



in Wisconsin.

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> When I left off on the blog we were about to head off to the famous locks at Sault Ste. Marie and then to Mackinaw Island. These were two highlights of the trip that we were so glad to have made the effort to see.

We took a boat trip through the locks and were able to get a close up view of both the U.S. and Canadian locks. As in other areas of upper Michigan this area depends a great deal on Iron ore mining

and the town has a feeling of a working city, much more than a destination for tourists. Very interesting.



A beautiful Victorian home we saw in our Michigan.

Mackinaw Island was fun to visit and feel like you have gone back 100 years. There are no cars on the island so transportation is by horse or bicycle. We had an enjoyable few hours of wandering around looking at Victorian-era homes that are mostly now Bed & Breakfasts. The island is set up for mass tourists and luckily we visited at the right time. Transportation to the island is by ferry (several private ferry options) and there are many places for shopping and eating close to the ferry docks. The more adventurous can walk around the

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island and enjoy a climb to the historical fort at the center of the island.

The last few days of our vacation were spent driving through absolutely gorgeous countryside, enjoying the local fare and visiting a few museums and sights. It was a great driving vacation (little traffic and good weather) that we would highly recommend.

Mackinaw Island Flowers

We are all rested and back at work so this week I wanted to share about a local adventure that might be of interest.

Lewis County Trails has published a flyer about all the accessible and fascinating trails in the area. Here is a little summary to entice you.

- 1. Airport Levee Trail 3.5 miles. Compacted gravel and pavement. Takes about 60 minutes to walk.
- 2. Borst Park Trail 2.0 miles. Compacted Gravel. About 35 minutes to walk.
- 3. Willapa Hills Rails-to-trails 5.2 miles. Paved. About an hour and 30 minutes to walk.
- 4. Riverside Park Trail .4 miles. Concrete. Takes about 7 minutes to walk.
- 5. Discovery Trail 1.5 miles. Gravel and grass. Takes about 26 minutes to



walk.

6. Seminary Hill Trails 2.5 miles. Dirt surface. Takes about 45 minutes walking.

If you want to find out more about each trail, how to access and maps CLICK HERE for details. We also have a few paper flyers here in the office if you don't have access to a printer. Mr. Blogger and I have walked several of these and I can say they are very accessible and a great way to get out in nature.

## **QUOTE OF THE WEEK:**

The woods are lovely, dark and deep. But I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep.

- Robert Frost

## **HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK:**

**Saturday, June 4th:** Historic Fox Theatre Restorations will be showing the 1951 drama, "A Streetcar Named Desire," at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday at Centralia's Fox Theatre. With elements of film noir, this film is an adaptation of Tennessee Williams's Pulitzer Prize-winning play of the same name. It is the story of a southern belle, Blanche Dubois, who, after encountering a series of personal losses, leaves her aristocratic background seeking refuge with her sister and brother-in-law in a dilapidated New Orleans tenement. Admission for the movie is \$10 per person, \$8 for members, and \$25 per family (three to four persons) Presale tickets are available on Brown Paper Tickets at http://www.brownpapertickets.com/ event/2541834, at Book 'n' Brush in Chehalis, and Holley's Place, HUBBUB, Santa Lucia Coffee and PostNet in



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Centralia. For more information, contact the Fox Theatre at (360) 623-1103. All proceeds from the event benefit the restoration of the Historic Fox Theatre.

Monday, June 6th: Chamber Orchestra to Present 'Soaring Soloists' Concert The Pacific Northwest Chamber Orchestra will present its "Soaring Soloists" concert at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Centralia College's Corbet Theater. Featured on the program will be three outstanding local soloists accompanied by the orchestra. Joelle Chung will present the first movement of "Violin Concerto No. 2" by Henri Vieuxtemps. Her brother, Jared Chung, will perform the first movement of "Concertino No. 1 in C Major," by Julius Klengel. Lesley O'Donel will present Carl Reinecke's "Ballade for Flute and Orchestra." Additional music presented by the orchestra will include Mozart's "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik," "Russian Sailors' Dance" by Gliere, "Finlandia" by Sibelius and Aaron Copland's "Variations on a Shaker Melody." The free concert is open to the public.

**Tuesday, June 7th:** Lewis County Community Band to Perform at Corbet A free concert of instrumental music by the Lewis County Community Band will be Tuesday at Corbet Theatre on the Centralia College campus. The program will include "Hopak" from "The Fair at Sorochinsk," by Modest Moussorgsky; the first movement from Beethoven's Fifth Symphony; and "The Immovable Do," by Percy Grainger. The concert will begin at 7:30 pm. Contact Blaser at lewiscountycommunityband@yahoo. com or (360) 330-7605, ext. 6102.

**Thursday, June 9th:** Movie Night at Stillwaters Estates. This month the movie is "Bridge of Spies" – an excellent Steven Spielberg movie. Starring Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance (He won an academy award for this role) and Amy Ryan. Come join the fun for the 6 p.m. movie. Ice cream is served at 5:45 p.m.



**WEATHER:** This weekend will be very warm, getting up to the mid-90's on Sunday. Then we will cool down into the 70's next week. Stay cool and enjoy our early summer weather!