



Newsletter

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2018 CHILDREN FIRST CELEBRATION IS 11 AM to 12:30 PM on October 5!



BIG 2019 THANK YOU



BUDDY BENCHES, KIDS IN ACTION



PEACE WALK, PEACE TALK



BUDDY U.P., LIGHTEN UP

WEBSITE IS READY!

The new 2018 Great Start WEBSITE is now ready to view:

greatstart4kids.org

The Great Start Communication Team is proud to announce the new 2018 website. A decision was made to eliminate detail and focus more on: *parent leadership, photographs, Imagination Library, Action Teams, child care providers, classroom projects, surveys, community events and early literacy initiatives.*

A Great Start calendar, photos, buttons, and event posters are updated weekly.

CHECK out the Great Start Website NOW



IMAGINATION FACTORY CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

A PLACE FOR CHILDREN TO PLAY!

The Kiwanis Club of Iron Mountain-Kingsford has agreed to a 3-year commitment to be the signature sponsor of the new local children's museum located at 217 West Hughitt Street. IM-K Kiwanis is donating \$10,000 annually for the next 3 years to the Imagination Factory Kiwanis Children's Museum. Without the generous contributions and support of organizations like Kiwanis, dreams, no matter how beneficial, would never have a chance of becoming reality. The Kiwanis contribution allows the building blocks to create a bridge of hope over a very real gap in connection for many people in our community. As always, the Kiwanis Club leads the way. Kiwanis continues to set the example so that others can follow. Thank you Kiwanis for your love of children, vision for the future, service and stalwart leadership that continues to inspire everyone!



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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5 – CHILDREN FIRST CELEBRATION

Great Start will be hosting the **8th ANNUAL CHILDREN FIRST CELEBRATION EVENT** on **Friday, October 5 from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM** at Pine Grove Country Club. Doors will be open at 10:00 AM with auction items and baskets available to view.

Children First Celebration Event highlights include special children performers, annual video, 3 family and early childhood engaging presentations and a closing award ceremony for exceptional Great Start and community leaders.

CHILDREN FIRST CELEBRATION TICKETS are available for **\$25.00**.

Please email Barb or Jonathan for a ticket drop off:

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CHILDREN FIRST CELEBRATION

Pine Grove Country Club
Friday, October 5, 2018
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM




<p>Checks Addressed To: GREAT START COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUND</p> <p>This ticket is to be presented at the Great Start Registration Table</p> <p>\$ 25.00 VALUE – Donation & Lunch</p>	<p>PROGRAM</p> <p>10:00 DOORS OPEN 10:15 VIEW AUCTION ITEMS 11:00 WELCOME 11:20 LUNCH 11:50 PROGRAM CELEBRATION</p>
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TABLE SPONSOR NAME

LUNCH MENU
Chicken Salad Wrap
Mixed Green Salad with Fruit Garnish
Celebration Cake

CHILDREN PERFORMERS

IMAGINATION FACTORY CHILDREN’S MUSEUM EXHIBIT CALL TO ACTION

CHERIE FILA, BRIT ANDERSON, MEGAN BUCK and SARA PERICOLOSI are the amazing leaders for the Imagination Factory Children’s Museum Exhibit Start Up. During the past months, Cherie has worked with her team to compile a list of potential museum exhibits. The next step after last week’s meeting is to take everyone’s ideas and compile all the creative **SUGGESTIONS-BRAINCHILDS** and produce a list of exhibits that is ready to distribute among the Children’s Museum Committee Leaders and then to the entire volunteer team. In October, Children Museum Teams will begin talking with community leaders about their interest in sponsoring an exhibit or helping to fund an exhibit. **IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE IMAGINATION FACTORY CHILDREN’S MUSEUM EXHIBIT TEAM**, please email **Cherie Fila: cfila@norwaymi.com**



CHILDREN’S MUSEUM EXHIBITS

FAMILY FUN DAY OUTDOOR EXTRAVAGANZA

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Way to go **JONATHAN RINGEL, BETH WAITROVICH, JESSICA CORON** and all the great community leaders for the popular and fun event on Saturday, September 15. 300 participants enjoyed lunch, talking to outdoor education professionals, taking home books, fishing, drawing/painting at the DIISD table... **MRS. CHANDRA ZIEGLER**, Forest Park teacher with her class at their new community garden that features a book mailbox, fruit trees, vegetables...



LIGHTEN UP & BUDDY U.P. START SOON

October and November begins a new year with **LIGHTEN UP** Stars - **PEPPER, RETTA and JOHN ESTES**. Classes will start being scheduled in October. **48 BUDDY U.P. TOOL KITS** will be delivered in October to school sites for: elementary teachers, preschool teachers and child care providers.

