



Sept-Oct '10

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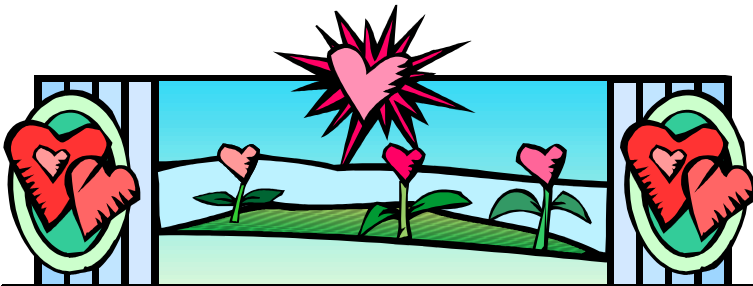
*Neighbors helping neighbors—Promoting independent living in members' homes.*

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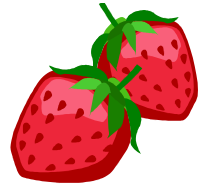
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MONDAY-FRIDAY · 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

*The mission of ShareCare is for members to achieve the highest quality of life and independence attainable in their own homes for as long as possible.*

*ShareCare promotes confidentiality in all matters of privacy. Everyone involved with the organization is requested to respect all aspects of confidentiality whether they are personal, medical, or financial.*



## Donuts & Strawberries—



I had a wonderful phone call from a member volunteer who called to report her hours. She reinforced again, that reaching out doesn't have to be big and fancy.

Last month, she picked up two members at their homes and toured Suttons Bay, Lake Leelanau and Leland. They started with donuts and then just cruised and chatted for two hours (29 miles). One of the ladies saw the government building and St. Mary's new addition for the first time, and everyone went home with fresh strawberries.

It was simple and totally enjoyable adventure. Next month—Glen Arbor and Empire!  
—Deb

*To ShareCare—  
Please accept this check as a thank you for the kind services of my driver. Sometime ago he kindly escorted me to the surgical center for a test, requiring me not to drive myself home. He graciously stayed the whole time and then brought me home—a friend indeed. What would we do without friends and ShareCare. Best always—*

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**ARE YOU LEAVING TOWN?** *If you're going to be gone for an extended time this winter (or any time), please call me (386-2273), e-mail me ([info@sharecareleelanau.org](mailto:info@sharecareleelanau.org)) or send in this form with your temporary address and the dates you'll be gone.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_ Returning: \_\_\_\_\_

# The Homestead's

6th annual ShareCare golf benefit was again a huge success! The weather started out rather iffy, but it turned out to be a fabulous day for the 50+ golfers to be out on the course.... and the Mountain Flowers Golf Course... such a beautiful location!



ShareCare owes a debt of gratitude to The Homestead's Jamie Jewell for again offering to hold the benefit for SC. A special thank you goes to Neil Kalee who worked really hard organizing the outing, as well as securing these hole sponsors: Wicksall Distributors Inc, Becky Thatcher, The Homestead Resort Nonna's Ristorante, Cherry Republic Inc., Alper's Excavating Inc., Bahle's, Northwestern Bank, Bluebird, Glen Craft Marina & Resort Inc., Mitchell Graphics Inc., Bev and Merrill Almquist, Lake Leelanau Excavating, Van's Garage, The Riverside Inn and Restaurant, and Huntington Bank.

Mr. Kalee and Gaytha McVay, ShareCare's volunteer golf benefit coordinator, helped add excitement to the day by getting prizes for the benefit from the following organizations: Cedar Rustic Inn, Freshwater Lodge, Knot Just a Bar, Scott's Harbor Grill, Village Inn, Sugarfoot Saloon, Elmer's, and Leelanau Sands Casino.



If you frequent The Homestead, the hole sponsors' businesses or places that donated prizes, be sure to give them a huge thank you for supporting ShareCare. It truly is folks like them who make our organization possible.

## The Merry Marketplace



### Get your fingers flying!!!

The time is now for you to help ShareCare with its most profitable fund raisers, The Merry Marketplace. We need all of you remarkable jam makers, artists, knitters, woodworkers, needleworkers, potters, photographers, and other talented people to be making things for us to sell at the ShareCare booth. If you leave the area before December, you may drop off your items at

the office before you go or arrange to have them picked up. For those who will be here, we'll also need setup crews, booth attendants and cleanup crews on that day. Please call the Office with questions or to offer your help.

- **When:** Saturday, December 4th
- **Where:** Old Art Building in Leland
- **Drop off times:** Any time prior to December
- **Drop off points:** ShareCare Office or call for a pickup
- **What's needed\*:** knitting, quilting, pottery, crafts, jams & jellies, wood-working, fine art, photos, draft stoppers, and anything else crafty
- **Pricing:** It's helpful if you do the pricing, but we can if you prefer
- **More info:** Please call Deb at ShareCare (386-2273)

\*Please keep in mind that all craft items must be hand made.



## ShareCare Drivers Training Update— by Larry Hauser (Transportation Committee Chair)

By decision of the Board of Directors in October 2008, ShareCare now requires its drivers to take a safe driving course for elders, such as that offered by AARP (see below). For long time drivers, the deadline for completion of this requirement is October 31, 2011. New drivers have 2 years from their start-up dates to complete a class. At present, only 28 of 77 drivers have completed the course. Soon the deadline will be less than a year away; and you know how time flies; especially at our ages. Driver-of-the-Day is a crucial ShareCare service; even a signature service. If this program were interrupted or curtailed, that would be ... “Car”mageddon! So please, don't delay—take a class today!

Many insurance companies offer discounts for drivers who complete this course. Ours did, after my wife completed it. More importantly, she found it useful and informative, as has everyone else I have spoken to who has taken it. The course can also be taken online, and I have heard only good reports from those who have opted for this convenient alternative. If there is sufficient demand, ShareCare will sponsor another course at the Leelanau Government Center later this fall. If you would definitely be interested in attending, please contact Deb at the ShareCare office to make your interest known. In the meantime we encourage you to avail yourself of one of the following course offerings:

**Sponsor:** GRAND TRAVERSE COMMISSION ON AGING, LANA PATENUDE

**Phone Registration:** (231) 922-3688 (Call to register)

**Address:** 520 W Front St., Traverse City, MI 49684

**Class Days:** 09/23/2010 08:30AM & 09/24/2010 08:30AM

**Duration:** 8 Hours      **Instructor:** Clarence Heerema

**Sponsor:** BELLAIRE COMMISSION ON AGING

**Phone Registration:** (231) 533-8703 (Call to register)

**Address:** 308 Cayuga St., Bellaire, MI 49684

**Class Days:** 09/30/2010 12:30PM & 10/01/2010 12:30PM

**Duration:** 8 Hours      **Instructor:** Tom Waclawski

To take the course online or find future course offerings near you: [http://www.aarp.org/home-garden/transportation/driver\\_safety](http://www.aarp.org/home-garden/transportation/driver_safety).



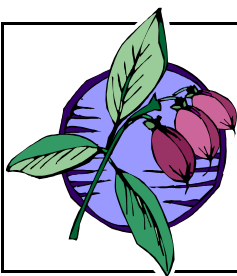
### Show Your ShareCare Support!



ShareCare is in the middle of a big membership drive, for which the Board is producing snappy looking signs to be placed in members' yards. Your support is needed for this endeavor to be successful.

We are looking for members to help underwrite the cost of production by contributing \$10 for the privilege of displaying a sign in their yard that shows support for ShareCare. Please call Deb for more information, or if you'd like to place a sign in your yard.

Deadline for  
articles in the  
Nov-Dec  
Connector:  
Oct 11



### In Fond Memory

Donald Vavra—Glen Arbor  
Janet Ward—Leland  
Robert Meeker—Lake Leelanau  
Nancy Gard, Leland

### Multi Task Opener—

The SC office has two of these handy little tools that

- open soda pop cans & bottles
- pop off bottle caps
- open soup cans.



Please give Deb a call if you'd like one. It seems that these are a promotional item (Deb got hers at the Sr. Expo), so while you can't buy one exactly like this, there are similar openers on the market.



### Welcome New Members

Gerald & Janice Gorrell—Maple City  
Marjorie Bennison—Leland  
Judy & Frank Bracken—Northport



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# Leelanau County Medical Awareness Update

In the event of a disaster, public or medical emergency, some residents in the community may need special attention because of transportation problems or physical impairments. Furthermore, in instances of medical emergencies, the information below may help trained personnel in providing vital treatment and medical assistance.

**If you haven't done so already, please fill out and return this form to the address below.**

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cross Street / Landmarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Township: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Person Needing Assistance: \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

## MEDICAL INFORMATION

Chronic Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPECIAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED

- Hearing Impaired   
  Wheel Chair/ Walker / Cane   
  Sight Impaired   
  Confined to Home/ Bed/ Crutches

Oxygen in Use:    \_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_ No

### EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### PHYSICIAN INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I Hereby Authorize the release of all or part of such information as may be necessary to ensure my safety, treatment and well being in the event of a medical emergency, disaster or public emergency.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Return to: Emergency Management    8525 E Government Center Dr.    Suttons Bay, MI 49682**

# A ROYAL CELEBRATION!



Please join us at the ShareCare Royal Banquet to honor our Kings & Queens!

- ♥ Tuesday, October, 26, 2010
- ♥ Dinner at Noon
- ♥ \$15.00 (INCLUDES GRATUITY)
- ♥ Location: Bluebird Restaurant  
102 E River St., Leland

*For reservations: Call ShareCare or return the form (below) by Thursday, October 21, 2010. Paying in advance is helpful (checks payable to ShareCare), but you may pay at the door as long as you give Deb your reservation and dinner selection (386-2273).*

..... Please cut out and return by October 21, 2010 .....

(1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chicken     Baked Fish

(2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chicken     Baked Fish

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed     I'll pay at the door

I would like a ride     I can provide a ride

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## Traverse City State Bank—4H Grant Winners

For most students summer vacation is a time to relax and spend time with friends soaking up the sun at the beach, or hanging out at the local festivals. But for ten Traverse City State Bank Young Entrepreneurs it was much different. They spent their summer vacation with different friends; Lambs, Swine, Steer, JR Beef, and Dairy Feeders. No they are not Zoo keepers, but they are participants in Grand Traverse and Leelanau counties 4H clubs.

Each year Traverse City State Bank partners with local 4H clubs and offers grants to these young entrepreneurs as startup money to help fund their livestock projects. Each student starts with an application and if selected they interview with a panel comprised of TCSB staff and 4H leaders. Money is awarded to a selected group and presented at a celebration ceremony in early spring. Throughout the summer these students keep in touch with TCSB on their progress and what they are learning throughout the growth of their animal.

One of Traverse City State Bank's 2010 recipients, Leelanau resident Lexi Galla, started with a 60 pound pig many months ago and knew from her experience she was in for a fun but challenging summer. "This is my second year raising a pig for 4H, last year I had a great pig and it was hard to let go at fair. It was just like having a big dog; it even would play catch with me." Lexi said. Like other business owners Lexi learned from her mistakes and successes. "Last year we had quite the time getting our pig to go into the trailer to take him to fair. So this year we parked the trailer in their pen and feed them in it to make them more comfortable being in the trailer and more willing to get in when it is time to go."

When asked if she will continue doing this, Lexi excitedly and quickly replied "YES!" "I love it, I have an interest in trying to raise a cow but I love the pigs too. I started with showing a rabbit when I was 6 years old; I look forward to this all year! I get to see a lot of my friends at fair and also get to make many new friends as well."

The culmination of this project is the 4H Livestock auction at the Northwestern Michigan Fair, where their small business projects are auctioned off to the highest bidder. TCSB President and CEO Connie Deneweth commented, "It is amazing to see the growth of the children from the time they timidly come in to interview for the grant, to seeing them grinning ear to ear showing off their animal mid summer. 4H is an amazing program for many reasons and we are thrilled to be a part of the process."

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