Dr., Traverse City. For more information, contact Melinda Hollands, LMSW or Angela Leete, LMSW at 231-935-6380.

The Merry Marketplace

Due to the tremendous effort by members and friends, this year's Merry Marketplace was a terrific success. Between a major sale on December 1st in Leland, and a smaller sale on December 15th in Northport, we raised nearly \$3,000.

Thanks to all who worked really hard making items to sell, as well as to those who worked really hard on the days of the sales!

The ShareCare "On Call" System

If you call ShareCare after hours, (4:30 PM - 9:00 AM or on weekends and holidays) this is the message you will hear on the answering machine:

"Hello, this is ShareCare. If you have an emergency, please hang up and dial 911. The office is closed, but if you need to talk to a nurse please call Munson Hospital at 935-5000, and ask to speak to the Home Care Nurse. When you talk to the nurse be sure to tell her you are a member of ShareCare. To leave a message for ShareCare please wait for the tone and your call will be returned as soon as possible."

More specifically, calling 935-5000 rings the Munson switchboard. The switchboard operator will ask for your name and phone number, and then pages the Munson Triage (Home Care) nurse. The Home Care nurse will call you. If however, she doesn't call within the next 15 or so minutes, call the switchboard operator again.

If you are under the care of Munson Home Care or Hospice, when the Munson Home Care Nurse calls you back, she may send a visiting nurse to your house. If you are not a Munson Home Care or Hospice patient, the On Call Nurse from Home Health will give you a call to talk you through your question and/or problem, but she will not make a visit.

Please note that on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 9:00 AM until 4:30 PM, the Munson Home Care Nurse may call one of the ShareCare On Call Nurses to further assess your situation.

Welcome New Members



Owen and Leila Bahle, Suttons Bay
Thomas and Nancy Gross, Leland

Wish List

- A while ago Anne and Deb put out a request for greeting cards, and many people graciously responded with beautiful cards. This time we have a more specific need. We could really use some sympathy cards, please.
- With the cost of gas skyrocketing, the Volunteer Committee would like \$10 gas cards to use for a monthly drawing to recognize our volunteer drivers.

Please call the Office if you'd like to help with either of these requests. We can arrange for a pick up.



In Fond Memory

Frank Rowland, Leland
Bernard Glettler, Maple City
Frank Schrader, Northport

Board Minutes—November

Treasurer's Report (Fenton): Income—membership over budget; hope to reach \$20,000 by year-end. Line 9: Check came for golf outing. Expenses—rental fee for Merry Marketplace. Expect less in grants due to decrease in stock market. Per Judy, those who have an organization that matches, be sure to take advantage of it. Approved.

Finance Report (Evans): 2008 budget presented. Line 5: Grants—expect less than \$17,000. Line 7: Reflects contribution from those who receive a ride and want to give in return. Line 12: Unique/Reserves: estimate plus balancing figure. Expenses: Total Personnel: \$107,100. Total Expenses: \$118,000. Approved.

Fundraising (Goudschaal): Merry Marketplace is 10-4 Saturday, Dec 1. Knitters have already sold \$300+. Question by Kelly: Are we interested in doing a bake sale along with the Conservancy flower sale in May? Tonneberger suggested 9-noon on Friday is the best time. Fundraising Committee will explore. Fenton commented that it's a LOT of work for not a lot of money. A question came up as to whether we could pair up with Sissons or someone else in Leland, and then split the profits. Committee should explore the idea.

Personnel (Marsh): Performance reviews were exemplary! Proposed: increase in non-monetary benefits (extra days off), 2.3% cost of living, 3% match, and 3% yearly distribution into retirement accounts. Approved.

This and That

Kudos from a Member—

"ShareCare is a great help to me and I don't know what I'd do with out it."

ShareCare Milestones—

November marked two big ShareCare milestones: the 500th family and 800th member served!

Good Articles at The Senior Corner—

Visit the web: seniors.tcnet.org

911 Dispatch—

In case of a disaster or medical emergency, be sure to have current information on file with the Leelanau County Emergency Management program. Deb has forms available to fill out and send in.

Gifting Stock—

Gifts of appreciated stocks are a beneficial way to contribute to ShareCare. Please call Deb for more info.

Policy Committee (Marsh): Policies approved as written.

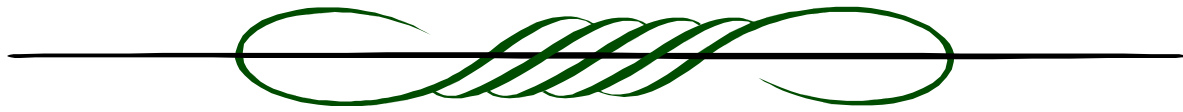
Royal Banquet (Landes): Feb 12 Luncheon. Landes requested direction from Board as to where it should be held. Steak Haus again? Blue Bird, which is interested in working with groups? Silver Tree? The Board had no preference, so Landes will talk to restaurants and make a decision. Tonneberger, Goudschaal, and Cermak offered their help.

Staff (Wilson/Kelly/Wetherbee): Wilson: no report. Kelly: Busy month! W'bee: Member in Empire area interested in helping promote SC. Member wants to join Fundraising Committee. Names given to appropriate committees.

Volunteer Committee (McClure): Meeting last month. 1. Discussed alternate modes of transportation for members who require a lot of rides (BATA, with its buddy system and Healthride) 2. Neighborhood Gatherings: Volunteer Committee has enough to do and would like a new committee established to oversee gatherings. Ideas for gatherings: aging gracefully, dementia workshop. Will target early fall for a gathering. 3. Discussed reward for driving: a monthly drawing using \$10 gas cards. Will put request for cards on wish list in Connector.

Other: No meeting in Dec. Wetherbee suggested always having Nov meeting at end of month and eliminating Dec meeting. Egeler noted that T'giving changes from 3-4th week, so it makes sense to change when appropriate.

Please join us in celebrating our Kings & Queens at the annual
ShareCare Royal Banquet



- ♥ Tuesday, February 12, 2008
- ♥ 11:30AM with dinner by 12:15PM
- ♥ \$15.00 (INCLUDES GRATUITY)
- ♥ Location: Bluebird Restaurant
102 E River St., Leland

To get an accurate meal count, please call the office (386-2273) or return the form (below) by **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2008**. Paying in advance is helpful, but you may pay at the door if you prefer, as long as you give the ShareCare Office your reservation and dinner selection. Please make your check payable to ShareCare and send it to PO Box 153 Northport, MI 49670-0153.

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(1) Name: _____

() Chicken () Baked Fish

(2) Name: _____

() Chicken () Baked Fish

\$ _____ enclosed () Will pay at the door

() I would **like** a ride that day () I can **provide** a ride that day

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