

THE THREE STOOGES



Case Managers Laura Buckingham & Kurt Grangood

Northern Community Mediation partnered with the Harbor Springs Chamber of Commerce and Great Lakes Home Care Unlimited to have a skeleton presence in Harbor Springs. And, what a great idea that Executive Director Bonnie Kulp and her staff came up with. We—that is the Chamber, Great Lakes Home Care Unlimited and NCM are the Three Stooges. CASE Managers Laura Buckingham and Kurt Grangood felt that it was important that they check out the display, which resulted in a “field trip” over to Harbor Springs.

This really is a fun event. Take the time to go over to Harbor Springs sometime before Halloween to see all of the creative skeleton themes. While there, take in a restaurant or two and do some shopping. Everyone needs to have a field trip now and then.

BI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

This past spring, NCM published a newsletter that was mailed out. A good portion of that newsletter was devoted to our new condominium facility. In the near future, you will be receiving the fall newsletter. It will feature two of our long-time mediators (Connie Saltonstall and Bruce Herbert), our upcoming donor and capital campaigns, and other interesting information. If you do not receive a copy in the mail, call 231.487.1771. We will make certain that you get a copy.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“A ship in harbour is safe, but that is not what ships are built for.” ~ John A Shedd 1928.

ADVANCED MEDIATOR TRAINING

It is not too late to sign up for the Advanced Mediator Training sessions on *The Court System for Non-Attorneys*. You can participate in one, some or all of the sessions. All are being offered via Zoom. Scheduled so far are the following:

- The Michigan Court System on Thursday, October 12 from 9:00am to 10:30am. Judge Joe Hayes will be the presenter. This will be the first in the series.
- Circuit Court on Thursday, October 19 from 9:00am to 10:30am. Judge Jenny Deegan will preside.
- Friend of the Court on Friday, October 20 from 9:00am to 10:30am. Amanda Guarisco and Kristen Herriman will be the facilitators.
- Probate Court on Friday, October 27 from 9:00 to 10:30 with Judge Valerie Snyder, Tim Smith & Matt Miller
- Tribal Court on Friday, November 3 from 9:00 to 10:00 with Judge JoAnne Cook
- District Court on Friday, November 17 from 9:00 to 10:30 with Judge Angela Lasher and Wendy Viles

Yet to be scheduled are the following:

- The Federal Court System. The presenter is yet to be determined.

The registration form is available on the NCM website at <https://www.northernmediation.org/workshops-trainings/>.

There is a \$5.00 charge per session.

MORE THAN WELL DESERVED

Two individuals who have been supporters and cheerleaders for Northern Community Mediation over the years were recognized as Harbor Stars at the Harbor Springs Chamber of Commerce annual Community Awards Dinner, which was held at Holy Childhood Church on Tuesday, October 3. Amy Gillard was awarded the Marty Van De Car Community Ambassador Award for her contribution through Festival of the Book. And, it was not surprising to see that Mary Jane Kiogima was awarded Volunteer of the Year. When NCM used to have its Theatre Party, Mary Jane was a most dependable bartender. Congratulations to all recipients, especially Amy and Mary Jane.

HAVE A FUN AND SAFE HALLOWEEN. TAKE THE TIME TO SEE THE SKELETONS.

USELESS FACT

“Start over with a clean slate.” Where did that nautical expression come from? A slate tablet was kept near the helm, and was used by the watch keeper to record speeds, distances, headings and tacks during the watch. If no problem occurred during the watch, the slate would be wiped clean so that the new watch keeper could “start over with a clean slate.”