**International Travel Club**

February 2nd 2013

**Elk Rapids Education Day**

**Community Connection**

**Deanna Sayer**

**Session One Cont.**

**Unified Understanding:** A conversation of quantum physics and some possible understanding of the unanswered questions. Students and physics-curious adults are encouraged to attend.  
*Neil Warner is passionate about the study of people, physics, and the environment. He thrives on sharing thirty-five years of learning curiosity.*

**Adventures of the Middle East:** Enthusiastic adventurer whose love of Middle Eastern Dance, "Belly Dancing" has taken her to Turkey, Egypt, and Morocco for intensive study of the culture and dance. Stories and treasures will be shared in this exciting presentation!

*Lin Warner*

**iPad Basics:** Parents, did your student just get an iPad? Are you are thinking about buying an iPad or do you have one and would like help getting started? This class is for you! Learn to click, pinch and swipe. Add new Apps, file your apps, figure out general settings and more. (Bringing an iPad is a great idea!)

*Noah Moothart*

**GriefShare, Finding Joy:** Losing a loved one is one of the most difficult situations an individual will ever endure.  The grief process is painful, but there is healing to be found. Carleen Hubbell lost her husband, Chuck, of 19 years to pancreatic cancer in 2010.  Since 2011 she has been a leader of the GriefShare program at New Hope Community Church. She is passionate about the healing power of God’s word. Learn more about this 13 week biblical program and how you can endure the healing process and eventually experience joy after mourning.*Carleen Pantano- Hubbell is the proud mother of two lovely daughters: Whitney, who attended ER High School and currently attends U of M, and Elena, who is a Junior at ERHS and one of the students who will be visiting China.  Carleen is an alumni of Central Michigan University and holds degrees in both public health and health education. She enjoys preparing Italian food, substitute teaching and walking her dog Hercules.***Everything you Wanted to Know About HR and were afraid to ask:** We will discuss everything from interviewing for a job to Healthcare Reform, Job Interviewing and Resume Writing, Employee rights, Employer rights, and Responsibilities, Employee Benefits and much, much more.  
*Ron Smith is a 22-year veteran of the United States Navy.He is now the Director of Human Resources at Bill Marsh Auto Group in Traverse City. He has a wealth of knowledge ranging from Navy survival skills, how to enlist in the Armed Forces, Veterans benefits, interviewing/resume writing skills, employee rights, employer rights and responsibilities, hiring and firing, employer benefits, COBRA rights, OSHA requirements, 401(k) plans and administration, retirement benefits, payroll 101, customer service skills and much more*.

**Just Dance 4:** Kids of any age that like to “Just Dance” are invited to join our high school students for an hour and a half of fun! With a big screen projector and plenty of room to get your groove on this will be a fun way to get your morning started! Join us while mom and dad are at class or running errands ☺

**Session One 9:00-10:30**

**Web Page Design:** Small business? Big Family? If you would like to build a FREE and EASY website, this class is for you. In just 90 minutes have your page up and running, with the ability to edit it from anywhere yourself.

*Carter Childs, Jacob Loew International Travel Students*

**Mobile Application Development Made Easy:** Ever wonder what goes into making your favorite mobile applications? In this class we will go over the basics of creating iOS (iPhone or iPad) and Android mobile applications. After a little lecturing you will be given the opportunity to program your very own application. If you have an android smartphone or tablet, you will be able to test your app right on your mobile device! Basic web development or programming knowledge is a plus, but not necessary.*Erik Sundberg*

**e-Readers and e-Books:** Have you tried digital books? Are you just scratching the surface? Learn how to get books on any device, and study the different devices and their issues. *Bryan Boettcher, Educator and Technology Wizard*

**Nine a Day Are you Kidding Me? Getting More Fruits and Vegetables Into Your Diet**  
You will be amazed not only at how easy it is but also how delicious it can be to implement the suggested nine servings of fruits and vegetables per day into your diet. Learn what constitutes a serving and why F&Vs are such an important part of our daily diet. This session will include samples and recipes!  
Oryana Natural Foods Market is a community owned cooperative dedicated to providing high quality food to the area. We also strive to enhance the community through education about the relationship of food to health. David Gibbs is a member/owner and has been a part of Oryana’s staff for over 6 years. He is a certified teacher with a Masters Degree in classroom teaching and over 20 years of teaching experience.

**Talking to Write:** The Talking to Write Workshop teaches interviewing techniques to capture stories that are important to our family or community histories/herstories. These interviews can be turned into narrative poetry that creates a unique and valuable way to preserve and share our stories for generations to come. Start early by sharing and building a family history, start late by capturing old family stories, or work to chronicle the history of your community.  
This workshop is recommended for adults looking for a creative way to uncover and write their own, or their parents’ stories for future generations; teens who wish to enrich their writing skills; families (ages 10+) looking for an interesting bonding activity that would result in a unique family history; or anyone looking for an innovative way to link history and literature. Terry Wooten is the creator and host of Stone Circle Poetry, Storytelling and Music Gatherings. He has taken his performance, poetry, and writing workshop program to thousands over the past 29 years and is a two time recipient of Michigan Creative Artist Awards. He has published many books and is a monthly columnist for the Traverse City Record Eagle. Through his Elders Project he has recorded and written about the people and history of many Michigan communities for the past several years, including the Elk Rapids Elders Project and resulting book *Water Under the Bridge*. For more information check out his website and blog at terry-wooten.com

**Session Two Cont.**

**So You Want to Hike the Appalachian Trail!** Come find out how to get your adventure started. Preparation, Food, Clothes, Money, Time, Equipment, Problems, Difficulties, and Trail Lore. Questions can be answered and the fun of planning can begin! *Greg Woolcott, is a retired high school teacher (Kalkaska), coach, and army reservist. My wife Pam and I have raised 10 children, live in Elk Rapids,and thoroughly enjoy Northern Michigan. While my original retirement plan was a thru-hike of the Appalachian Trail, section hiking has worked best. I’ve hiked 1,500 miles of the trail and plan to finish the remaining 600 this summer.*

**A “Seasoned” Peace Corp Volunteer, What’s That?** It's never too late to join the U.S. Peace Corps...I went to Namibia to celebrate my 70th birthday and I want to share the experience! *Jo Polk Matthews is a remarkable and engaging speaker. Born in NJ. Educated in MA, CA, VA and AZ Completing PhD this year! Moved to ER, MI in 2009*

**Kids Kraft Korner:** Come be crafty with a variety of items and ideas. Elk Rapids High School Students will lead you through a few set designs and then let you create your own masterpiece. Great time to make a craft for someone you love for Valentine’s Day!

**Session Three 12:40-2:10**

**Facebook for Fun and Business:** So you keep hearing about Facebook and wonder why it is the largest social media network? Come find out how fun and easy it is to communicate with Facebook. It is also a very effective way to conduct business. Make connections around the world. Stay in touch with friends and acquaintances. *Alyssa Veliquette, ERHS Senior*

**How to Use Word, Tips and Tricks:** Tune Up your computer skills. Elk Rapids High School students will help you refresh your basic computer skills in a computer lab and focus on word processing. Generate letters, create flyers and invitations. Change the font, color, size, and learn what other cool icons are waiting for you on the tool bar.

**Getting Started with Craigslist:**  Too cold to have a garage sale, but really need to get rid of stuff? Craigslist is a free and easy way to show local buyers what you have to sell. Learn how to set up an account, price your items, and make a safe and profitable exchange. *Bryan Boettcher, Master of Much*

**Let’s Make Pesto!:** Carleen (Pantano) Hubbell is a 100% Italian American who enjoys making and eating Italian food.  She will teach you how to make a simple and delicious pesto.  You'll be able to sample pesto on a few different food items.

**Afghanistan, Are We Finally Getting Out?:** President Obama and President Karzai met in January and discussed how the next years will play out in Afghanistan. How many US troops will remain, for how long and doing what were the main topics of their meeting. How does the end game look? *Jack Segal-See Bio Above*

**iPad Basics and Beyond:** Click, Pinch and Swipe with the best of them. Learn how to control your general settings, set your background and organize your Apps. Need an App? We can help you find the right one for you! *Noah Moothart*

**Session One Cont.**

**Video Shooting and Editing:** Lights, camera, action! Learn the basics of video shooting, editing, lighting, sound, and posting online with personal devices (iPad, iPhone, etc).Bring your own device or use the new Apple Lab at ERHS.

*John Matthews, Field Producer with UpNorth Media Center, Experienced with Digital video/photography, streaming media.*

**Session Two 10:40-12:10**

**Web Page Design:** Repeated from Session One

**Navigating the Internet:** Elk Rapids High School Students will guide you in this hands-on session focused on internet use. You’ll learn about browser basics, search engines, accessing new web tools, music, videos, news, and sports. Common web terminology will be explained as you search, find, open, and explore websites. Get advice to avoid common internet navigation mistakes. *Elise Coates, Senior ERHS*

**Organizing Multiple Email Accounts with Gmail:** Going crazy with multiple email accounts? Organize your e-mail in one safe secure spot that can be accessed from nearly every internet or mobile device. Time will also be taken to troubleshoot the process of retrieving forgotten or lost passwords. *Bryan Boettcher, Email Guru*

**Making Sushi, Yum!:** Tempt your taste buds and try something new. Elk Rapids High School Students Devon McNamara and MaryKate Klein will share their love for Sushi and show you simple steps to make your own at home!

**Israel, Iran, and the Bomb. Is the Crisis Over?:** Prior to the US Presidential election there was a flurry of reports that Israel might launch a preemptive attack against Iran in order to halt that country's nuclear program. In the past weeks, the story has gone quiet  
and been supplanted by the civil war in Syria and the turmoil in Gaza and Egypt. Is the nuclear issue dead or have we simply lost sight of it? *Jack Segal, B.A. (Boston U.) and M.A.-International Relations (USC),served until June 2010 as one of NATO's top advisers on Afghanistan. He is presently a Distinguished Senior Fellow at the National Defense University and an adviser to the NATO Commander. Previously he was a member of the National Security Council in the White House, a negotiator of the START agreement, and with his wife, Karen Puschel, he opened the first US diplomatic mission in central Russia. As a US diplomat he also served in Botswana, Greece, Israel, Russia and Washington. He teaches at NMC, writes a column for the Record-Eagle and* *hosts a show on Up North TV.*

**Thousand-Year Sustainability:**  A thousand years’ sustainability: ideas for action for the next 20,50, and 100 years. A gathering of people hoping to influence the future of our world. *Neil Warner is passionate about the study of people, physics, and the environment. He thrives on sharing thirty-five years of learning curiosity.*

**Belly Dancing Basics:** Want to know what this art form is all about? Come to learn about the dance and the culture behind the dance. Move a bit, laugh and enjoy*. Lin Warner, Enthusiastic adventurer whose Love of Middle Eastern Dance, "Belly Dancing" has taken her to Turkey, Egypt, and Morocco for intensive study of the culture and dance.*

**Basic Spanish:** A second language is invaluable allowing us to communicate effectively with a greater number of people. Come brush up on some basics, or start from the very beginning. Learn from one of Elk Rapids finest, Hector Barcenas.

Lunch Menu

Crockpot Cooking- Enjoy an array of chilies, soups and pastas.

Salad- with Fresh veggies and yummy dressings.

Dessert- Homemade brownies and cookies

Drinks- Choose from a variety

**Horses for Heros: Cowboy up!** Who are these Heroes and where are the Horses? You must check out this great opportunity for veterans. The program is based on the concept of soldiers helping soldiers with the aid of horses and riding. A combination of physical and mental stimulation surrounded by the camaraderie of fellow vets. If you are a vet or know of one that would like to learn more about this program, please join us. *Charity Hill Ranch, a non-profit rehabilitation ranch based in Rapid City, recently purchased an 11-acre farm off Silver Pines Drive in Traverse City, known as Windemere Farms. Come see how you can be a part of this great program*.

**Basic Spanish:** Repeat of above session

**Volunteer Opportunities to See the World:** Volunteer Opportunities Connect the World" - What do puppies, the Vicktory dogs, elephants, international high school students and volunteers have in common?  Explore a variety of exciting volunteer opportunities that make a meaningful contribution while connecting you with others around the world. Raise a puppy for Leader Dogs for the Blind and your puppy could end up anywhere!  Puppies we raised are currently living and working in Mexico, Taiwan and Spain.  
Or host a foreign exchange student for a semester or school year.  Creating peace one family at a time is the working motto of both Aspect Foundation and American Councils for International Education. Ready to travel?  In the US there are unlimited volunteer opportunities at Best Friends, the premier animal rescue center located in southern Utah. Hands-on work with dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, horses and more. Think shoveling manure, walking pigs and doggie sleep-overs.Further away in Thailand is the Elephant Nature Park, a center that is rethinking human-elephant relationships in an attempt to save elephants in this rapidly modernizing country. You'll be surprised at the role of volunteers! Lastly, high school students (teachers, too) might consider study or exchange abroad.  With or without language fluency, this is a life-changing opportunity through Aspect or State Dept programs. *Pam Woolcott I enjoy volunteer opportunities with animals and working with high school exchange students from around the world.  Each experience is new and offers a learning and sharing opportunity.  Recent trips to Armenia and Greece plus fifteen exchange students throughout the area keep me busy.  Greg, our family and our dogs keep me balanced.*

**How to Get Started as a Youth Hunter:** So you want to hunt but no one in your family does. Now what? Come to this class to find out what you need to get started. What organizations are available and areas to hunt if you don’t have land. What supplies will you need and where can you get them. Come with questions, leave with answers! *Brandi Hintz*

**Minute to Win It!:** You’ve seen it on TV and now it is right here at Elk Rapids High School. New Hope Kidzone is leading this great event. Bring a friend and challenge them to a one minute race of balance, speed or creativity. Need a place to “hang” while mom and dad are taking classes or out and about? Stop in to have some fun! *Christian Brower*.

***International Travel Club***

So what is this club you are supporting by participating in the Elk Rapids Education Day? This is a new club formed by high school teacher, Deanna Sayer, to give local students an educational opportunity to travel and learn about cultures first hand. Eleven students will be traveling to China on March 16th for 14 days, with an intensive study of Mandarin. Our everyday lives are intertwined with Chinese influence, yet we know so little about their culture. This trip will give our youth insight, generate interest, and create global thinkers closing cultural gaps and building international relationships!

Thank you for supporting our education, while strengthening yours.

Sincerely,

The International Travel Club

**Elk Rapids Education Day Line Up**

**February 2nd, 2013 at ERHS**

**9:00 10:40 12:40**

\_\_ Web Page Design \_\_ Web Page Design \_\_ Facebook for Fun and Business

\_\_ Designing Mobile Apps \_\_ Navigating the Internet \_\_ How to use Word: Tricks and Tips

\_\_ eReader & eBook Basics \_\_Organizing multiple emails \_\_ Getting Started with Craigslist

\_\_ Nine a Day Are you Kidding Me? \_\_ Making Sushi…Yum! \_\_ Let’s Make Pesto!

\_\_ Talk to Write \_\_ Israel, Iran and the Bomb: \_\_ Afghanistan: Are we finally Getting

\_\_ Unified Understanding is the Crisis Over? Out?

\_\_ Adventures of the Middle East \_\_ A Thousand Years’ \_\_ iPad Basics and Beyond

\_\_ iPad Basics Sustainability \_\_ Horses for Heroes

\_\_ GriefShare: Finding Joy \_\_ Belly Dancing Basics \_\_ Basic Spanish

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about HR, were afraid to ask \_\_ So you want to hike the World

\_\_ Just Dance 4 Appalachian Trail? \_\_ How to get started as a Youth Hunter

\_\_ Video Shooting & Editing \_\_ A “Seasoned” Peace Corp

Volunteer, What is That?

\_\_ Crafts for Kids \_\_ Kid’s Corner: Games

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* For more details on these classes check out <http://dsayer.weebly.com/china-trip-spring-2013.html>
* Something for every age! Support the International Travel Club traveling to China.
* $20 donation to join us for three classes! (preregistration not necessary, but helpful)
* To preregister for this event email: [dsayer@erschools.com](mailto:dsayer@erschools.com), or stop by the High School Office, you may also just register the day of the event.
* Lunch available between 10:40 and 12:40 classes.

Registration Form

Participant’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Session Two:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_ I would like to donate the minimum $20 for the choice of three sessions

\_\_ I would like to donate $25 to include three classes and a full lunch

\_\_ I would like to donate \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the International Travel Club, but will not be able to attend