



The Bulletin

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Nominating Committee is Looking for Future Candidates

The slate of board positions for 2023 have been nominated and are included in the September bulletin. Are you interested in being considered for Prairie Club board nominations in the future? If so, please prepare a “bio” and send to Dan Gapen, nominating committee chair at gapencd@gmail.com. What is a “bio”? A bio is a brief description of yourself, family, school/work experience and Prairie Club experiences. There are a number of bios of the board members nominated for 2023 posted in the September bulletin.

The Prairie Club Board of Directors consists of 19 members. There are seven officer positions which are 2-year terms: president, first vice president, second vice president, treasurer, secretary and the camp chairs of Hazlehurst and Spring Grove. There are 12 director positions that are 3-year terms and they are staggered such that each year, four terms expire. Job descriptions are posted on the Prairie Club website. The two camp chairs are nominated by the site holders. All other roles are nominated by the nominating committee. The nomination process is active in summertime in preparation for terms that are due to expire; however, openings can also occur mid-term. What are the hardest positions to fill? I could see someone guessing president, but I think over time we will find that actually, treasurer and secretary are harder positions to fill.



What are some things the nominating committee looks for? We would like the board to represent our membership and consist of walkers/activity members, renters and site holders/offsite members from both camps. We would like the board to be a balance of males and females. Accounting and financial skills are helpful when discussing annual budgets and how we are doing versus the budget. Legal skills are helpful to guide decisions. Project management and construction skills can help regarding asking the right questions when discussing a project at a rental facility. Breadth of backgrounds and experiences help the board make better decisions on a wide range of topics that are discussed. Often, who we are looking for depends on who is rolling off, who is already on the board, and what we think our needs are at a given point in time.

I found being on the board for two terms as a director to be a good experience for two reasons. First, I learned a lot about the club I didn't know. Second, and more important, it was a way to meet other people throughout the club. If being on the board is something you might be interested in doing in the future, please let us know.

Thank you,
Dan Gapen - Nominating Committee Chair

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Nominating & Election Procedures for Open Director & Officer Positions

Each year the Prairie Club Nominating Committee meets to select nominees to fill upcoming club Director or Officer positions that open in December. Director terms are for three years, Officer terms are for two years. The Officers are President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The Hazelhurst Camp Chair and the Spring Grove Camp Chair, selected by the respective camps, are also Officers. There are twelve Directors; four three-year terms start each year. These seven Officers and twelve Directors constitute the Prairie Club Board of Directors.

The Nominating Committee publishes nominee names in the September issue of the Prairie Club Bulletin. In accordance with Prairie Club By-laws, if you wish to submit an alternative name by October 1 for nomination, either obtain a members' nominating petition form from the office, which must then be signed by ten or more eligible club members, or write a nominating letter and have it signed by ten or more members. In either case, the office for which the nomination is made should be indicated and the names and addresses of the signers included (see By-laws, Article VII-Election, and Letter Ballots, Section 1, for procedures). Only voting members in good standing are eligible for nomination.

In addition to positions filled through this process, much of the club's work is done by committee chairs. Standing committees are appointed by the Board. Chairs and their committees are member volunteers who lead and accomplish the club's mission.

On the following pages, you will find short biographies of the nominees for open director positions on the Board.



Nominating Committee Nominations for the 2023 Board

Officers

President - Mike Maloney

Mike Maloney has been a member of the Prairie Club since 2001 and a Hazelhurst site holder since 2004. Mike has served as First Vice President on the PC Board since 2019 and is a member of the PC Finance Committee and the Hazelhurst Second Century Conservation Committee. Mike is also a Board Member of the Frederick Law Olmsted Society in Riverside, a group focused on historical preservation and sustainability for the village. He is also on the Finance Committee for his church. Mike is currently pursuing a Masters Degree in Biology at the University of Miami Ohio and the Chicago Zoological Society. Prior to his retirement in January 2018, Mike held executive positions at Accenture, Seurat, Logica, Ameritech and Andersen Consulting. Mike has a BS Accounting from Oklahoma State University and an MBA from Notre Dame.

1st Vice President - Sarah (Sally) Craig Pratt

Sarah (Sally) Craig Pratt has a lifelong passion for seeing the Prairie Club thrive; that passion and her professional education lends itself to a history of strong professional and volunteer board leadership. As a life-long and multi-generational member of the Prairie Club, Sally, like the rest of her family, has been very active in the club and more specifically Camp Hazelhurst her entire life. She believes in the value of conservation, preservation, and protection of the land, both within the club and around the world. Sally considers the alignment with the club objectives, environmental education and disseminating the knowledge of environmental projects, the best way to ensure and sustain the distinct qualities each camp offers our membership.

Recently retired from the University of Notre Dame Office of Research, Sally's professional background includes global health program management, fundraising and development, special events and teaching executive leadership skills at the St. Joseph (IN) Chamber of Commerce. She has extensive volunteer leadership experience on boards

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and committees including 21 years chairing the Northern Indiana Arts Commission and 33 years (now retired) as a member of the National Ski Patrol.

Sally pledges to work within our organization to encourage and motivate more members of the next generation to take responsibility for our club's viability. Her family has been siteholders at Hazelhurst since 1930 and the early days of Tremont. She holds a Master's degree magna cum laude in Nonprofit Management Administration (NMA) from the University of Notre Dame with an undergraduate degree summa cum laude in Communication and Visual Arts from Albion College.

2nd Vice President - Carolyn Edison

Carolyn Edison has been a member of the Prairie Club since October 2011, and upon admission to the Club immediately joined the Activities Committee where she continues to be active. She has also served on the Prairie Club Board as Director for three years and second VP for the last two years. She is an avid hiker and leads several Prairie Club hikes each year. She has three grown children and four grandchildren.

During Carolyn's professional career she spent eight years as a banker, eight more as VP of the Mortgage Division, and an additional nine years as Director of Sales for a builder.

Carolyn is a monthly volunteer at the "Center" of Palos Heights and at St. Michael Parish in Orland Park, Illinois as an EOM and Sacristan. She also holds the position of Trustee with the Sons of Italy Leone d'Oro Lodge which raises funds for autism and college scholarships.

Carolyn loves to be in nature in all seasons and volunteers to clean up hiking paths and waterways. She is a member and group leader of the not-for-profit Women Outdoors Group and has been a Prairie State Canoe member since 2007. She is interested in generating more interest in Prairie Club sponsored outdoor and community projects and activities.

Treasurer - Mark Sever

Mark V. Sever has been the current Prairie Club Treasurer the past four years. He retired as Deputy Vice Chair of Professional Practice from Ernst & Young LLP, one of the Big Four accounting firms, in June 2015, after a 39-year career. During his career, Mark's role in Professional Practice included consulting with clients throughout the country on a variety of accounting, auditing, and financial reporting issues. In addition to his role as the lead audit partner on a variety of financial services companies, Mark served as the engagement quality review partner on a number of the firm's global accounts including: Walmart Stores, Inc., The Coca-Cola Company, McDonald's Corporation, Whirlpool Corporation, Maytag, Aon Corporation, Cardinal Health, Brunswick Corporation, Wrigley, Newell-Rubbermaid, and IMC Global. Mark earned his B.B.A. degree in accounting, summa cum laude, from the University of Notre Dame. Mark is a registered certified public accountant in Illinois. Mark and his wife, Christie, have been siteholders since 2009. Their three children, two daughters-in-law and four grandchildren all live in the Chicago area. Mark and Christie enjoy the beach and sunsets at Hazelhurst, golf and traveling.

Recording Secretary - Wendy Lyford

I have spent time at Hazelhurst virtually every summer from infancy, despite always living far away. My grandparents, all named "Hughes," lived next door to each other in Cottages 62 (still owned by my family) and 68. I joined the club in 1994. I've enjoyed nearly a year on the Prairie Club Board and appreciate the opportunity to

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learn more about the Club by participating as a board member and Secretary.

I retired in 2020 after a career in law, court administration and mediation, including 23 years in Anchorage, Alaska. My husband, Willis Lyford, and I are now living half the year in Harbert and the winter months in California. We have 3 adult sons and introduced our 2-year-old twin granddaughters to Lake Michigan and the Prairie Club last year. I've enjoyed volunteering at Hazelhurst in the library, on dune restoration work parties, and the Hazelhurst history committee.

Directors

Charles Calkins

Charles is a fourth-generation Prairie Club member. His great-grandparents were among the founders of the Prairie Club. His great-grandfather, Frank L. Morse, served as Prairie Club President from 1931 to 1945.

Charles's family were site holders at the Prairie Club's Indiana Dunes location and are original site holders at Hazelhurst. Their cottage, No. 4, was moved across the lake from the Indiana Dunes to its current location at Hazelhurst. Charles has spent part of each summer since the early 1960s at Hazelhurst and has been active in Junior and Beach activities. His father, Frank Calkins, has served for a number of years on the Hazelhurst Camp Council.

Charles holds an S.B. Degree (Chemical Engineering and Life Sciences) from MIT and a law degree from Boston University Law School. He is a partner in Kilpatrick, Townsend & Stockton, an international law firm, and holds leadership positions in the firm.

Charles lives in North Carolina but has been attending and will continue to attend the Prairie Club Board meetings in person. He is active in his local community and has many years of experience as a Board Member of non-profit organizations and providing legal services to non-profits. Charles is currently a member of the Prairie Club Board of Directors; the Board of Directors of the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra; the Board of Directors of Raven's Pursuit (a 501(c)(3) non-profit) and provides pro bono legal services to Voices Together (a 501(c)(3) non-profit), Greyhound Friends of North Carolina and other organizations.

Charles has been an active member of the Prairie Club Board and is interested in remaining active in Prairie Club governance, and in particular ensuring the club remains well managed so as to preserve its many offerings to members.

Mickey (Mildred) Hanson

I was born in Racine, Wisconsin. When I was 9, my father passed and my mother moved us and my five siblings to Brainerd, Minnesota. While attending high school, I taught swimming and worked in the library. After high school, I worked at Larson Boat Works spray painting until moving to Chicago, Illinois in the 70's, where I still reside.

My work experience for the last fifty years besides spray painting include data entry, computer operator, billing, receptionist, golf club repair, and cafe manager. My hobbies include swimming, fishing, reading, jigsaw puzzles, and sudoku.

Myself and my life partner Jim of 36 years have been members and site holders of our beautiful Spring Grove camp going on 12 years, where we enjoy the great outdoors, with the great people who work to keep our camp going. I have served five years as Spring Grove Lodge Chair.

Nominating Committee Nominations for the 2023 Board

Hope Little

Hope Little joined the Club in 2000, when she became active in the walking and hiking activities. In 2003, Hope became a member of the Board; she was elected Prairie Club President in 2008. In addition to holding these positions, she has served on the Nominating Committee, the Centennial Committee, has chaired the Annual Meeting committee and until covid forced the Club to stop having walks, she was a dedicated Prairie Club walker. To contribute to her love of the outdoors, Hope spearheaded the club initiative of planting trees, as a result of this initiative, the Prairie Club has sponsored the planting of 600 trees in the Coral Woods Forest Preserve of McHenry County. Through the Trees for the Future Foundation, the club has promoted the planting of trees in Asia and Africa.

Hope is a graduate of De Paul University and recently retired from the State of Illinois as a Medicaid Auditor. She serves as Chair of the Organizing Committee of the North Shore Crop Hunger Walk and had functioned as the organization's Treasurer for three years. Hope had been Co-Director of the Nicaragua Medical Alliance, an all-volunteer, not for profit organization that sent medical supplies and equipment to clinics in Nicaragua. Due to problems with the current Nicaraguan government, Hope collects medical supplies for Project Cure in Westmont, Illinois for worldwide distribution.

Charles Manthey

Charles Manthey founded Bluechip Financial Planning, Inc. in 1992. He is a Certified Financial Planner and earned his MBA in Finance from Indiana University and a BA in Chemistry and Economics from Denison University. He began his career in Financial Control at Texas Instruments in 1981 where he helped prepare annual and quarterly shareholder reports and served as shareholder contact. In 1987, he began working as a Financial Consultant for Merrill Lynch, where he specialized in retirement planning and tax advantaged investing.

He is a Past President of the Richardson East Rotary Club, and a graduate of Leadership Richardson Class XV. He has served as President for two years in SMU Mom's and Dad's club and has been on the board of Canyon Creek's MGA. He has lectured to numerous business groups and individuals on a variety of financial topics and has taught CPA continuing education classes. He and his wife, Arlene reside in Richardson.

Prairie Club experience has been primarily related to Hazelhurst. Grandfather Seeles owned cottage on site 1, and the family has been owning the cottage on site 105 since 1962. James and John Manthey served on boards. I participated in all the juniors' activities at some point. Basically, I would look to preserve and strengthen The Prairie Club for future generations.

New Applicants for Membership

The following candidates have applied for membership since our last Bulletin was published. If you know of any reason why an applicant should not be admitted to the Club, please write to the Membership Committee, via the Club office address: 12 E. Willow St., Unit A, Lombard, IL 60148

Paul Carlin & Jacqueline Bloom

Three Oaks, MI 49128

Sponsors: Susan Goldin-Meadow, Mary White

Interviewed by: Marilyn Gorawara

Joshua Brown

Brookhaven, GA 30319

Sponsors: Deirdre Gilligan, Kim Vronay Bruns

Interviewed by: M.P. McKenzie

Immediate Family Applicants

This summer the Prairie Club had a special opportunity for immediate family to become members. No interview was required and the fee was reduced. This special is offered every three years during the months of June, July and August. It will not be offered again until 2025. Below is a list of those who have applied through this special opportunity since our last publication.

Applicant	Relative	Sponsor
Algozino, Solomon	Meredith Conn	Kathy Lewis
Antczak, Justyna	Robert Antczak	Jerzy Czajkowski
Baker, Bennett	Matt Baker	Karen Sable
Baker, Melissa	Cathy Baker	Karen Sable
Baker, Rachel	Cathy Baker	Karen Sable
Bane, Cynthia	Joanne Haymaker	James Lemler
Busenburg, Gabrielle	Susanne Busenburg	Hilary Critchfield
Carlson, Sara	Jason Carlson	Jessica Luthy
Conn, Alyson Broman	Meredith Conn	Kathy Lewis
Crout, David	Joanne Haymaker	Mark Maloney
Cummins, Dylan	Susanne Busenburg	Hilary Critchfield
Curtis, Scott	Christine Hudson	Jaime Haas
Czajkowski, Eric	Jerzy Czajkowski	Nina Weisberg
Foote, Alexander	Garritt Foote	Scott Elrick
Foote, Ramsey	Garritt Foote	Scott Elrick
Ghodbane, Ismail	Martha Lynn Turner	Ann Cilla
Haymaker, Christopher	Joanne Haymaker	James Lemler
Haymaker, Elizabeth	Joanne Haymaker	James Lemler
Hill, Freddy	Ruth Townsend Hill	Rob Burton
Housten, Benjamin	Judith Spurgin	Charles Calkins
Hugh, Marie Lemler	Sharon Lemler	Laura Gilbert
Johnson, C.	Charlie Johnson	Terri Breach
Johnson, Chad R.	Charlie Johnson	Terri Breach
Johnson, Chris A.	Charlie Johnson	Bill Breach
LoGrasso, Noelle	Jennifer LoGrasso	Patrick Gilligan
LoGrasso, Olivia	Jennifer LoGrasso	Patrick Gilligan
Manis, Josh	Robert Manis	Kathleen Bricker
Martin, Grace	Dan Gapen	Randall Lutter
Miller, Ann	Philip Miller	Barb Burton Halfpenny
Miller, Claire	Wyatt Allen Miller	Sally Craig
Miller, Emma	Philip Miller	Barb Burton Halfpenny
Miller, Michelle	Steve Miller	Bill Rosenthal
Miller, Wyatt Holt	Wyatt Allen Miller	Sally Craig
Nair, Sophia	Katherine Smith	Deb Carpenter
Netherton, Mia Padilla	Mary Padilla	Deirdre Gilligan
O'Hale, Denise	Tom Cahill	Penny Longo
O'Hale, John	Tom Cahill	Penny Longo
Peterek, Camille	Mitch Peterek	Terri Breach
Pieper, Eric	Joanne Pieper	Nelson Pelletier
Pitt, Alan	Kathy Lee	Jean Hendren
Range, Mary	Becky Burton	Geri Gorski
Rosen, Stephen Mark	Sally Rosen	Donald Wallingford
Rumpel, Deborah	Carol Bouvier	Robert Foote
Sartain, Victor	Jeffrey Sartain	Rob Burton
Schwartz, Samson	Madalynn Peterek	Terri Breach
Shales, Gwen	John Shales	Jennifer Restivo
Smith, Sydney Marie	Joanna Burda-Smith	Barb Burton Halfpenny
Strong, Vanessa	Susanne Busenburg	Hilary Critchfield
Summers, Charlotte	Katherine Smith	Sharon Lemler
Thalheimer, Hannah	Laura Gilbert	Sharon Lemler
Urness, Jane	Sarah Spurgin Witte	Emma Ceddia

LEO'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE (Chapter 2. A Fair Trade.)

A number of you have asked how many people will sail aboard Picton Castle during her upcoming world voyage, and what will be my role during that voyage?

The answer to the first question seems to be 46. The ship's compliment will include the captain, his wife and ten year old son, first mate, second mate, chief engineer, medical technician, bosun, sailmaker, rigger, carpenter, purser, cook, and thirty-three apprentices.

I am an apprentice. That means I have paid a substantial sum of money to be a full participating member of the crew of a large, crowded, square rigged sailing ship. I will help raise and lower the anchors and set or furl any-and-all of the ship's twenty-eight sails. I will take my turn standing watch day or night in rain, wind, or blistering tropic heat. I will help cook, wash dishes, scrub pots, clean toilets, check the bilge, chip rust, scrape varnish, swab decks, and any other dirty menial chores the ship's officers can think of. That's the downside of my journey, if you choose to



think of it in those terms, which I do not.

On the plus side, if all goes well I will sail thousands of miles in the heart of the trade winds. I will enjoy almost five hundred sunsets. At night far from any land, I will look up into an ink black sky and see millions of stars. I will see whales, porpoise, fish and birds. I will walk along black volcanic and white coral sand beaches. I will rest in the shade of palm trees. I will go aloft into the rigging as high as the captain and my courage will allow. In one fell swoop, I will see everything I ever wanted to see, do everything I ever wanted to do, experience everything I ever

wanted to experience, and meet everyone I ever wanted to meet. And if I get very, very lucky, our ship will find the fabled island of Bali Hai, located, as you may recall, at the exact point "where the sky meets the sea."

That seems like a fair trade to me.

Leo Krusack

Changes to Hazelhurst Rules

Changes to Hazelhurst Camp Rules Appendix "A" - #6 has been approved by The Prairie Club Board of Directors and Hazelhurst Siteholders pursuant to The Prairie Club By-Laws. Below you will find a brief description of the changes made. All siteholders and renters at Hazelhurst Camp are expected to familiarize themselves with these rules. For your convenience, these updated rules can also be found on our website www.ThePrairieClub.org or requested from the office.

SITEHOLDER APPROVED RULE 6 OF APPENDIX A

Present Rule 6:

6. Only one building may be erected on the camp site, and the center of such building must be substantially at or over the point indicated on the camp plot, except by special permission of the camp chairman. The dimensions of the building must conform to the building rules formulated by the committee in charge of such construction. The staking out of the proposed building on its proper site must be done in the presence of a member of the B&S, or of another member designated by the chairman of the committee.

Approved Rule 6 (totally rewritten):

6. Only one building (a cottage) is allowed on each active Hazelhurst Site. Siteholders may have retaining walls as needed. No other structures, including outdoor hot tubs or outdoor swimming pools, are allowed on an activated Site. The center of a cottage must be substantially at or over the point indicated on the camp plot, except by special permission of the Camp Chair. The exterior dimensions and appearance of a remodeled or new cottage must conform to the Hazelhurst Camp Rules and Appendix A to those Rules. The Building & Sites chair may request a staking out of any proposed cottage remodel or new cottage before approval of construction by the committee.

Our Departed Members and Friends

The following members and friends have passed away since our Bulletin's last publishing. Please keep them and their family in your thoughts and prayers.

Robert Haymaker

passed away on July 3, 2022

Steven Hendren

passed away on July 17, 2022

Margaret Martin

passed away on July 29, 2022

Eleanor Seels Varda

passed away on July 31, 2022

Donations

Thank you for the continued support of our Members. **Please remember that donations to the Prairie Club are not tax deductible.**

Margaret Lee Hendren made an open-hearted donation to Hazelhurst in memory of Eleanor Seels Varda.

A generous donation to Hazelhurst and environmental education in memory of Margaret Martin was made by **the Eltinge family**.

Nature Preserves Thriving *by Mike Kozubek*

The Harbor Country Hikers continues their wonderful educational hikes this fall.

My first hike this year was in the Leonard Wildlife Preserve. Other hikes were in preserves adjacent to Warren Woods State Park, part of plans to connect wildlife corridors. One such hike was in the Sugarwood Forest Preserve, a new and amazing Chikaming Open Lands preserve, on Elm Valley Road near the Warren Woods entrance. It has quickly become one of my favorites with its moderately rolling terrain. A mix of field, successional and old-growth forests, plateaus of uplands bisected by deep ravines, Sugarwood Preserve includes beautiful vistas you need to see through every season to fully appreciate.



Nearby Sugarwoods Farm was the site of this year's COL benefit Fête at the Forest. Enjoy wine, craft cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and fantastic company was enjoyed in a beautiful setting! Guided walks through the preserve were available.

Once destined for development (see the abandoned huge concrete pipes pictured below), the 49 acre Chris Thompson Memorial Preserve off Warren Woods Road is a mix of abandoned agricultural field, floodplain forest and frontage on the Galien River. Chikaming Open Lands plans to maintain the high-quality forest along the river, allow the forest to extend out into the field through a process called succession, and improve the mesic prairie, a historically common but now rare ecosystem.



Dan Engel, COL's stewardship coordinator, explained where the group is in the restoration process. The original knockdown process involves large-scale mowing and controlled burns of the prairie to hamper the growth of invasive species. They also release beetles that eat only invasive purple loosestrife.

Our Rental Facilities— Contact the office to make your reservation today!

Fall is the perfect time for family activities; corn mazes, pumpkin patches, hay rides, petting zoos, and of course, haunted houses! Both of our camps are the perfect home base to set off on your adventures.

There are still many great Fall days available. Who can resist the sound of leaves crunching under your feet? October is the perfect month to experience the peak of Fall colors at either of our camps!

Both Family Cottage and Buena Vista have availability this Columbus Day weekend.

Farmhouse

Offering seven rooms to choose from, ranging from accommodations for one person up to four people. Comfortably sleeps 14 to 18. Openings are available year round at the Farmhouse. The seven lovely rooms in Farmhouse are available for Exclusives and individual room rentals on weekly, nightly or weekend basis. With so many options, we have the perfect chance for your quick getaway.



Family Cottage

Cottage has two identical sides to choose from. Each side sleeps 4 - 5 people. The main floor consists of a complete kitchen, spacious living area, a full bathroom, and a bedroom with a queen bed. The large loft area provides beautiful views and features two twin beds and a twin trundle bed. Central Air equipped, a gas fireplace, and a private screened porch. Linens, bath towels, and cleaning service are provided. Wi-Fi included.



Buena Vista

Two spacious sides each with three bedrooms and two bathrooms. Casa Craig sleeps 8 - 10 people with six twin beds and a twin bunk bed spread out among three bedrooms and a day bed on the screened porch. Sandine's Svensk Stuga sleeps 6 - 8 people with four twin beds and a double bed. As well as, two twin beds on the screened porch. Both sides are central air equipped and feature wood burning fireplaces. Linens, bath towels and cleaning service provided. Wi-Fi included. Each side of Buena Vista may be rented individually or both as an exclusive.



Spring Grove



Just 60 miles north of Chicago, Spring Grove Lodge has seven bedrooms, each sleeping 4 - 5 people. Inside the Lodge you will find a large fully equipped kitchen and two common areas with beautiful views of the woods and pond. Enjoy hiking and fishing on the grounds or many other places in the surrounding area. The Nippersink Creek runs through the camp,

offering perfect opportunities for canoeists and kayakers. Available for individual room rentals or an exclusive lodge rental. It also is a wonderful place to just spend the day. Perfect for family reunions, work retreats, friends weekends, church outings and weddings.

Things to do in the Hazelhurst Area

Go see a movie...or a play...or a band...or knit something!

The Vickers Theatre in Three Oaks has new movies as well as Indie films, documentaries, and oldies but goodies. <https://vickerstheatre.com/>

The Acorn Performing Arts center in Three Oaks has talented and well-known bands, as well as an open Mike night for those who love to get up on stage. <https://www.acornlive.org/>

The Footlight Players theatre company in nearby Michigan city has a nice lineup of productions including a holiday favorite. <https://www.footlightplayers.org/>

Four Winds casino in New Buffalo has an incredible lineup of big-name entertainers. <https://www.fourwindscasino.com/>

Lastly...if you'd rather spend quiet days knitting or crocheting... then checkout Hoof to hanger fiber processing mill in nearby Bridgman. This facility sources and gathers its fleece and has a great selection of high quality yarns. <https://www.hoofthanger.com/>

Prairie Club Officers 2022

President	Douglas Elrick
1st Vice President	Mike Maloney
2nd Vice President	Carolyn Edison
Treasurer	Mark Sever
Recording Secretary	Wendy Lyford
Hazelhurst Camp Vice President	Sharon Lemler
Spring Grove Camp Vice President	Erin Kiehm

Standing Committees 2022

Audit	Kevin Oravec
Elections	Terry Riban
Finance	Richard B. Spurgin
Historical	OPEN
Membership	Barb Burton
Nominating	Sarah Craig

Activity Committees 2022

Activities/Walkers	Hope Little
Annual Meeting	Hope Little
Buena Vista	Linsey Crowninshield
Conservation	OPEN
Family Cottage	Laurel Salvador
Farm House	Deb McGrath, Barbara Wittersheim
Promotional	Barb Burton
Publications	Natalie Brennan
Hazelhurst	Sharon Lemler
Spring Grove	Erin Kiehm, Brian Reed
Spring Grove Lodge	Mickey Hanson
Website	Natalie Brennan



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