

Happy New Year to Everyone.

Here is the first bulletin of 2023. It is full of opportunities to help others in our community, while having some fun. One of the hallmarks of Chippewa Lake is the solid caring and support which is given throughout the year. It is a significant reason that we have a wonderful place to live. Please help out if you can... you don't even have to jump in the lake for the Polar Bear event---but you can still enjoy the fun!

Claire

YOU CAN HELP THE VILLAGE INN RECOVERY PROJECT

Over the frigid weekend of 12/23-12/26, a tragedy befell The Village Inn and its owner, Suzanne Rentschler. A main pipe burst in the building which dumped water onto the entire first floor of the establishment. Extensive clean up and restoration are required. The Village Inn may be closed for several months. Suzanne and her employees have been left without a source of income, and that will continue until they are fully approved to reopen. Luckily, there is insurance, but it will not cover the full extent of the loss and restoration.

Suzanne and The Village Inn have been bedrock members of The Village of Chippewa Lake for over 30 years. Not only is The Village a gathering place for locals, but people in the entire Medina County area, as well. We have the luxury in our small village of having a friendly place to gather...and be what we like to be: "A VILLAGE OF CARING PEOPLE."

More importantly, Suzanne has offered herself and her property to assist in so very many community efforts over the years. Every organization in our community has benefitted from the generous use of her facility, parking lot and meeting/ event hosting. Most notable is that The Village Inn is the hub for the annual Lions Club Foundation Polar Bear Plunge which raises money for local charitable causes. In the last year, over \$40,000 was given out- benefitting local churches, people in need, charitable organizations supporting the elderly, people with disabilities, disaster relief and so many others. Suzanne/ The Village Inn has been a major financial sponsor and donor as well.

Suzanne and her team need our help. We pride ourselves on being a caring community, and now it is time to help an incredible member of our community. Here is your opportunity to step up.

Listed below is a simple link to the Go Fund Me page to raise funds for Suzanne and The Village Inn team. Using this link will allow to you to make a donation.

The Go Fund Me Page :

<https://gofund.me/986353ef>

In addition, you can forward this email/ or link to friends and family to encourage them to help out, too. We need to support someone who has supported us!
Thanks in advance

Online donations are preferred. A check can be made out to The Village Inn (Recovery Fund) and mailed to 5875 Longacre Lane CL OH 44215
THANKS IN ADVANCE!

POLAR BEAR EVENT RETURNS TO CHIPPEWA LAKE

February 4 is the scheduled date for Chippy, who is “up to Snow Good”, to return for the annual Polar Bear Fun Run and Jump. The Chippewa Lake Lions Club and Foundation sponsor this event. Partner groups which help produce the fun are The Society for Handicapped Citizens, CrossPointe Church and Church at the Lake UM. There will be fun for everyone. This is the single largest fund raiser for the Lions. In the last year, over \$40,000 was given out- benefitting local churches, people in need, charitable organizations supporting the elderly, people with disabilities, disaster relief and so many others. You can help by participating in the event, buying a raffle ticket, or becoming a sponsor. You can do everything on line, and can find out all the details of the event by clicking on the link below:

[Chippewa Lake Lions Club Foundation | Polar Bear & Fun Run/Walk](#)

SEXUAL PREDATOR ALERT

I am notified by the Sheriff’s Department when a convicted sexual offender moves into our area. Robert Lee Shultz lives on 159 Demi Dune in Gloria Glens, and was convicted of Gross Sexual Imposition. The link is:

[Medina County Ohio Sheriff’s Office OffenderWatch® sex offender management, mapping and email alert program \(icrimewatch.net\)](#)

NEWS FROM CHIPPEWA CHURCH AT THE LAKE UM

Chippewa Church at the Lake UM is working with the Matthew 25 Outreach Center in their monthly food distribution at Cloverleaf Elementary School. On the second Saturday of the month, volunteers gather to help distribute food to those that are in need in Medina County. Volunteers can start showing up at 8am to help start putting food packages together. Distribution starts at 10am and goes until 1pm. As well as distributing food at the elementary school, Matthew 25 Outreach Center also distributes Senior Boxes to those that qualify. While the list right now is full, we do take names for our waitlist. The next food distribution will be on Saturday January 14th. Anyone can help. Even if it is for only a ½ hour, hour or 2, or longer if you wish. Thanks in advance. God bless.

Chippewa Church at the Lake UM has a food pantry that is always open. Please call the church at 330-769-2288 and if no one answers, leave a message with a name and phone number and we will call back within 24 hours. Most times it is quicker than that.

We are well stocked. When you come in to get food, if you need milk and vegetables and things like that, we have vouchers for Goodman's Corner store and Miller's grocery store in Lodi. Jay and Mike will be happy to serve you.

Chippewa Church at the Lake UM will be joining once again with the Chippewa Lake Lions Club at the Polar Plunge on February 4th, by supplying HOT COFFEE, HOT CHOCOLATE and COOKIES for the participants and all those who show up to watch and cheer them on. We hope to see you there. Dress warm!

Many Blessings,

Jim Yannayon
Chippewa Church at the Lake UM