# Northern Community Mediation Where the Solution Is Up To You

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# BRIDGES

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### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE



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Joel Wurster

The six people pictures above each represents six years of service on the Board of Directors for Northern Community Mediation. All six have provided leadership, vision and guidance towards the efficiency and effectiveness of the center. I will personally miss working with each and every one of them.

All is not lost, however. Coming on as new board members are Ed Engstrom, Stuart Fenton, Bill Meengs, Kate Scollin, Pat Simmons, and Christian Smith. At the beginning of the new year, pictures and bios of them will be posted on the NCM website.

#### **USELESS FACT**

There is only one species of Reindeer but there are about 20 sub-species. One of these sub-species is the American which is collectively referred to as the Caribou, a wild reindeer. Reindeer are semi-domesticated caribou.

#### **UPCOMING** events

**Holiday Party** - Tuesday, December 9 from 4:30pm – 6:00pm at Northern Community Mediation

NCM Annual Meeting – Thursday, January 22 at noon at City Park Grill

**Victim –Offender Reconciliation Program Roundtable** – Tuesday, February 10 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm at NCM

**Theatre Party** – Monday, March 9 at 5:00pm at Petoskey Cinema

**Mediator Roundtable** – Tuesday, April 14 at 4:00pm at NCM **Forty-Hour Training** 

Wednesday, April 29 from 1:00pm – 5:00pm Thursday, April 30 from 8:00am – 5:00pm Friday, May 1 from 8:00am – 5:00pm Wednesday, May 6 from 1:00pm – 5:00pm Thursday, May 7 from 8:00am – 5:00pm Friday, May 8 from 8:00am – 5:00pm

**Annual Appreciation Luncheon** – Monday, May 18 at noon at City Park Grill

Mediator Roundtable – Tuesday, June 9 at 4:00pm at NCM Mediator Roundtable – Tuesday, October 6 at 4:00pm at NCM NCM Holiday Party – Tuesday, December 8 from 4:30pm – 6:00pm at NCM

# IN THE NEWS

Receiving a check from Oleson's for the Women's Safe Home, mediator Jamie Winters had her picture in the paper.

## **OUOTE FOR THE DAY**

And the Grinch, with his Grinch-feet icecold in the snow, stood puzzling and puzzling: "How could it be so?"

"It came without ribbons! It came without tags!"

"It came without packages, boxes or bags!"

And he puzzled three hours, till his puzzler was sore.

Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before! "Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store."

"Maybe Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!"

And wbat happened then...?

Well...In Who-ville they say that the Grinch's small heart grew three sizes that day!"

