

Will visits by school children be interrupted? School programs that utilize the Visitor Center will continue through October 31. Programs that are based out of the Homestead Farm will continue without interruption. In 2009, Visitor Center-based school programs will operate from the temporary Visitor Center.

How many workshops, field trips and walks will be available during construction? We plan to offer the same number of staff-led hikes and field trips in 2009 as in 2008. We will scale back on hands-on workshops that require indoor space.

What about festivals? We plan to be back in full operation by fall 2009, kicking off with Fall Harvest Festival. In the interim, we are planning a "mini-Maple Syrup Festival" in March 2009, which will run out of the Sugarbush adjacent to the Homestead Farm. The dates are also set for the 2009 Banff Mountain Film Festival and Butterfly Bonanza.

Will Nature Preschool be impacted? Nature Preschool will continue to operate in its current location through the 2008-2009 school year. We anticipate that the preschool will move to its new building in September 2009.

We know that this information will certainly not address all of the questions that are likely to arise in the coming months. If at any time you're not sure of something or need more information, please don't hesitate to contact us to find out exactly what's next!

Dick Touvell
Executive Director

Constable Raleigh Wert
1/6/38 - 8/20/08

The Homer Township residents send their condolences to Donna Wert over the loss of her husband.

Raleigh was a constable for the Township for 25 years. He was very dedicated to the Township and was proud to serve as constable. We will all miss Raleigh at the meetings and his quiet sense of humor.

Ted Ilgenfritz

The newsletter committee would like to give a big thank you to Ted for serving as chairman of the Township Newsletter. Ted has helped gather information, type up the Newsletter and have it printed for the last 20 year!

Thank you, Ted, for your great service to the Township.



ITEMS FOR SALE

The Township has some items to sell. These items are available to view at the Cemetery Maintenance Garage on Monday, October 27th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The bids for these items need to be received at the Township Hall, 522 N. Homer Road, Midland, MI, by October 31, 2008.

- **White Front Mower** - does not run - some parts missing - gas motor
- **Country Clipper Front Mower** - does not run - some parts missing - gas motor
- **John Deere Front Mower** - has cracks in motor - leaks oil - diesel motor
- **Lennox Furnace**
- **Old Kitchen Stove**

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