The Tri-Cities Historical Museum is open **Tuesday** through **Friday** from **10a.m.** to **5p.m.**, and **12-5 p.m. Saturdays** and **Sundays**.

## 92nd Annual Muskegon County ~ YOUTH FAIR ~

July 22-27

FREE Admittance
FREE Parking
FREE Games
LOTS of Animals

An old man told me the best reason for the border wall.

"Good Pences Make Good Neighbors"

I think his name is Robert Frost.

submitted by Mike Simcik





- ✓ Partnering with Parents
- ✓ Mutual Support of Churches
- √ Teaching Christian Worldview
- ✓ All Disciplines-Integration of Biblical Truth
- ✓ Active Community of Like-minded Parents
- ✓ God-Honoring Relationships between Students
- ✓ Diverse Student Body
- Development of Character and Spiritual Formation
- ✓ Academic Rigor and Excellence
- ✓ Life Prep
- ✓ PreK-12<sup>th</sup> Under One Roof
- ✓ Secure Building



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## **Thanksgiving Giving**

submitted by Lion Heidi Tice



Each year the Fruitport Lions and Fruitport Community schools collect food donations and give Fruitport families in need a Thanksgiving dinner. This event seems to get bigger each year, and the volunteers are never ending. Throughout November, Fruitport Leos, Fruitport Student



Council members, Fruitport National Honor Society, and the Boy Scouts, stand at Orchard Market (they keep all frozen turkeys or ham in cold storage for free) and receive donations of food.



The bounty is stored at Fruitport Storage Group (which donates the space) until the Saturday before Thanksgiving. The schools in Fruitport take up donations throughout the month, and add



in the thousands of food items that are needed to make this event a success.

On the Saturday before Thanksgiving, the masses come together; Fruitport Lions, Fruitport Lionesses, Fruitport Leos, Fruitport National Honor Society, Fruitport Student Council members, Boy Scouts, and many helpful Fruitport residents. They meet at Edgewood Elementary, sort food, and fill boxes to be distributed. This past November, there were 139 families given an all-the-trimmings Thanksgiving meal.



Thank you to all the residents that donated for another successful Thanksgiving: Hazekamp meats, Fruitport Storage Group, Fruitport Orchard Market, Fruitport Community Schools, Fruitport Calvary School, and the Fruitport Lions family.



them ignite the potential they had in them all along."

## Mentoring is proven to Work

National studies have found that, after spending 18 months with their Bigs, the Little's were:

- 46% less likely to begin using illegal drugs
- 27% less likely to begin using alcohol
- 52% less likely to skip school
- More confident in their schoolwork
- One-Third less likely to act out aggressively
  - Getting along better with their families

Watch our Facebook page for daily posts of unmatched children. To learn more about becoming a Big Brother or Big Sisters, please contact our enrollment specialists Amy Garcia, amy@bbbslakeshore.org, 231-798-1391 ext. 222 or Samantha Fitzgerald, samantha@bbbslakeshore.org, 231-798-1391 ext. 224. 4265 Grand Haven Road, Suite 201, Muskegon, MI 49441.

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## We Have BIG Dreams

**Muskegon, MI-** Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lakeshore (BBBSL) is celebrating 50 years as an organization that provides professional one-to-one mentoring along the lakeshore. From May 1 – June 11, 2019, we are recruiting 50 mentors in 50 days. Our BIG dream is to gather enough adult mentors to match all the children on the waitlist.

"Potential lives within every child. Our goal is to end the waitlist and have children feel empowered to reach their potential," said Lisa Hegenbart, Executive Director of BBBSL. "Some children just need a little extra support and they can change the world."

Since 1969, BBBSL has been offering professionally supported one-on-one mentoring in Ottawa, Muskegon, Oceana and Mason Counties. Over time, BBBSL has evolved to become more diverse and inclusive. We've sharpened our focus and reimagined how we do things. We have modernized how we look and talk. And, we are creating new and exciting ways to put our Littles first.

"Our mentoring program is truly open and available to all backgrounds and abilities," said Hegenbart. "There are no income or educational requirements. We want to be diverse and inclusive, so children have the opportunity to look to their mentor as a role model. Mentoring works! We are investing in meaningful interactions with children to help