

IN BRIEF

Author Joel Greenberg to speak at Fernwood

NILES — Author Joel Greenberg is scheduled to speak at Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve, 13988 Range Line Road, from 2-4 p.m. Saturday.

Greenberg, the author of “A Natural History of the Chicago Region” and “Of Prairie Woods and Water,” will discuss how this area has changed over the last 300 years – including what has been lost and saved, and what can be done to ensure the natural beauty that remains can be preserved for future generations.

A book signing will follow the lecture.

BH author signing copies of new book

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor author Katreka Carter will hold a book signing from 5-9 p.m. Sept. 26 at Comfort Suites, 1825 Meadowbrook Road.

She will be signing copies of her new book, “Maliek: Part 2.”

Copies will be available for purchase at the event.

For more information, email the author at katreka53@gmail.com.

Volunteer corps to clean up Exit 23

STEVENSVILLE — The Lincoln Township Volunteer Corps has scheduled a road cleanup of I-94 Exit 23 for Sept. 26.

Those interested in volunteering should call the Lincoln Township office at 429-1589 to sign up.

Volunteers will meet at 8:30 a.m. at Lincoln Township Hall, 2055 John Beers Road, for a mandatory safety briefing, to pick up safety vests and trash bags, and receive assigned sectors of the interchange and parking locations.

Volunteers must be at least 12 years old. They must wear light-colored clothes that cover arms and legs, leather shoes or boots, hat and gloves. First-time volunteers must sign a release/waiver.

Airport hosting pancake breakfast

BERRIEN SPRINGS — The Andrews University Airpark, 3898 Griggs Drive, will host a Fly-In Drive-In Pancake Breakfast from 7:30-11 a.m. Sept. 27.

Pilots and non-pilots are invited to eat breakfast in one of the airport hangars, and check out the planes and vehicles that show up.

For more information, call 471-3120.

Alzheimer’s caregivers group to meet

SOUTH HAVEN — The Alzheimer’s Caregivers Information & Support Group will meet at 6 p.m. Sept. 30, at Senior City, 1635 76th St. Caregivers of any ages are welcome.

For more information, call 637-3607 or 637-1418.

Toastmasters to host family fun day Oct. 3

ST. JOSEPH — Lakeland Toastmasters Club is hosting an opportunity to learn more about the organization from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Oct. 3 at First Church of God, 2627 Niles Ave.

There will be a potluck and board games.

For more information, contact Jamie at lakelandtoastmaster@gmail.com.

Box Factory sets auditions for plays

ST. JOSEPH — The Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., will hold open auditions for six male and 12 female actors for the Dec. 4-5 performances of six short plays by South Haven playwright Linda LaRocque.

The auditions will be from 1-3 p.m. Oct. 10 and 6-8 p.m. Oct. 12. A light schedule of rehearsals is anticipated between Oct. 24 and Dec. 1 by director Phil Sturdevant.

The plays will be presented in readers’ theatre format and no prior acting experience is necessary.

For those wanting to preview the plays before the auditions, copies will be available in the Box Factory office.

Artisans sought for annual holiday bazaar

BENTON HARBOR — Area artisans and crafters are invited to reserve a booth to exhibit and sell their work during the Mendel Center Holiday Bazaar from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 7 in Grand Upton Hall.

Registration fees are \$75 for an 8-by-10-foot booth and \$140 for an 8-by-20-foot booth. All booths include access to electrical outlets, tables and chairs.

Vendors can set up from 4-7 p.m. Nov. 6 and 6-8:45 a.m. Nov. 7.

For a registration form, email Brittany Watts at bwatts@lakemichigancollege.edu or call the Mendel Center at 927-8606 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays. Booth space is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration deadline is Nov. 2.