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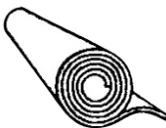
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Fruitport's history commemorated

By Fan Staff

Last summer the Village of Fruitport had a ceremony dedicating several historic markers that have been installed at various locations throughout the village. Village President Roger Vanderstelt, Trustee Jerry Alger and Village Historian Brian Zwart unveiled the markers.

Jerry Alger was the motivator behind getting grant money from the Muskegon Community Foundation to purchase the historic markers that have been installed for everyone to enjoy and learn from. Check them out when you get a chance and learn more about our community.



An evening with Garrison Keillor returns

(Submitted by the Frauenthal Center for the Performing Arts)

The Frauenthal Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Muskegon is pleased to present Garrison Keillor on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Garrison Keillor was born in 1942 in Anoka, Minnesota, and began his radio career as a freshman at the University of Minnesota, from which he graduated in 1966. He hosted the first broadcast of *A Prairie Home Companion* in Saint Paul in 1974.

Keillor has received numerous awards, including a Grammy Award for his recording of *Lake Wobegon Days*.

Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to see Garrison Keillor on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$125 for Gold Circle seating, including a dessert afterglow, meet and greet reception; \$50.00, \$40.00 and \$35.00. Tickets are on sale now at the Frauenthal box office, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday or charge by phone at 1-800-585-3737. All seats reserved.

For more information, call Linda Medema at (231) 332-4103 or visit www.frauenthal.org.

29th annual Snowfest announced

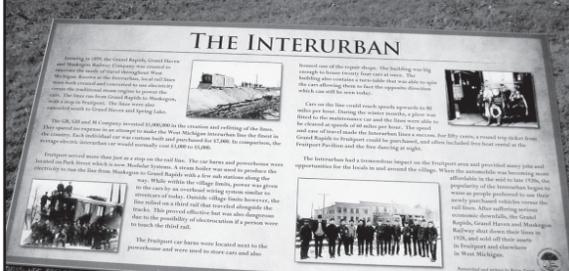
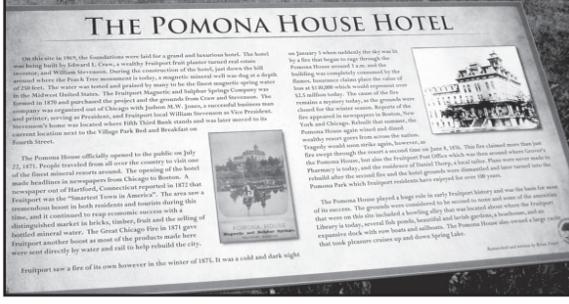
(Submitted by the Greater Muskegon Jaycees)

The 29th annual Snowfest will be held in downtown Muskegon from January 29 to February 2, 2013.

The event includes a trivia competition to benefit local schools, the presentation of Distinguished Service awards honoring young leaders in the community, the 4th annual Jaycees Euchre Tournament, a beverage tent with live entertainment on Western Avenue, a snow cornhole tournament, Battle of the Bowls chili and soup cook off; and kids' activities featuring activities, games, and prizes.

For more information about Snowfest or the Greater Muskegon Jaycees, please call (231) 412-0705 or visit snowfest@muskegonjaycees.org.

The Jaycees are a young person's professional organization that dedicates time and energy to give back to the Muskegon community through the gifts and talents of our members and our limited financial resources. For example, money from this event will help the Greater Muskegon Jaycees continue to collaborate with local food pantries, area schools, hospice facilities, local park clean-up efforts, and its support of charitable events like Relay for Life.



House crashes down on him

By Mariann Cooper

On Wednesday, November 28, 2012, Todd Lyon and his uncle were bracing the wall on the south side of the basement, when a definite creaking began. Both men quickly laid down on the floor next to the wall and covered their heads. Suddenly, within seconds, the whole house had crashed down in the middle on top of them. Luckily, they avoided any injuries, but the house was destroyed.

Todd purchased the house at Beech and 6th in June and was remodeling it before moving in. He presently lives in a rental in Nunica.

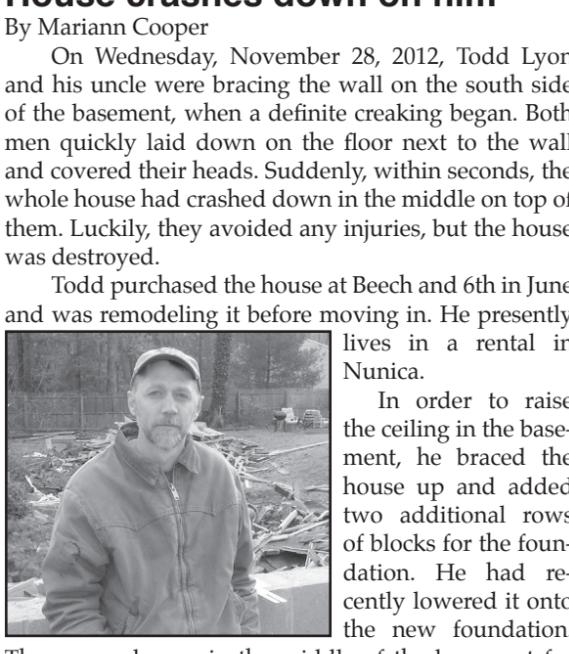
In order to raise the ceiling in the basement, he braced the house up and added two additional rows of blocks for the foundation. He had recently lowered it onto the new foundation.

There were braces in the middle of the basement for support.

In tearing off some of the drywall upstairs, Todd found black mold so he was gutting the house of the drywall in order to eliminate the mold, but this shouldn't have weakened the house.

M-Live had an article about the accident and indicated some high winds at that time. Whatever the cause, it wasn't the new blocks or wall that were installed that gave way. It was the original block wall on the south side that caved.

Farm Bureau Insurance is investigating the incident, and are determining if it could be covered. At this time, Todd doesn't know what is going to happen, but plans to stay at his present residence a bit longer.



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