

First Congregational Church youth group activity fund could use your deposit cans and bottles. You can drop them off at the church (3212 Pontaluna Rd.) if you would like, or you can call 231-288-9873, and someone will pick them up.

Baby Items Drop Off

First Congregational Church of Fruitport is a baby items drop-off site for Muskegon Pregnancy Services.

If you have items that you would like to donate, you can drop them off by the side door, under the roof, at 3212 Pontaluna Road, Fruitport. If you have any questions, please call

(231) 288-9873.

Stop by, have some coffee and visit with us. You



Make New Friends and learn new *QUILTING SKILLS & OTHER CRAFTS.* Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

No experience necessary
Members of other churches invited

For more information or a ride please call Lorene (231) 773-8369 or Julie at (231) 329-1477 or stop by. First Congregational Church, 3212 Pontaluna Rd. *across from Edgewood School.*



Halloween Decor in Fruitport photos by Mariann Cooper



205 N. Third Ave



4641 S. Dangl Rd.



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Arson Fire Assessed at \$5-\$7 Million in Damages to Boys & Girls Club

Muskegon, MI, September 5, 2023 – The Muskegon Police Department, Muskegon Fire Department, the Michigan State Police and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives are still actively investigating the suspicious fire at the Boys and Girls Club of the Muskegon Lakeshore's Clubhouse that was slated to open this month. The fire occurred in the early hours of Aug. 12 to the organization's Clubhouse and Neal Fitness Center at 900 W. Western Ave.

The arson has been assessed with damages in total of \$5-\$7 million, Monica Turnbull, BGCML CEO said.

An estimated timeline of 6-12 months is expected for all remediation or replacement, and finished construction of the Clubhouse project. Millions of square footage needs to be hand cleaned or replaced.

If you would like to support the BGCML with its mission, please consider a donation by visiting *bgclubmuskegon.com/donate* or by calling Richard Vanderputte-McPherson, resource development

director at 231-268-0240.

To help assist with this investigation, donors from the BGCML, ATF, MSP, and Muskegon County Silent Observer have teamed up to offer a reward of more than \$20,000 for information leading to the arrest and/or prosecution of the subject(s) involved in the fire.

If anyone has any information on this incident, please call the Muskegon Police Department at 231-724-6750, Muskegon Fire Department at 231-724-6792, or Silent Observer at 231-722-7463.

About Boys & Girls Club of the Muskegon Lakeshore: Established in 2015, BGCML has a mission to inspire all young people to reach their full potential. BGCML keeps kids safe during outof-school time by providing a positive environment where they can learn, play, and grow. Club staff lead innovative, proven, and nationally recognized programs that are designed to empower youth to excel in school, become good citizens, and lead healthy, productive lives. For further information, please visit bgclubmuskegon.com. Follow the Club on Facebook and Twitter @BGClubMuskegon or Instagram @bgcml

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