



# Northern Community Mediation

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## BRIDGES

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### HAPPY TOGETHER



Our new Intake Coordinator, Cheryl Bauman, celebrated her son's graduation from high school this past weekend. Previously, Cheryl worked for Northern Lakes Economic Alliance and came highly recommended to NCM. She will be covering Child Protection and the VORP cases. We are delighted to have her on board.

Although Karen Cole will no longer be on staff, we are fortunate that she has agreed to continue mediating for us.

### REMINDER

If you mediate a case that goes into the evening and no staff members are still at the center, please, remember to turn out the lights and lock the front door.

### FUNDRAISING

On Tuesday, June 17 from 9:15am to 4:00pm at the Charlevoix Public Library, there is a workshop entitled "The Art of Fundraising in Northern Michigan." NCM can send two people. If you are interested in going, let me know.

### SYMPATHY

To Ron Moore on the death of his father-in-law.

### OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE MONEY

I encourage all of you to take advantage of the Take-a-Seat Chair-ity Auction that will take place on Wednesday, June 25 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. From 5:30 to 7:00, there will be a silent auction, wine and hors d'oeuvres, and from 7:00 to 8:00, there will be a live auction with dessert. A portion of the funds raised through the auction of the chairs will go to NCM. Tickets are only \$25 per person. It will be a fun evening.

We need four volunteers to cook hamburgers from 11:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday, August 9. Other than the volunteers, Bosman Mercantile in Charlevoix provides everything that is needed. All we have to do is to serve hamburgers. Anyone who wants a hamburger gets one. NCM gets any money that is donated. So, if you are willing to be one of those volunteers, let me know.

### DIVORCE TRAINING

The SCAO approved, 44-hour, divorce training will be offered at the following times this fall:

Thursday, October 23	8-5
Friday, October 24	8-5
Saturday, October 25	8-2
Wednesday, October 29	8-5
Thursday, October 30	8-5
Friday, October 31	8-2

Since we are partnering with Traverse City, we are hoping to offer it in Elk Rapids, but this could change. There will be no charge for NCM mediators. If you are interested in participating, let me know.

### SHOPLIFTING PREVENTION

The Preventative Shoplifting Program has been piloted in three, fourth-grade classrooms. In all three cases, the response was overwhelmingly positive. In the fall, we will have a public premiere of the program and begin offering it to all fourth-grade students.