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To: Friends and Family everywhere From: Cheri and Raven Hill Date: August 21, 2021 Re: Weekly Update

Greetings!

We are glad to share more of the Smithsonian Labor Days-A History of Work exhibit with all of you. Labor Days opened here on August 14th and has been well received by visitors. The exhibit's focus is on where. who, why and how we work here in northern Michigan, which makes it fun for everyone to explore.



The Mackinac Bridge is getting upgraded with new grating and a modern coat of paint to replace the old lead base paint used in the 1950's. Raven Hill borrowed a piece of the old grating with its flaking paint to use in the Labor Days exhibit!

When the Smithsonian included a photo of a construction worker balanced high in the air working on a skyscraper, Raven Hill countered with its own version of "high in the air" construction workers building the Mackinac Bridge! You will see both in Labor Days.

Labor Days is open to visitors from 10am to 4pm daily during August and September without need for appointments. Groups of ten or more, such as school groups and service organizations, are encouraged to make reservations to view this unique look into northern Michigan's work history. Call 231.536.3369 or email info@miravenhill.org to set a date and time for your group to visit the *Labor Days* exhibit.



We can't work without tools. Joel VanRoekel's collection of old logging tools and photos are on display at Raven Hill as an extension of the Labor Days exhibit. What tools do you use, when you work?

our old and new exhibits, both indoors & outside. Stay safe and take care of yourselves.

Because of the rising numbers of cases of the Delta variant and for the sake of the

children who cannot yet be vaccinated, we continue ask everyone to mask up while inside. It is your choice to mask outside. Please, do your part: get vaccinated, wash your hands thoroughly, wear your mask correctly, socially distance & stay away from large gatherings. We love to see you here, enjoying



Work continues on the Connections Trail. The wind turbine is up waiting for enough wind to generate electricity. Our thanks go to John Clements and Max Sasso for their work!

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