## Allendale Lifelong Learners

July 2022

#### Allendale Charter Township est. 1849

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Did you Know?



PLEASE, PLEASE!!! Sign up for the listed activities, but if you sign up, show up!! Or let me know that you can't make it. We have had some number issues lately and need to crack down on this. Thanks for understanding!







Call Kathy at 616-843-0572 or email khanes@allendale-twp.org if you would like more information on the Allendale Lifelong Learners or any of the activities listed in this newsletter.

#### **VOLUNTARY MEMBERSHIP DUES-\$20.00**

Dues are \$20.00 per person and can be paid in cash or a check made out to Allendale Lifelong Learners. Typically these dues are collected September through December, but you can pay anytime during the year. These dues go to help pay for some extras throughout the year. Door prizes, cards, newsletters and special events are just some of the things your dues help to cover the cost of. Plus it gets you member pricing on trips and other events. So when you see \$\$/\$\$, the first price is for members and the second is for non members. Dues paid after September 1 will be applied to the following year.

As always, if you have any questions, please give me a call (Kathy, 616-843-0572). Thank you to all who help to keep our group going strong!!

# Firework Safety Tips: Only use fireworks outdoors. Always have a hose or bucket of water handy. Soak fireworks in water before discarding. Never relight a dud. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water before discarding. Spectators should keep a safe distance. Never point fireworks towards people. Do not alter or combine fireworks.

YOUR TROUSERS ARE RIDING A LITTLE LOW, EARL.

Please be safe and enjoy your holiday weekend.









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### • A Little Bit of this and that... •

Give me a sense of humor, Lord—Give me the grace to see a joke. To get some humor out of life and pass it on to other folk!

- You come from dust, you will return to dust. That's why I don't dust. It could be someone I know.
- Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit anything!
- There is no such thing as a grouchy old person. The truth is once you get old, you stop being polite and start being honest.
- Tomorrow is National Treat Yourself and Buy a New Plant Day! It's nothing official. I just made it up. Tell the others!
- A Japanese car manufacturer has come out with a new model that comes in 64 colors. It's called the Toyota Crayola!
- I can cut a log in half just by look at it...I know it's hard to believe, but I saw it with my own two eyes!
- It's probably my age that tricks people into thinking I'm an adult!
- A couple of kids asked me today what it was like for me growing up...so I took their phones, shut off their internet, gave them a popsicle and told them to go outside until the street light came on.
- Aging is tricky...It's like you still feel young inside, but then every once in a
  while you catch a glimpse of yourself in the mirror and reality just smacks
  you in the face!
- Sometimes I'm the mess, Sometimes I'm the broom. On my hardest days, I have to be both!
- Life's biggest tragedy is that we get old too soon and wise too late!
- Yesterday my husband thought he saw a cockroach in the kitchen. He sprayed everything down and cleaned thoroughly! Today I'm putting the cockroach in the bathroom!
- Eyedrops are technically blinker fluid.
- The older I get the more I understand why roosters just scream to start their day!
- I have reached an age where my mind says, "I can do that," but my body says, "Try it and you'll be sorry!"
- The police just pulled me over and said, "Papers?" I said, "Scissors, I win!" and drove off! I think he wants a rematch—he's been chasing me for 45 minutes!
- People have always named children after expensive things—Mercedes, Dior, Chardonnay. Next year watch out for Electric, Gas and Petrol!
- I don't care how nice the hand soap smells...you should never walk out of the restroom sniffing your fingers.
- I accidentally rubbed ketchup in my eyes. I now have Heinzsight!
- I used to make fun of my parents for going to bed at 9:30. Now I wonder how they stayed up so late!



Pre internet chat room using An old version of windows...



Two old ladies go visit their friend Mary. They sit down and after a while Mary says: "How foolish of me! I haven't even offered you coffee." So she gets up and gets the coffee.

Some time later, old Mary says: "How foolish of me! I haven't even offered you coffee!" So she gets up and gets the coffee. Half an hour later, the scene repeats for the third time!

Finally the two ladies say goodbye. "Mary is acting really weird, don't you think?" says the first one. "All the time we spend there and she never even offered us coffee!"

The second one looks at her in amazement and says, "What? You've been to see Mary and you didn't even invite me?"

#### The History Of Popular English Sayings That Don't Seem To Make Sense

- Close But No Cigar—Meaning: Said to someone who falls slightly short of a successful or winning outcome. Historical Context: The phrase likely originates from the 1920s, when cigars were handed out as prizes at fairs and carnivals. At the time, these games were actually meant for adults, rather than kids, leading to the patently adult prize of a cigar. As many carnival games seem designed to feel winnable, but then are nearly impossible to actually win, people in the '20s were probably often "close, but no cigar."
- A Laundry List—Meaning: A (typically) long list of items. Historical Context: Back in the 1800s, more than 2,000 patents were filed for washing machines in the United States. A new business popped up in turn commercial laundry services for those who didn't want to buy the pricey new machines but still hated doing their laundry the old-fashioned way (by hand). To ensure that no customers lost a stray sock, users of the service had to list out the items they were sending to be washed, and a laundry list was born. Of course, listing out each item of clothing was probably almost as tiresome as actually doing the laundry. So in the 1860s, the process was improved by providing customers a handy itemized list of clothing articles where they could fill in a tally of their laundry.
- **Don't Look A Gift Horse In The Mouth**—Meaning: Be grateful for a gift rather than trying to assess its value. Historical Context: As a horse specialist in the olden days, looking inside the mouth of a horse that was gifted to you would be like publicly examining the amount on a check inside your grandmother's birthday card. A horse's mouth changes as it ages, with new teeth growing in and their existing teeth pushing further forward. To examine the horse's mouth could tell someone the horse's age, and therefore its value.
- Happy As A Clam—Meaning: Very happy or content. Historical Context: Most historians agree that the phrase "happy as a clam" is actually a shortened version of the idiom, "happy as a clam in the mud at high tide." This mouthful of a phrase is thought to have originated with sailors and shellfish gatherers in the mid-1600s. The shortened version didn't appear until the 1800s. Clams generally live and reproduce in shallow water. Low tide, when the ocean ebbs furthest from the shore, leaves a clam at its most exposed and vulnerable. A clam at high tide, then, would be safe, and perhaps "happy."
- <u>Pushing The Envelope</u>—Meaning: To surpass normal limits; to try something daring or risky. Historical Context: While it might sound like a saying that originated in an office, "pushing the envelope" originally referred to aeronautics. In space flight, the "envelope" refers to performance limits that can't be surpassed safely. The phrase made its way into the everyday vernacular when it appeared in Tom Wolfe's 1979 nonfiction book The Right Stuff, which discussed the pilots of experimental rocket-propelled aircraft. The phrase used is "pushing the outside of the envelope."
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   Three Sheets To The Wind—Meaning: Extremely inebriated. Historical Context: "Three sheets to the wind" comes from sailing lingo but surprisingly doesn't originate with drunken sailors nor the sails themselves (which look, to many of us, like sheets). The sheets are actually ropes that hold the lower corners of the sails on a ship in place. If one is unfortunate enough to have three sheets loose and flailing in the wind, the sails and the boat will also flail about, much like someone who's had one too many at the bar. In the 1800s, sailors might refer to someone as anywhere from one to

Ottawa County (Allendale Township) uses sirens to notify residents of any emergency situation. They are tested at Noon on the first Friday of each month from March through November.

What are the sirens used for? Sirens are used to alert those that are outside to possible danger. That danger may be in the form of serious weather or an incident that would require people to go indoors immediately (shelter-in-place).

What should I do when I hear the sirens? When a siren sounds you should move indoors to a safe structure and tune to a local radio, TV or NOAA weather radio for more information. Why can't I hear the sirens inside my house? Sirens are an outdoor warning system designed only to alert those that are outside that something dangerous is approaching.

What do I do if the weather becomes threatening, but a warning has not been issued? Do not wait to take cover. Go to a basement, interior hall or bathroom. Leave mobile homes.



Here is information on area businesses and individuals who provide classes or events for your needs.

- <u>SNAP FITNESS</u>—If you are members of a Medicare health plan, you may have access to the SilverSneakers® Fitness Program. Stop in and see for yourself or visit the website www.silversneakers.com/snap/
- <u>Silver and Fit</u> is a program that promotes exercise for the healthy, aging population. If interested, reach out to our professional staff at <u>Northern PT of Allendale at 616-895-4050</u> to get set up on your individualized programming.
- <u>PICKLE BALL-Every Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to 11:30</u> at the new and improved Pickle Ball courts in the township park in summer and at Life Stream (6561 Lake Michigan Drive) in winter. Not sure if you like to play? Stop by and check it out. There are many friendly people there to help! Equipment is provided.
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   Walking Fit—Tuesdays at 5:00 PM —Join Terri, from Northern Ivy Physical Therapy and take a walk outside. Walking Fit is outside which hopefully will be attractive as gets a bit warmer. We walk at The Village Condos so it is safe, away from traffic, flat ground and a good space to visit, yet distance. Join as they go by or meet at Northern PT by 5:00 PM

# Rambling Thoughts

#### A strange old lady has moved into my house

I have no idea who she is, where she came from, or how she got in. I certainly did not invite her. All I know is that one day she wasn't there, and the next day she was.

She is a clever old lady and manages to keep out of sight for the most part, but whenever I pass a mirror, I catch a glimpse of her. And, whenever I look in the mirror to check my appearance, there she is hogging the whole thing, completely obliterating my gorgeous face and body. This is very rude! I have tried screaming at her, but she just screams back.

The least she could do is offer to pay part of the bills, but no. Every once in a while, I find a \$5 bill stuck in a coat pocket or some loose change under a sofa cushion, but it is not nearly enough. And I don't want to jump to conclusions, but I think she is stealing money from me. I go to the ATM and withdraw \$50 and a few days later, it's all gone! I certainly don't spend money that fast, so I can only conclude the old lady is pilfering from me. You'd think she would spend some of that money to buy wrinkle cream. And money isn't the only thing I think she is stealing.

Food seems to disappear at an alarming rate-especially the good stuff like ice cream, chips, and sweets. She must have a real sweet tooth, but she'd better watch because she is really packing on the pounds. I suspect she realizes this, and to make herself feel better, she is tampering with my scale to make me think I am putting on weight, too.

For an old lady, she is quite childish. She likes to play nasty games, like going into my wardrobes when I'm not home and altering my clothes so they don't fit. And she messes with my files and papers so I can't find anything. This is particularly annoying since I am extremely neat and organized.

She has found other imaginative ways to annoy me. She gets into my mail, newspapers, and magazines before I do and blurs the print so I can't read it. And she has done something really sinister to the volume controls on my TV, radio, and telephone. Now, all I hear are mumbles and whispers. She has done other things-like make my stairs steeper, my vacuum heavier and all the knob and taps harder to turn. She even made my bed higher so that getting into and out of it is a real challenge.

Lately, she has been fooling with my groceries before I put them away, applying glue to the lids, making it almost impossible for me to open the jars. She has taken the fun out of shopping for clothes. When I try something on, she stands in front of the dressing room mirror and monopolizes it. She looks totally ridiculous in some of those outfits, plus, she keeps me from seeing how great they look on me.

Just when I thought she couldn't get any meaner, she proved me wrong. She came along when I went to get my picture taken for my driver's license, and just as the camera shutter clicked, she jumped in front of me! I hope she never finds out where you live!



Remember when you used to be able to call a person 57 times and hang up and they never knew it was you?

That was fun...





Descriptive ways to describe your line of weary work:

mechanic: I'm tired drummer: I'm beat pipelayer: I'm drained gardener: I'm bushed chef: I'm fried

tailor: I'm tried

AC repairman: I'm exhausted window-washer: I'm wiped accountant: I'm spent soldier: I'm fatigued trash collector: I'm wasted

plumber: I'm pooped undertaker: I'm dead

#### All Things Michigan...



You have probably heard the phrase " What in the Sam Hill "It is a euphemism for what in the hell or other possible curse words.

Interestingly, Sam Hill was a real person who lived in Michigan. The origin of the saying is unknown but a possible theory is for Samuel W. Hill who was a surveyor in the Upper Peninsula. Hill was a geologist, surveyor, and mining engineer in the Keweenaw Peninsula area. He was well respected in copper country for his skills and kindness in helping the community. Hill was also know to use foul language and when stories were told about him his name was used in place of curse words and that is how his name supposedly became a euphemism for swear words.

Hill was twice elected to the state legislature, and retired to his house in Marshall in 1875 where he died in 1889. The home is now used as a doctors office. A historical marker for Sam Hill stands next to it and gives a little info about the man, but does not mention his propensity swearing.





There is a lot written about who and where the first roadside picnic table was established but historians generally credit this as a Michigan invention.

Today they adorn some beautiful scenery but 2 1/2 miles south of Roger's City, MI on US-23 is this lonely picnic table tucked in the woods. I doubt it gets used much or at all but whenever I drive by it, it heartens me for some reason that 'it's there if anyone ever needed it'. Thanks Michigan for one more road trip legacy.



Ready to brush up on your Michigan etymology? Here are some of Michigan's most unusual names, what they mean, and where they came from.

Hamtramck—Pronunciation: ham·tra·mik Surrounded by Detroit but still not Detroit, the Polish-American cultural hub of Hamtramck is known for its cultural pastries known as paczki. Hamtramck's name, though, contrary to belief, is nowhere near as Polish as its history. The namesake of the Polish town was a Revolutionary War military leader of French-Canadian descent, Jean François Hamtramck (1756–1803). Colonel Hamtramck was a commander of Fort Lernoult from when the Americans captured it from the British in 1796 until his death in 1805. Colonel Hamtramck served beneath George Washington and Anthony Wayne. The former Fort Lernoult was located where present -day downtown Detroit stands, at the intersection of Fort Street and Shelby Street.

Dan Robbins is the inventor of the paint by number craft system. Born in Detroit on May 26, 1925, Robbins attended Cass Technical High School where he fostered his love of art. After serving in the army, he made his living by creating washable paint sets for children. Many Americans saw an increase in available leisure time following World War II and took up new hobbies. Max Klein, president of the Palmer Paint Company in Detroit, was looking for an idea to increase the demand for his paint. Robbins and Klein partnered to create a product that would make anyone an artist.

Robbins conceived the idea for paint by number in 1949 after being inspired by Leonardo da Vinci, who would hand out numbered patterns to his apprentices. In 1951 he created the initial six kits for the Palmer Paint Company under the "Craft Master" label. Sales were slow at first, but clever marketing soon drove the kits' popularity skyward. By 1954 twelve million sets had been sold. Robbins recruited other high-profile artists, including Adam Grant, to create a continually expanding line of paint by number kits that included landscapes and seascapes, animals, religious subjects, and a line of "Masterpieces" such as their best-selling kit, The Last

Before long, Robbins had gone from working as a freelance contractor to the head of art direction for the most profitable division of the Palmer Paint Company, leaving an impact on the world of American hobbyists and art enthusiasts. Although the paint by number craze peaked in the early to mid-1950s, kits are still available. The National Museum of American History held an exhibition on the paint by number fad.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	Allendale 4th of July Cele- bration— See page 22-23 For details.	5 5:30 PM— Walking Fit	6 10 AM—Advisory Board Meeting 5:30 PM—Bunco. Come play Bunco and have dessert! Cost is just \$3 at the door.	7 11AM— Exercise in the park	8	9
10	8:30 AM— Breakfast Club at Murphy's. Join us as we celebrate your birthday this	12 2:00 PM— Hand and Foot at the town hall. 5:30 PM—	13 11AM— Whitecaps Game. Pay \$22/27 by July 6	14 11AM— Exercise in the park  Riverbend Steam a been, go check it out a big deal! \$6 day pa	nd Gas Show—If . If you've been, g sss or \$10 for all 3	you've never o again. This is days.
17	18	19 5:30 PM— Walking Fit	20 12 Noon— Monthly luncheon. Meet at Main St. Pub and enjoy a delicious lunch and catch up with one another.	21 11AM— Exercise in the park 5:00 PM— Supper club. Meet at the restaurant for	22	23
24	25	2:00 PM— Euchre at the Library 5:30 PM— Walking Fit	27	28 11AM— Exercise in the park	29	30
31	August 1 8:30 AM— Breakfast at Murphy's	August 2 7AM to 8PM—All Precinct Polls open 5:30 PM— Walking Fit	OUR OUNTS			wed

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Wednesday, July 6 at 5;30 PM—BUNCO! We are going to play Bunco and want you join us! Eat before you come and play Bunco with the AFD guys, who are ready to serve you a delicious dessert. Cost is \$3 at the door! Prizes given!

Monday, June 11 at 8:30 AM, Breakfast—Join the group as we gather for breakfast at Murphy's restaurant in Allendale. Warm your heart and tummy with good food, fellowship and hot coffee! No need to call, just show up!

<u>Tuesday, July 12 at 2:00 PM—Hand and Foot</u>—Have some fun playing with our house rules and maybe making some up as we go! We will be playing at the Town Hall. FREE to members or pay \$2 at the door!

Wednesday, July 13, Whitecaps Game! We will take a bus and have seats along the 3rd Baseline, shade, hot dog and beverage included for just \$22/\$27. Depart from town hall at 11:00 AM for a 12 noon game and return after the game, around 3:30 PM. Handicap accessible and not much walking! It's a great day for a ballgame!

Wednesday, July 20 from 12:00 to 1:30 PM - Monthly luncheon at Main St. Pub. We will welcome Susan Evans from West Michigan Alzheimer's Association of the state tion and she will share information of signs to watch for in yourself and others. Purchase your lunch from the menu. Call to sign up! \*Please note that our pie baking contest is postponed to a later date.

Thursday, July 21 at 5:00 PM, Supper Club at Stable Inn, 11880 West Olive Rd,(US31) Grand Haven. We're bringing back our anniversary dessert also, so if you have an anniversary this month, and join us this night, you will receive a free dessert to share with your spouse!



Tuesday, July 26 at 2:00 PM, Euchre at the LIBRARY!!!

Euchre game day. Bring your own foursome or meet some new people and play the afternoon away. FREE for members! Otherwise, pay \$2 at the door.

Tuesday, August 2—Primary Election This is your reminder to make your vote count. Absentee ballots are already being sent to those who have requested them. If you have trouble standing in a line and want to be added to the permanent absentee list, reach out to your local clerk.



## 🌣 Just to Warm your Heart...

"Hello darkness, my old friend..." Everybody knows the iconic Simon & Garfunkel song, but do you know the amazing story behind the first line of The Sounds of Silence?

It began 62 years ago, when Arthur "Art" Garfunkel, a Jewish kid from Queens, enrolled in Columbia University. During freshman orientation, Art met a student from Buffalo named Sandy Greenberg, and they immediately bonded over their shared passion for literature and music. Art and Sandy became roommates and best friends. With the idealism of youth, they promised to be there for each other no matter what.

Soon after starting college, Sandy was struck by tragedy. His vision became blurry and although doctors diagnosed it as temporary conjunctivitis, the problem grew worse. Finally after seeing a specialist, Sandy received the devastating news that severe glaucoma was destroying his optic nerves. The young man with such a bright future would soon be completely blind.

Sandy was devastated and fell into a deep depression. He gave up his dream of becoming a lawyer and moved back to Buffalo, where he worried about being a burden to his financiallystruggling family. Consumed with shame and fear, Sandy cut off contact with his old friends, refusing to answer letters or return phone calls.

Then suddenly, to Sandy's shock, his buddy Art showed up at the front door. He was not going to allow his best friend to give up on life, so he bought a ticket and flew up to Buffalo unannounced. Art convinced Sandy to give college another go, and promised that he would be right by his side to make sure he didn't fall - literally or figuratively.

Art kept his promise, faithfully escorting Sandy around campus and effectively serving as his eyes. It was important to Art that even though Sandy had been plunged into a world of darkness, he should never feel alone. Art actually started calling himself "Darkness" to demonstrate his empathy with his friend. He'd say things like, "Darkness is going to read to you now." Art organized his life around helping Sandy.

One day, Art was guiding Sandy through crowded Grand Central Station when he suddenly said he had to go and left his friend alone and petrified. Sandy stumbled, bumped into people, and fell, cutting a gash in his shin. After a couple of hellish hours, Sandy finally got on the right subway train. After exiting the station at 116th street, Sandy bumped into someone who quickly apologized - and Sandy immediately recognized Art's voice! Turned out his trusty friend had followed him the whole way home, making sure he was safe and giving him the priceless gift of independence. Sandy later said, "That moment was the spark that caused me to live a completely different life, without fear, without doubt. For that I am tremendously grateful to my friend." Sandy graduated from Columbia and then earned graduate degrees at Harvard and Oxford. He

Sandy graduated from Columbia and then earned graduate degrees at Harvard and Oxford. He married his high school sweetheart and became an extremely successful entrepreneur and philanthropist. While at Oxford, Sandy got a call from Art. This time Art was the one who needed help. He'd formed a folk rock duo with his high school pal Paul Simon, and they desperately needed \$400 to record their first album. Sandy and his wife Sue had literally \$404 in their bank account, but without hesitation Sandy gave his old friend what he needed. Art and Paul's first album was not a success, but one of the songs, The Sounds of Silence, became a #1 hit a year later. The opening line echoed the way Sandy always greeted Art. Simon & Garfunkel went on to become one of the most beloved musical acts in history.

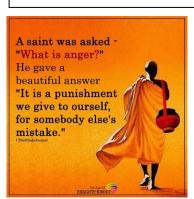
The two Columbia graduates, each of whom has added so much to the world in his own way, are still best friends. Art Garfunkel said that when he became friends with Sandy, "my real life emerged. I became a better guy in my own eyes, and began to see who I was - somebody who gives to a friend." Sandy describes himself as "the luckiest man in the world."



When a hobo told Andy he should just let Opie "decide for himself" how he wanted to live... Andy had these words of wisdom.

"No, I'm afraid it don't work that way. You can't let a young'n decide for himself. He'll grab at the first flashy thing with shiny ribbons on it. Then, when he finds out there's a hook in it, it's too late. Wrong ideas come packaged with so much glitter that it's hard to convince 'em that other things might be

better in the long run. All a parent can do is say 'wait' and 'trust me' and try to keep temptation away." Somehow, we have lost this basic truth. Too many people are more worried about being their child's friend, than in being a parent.



Your mind is a garden. Your thoughts are the seeds. You can grow flowers or you can grow weeds.

BE CLEAR!!! A friend who holds you accountable is better than a friend who will sit by and silently watch your bad habits destroy you. Keep a real one around you. Always!

Tonight, I gave each of the girls a rock and a sucker. I

had them walk down the road and back with the rock in their shoe and sucker in their mouth. You should've heard the grumbling. They couldn't walk normal because the

rock was uncomfortable...they were limping and staggering just trying to get back to me.

When they came back inside I asked them what was it like for them to walk around like that. The answers varied, but mostly they talked about how hard it was to walk around with the rock in their shoe....neither one mentioned how sweet the sucker was in their mouth.

We often fail to realize God's blessings because we put too much focus on the struggles of life.



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1. What is special about these words: job, polish, herb?

2.Turn me on my side and I am everything. Cut me in half and I am nothing. What am I?

3. What is harder to catch the faster you run?





When our lawn mower broke and wouldn't run, my wife kept hinting to me that I should get it fixed. But, somehow, I always had something else to take care of first...the shed, the boat, watching TV...always something more important. Finally, she thought of a clever way to make her point. When I arrived home one day, I found her seated in the tall grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of sewing scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went in to the house. I was gone only a minute when I came out again and handed her a toothbrush. I said, "When you finish cutting the grass, you might as well sweep the driveway too". The doctors say I will walk again, but I will always have a limp...



For all the no Botox no Plastic Surgery women When they asked her to reveal her beauty secrets, Audrey Hepburn wrote this beautiful text that was later read at her funeral

"To have attractive lips, speak kind words.

To have a loving look, look for the good side of people. To look skinny, share your food with the hungry. To have beautiful hair, let a child cross it with his own fingers once a day. To have a beautipoise, walk knowing you're never alone, ful

because those who love and loved you accompany you.

People, even more than objects, need to be fixed, spoiled, awakened, wanted and saved: never give up on anyone. Remember, if you ever need a hand,

you'll find them at the end of both your arms. When you become old, you will discover that you have two hands, one to help yourself, the second to help others.

The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, in her face or in her fixing her hair. The beauty of a woman is seen in her eyes, because that is the door open to her heart, the source of her love. The beauty of a woman doesn't lie in her makeup, but the true beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. It is the tenderness that gives love, the passion that it expresses. The beauty of a woman grows over the years "

You look in the mirror and sometimes see a mess of a uman being. But you don't see the lives you've touched, or the people you've saved. You don't see all the love you've given freely, or the extraordinary memories you've made. You are a book of beautiful moments and feelings.

We don't discover what we're made of in seasons of con fort.

We discover what we're made of in seasons of struggle.



Contact Rebecca at 616-892-2632 for the Grand Parade & Elizabeth at 616-892-3118 for the Activities in the Park!



#### **PRESENTS**



JULY 4, 2022

#### **Grand Parade: 10AM**

Including Holligans Flight Team flyover Sponsored by Grand Valley Sporting Goods APS K-8 campus

#### Activities in the Park: 11AM-2PM

Including food, games, & fun for all ages Allendale Community Park

#### Concert by Wyatt & Shari Knapp: 12PM-2PM

Allendale Community Park Bandshell

Fireworks: Dusk (10:15PM)

**APS K-8 Campus** 

www.allendalechamber.org/allendale-4th-of-july



We are pleased to announce the return of the Concerts in the Park! Our 2022 series will feature four performers at the Allendale Community Park Bandshell from 6PM-8PM. Food trucks will be available every night!

more information, contact Elizabeth, Township Community Coordinator at (616) 892-3118

or elizabeths@allendale-twp.org.
This activity is funded in part by the MICHIGAN ARTS AND CULTURE COUNCIL and MICHIGAN HUMANITIES, an affiliate of the NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES.

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