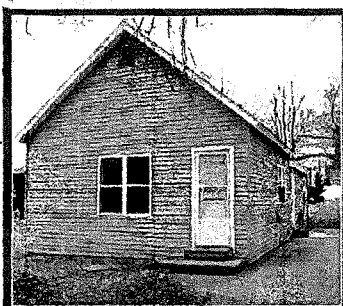


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Daughter competent to stand trial

B. J. Conley
 A report from the Center for Forensic Psychiatry states that Sandra Gregory is competent to stand trial and another report, due soon, will state whether she was insane at the time she murdered her mother.

Gregory, 74, of Charlevoix who was a care-giver for her 94-year-old mother, Amelia Gregory, for many years is charged with open murder of her mother on March 27.

The sheriff was called by a friend of the daughter after she received a call from Gregory telling her that she had "done something bad."

Police received the 9-1-1 call from the Gregory residence on the south end of Charlevoix on March 27. They arrived at the house to find Amelia Gregory dead, lying on the floor. The daughter told police she had killed her mother. She had then tried to kill herself by slitting both wrists.

When sheriff deputies arrived at the Gregory home, Gregory admitted to police that she had killed her mother. She has been charged with open murder, a life sentence.

Those people who have known her since high school say they were shocked at the news because Gregory had been devoted to her mother and would drop any plans she may have if her mother needed her.

A preliminary examination is scheduled for Sandra Gregory on June 28.

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Ellsworth resident chosen Banks Township Citizen of the Year

Irene Shooks, a longtime resident of Ellsworth, has been named Banks Township Citizen of the Year.

Irene has been a resident of the Banks Township community since the early 1970's. She and her husband Rick have raised four great children in the community, all of whom

currently reside out of the immediate area. They have two granddaughters and are expecting another grandchild this year.

In addition to her "real job" of being the organist at Belltower Reformed Church, Irene finds time to share her musical talents by playing

for funerals & weddings, accompanying students for solo/ensemble performances at band festivals and school activities, assisting with band programs including Memorial Day & Pig Roast performances, and many

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COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
County building energy costs down;
state of road commission report

B. J. Conley

CHARLEVOIX — Charlevoix county participates in an energy conservation and efficiency project that has already produced significant results, cutting monthly utility expense at the county building to \$550, down from two years ago when it was \$1,823.

The project is spearheaded by the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments with a focus on local governments and funded by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Charlevoix county, along with nine other regional counties has received administrative, technical and financial assistance to overcome existing obstacles and to reach a long-term energy action plan.

At a county board of commissioners' meeting on June 8, an annual report was given by manager Pat Harmon on the county road commission. Harmon said the road commission is weathering the economy better than some road commissions.

"Some counties are laying people off. We haven't had any pay raises within the last three years, but we haven't laid anyone off either," Harmon said.

The road commission's 2010 accomplishments include improvements to Horton Bay Road, Sanderson Road, Townline Road, Klooster Road, North Shore Drive, Dutchman's Bay Road, 2.85 miles of the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road and Peninsula Road, totaling 12 miles of pavement. Three miles of gravel roads were improved and other work was done, such as a culvert replacement on South End Road in Peaine Township and an upgrade of Indian Point Road in St. James Township to all season maintenance status.

The road commission's report shows that county townships contributed nearly \$1.5 million toward 2010 road improvements, brining and signs.

In 2011 the road commission will use funds from the road millage to reconstruct Springvale Road, with Melrose Township funding \$225,000 of that project.

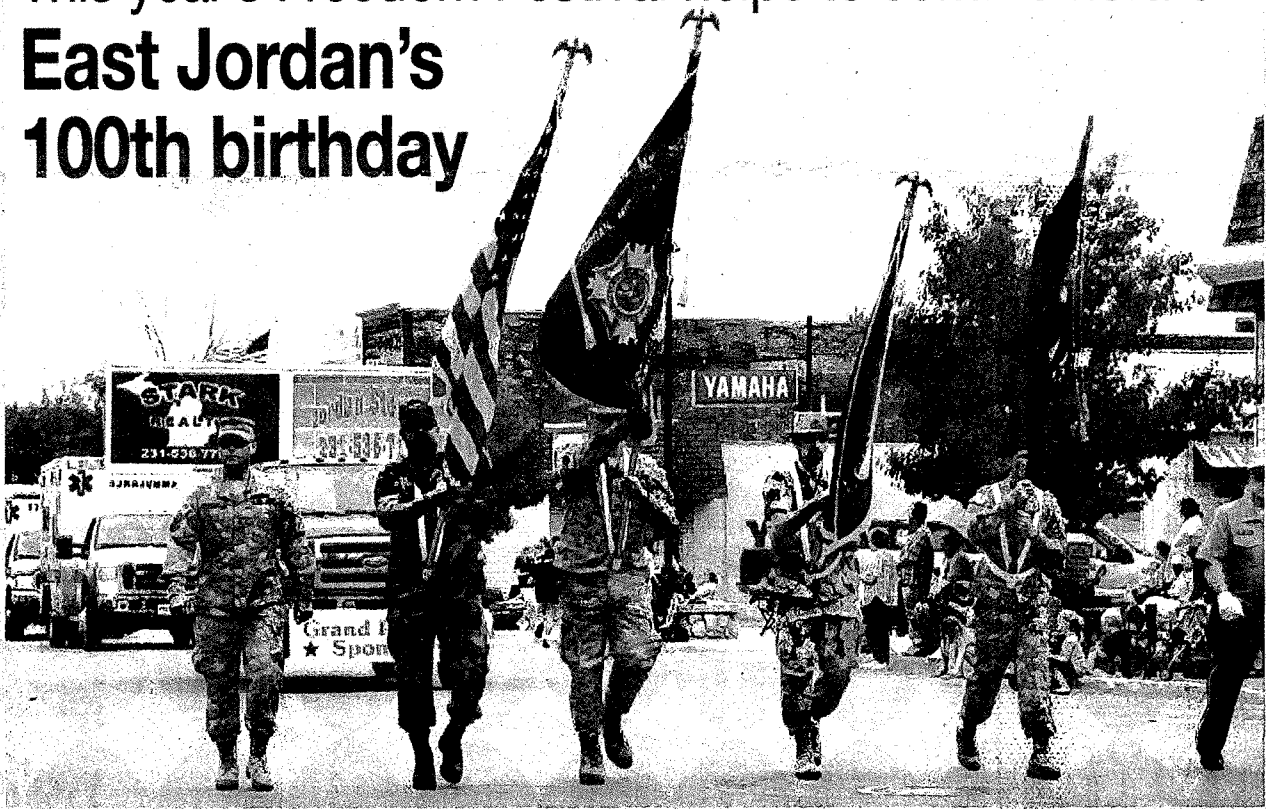
Charlevoix county has a 714-mile county road system and maintains 75 miles of state highways within the county. It is primarily funded by state gas tax and license plate fees.

Special recognition was given in the report to road commissioner Wayne Saunders who retired in December 2010 after 22 years of service.

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CELEBRATING FREEDOM

This year's Freedom Festival helps to commemorate East Jordan's 100th birthday



The Grand Parade will start at 3 pm on Saturday, with this year's Grand Marshal being the D.A.R.E. educational program. PHOTO BY PINK KAYAKS

By Jim Akans

Every year, the East Jordan Freedom Festival seems to get just a little bigger, and offer just a little more fun and excitement for the thousands who come to the Jordan Valley region each year to partake in this annual celebration of our freedoms.

This year is no exception, and starting Thursday and continuing through Sunday, the Freedom Festival will

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once again bring top notch musical entertainment, carnival rides, a huge "block party", games, contests and parades to the charming community of East Jordan. This also happens to be the 100th year anniversary of East Jordan becoming a city, and so the 2011 Freedom Festival will also be a huge birthday party.

Jackie Cutler, chair of the Freedom Festival committee, states, "Celebrating East

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COUNTY RECORDS

ASSUMED NAMES:

The following businesses recently filed with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office for an assumed name for doing business:

- Team Clean, 1207 Bridge St., Apt C, Charlevoix by Deborah A. Dulang.
- Chain O' Lakes Disc Golf, 11195 Essex Road, Ellsworth by Richard K. Evans.
- Mainland Parking & Shuttle Services, 06798 U.S. 31 South, Charlevoix by Daniel Drost.
- Jordan Valley Glassworks, 209 State St., East Jordan by Glenna Haney and Shellie Bavers.

DISTRICT COURT

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court for the County of Charlevoix:

- James Lawrence Kagabintang, 57, Charlevoix. Failure to report an accident to fixtures. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs.
- Amber Marie Wiser, 22, Boyne City. Disorderly person. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.
- Wayne John Bryant, Charlevoix. Driving with no license on person. Sentenced to pay \$200 in fines and costs.

COSTS.

Todd Frederick Endsley, 52, Charlevoix. Disorderly person. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Antoinette Denise Berry, 44, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$855 in fines and costs and to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, five days of community service work and six months on probation.

Kian Thomas Odonohue, 26, Livonia. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$855 in fines and costs and to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, five days of community service work and six months on probation.

Matthew Hilaire Gilmet, 32, East Jordan. Assault/aggravated. Sentenced to pay \$1,505, in fines and costs and to 365 days in jail with credit for 80 days, 285 days held in abeyance and 18 months on probation.

Donzell Sarah Kane, 49, Beaver Island. Drunk and disorderly. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Owen Michael-Kelly Austin, 21, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$855 in fines and costs.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

The following people have recently filed for marriage licenses with the County of Charlevoix:

- Andrew Karl Misner, 24, Boyne City and Kayleen Kristy Smith, 26, Boyne City.
- Roger Joshua Jones III, 31, San Diego, CA and Anna Marie Augusts Church, 31, San Diego, CA.
- Matthew Cory Kilkenny, 26, Yuma, CO and Michelle Patricia Wells, 26, Yuma, CO.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Tuesday, June 7

- 5:19pm Hit & run property damage accident in the 400 block of N Lake St
- 10:35pm Received fireworks complaint from the 300 block of E Division St
- 11:12pm Private property damage accident in the Industrial Park

Wednesday, June 8

- 6:40am Report of water main break
- 8:13am Report of damage done to bike rack in the 300 block of N Lake St
- 8:29am Civil dispute in the 500 block of N Lake St
- 3:51pm Unlock at State and Hannah Streets
- 5:56pm Unlock in the 300 block of E Division St
- 4:48pm Car damaged in parking lot in the 400 block of N Lake St
- 10:28pm Unlock on Jefferson St
- 9:58pm Unlock in the 500 block of N Lake St

Thursday, June 9

- 11:52am Report of loose dog charging subject in the 100 block of E Michigan Av

Friday, June 10

- 6:45am Confused elderly subject dropped of at PD. Was checked by ambulance and released to family member.
- 11:04am car versus building accident on N East St
- 1:35pm Report of domestic dispute in the 500 block of Hannah St
- 7:22pm Parking ticket issued on S Park St
- 9:22pm Parking ticket issued on S Park St

Saturday, June 11

- 9:58am Parking complaint received in the 500 block of N Lake St
- 12:17pm Child custody dispute in the 900 block of Boyne Av
- 3:07pm Report of stolen I-pod in the 300 block of E Division St
- 4:50pm Report of larceny of gasoline in the 400 block of N Lake St. Subject returned and paid
- 5:24pm Unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St

Sunday, June 12

- 1:29am Citation issued for disregarding stop sign at State and East St
- 2:16am Report of intoxicated male in traffic on Water St
- 10:58am Unlock in the 1300 block of Pleasant Av
- 1:46pm Report of injured deer in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
- 5:56pm Report of kids playing in the street on Vogel near Jersey St
- 6:17pm Unlock at Old City Park
- 5:34pm Unlock in the 1000 block of Boyne Av

7:42pm Report of possible drunk driver on Michigan Av Monday, June 13, 2011

- 1:30am Car deer accident on State St near Cozy Ln
- 2:48pm Domestic disturbance in the 300 block of E Division St
- 8:18am Subject arrested on warrant
- 11:15am Citation issued for No Registration
- 6:15pm Citation issued for improper lane use
- 7:00pm Report of damage to windshield of car near Wilson and Ann Streets
- 10:24pm Assist ambulance with attempted suicide in the 400 block of High St

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

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- 911 Hang Up Call12
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- Abuse1
- Alarm7
- Animal Complaint23
- Annoyance0
- Assault5
- Assist Citizen5
- Assist Motorist4
- Assist Other Agency17
- Attempt to Locate1
- Attempted Suicide1
- Bank Alarm1
- Boating Accident0
- Boating Violation1
- Breaking & Entering1
- Car/Deer Accident3
- Citations Issued30
- Civil Complaint4
- Criminal Sexual Conduct0
- Death0
- Disorderly Person0
- Disturbance2

DNR Complaint

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- Driving Complaint6
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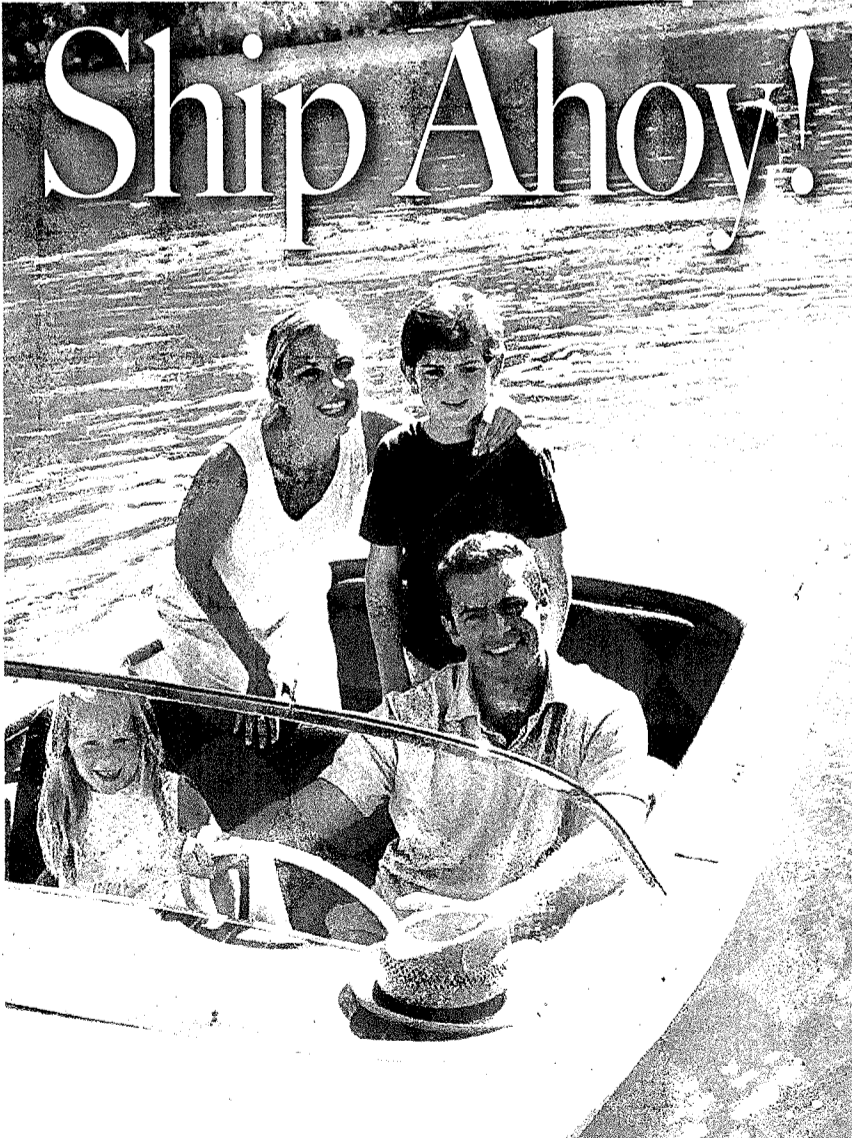
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other musical events. She is a talented vocalist and has participated in musical cantatas and performances.

Irene has been caregiver to several elderly persons in our community, assisting them on a daily basis with errands, transportation to appointments, bill paying as well as a multitude of other chores. Irene serves as election inspector for countless elections, many times as chairman. She assists the township clerk in election preparations, absentee ballot distribution, and public accuracy testing, just to name a few.

Irene serves as secretary to the Banks Township Planning Commission and is responsible for posting meeting notices, mailing notices to property owners, communicating with applicants in addition to setting up for meetings and recording the minutes of those meetings. She often works under urgent and strict time constraints to accomplish these things.

Irene serves the community at the Front Porch Restaurant as a volunteer waitress when needed, often on very short notice! She also serves on the Human Resources committee and organizes cleaning bees for the restaurant, recruits volunteers, develops policies & procedures for the restaurant.

In addition, Irene is very artistic and creative. She is a talented seamstress who makes clothing for her granddaughters, wedding & prom dresses, upholstery, repairs to a multitude of items such as replacing zippers, etc. and alterations. She knits and has donated prayer shawls to the Belltower Reformed Church prayer shawl ministry.

Irene personifies the quotation "If you need something done, ask a busy person!" We thank Irene for sharing her time and talents to make Banks Township a better place to live.

Join us as we honor Irene at the conclusion of the 3rd Annual Breezeway Cruise at Royal Farms in Atwood on Thursday, June 30 at about 7:45pm. Irene will also be a guest of honor in the ELLEBRATION! parade on Saturday, July 2.

All invited to take part in the Community of Christ Family Camp at Park of the Pines

Church Camp for Everyone!

The Community of Christ will be hosting a week long Family Church Camp July 8th-15th. Park of the Pines is a church-owned campground on over 24 acres of mostly wooded land and 623 feet of frontage on Lake Charlevoix. It is located about four miles northwest of Boyne City at 4049 Spring Water Beach Road. The campground is owned by the Community of Christ and administered by the Michigan Mission Center. For nearly 100 years, the camp has held a weeklong church camp for all ages each summer. The theme for this year's camp is "Wholeness through Christ: Balance and Connection" and will be carried out with a cruise ship premise. Each day will include some worship, some fun, and some surprises. One of the exciting events planned is a Saturday evening captain's dinner starting at 5:30 p.m. followed by entertainment by the Petoskey High School Steel Drum Band. Along with daily classes for all ages, a book discussion group will meet each day at 3:00. Swimming, recreation, and campfires are also some of the enjoyable activities to take place. Cost for the week is \$175 per person, which includes a campsite and three meals a day. You can come for the week, a day, or just an evening. For more detailed information please visit parkofthepines.org/schedule and click on the Family Camp link. Everyone is invited to "Come Aboard" learn how to receive Wholeness Through Christ.

the SUNNY SUMMER SOLSTICE

By Erin Schlicher

Here comes the summer solstice, which this year will fall on Tuesday, June 21. While many here in the northern hemisphere are aware this marks the day each year when the time between sunrise and sunset is the longest, the rest of the story behind the summer solstice isn't as widely known.

The solstice occurs because of the tilt of the Earth's axis, which makes the sun's position in the sky change throughout the year. During half of the year, the southern hemisphere is more exposed to the sun than is the northern hemisphere. During the rest of the year, the reverse is true. This results in the changing of the seasons, and in the solstices and equinoxes. The summer and winter solstices mark the longest and shortest days of the year, respectively, and during the spring and fall equinoxes, the length of daylight is equal to the length of darkness.

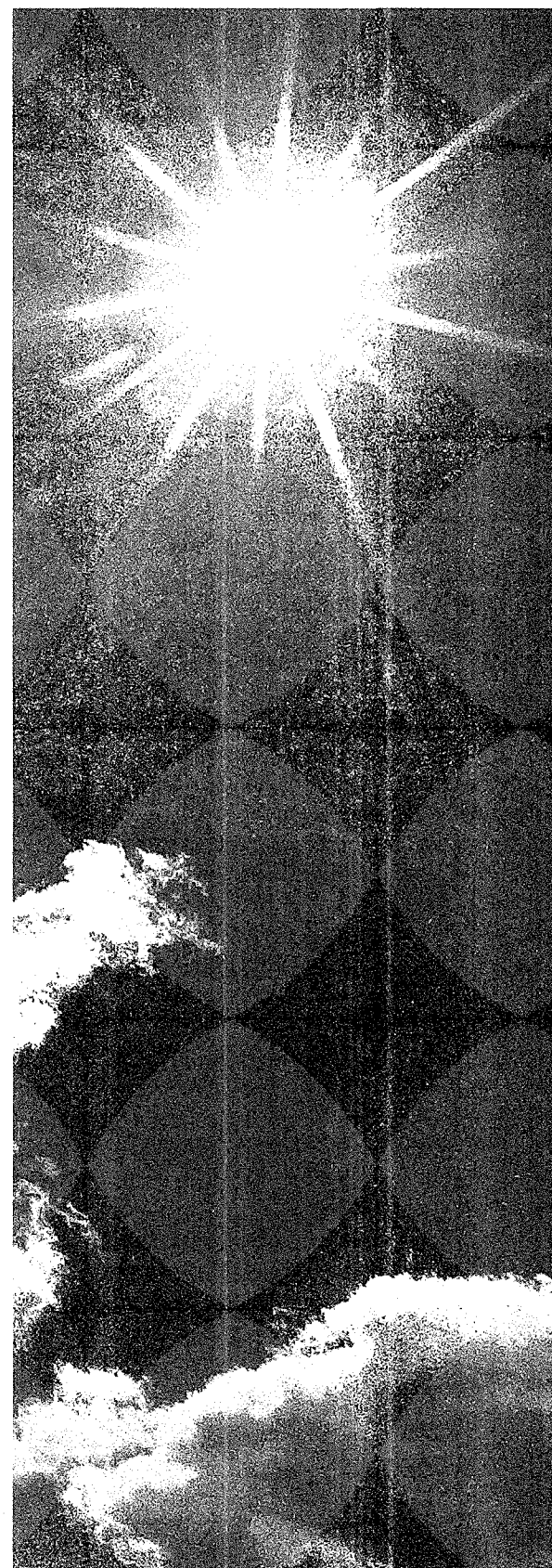
As noted, the summer solstice marks the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere. The word solstice is derived from the Latin sol (sun) and sistere (to stand still), because the sun reaches its northernmost position in the sky during the summer solstice, and appears to come to a stop before reversing direction.

While the solstice may not be widely celebrated today, it was an important holiday in many ancient cultures. People around the world have observed spiritual and religious days of celebration in June, most of which are linked in some way to the summer solstice. Solstice celebrations are still held in

many places, most notably, at England's famous Stonehenge ruins, where thousands gather every year to watch the sunrise on the morning of the summer solstice.

The solstice signifies the first day of summer in some cultures, and the middle of summer in others. The European holiday of Midsummer falls on the summer solstice because it marks the middle of the growing season in much of Europe. Midsummer was thought to be a time of magic, when evil spirits were thought to appear. To protect themselves from these spirits, Pagans often wore protective garlands of herbs and flowers and held bonfires, which they believed would increase the sun's power and help to ensure a long growing season.

The most enduring modern ties with the summer solstice may come from the Druid celebration of the day as the "wedding of heaven and Earth." Pagans called the Midsummer moon the "Honey Moon" for the mead made from fermented honey that was used during wedding ceremonies performed at the summer solstice. June remains a popular month for wedding celebrations, and the tradition of a "honeymoon" lives on in the form of a post-wedding getaway. Although the solstice is no longer as culturally significant as it once was, it can still be observed by simply making the most of the extra daylight. There's no better place to celebrate the "longest day of the year," than right here in northern Lower Michigan.



Here comes the summer solstice, also known as the longest day of the year, will fall on Tuesday, June 21.



COURTESY PHOTO

9th Annual Charlevoix/Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride(s) this Saturday

By Jim Akans

It's a bicycling event designed to benefit breast cancer support programs offered through Northern Michigan Regional Hospital and Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundations, and Saturday, June 18th will be the ninth year in a row the Charlevoix/Emmet County event is being held.

Cyclists will gather at Veterans Park in Boyne City at 7 am on Saturday morning, and for an individual registration fee of \$30 or family registration fee of \$50, will be able to participate in an event that matches their desired activity level, choosing between a seven, twenty, forty-two or fifty-five mile routes, and pedal through some of the most amazing scenery in northern Michigan.

"The annual Pink Ribbon Ride is truly a community based event," notes spokesperson, Sue Morris. "And while many of the riders are cancer survivors, this is very much a family-oriented event that celebrates life, honors the people who have passed, and enjoys the company of those who are riding with us."

The Charlevoix/Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride was started by Kathy McDonald. She had been diagnosed with breast cancer and wanted to find an event that was associated with bicycling and also raise awareness of breast cancer and funding for those in need of testing.

Morris, who has been part of the Pink Ribbon event in this area since it began, states, "The goal was to help women here in northern Michigan who didn't have insurance and had to pay for testing. It is well recognized that the best prevention for breast cancer is early detection, but there are a lot of women who fall through the cracks when it comes to paying for that testing. They may not meet established health department criteria but still need some

financial assistance."

Last year, the Charlevoix/Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride raised over \$48,000. As a result, the Circle of Strength through Charlevoix Area Hospital and the Kathleen Jontz Breast Health Fund through Northern Michigan Regional Hospital each received over \$17,000, helping many women receive testing and support.

"I believe in what we are trying to do," relates Sue Morris. "It is so very important be-

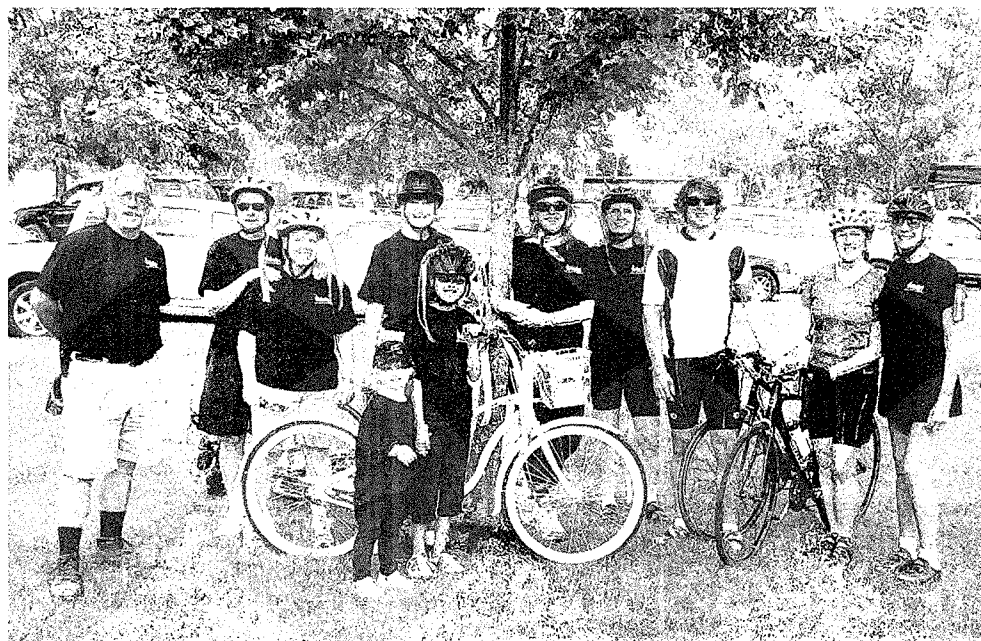
cause the sooner the cancer is found the better the success of the treatment.

She adds, "I have a great group of volunteers, and terrific sponsors in the area who stick with us year after year in helping to put on this event. Hopefully, as the word gets out, more and more communities will do something like this. That is also something we are working to accomplish."

To learn more about Bike4BreastCancer, visit www.bike4breastcancer.org.

Event spokesperson, Sue Morris, notes that the annual Pink ribbon Ride "is very much a family-oriented event that celebrates life, honors the people who have passed, and enjoys the company of those who are riding with us."

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY HISTORY PRESERVATION SOCIETY EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING

"Undine – A Settlement Remembered..."

After five long years of researching and compiling information on the Undine Settlement and various sections of Hayes Township, the Charlevoix County History Preservation Society's Undine research team will soon unveil a large portion of their findings to the general public. Friday, June 24th, 2011 at 7:00 PM will mark the opening of the year-long exhibit, "UNDINE- A SETTLEMENT REMEMBERED..." at the Harsha House Museum located at 103 State Street in downtown Charlevoix.

Many have asked, "Where exactly was Undine?" Anyone who has traveled the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road here in Charlevoix County has driven past what was once known as the "Undine Settlement" of Hayes Township.

What remains of the Undine Settlement today? There is a small rural cemetery along the highway and a relocated country schoolhouse on the opposite side of the road.

More recently, the Undine Nature Preserve was created, yet little more than a memory remains of the people and settlement that were once located on these very same acres. As is the case thousands of other now ghost-town settlements throughout Michigan, nearly all remnants of Undine have vanished. What remains are acres of privately owned land, much of which has reverted back to nature.

Undine was given its name and began its rise to success in 1880. By 1890, it had



The Bacot family in Undine, now the home of Maple Ridge Iberians along the Boyne City - Charlevoix Road in Hayes Township. (FROM THE J. CNUDDÉ COLLECTION OF FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS)

reached its peak of progress and population. 1900 had nearly marked the final decade for Undine as a destination, and by 1910 the sections that once made up the Undine Settlement were on a fast decline from "settlement" back to a network of small, family-owned farms.

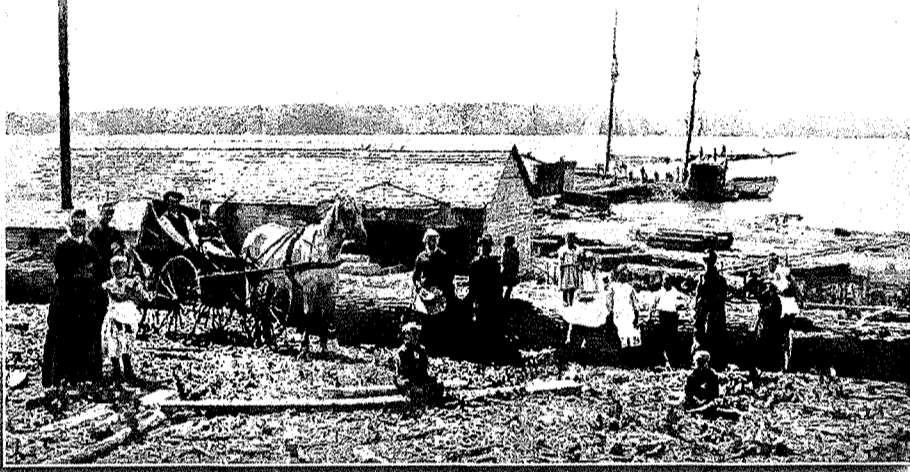
Come take a journey with us, along the very roads that our Undine Settlers once walked. "See" for yourselves how the thriving days of 1890's sawmills and lumbering had tapered back into this peaceful, 1909

rural farm community. Perhaps some of the names mentioned will be familiar ones to you. If so, please make a point of getting in touch with us. There is still a great deal to be uncovered about the Undine Settlement and its inhabitants. If anyone has ever seen other early images of these farms and early pioneers, we would also appreciate hearing from you!

Presented by the Charlevoix County History Preservation Society, in conjunction with the Charlevoix Historical Society, the Undine exhibit will focus on the rise of this once thriving rural community, from what was originally a vast, untamed wilderness. For the first time ever, the story of Charlevoix County's Undine Settlement will be told, through the use of turn-of-the-century images, newspaper data, and original documents and artifacts. In addition to what promises to be both educational and entertaining, we will also host a wine and cheese reception that evening. So please, come out and show your support for what is being done to preserve the history of Charlevoix County. We look forward to seeing you there!

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 231-582-5326 or visit the CCHPS website at www.cchps.info.

The Cram, Whitford & Sons Sawmill at the Undine settlement on Lake Charlevoix, circa 1890. (FROM THE COLLECTION OF THE CHARLEVOIX HISTORICAL SOCIETY)



Real Estate Corner

Question & Answers About Selling Real Estate

What is MLS??

By Mike Stark, Stark Realty, Inc.



Mike Stark

MLS stands for "Multiple Listing Service," which is usually a computerized listing of virtually all the homes that are for sale in a specific area.

When a Realtor lists your property for sale, they pay a fee and your home is placed on the MLS system.

The big advantage to sellers is that the MLS is the #1 resource used by buyers (and agents) to locate homes.

Properties that are not listed (usually those being sold by their owners) are not on the MLS-thus there are many buyers and Realtors who will not be exposed to the home.

The MLS has become such a standard in real estate that no serious broker would think of trying to sell real estate without it. It would be like an accountant trying to work without a calculator.

About the only residential brokers who might not use the MLS are those who exclusively handle foreclosed properties, or high-end homes owned by celebrities and the like.

The MLS provides a surprising amount of detail, depending upon the area of the country it may include the location (by zip code); size of the home (square footage); size of the lot; number of bedrooms and bathrooms; extra rooms such as a den, family room, formal dining room, or enclosed patio; amenities such as a backyard, fireplace, hot tub, pool, kitchen features, new carpet and drapes; capacity of garage; age of home; and, of course, the selling price and terms.

Buyers can narrow their house-hunting searches dramatically by using the MLS. For instance, their real estate professional can do a computer search and ask for a listing of all homes within a certain location and price range that have two or three bedrooms and that are not more than ten years old. Not only will this request generate a brief list of viable possibilities, it also helps buyers gauge, roughly, what they can expect to get for their money, and to compare the value of the homes listed.

Thus, the MLS is more than a system that lists properties. It's an aid to both buyers and sellers, and is a definite asset to consumers when it comes to real estate.

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It's a great big festival with a small town heart. Each year, the East Jordan Freedom Festival draws thousands to the area to enjoy a weekend of great music, food and fun.

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East Jordan Freedom Festival

Continued from front page

Jordan's 100th birthday is our theme this year. We will also be having several new events at the festival, including a Michigan "Hot Boats" display in the lot next to BC Pizza on Friday night, with a water demonstration off Tourist Park on Saturday morning, and we will be having a talent show, with divisions for both kids and adults. The East Jordan Lions Club is sponsoring a Jeff Gordon car simulator, which will be set up at the Charlevoix State Bank parking lot on Saturday.

Friday evening, don't miss the huge "block party" downtown East Jordan, with lots of food and game booths set up by local non-profit organizations, and the Freedom Festival Button Drawings will take place at the Main Stage at 7, 8 and 9 pm.

"The buttons are available for \$2, and we limit the total number sold to 1,500," notes Anita Shepard, Freedom Festival Committee treasurer. "We have three terrific prizes for the drawing: a Wii Gaming System, a laptop computer, and a 42" flat screen television. When we draw a button for one of these prizes at 7, 8 and 9 pm, the person with that number must come to the stage within one minute or we draw another. Even if someone

wins one of the first drawings, their number will go back in for the next drawing."

The Freedom Festival Button Drawing isn't the only way to win prizes at the Freedom Festival. On Saturday, over 40 great prizes will be raffled, and on Saturday evening at 8 pm, the Festival 500 drawing will be held, with one \$500 prize and ten \$50 prizes awarded.

The Grand Parade will proceed from the west side of the Bridge to Main Street and then to Division starting at 3 pm on Saturday. This year's Grand Marshal is the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program, which helps educate millions of school children around the world about the dangers of drugs, gangs and violence. Officer Clyde Payton is the D.A.R.E. instructor at East Jordan Schools, and several students who have participated in the program will march with Officer Payton in the parade.

Musical entertainment at this year's Freedom Festival will include the Jelly Roll Blues Band, a local favorite throughout Northern Michigan, who will perform on Friday evening during the "Block Party." Beatles tribute band, SHOUT, will bring the uplifting

songs of the "Fab Four" back to life during a performance at Memorial Park on Saturday evening... just before the fireworks begin.

Jackie Cutler states, "Like the festival itself, the spectacular fireworks display is a part of an annual tradition. We have doubled our budget for the fireworks over the past two years. People were amazed at last years show, this year promises to be even more fantastic."

Despite the fact that the East Jordan Freedom Festival seems to get bigger each year, it still retains the friendly, welcoming atmosphere of a small town summer fair. While many attendees are from the local area, the draw is also from across the state and even the country, with the Freedom Festival often serving as a centerpiece for reunions of family and friends.

Anita Shepard observes, "The focus of our festival is that of a small town community. In many areas, the small town festival has become a lost art. The Freedom Festival continues to offer a very hometown feel."

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Don't Get Ripped Off on Craigslist

By Skip Press

I'm one of more than 50 million US users of Craigslist, the top source of free classified ads on the Internet. Since the online marketplace started up in the 1990s, I have used it to buy and sell all sorts of merchandise -- ranging from computers to cars. I've used it so much that I've written a book about it. Here, common mistakes on Craigslist and how to get the very best deals...

SCAMS SELLERS FALL FOR

People who post merchandise for sale on Craigslist may get more fraudulent responses than genuine ones. Often they contain Web links. If you click on such a link, your computer may become infected with a virus, or a "cyber-robot" may harvest your e-mail address. (The crooks then sell the addresses to spammers.) Sometimes the link comes only in a second follow-up message after you have responded to an innocent-looking question, such as, "Is the item still available?" Never click on links in e-mail from people you do not know.

Other common scams for sellers to watch out for...

Buyers who pay more than the asking price. They will e-mail you a complicated story giving their reasons (they received a check from an estate, or they made a mistake and sent too much). They then ask you to refund the extra. You send them a check for the difference between the amount they sent and the price of your item and then discover that their check has bounced.

Buyers who want you to send the item before they've paid for it. They come up with an excuse (a birthday, a vacation trip) so that you will deliver the item right away. Some buyers will claim that they have sent payment through Western Union or another wire service. Since it can take days for money to go through with these services, you may find out too late that payment was never sent. Accepting payment through PayPal usually is better.

Buyers who pay by certified or cashier's check. These sound official, but can be faked. If you deposit a fraudulent check, you'll take the loss. Again -- stick with payment through PayPal.

SCAMS BUYERS FALL FOR

If you are a buyer, be aware that the more expensive the item, the more prevalent the scams...

"Vehicle for sale" requires an especially suspicious eye. Craigslist says that offers to ship cars after purchase are 100% fraudulent.

How it works: You see a vehicle listed at a very low price. When you communicate with the seller, you learn that the car is overseas and must be shipped. You will receive a complicated message detailing a complicated method of payment (through an escrow service, Western Union, etc.). Don't bite. Do stop all communication with the "seller." If the listing is still online, flag it (all ads have a special area in the upper-right-hand corner to do this). If enough people flag a listing, Craigslist will pull it -- and you will help prevent other people from being burned.

Stolen merchandise. Another reason that a price may seem too good to be true -- the merchandise may be stolen. Before buying a computer, bicycle, jewelry or other valuable item, ask the seller to send you the original purchase receipt, owner's manual, installation disk or other proof of ownership. Trust your instincts if the seller is vague about proof.

Fraudulent housing. Beware of listings for rentals or lease-to-own housing that require a deposit. Once you send the deposit (often by Western Union to an overseas address because the "home owner" had to leave the country unexpectedly), you are mailed the keys. When you go to the house, you find out that the keys don't fit and the house is really for sale, not for rent -- and your money has disappeared. The listing was probably cribbed from a house-for-sale posting.

Skip Press, longtime Craigslist enthusiast and author of *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Making Money with Craigslist* (Alpha). He is a Hollywood screenwriter, former editor of *Entertainment Monthly* and author of more than 30 books. www.SkipPress.com

Kristyn Balog joins the Charlevoix Circle of Arts

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is pleased to announce the selection of Kristyn Balog as the organization's new Executive Director.

Ms. Balog, of Harbor Springs, comes to The Circle with a wealth of experience working with a non-profit organization, having previously served as Executive Director of Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity for seven years. She has also served as Executive Assistant at the Bank of Northern Michigan in Petoskey and as Office Manager for the Good Hart School Board.

Having graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, her true love and primary occupation throughout most of her adult life, has been in graphic design. She currently consults with various clients to provide logos and design solutions for their marketing projects. Over the years, she has been a graphic designer at Mitchell Graphics in Petoskey, the art director for American Spoon Foods and a graphic designer for Northern Express Publications.

At The Circle, Ms. Balog will work on a part-time basis, co-ordinating exhibits, events and classes. She will also assist in marketing The Circle's programs and projects to both residents of and visitors to Charlevoix, and help to develop new community outreach ideas and collaborations.

"We are delighted to have Kristyn on board," said Circle of Arts President Laurie Lesser Hodgson. "Her skill sets and personality are absolutely perfect for this position and she will be a



Nancy Suzor, Vice President of the Charlevoix Circle of Arts with Kristyn Balog, newly hired Executive Director.

great asset to our team. Her previous work with non-profits and her background in graphic design and marketing, will be invaluable to us as we continue to grow and enhance the organization and support its mission."

Balog is excited about the possibilities, too. "I was raised in a family of volunteers. I have practiced this in my personal life and set out to combine that with my career goals, as well. I was specifically seeking employment in a non-profit environment and was thrilled with the creative arts link of this position," she said. "The enormous amount of pride in the work you do and the pleasure of knowing that your work has the power and ability to change lives

for the better, is the final reward. The Circle of Arts provides opportunities for people to give back to their community through high-visibility public art exhibits, education programs, and events. These programs enrich the lives of everyone and have a direct economic impact on the community. My participation with this organization and its dedicated community allows me to combine my creative and business skill set to expand the offerings of the Charlevoix Circle of Arts. I am looking forward to providing the leadership needed to continue the progress of this young organization."

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is a grassroots non-profit organi-

zation founded in 2008 to provide Charlevoix area residents and visitors of all ages and backgrounds with high caliber visual arts exhibits, educational opportunities, and a diverse schedule of activities in all fields of art. Their mission is to promote the Charlevoix area as a cultural arts hub by providing community enrichment and support of the arts. This mission is carried out with the cooperation and support of dedicated and passionate community members.

For more information about CCA programs and projects, please contact the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 231-547-3554 or online at www.CharlevoixCircle.org.

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CHARLEVOIX

Business after hours

Join the Chamber and your colleagues at the Luau themed Business after Hours on Wednesday, June 15 from 5 to 7pm aboard the Keweenaw Star, 109 Bridge St in the city marina at the old Acacia dock. Complimentary for Chamber Members, \$10 General Admission. Hosted by American Lodge & Suites and Active Industrial Supply on the Keweenaw Star. The vessel will leave port for a scenic one hour cruise promptly at 6pm. There will

be plenty of food, a full cash bar and a mai tai drink special! Prizes for best dressed luau or Hawaiian themed costume. Come enjoy the perfect summer send off on the water... sandals encouraged! Contact the Chamber at 547.2101 or manager@charlevoix.org with questions. It's one you won't want to miss!

EAST JORDAN

Jordan Valley Freedom Festival

June 16 - 19. Celebrating our freedom. Tons of events and patriotic fun on the shores of Lake Charlevoix.

EAST JORDAN

Stroke and Osteoporosis Screenings

Residents living in and around the East Jordan area can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or bone fracture. VFW Post #7580 will host Life Line Screening on June 17. The site is located at 6710 M 32 Hwy in East Jordan. For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-877-237-1287 or visit Lifeline's website at www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

BOYNE CITY

Veterans Memorial group selling bricks and calendars

The Boyne City Area War Memorial Committee is now selling Veterans Memorial Bricks as a fund-raiser to create a new sidewalk at the Memorial in Veterans Park on the Boyne City lakefront. Two brick sizes are available - 8-by-8-inch bricks are \$90 and can include up to 90 characters to recognize a veteran; 4-by-4-inch bricks are \$45 and include up to 45 characters. To purchase a brick or make

a donation, contact George Lasater at 231-582-7001 or Bill Bricker at 231-549-3708. The memorial committee is also offering a War Memorial Calendar to raise funds for ongoing maintenance of the site. Calendars features photos of the memorial benches and are sold for \$15. To purchase a 2012 calendar, contact Dean Kleinschrodt at 231-549-8000.

BOYNE CITY

Young Americans in Concert

The Young Americans bring their high-energy singing and dancing performance to the Boyne City Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 18. Admission is \$22 for adults and \$12 for students. Tickets are on sale at the Chamber for those paying with cash or check. To buy tickets with a credit card, call (231) 526-3152. Don't delay - this concert always sells out.

BOYNE CITY

Pink Ribbon ride

June 18 - Pink Ribbon Ride, Veterans Park

EAST JORDAN

Bass club

Following is our tournament schedule for the Great Northwest Bass Anglers, the bass fishing club from East Jordan.

June 19 - Lake Charlevoix
July 17 - Fletcher's Floodwaters
August 14 - Intermediate Chain
August 21 - Tomahawk Flooding

The club is always looking for new members, especially people that want to learn more about bass fishing. You do not have to have a boat to be a member, we pair up boaters with non boaters. If anyone

wants more information about the club they can contact Dan Miller at 231-350-0118 or Jerry Hepner at 582-6004.

EAST JORDAN

Emerging Artists

View the displays from emerging local artists thru June 17 from 1pm - 4pm at the Jordan River Arts Council

CHARLEVOIX

Summer Solstice Art show

June 18, 10am - 5pm & June 19, 10am - 4pm in downtown

EAST JORDAN

Canoe for Cattails

Saturday, June 18th, 5 pm - Join the Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center with your own canoe as we float the Jordan River downstream from Rogers Road in search of the edible flower spikes of the wonderful cattail. Likened to miniature corn-on-the-cob, this vegetable tastes mild and delicious. Try it out yourself! Float will end with a potluck at Sportsman's Park. Please bring your own plates and utensils. Free and open to the public. For more info, contact Wagbo at 231-535-0333 or mailto:wagbo@torchlake.com.

EAST JORDAN

SAVE-A-LOT / FAST FILL...

Save-A-Lot Food Store, Fast Fill Gas Station & the Car Wash will all be open to serve your snacks, beverage, grocery & gas needs 7 days per week during the road construction of M-32. Don't let the construction stop you from visiting us and saving money.

CHARLEVOIX

Sullivan named top dentist

Dr. Michael A. Sullivan of Beacon Dental Center has been named one of America's Top Dentists for Cosmetic and Reconstructive Dentistry. The Consumers' Research Council of America's "Guide to America's Top Dentists 2011" selected Dr. Sullivan based on his experience, training and continuing education courses, certifications, dental specialties, and professional association memberships. Dr. Sullivan has been practicing in Charlevoix for nearly three years.

EAST JORDAN

Celebrate Summer River Trip

Celebrate Summer River Trip Canoe/Kayak the lower Jordan River June 19. Breakfast Potluck after at the Jordan River Watershed Center. Bring your canoes/kayaks to the Webster Rd. Landing off M-66. more information at www.friendsofthejordan.org

BOYNE CITY

Celtic Session

Energy and Enchantment weave through the Irish and Scottish Tunes played at the Boyne Celtic Session. Session is June 19th from 1 - 3 pm at FreshWater Studio in Boyne City. You are invited to come in and joint the fun as Gaeyle Gerrie & host of the best Irish Musicians from all over Mid-Northern Michigan present tunes and songs to spring into a new season with a Sunday Session featuring Celtic/Folk Tunes and Song. Boyne Celtic Session calls FreshWater Studio, 217 South Lake Street, in the SOBO Arts District of Boyne City home. Musicians bring a seat/stool if you have one to free up seating for visiting listeners. Open to the Public (no charge) visit <http://www.SynergySong.com> for more information including the free tune book!

CHARLEVOIX

Summer Camp Program

Summer Adventures for children ages 3-10 years old. Weekly Sessions June 20 - August 19. Looking to get your kids actively involved in a summer pro-

gram that's engaging and educational (shhh...don't tell them), then look no further! We have nine theme-based summer experiences that children can look forward to participating in. For details call the Charlevoix Elementary School at 231.547.3215 or visit www.rayder.net.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Char-Em United Way Day of Action

June 21 is the longest day of the year. Char-Em United Way is challenging you to make the most of this special day. With all those hours of daylight, we'd like you to join Char-Em United Way to consider how much you can do to GIVE, ADVOCATE, and VOLUNTEER for the causes you care about and inspire others to do the same. This year we are joining United Way World Wide in promoting education. Our focus will be literacy and we are coordinating events at Emmet and Charlevoix County libraries. Whether you choose to read to a group of children, be a reading pal, collect books for donation, or become a mentor, tutor or reading aide we challenge you to join us in promoting literacy. Advancing the common good involves creating opportunities for a better life for all. When individuals, organizations, governments and businesses set aside their special interests and work together, we can make a difference. Living United means being a part of the change. Contact your local library to see how you can be a part of the change beginning on Day of Action, June 21. You can also visit our website for specific volunteer opportunities as they become available www.charemunitedway.org.

BOYNE CITY

Evenings at the gazebo

The Boyne Area Chamber has announced the schedule for another summer of Evenings at the Gazebo concerts beginning June 29. Concerts continue at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday through Aug. 24 at Old City Park, located at the corner of Park and River Streets. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, but not your pets.

June 29 - Off Duty - Upbeat 60's and 70's with a touch of country.

July 6 - Younce Guitar Duo - Beautiful guitar arrangements.

July 13 - Nelson Olstrom - Soft rock.

July 20 - ReBooted featuring Judy Harrison - High energy country/classic rock.

July 27 - Blue Lake Fine Arts Camps presents Goethes Groove Connection - big band jazz.

Aug. 3 - Boyne River Remedy - The cure for the common rock band.

Aug. 10 - Petoskey Steel Drum Band - Caribbean beat performed by high school students.

Aug. 17 - Kort McCumber - The essence of Americana.

Aug. 24 - Synergy Song - Celtic music at its best.

CHARLEVOIX

Starting a Business?

Northern Lakes Economic Alliance will help you learn the basics of developing a business plan and will provide you with workbooks and other resources important to help you research the various aspects of starting a business. Upcoming classes are from 6 to 8 p.m. June 22 at the Charlevoix Public Library. The fee is \$20 per business and you must pre-register by contacting the NLEA office (231) 582-6482 or email info@northernlakes.net.

BOYNE CITY

Business after hours

June 23 - County-Wide Business after Hours at Sommerset Pointe 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

ST. IGNACE

Antique auto show

June 23-25. Straits Area

Antique Auto Show (Friday, 24th; 7 pm, parade) in St. Ignace

BOYNE CITY

Stroll the Streets

Stroll the Streets fills downtown Boyne City with music and fun every summer Friday evening from 6 to 9 p.m. from June 24 through Labor Day weekend. 2011 will mark the eighth year for Stroll the Streets, which is organized by the Boyne City Main Street Program. Music ranges from traditional folk, bluegrass and jazz to rock. Special activities include magicians, caricature artists, face-painters and balloon-twisters. Performers on opening night, June 24, will be: Beer Bottle Blues Band, Harbor Hoe Down, Harry Colestock, June Bug, Kelly Beck, Kowalske Family Band, Lake Street Ramblers, Ruby Williams and Friends, and The Vermeers.

EAST JORDAN

Music in the Park

Each Friday at the band shell in Memorial Park June 24 - Aug. 12, 7-9pm.

June 24: TNT - oldies.

July 1: Detour - bluegrass.

July 8: Worker Bees - Rockabilly, roots rock & honky tonk.

July 15: Peacemeal String Band: old time string band music.

July 22: Loudmouth Soup - Rock.

July 29: Crooked Trio - Jazz.

Aug. 5: Elizabeth Sexton Rivers - Blues & Jazz.

Aug. 12: Second Time Around - Classic Country.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Committee Members Needed for 8th Annual Day of Caring

The Day of Caring committee and Char-Em United Way has started planning this year's event. Day of Caring will be Thursday, September 15 - in honor of the National Day of Service, and Remembrance on September 11. The one-day event is an opportunity for people to get involved and volunteer their time to complete projects that area organizations just don't have the staff, funds or time to complete without help. Volunteers are matched with non-profits, schools, and government agencies from all over Charlevoix and Emmet counties during Day of Caring. The committee is seeking members to assist with planning from the Boyne City, East Jordan, and northern Emmet County areas. The committee will meet monthly from April through September sharing skills and ideas to organize and promote Day of Caring. Last year the committee helped bring 690 volunteers together with 48 projects. If you would like to join the planning committee contact Char-Em United Way at 231.487.1006 or info@charemunitedway.org.

BOYNE CITY

Far Post Soccer Camp

This will be the 13th year that Boyne Area 4-H Youth Soccer is hosting a summer soccer camp offered by Far Post Soccer. Response from players and parents has been very positive. Far Post is known throughout the state as a quality program throughout the state and is in high demand. The camp's director, Greg Thompson, is the director of Farmington Hills Public Schools Soccer Program. Scholarships may be available. Soccer players ages 5 and up are invited to attend. Cost is \$60. July 11-15, 6pm- 8pm at Rotary Park. Deadline is June 24. Contact Gail Fox, 231-582-1080, gegaifox@earthlink.net.

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BOYNE CITY

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BOYNE CITY

\$800 Arts Festival announces lineup

Sobo Arts District of Boyne City is excited to announce the return of the Sobo Arts Festival on Friday and Saturday, June 24-25. The festival coincides with Boyne City's first "Stroll the Streets" which runs from 6 to 9 p.m. Celebrating visual, performing and healing arts, the festival will take place in the heart of SOBO, "South Boyne," centered around the intersection of Lake and Main Streets. Opening the festival Friday night will be swing dance instruction by Chris Faulkner followed by music from Chris Bickley's "Bay Area Big Band" featuring Robin Lee Berry performing from 8 to 10 p.m. On Saturday, a juried art fair will be presented from 10-4 p.m. In addition there will be a variety of musical performances, zumba dance demonstrations, representatives of the healing arts community, street performers and activities for kids of all ages, food and a balloon artist. The festival will close with a family friendly Contra-dance offering dance instruction and featuring dance caller Jan Fowler from 7 to 9 p.m.

BOYNE ARTS COLLECTIVE (BAC)

Boyne City's art scene is growing rapidly and offers a nurturing environment for emerging artists. The Boyne Arts Collective (BAC) is interested in expanding its Board of Directors by September. If you or anyone you know would like to give an hour or so of their time to be a member of the BAC Board of Directors, please notify BAC President Martina Hahn at 231.675.7071 or Nomination Chairperson Diane Strzelinski 231.582.5877 or dianas@torchlake.com. The Board meets at noon on the first Monday of the month at the Boyne Arts Collective Gallery, 210 S. Lake Street, Boyne City. Board members do not have to be musical, literary, or visual artists. BAC is seeking board members who are community residents interested in promoting the Arts.

EAST JORDAN

Jordan Valley Triathlon

26th Annual Jordan Valley Triathlon June 25th beginning at 9am. Starting at Tourist Park with Swimming. For Information call 231-536-0795 Sponsored by the East Jordan Ambulance Association.

BOYNE CITY

BCHS grad Chellis brings new vocal institute to Boyne City

Crooked Tree Arts Center is pleased to announce the formation a new music education program, the Up North Vocal Institute, a summer vocal training institute. Founding director is international opera and theatre star Matthew Chellis, a Boyne City High School graduate. The Up North Vocal Institute (UNVI), offers the nation's finest young voices participation in a unique vocal training program designed to encompass the whole body approach to vocal training. The program runs June 25 through July 25, and will be held at the Boyne City High School Performing Arts Center. "The program's goal is to act as a bridge between a singer's academic and professional careers" commented Chellis.

BOYNE CITY

Blooming in June

The Exhibit is titled "BAC is Blooming in June" and will run until Sunday June 26. Artists will be juried BAC members and have their artwork ready to hang or display. The Floral Art may be of any media the artists choose to feature flowers. Hours to visit the exhibit galleries are Friday 1 - 5pm, Saturday 10 - 6pm and Sunday Noon - 4 PM. Please visit www.boynearts.org.

BELLAIRE

Relay for Life

On June 24th and 25th from 3:00pm to 3:00pm local cancer survivors will be honored during the Survivor Celebration at the American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Antrim County Survivor celebration activities offer both survivors and caregivers an opportunity to experience healing, receive support, and celebrate their collective victory over cancer. If you would like to register as a survivor, or make a donation for a Luminaria in honor or in memory of someone touched by cancer, please call (231)676-1820, or visit our website at www.relayforlife.org/antrimcountymi.

BOYNE CITY

Boyne compost site

FREE - Boyne City's north Boyne compost site on Robinson Street has wood chips that are available to the general public for free. There is no limit on the quantity; however, you must make your own arrangements for loading and hauling. This does not include black dirt; wood chips only.

BOYNE CITY

Board members sought for

EAST JORDAN

Water Color Workshop

A special Luke Buck Water Color Workshop is scheduled at Raven Hill Discovery Center for June 27 and June 28 from 10am to 3pm. Luke Buck, a native "Hoosier", grew up and studied art in Indiana. His nostalgic paintings of Americana landscapes and American wildlife show a love for life, art, and nature. Many "locals" here in northern Michigan appreciate his talents and enjoy collecting his paintings. Luke will be teaching his unique but traditional technique and approach to watercolor painting through lectures, demonstrations, and step-by-step painting with one-on-one instructions. This workshop is designed for beginner, intermediate, or advanced watercolor painters and will focus on plein-air painting. Early enrollment is recommended as space is limited. Cost: \$200 for 2 days. Lunch is included.

ELLSWORTH

Historical Society meets

Banks Township Historical Society will hold their next meeting on June 28 at 7pm at the Historical Building in Ellsworth, Mi. Any one is welcome to come.

ELLSWORTH

Ellebration

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EAST JORDAN

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East Jordan Public Schools sponsors Summer Food Service Program for Children. Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or person up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. Meals will be provided at East Jordan Elementary School, 304 Fourth St. from June 13 through August 25. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 am - 8:30 am and lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

BOYNE CITY

Class reunion

BCHS CLASS OF 1971 will hold their 40-year reunion on Saturday, July 2, from noon through the evening at the Fineout farm, 426 Shadow Trails Road, Boyne City. Camping, volleyball, horseshoes and other lawn games will be available. Bring your barbecue grill, food, drinks, chairs and tables. For information, check the Facebook page or email Bill Fineout at alphaomegareil@cox.net.

BOYNE CITY

4th of July Festival

The Boyne City 4th of July Festival features a giant parade at 10 a.m., evening fireworks plus a dozen other activities including the 34th Annual Waterside Arts and Crafts Show, 2-mile and 10k running races, a wacky raft race and duck race in the Boyne River, lots of food, plus children's games and a pie-eating contest. The festival is centered in Veterans Memorial Park on the shore of beautiful Lake Charlevoix. There will be live music in the park all day.

CHARLEVOIX

Up North Fourth

Charlevoix's 'Up North Fourth' delivers a backyard picnic fun festival including Short's Brewery Experience, Local Culinary Cuisine and Live National Touring Music. The first ever event will take place in Downtown Charlevoix's award-winning East Park Saturday, July 2

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South Arm Classics

A Huge event is unfolding for Saturday, July 8 in East Jordan. The South Arm Classics featuring the South Arm Classic Boat Show,

Jordan Valley Car Show, Microbrew tent and Art Jordan is planned for downtown & the marina on July 9. The South Arm Classis will feature something for everyone to enjoy! If interested in helping with any of these events please contact the Chamber at 231-536-7351 or info@ejchamber.org

CHARLEVOIX

GLCO Barouquen Consort feature

The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra has rescheduled to Sunday, July 24, 4pm at First Congregational Church. Program is free and open to the public.

CHARLEVOIX

Garden Club sponsors

Downtown Beautification

Once again the Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward those merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plant displays. The plants can be either in a window box or container located outside their business or in a garden. Judging is based on color, texture, originality and design and scored from one to five with five being the highest. The garden club will judge the displays on July 11th and award the certificates for first, second and third places on July 12th. If you would like to participate in this year's Downtown Beautification Project please call Kirsten Berwick at 231-547-3526 or Susan Flanders at 231-547-4887.

WALLOON LAKE

Kayak for a cause

Camp Daggett Adventure Center (CDAC) is hosting the 3rd annual Kayak for a Cause on Walloon Lake fund-raising event on Saturday, July 23 and Sunday July 24, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day. A team of 20 or more adult men and women who enjoy the sport of recreational kayaking will tour 30 miles of shore line around Walloon Lake lead by Karen Marietti, director of the CDAC. The proceeds will support scholarships for youth to participate in adventure education activities. For more information about paddling with the team, or purchasing a flag for \$50, contact Karen Marietti, CDAC director, at 231-347-9742, ext 117 or mailto:karen.marietti@campdaggett.org.

EAST JORDAN

Photo contest

The Friends of the Jordan announce the theme of its seventh annual photography contest "The Jordan, For All Creatures...Great and Small." The contest is open to all photographers amateur, professional, young and old, locals and seasonal visitors. Photographs that portray the diverse elements of the Jordan River Watershed including but not limited to scenery, flowers, animals, plants, activities and the changing seasons of the Jordan are all appropriate and images from all seasons are encouraged. The only requirement is that the pictures be taken within the boundaries of the Jordan River Watershed. Photo entries must be un-matted 8"x10" prints. A \$5 entry fee must be submitted with each photo however, students under 18 may enter 2 photographs for free. Entries must be received by August 3. Entry forms for the contest are available on the FOJ website, www.friendsofthejordan.org, or can be obtained from Jordan River Animal Clinic.

BOYNE CITY

Cardboard Compactor

The Melrose Township Transfer Station has a cardboard compactor provided by the Charlevoix County Recycle Committee. The Station is open on Monday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 to 3 on State Street behind the Township Hall, just off U.S.131 across from Ingalls General Store. There is also a bin for office paper. Township officials point out that businesses with large quantities would do well to bring cardboard to the compactor, and it is easy to unload into the compactor at that site.

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Don't Ruin Your Summer Fun

By Roger Carr

I love summer! Summer is my favorite season of the year. I love playing sports outside and walking on the beach. I especially enjoy being at an outdoor barbecue. Maybe you enjoy summer activities as well. Imagine with me for a moment being at an outdoor barbecue. Just a little distance away from you there's a swimming pool full of kids who are having fun playing, laughing and splashing in the water. In another spot there might be a horseshoe game playing. You can hear the "clank" of the horseshoes hitting the posts as the players are trying to get a ringer. And of course there's the barbecue grill. On the grill might be hamburgers and hot dogs, chicken or steaks. The only thing better than the smell coming from the grill is the taste of the food when it's time to eat. Can you just imagine the fun that you will have this summer?

Now fast forward with me a few hours. You are at home and your skin is starting to itch. Just before bedtime you're taking your shirt or blouse off to get into your bed clothes and just the material rubbing up against your skin is painful. When you do go to bed that evening you toss and turn trying to get into a position that isn't painful so that you can go to sleep. However, you spend hours awake only thinking about the pain that your body is experiencing instead of the tremendous fun you had that day. What is the reason for this itching and pain? You have probably guessed it. You have a sunburn!

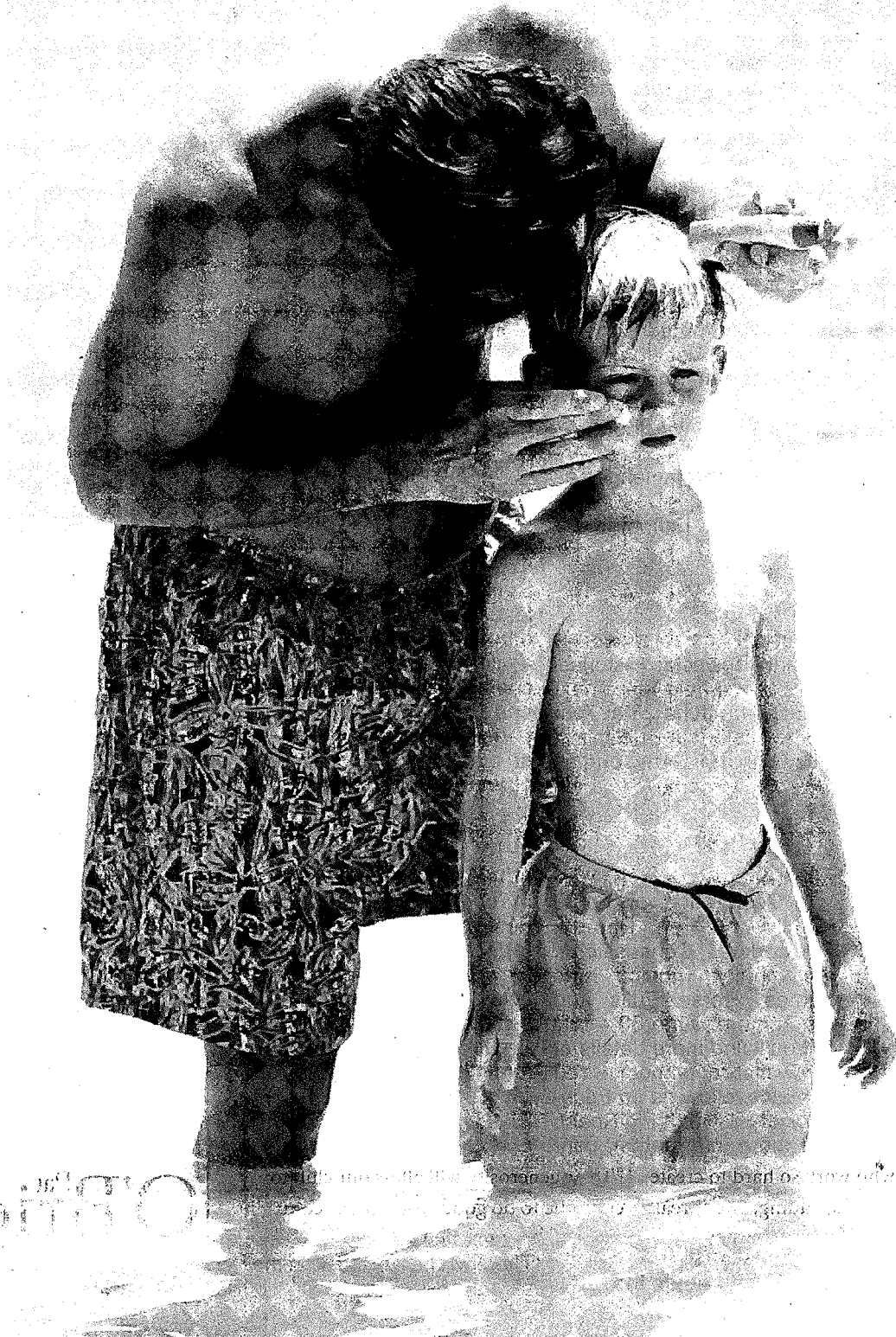
Fortunately you can do something about it before it happens. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has provided us with some steps that we can take to help reduce our chance of having to deal with sun damage. These seven simple action steps are as follows:

1. Limit Time in the Mid-day Sun

The sun's rays are strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Whenever possible, limit exposure to the sun during these hours.

2. Wear a Hat - A hat with a wide brim offers good sun protection to your eyes, ears, face, and the back of your neck - areas particularly prone to overexposure to the sun.

3. Cover Up - Wearing tightly woven, loose-fitting, and full-length clothing is a good way to



Apply a broad spectrum sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15 or higher liberally on exposed skin.

protect your skin from the sun's UV rays.

4. Wear Sunglasses that Block 99-100% of UV Radiation - Sunglasses that provide 99-100% UVA and UVB protection will greatly reduce sun exposure that can lead to cataracts and other eye damage. Check the label when buying sunglasses.

5. Always Use Sunscreen - Apply a broad spectrum sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15 or higher liberally on exposed skin. Reapply every 2 hours, or after working, swimming, playing, or exercising outdoors. Even waterproof sun-

screen can come off when you towel off, sweat, or spend extended periods of time in the water.

6. Avoid Sunlamps and Tanning Parlors - The light source from sun beds and sunlamps damages the skin and unprotected eyes. It's a good idea to avoid artificial sources of UV light.

7. Watch for the UV Index - The UV Index provides important information to help you plan your outdoor activities in ways that prevent overexposure to the sun. Developed by the National Weather Service (NWS) and EPA,

the UV Index is issued daily in selected cities across the United States.

Why am I telling you about these simple action steps that can help protect you from the sun? I want you to have fun this summer. I want you to have fun this summer under the sun.

Roger Carr lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia and is a contributing author to the Sun Clothing, etc. monthly newsletter. You can browse the store and sign up for the free newsletter at <http://www.sunclothingetc.com>.



One Year Later: Michigan's Smoke Free Law Helps Reduce Exposure to Secondhand Smoke

New data available from two studies conducted by the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) indicate that the state smoke-free air law, now in place for over one year, is working as intended.

"The U.S. Surgeon General found that there is no safe level of secondhand smoke exposure, even brief exposure can have negative health consequences. There are results now available from two separate studies that clearly demonstrate the reduction in secondhand smoke in Michigan bars and restaurants," said Joshua Meyerson, MD, Medical Director for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "Employees and the public are now protected from the health harms of secondhand smoke exposure in workplaces, which is exactly why the law was enacted."

A Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) bar employees study, conducted four to six weeks before and six to ten weeks after the smoke-free law was implemented, shows how the level of secondhand smoke exposure decreased significantly among bar employees after the law went into effect. Forty bar employees from 13 counties throughout the state participated in the study, including four from the local Health District. Researchers measured the participants' levels of cotinine and NNAL—chemicals found in urine that indicates a person's level of exposure to secondhand smoke. Each participant also completed a respiratory and general health questionnaire.

The results demonstrate a significant decrease in cotinine levels among employees working in the same bars from an average of 35.92 nanograms per milliliter before the law, to zero nanograms per milliliter after the smoke-free law went into effect. There also was a significant decrease in NNAL levels among participants working in the same bar from an average of .086 picomoles per milliliter before the law, to .034 picomoles per milliliter after the smoke-free law was implemented. Bar employees also reported improvement in reported general health status and respiratory health, including wheezing, allergy symptoms, and coughing, after the law took effect.

Air monitoring studies were also conducted before and after the smoke-free law in the state's six major regions including the Southeast, West, Upper Peninsula, Northern Lower Peninsula, Thumb, and Central. Prior to passage of the law, air quality was tested in a sample of restaurants throughout Michigan where smoking was allowed. After the law passed, the air quality was re-checked in those same establishments to determine if levels of matter found in secondhand smoke had decreased. Preliminary results of the air monitoring studies demonstrate a significant decrease in exposure to secondhand smoke in restaurants of all participating areas to date.

According to Lynne DeMoor, who coordinates the Tobacco Reduction Coalition of Northwest Michigan, the law is working very well. "The law is protecting the health of employees and restaurant and bar patrons, and we're happy to say it's good for business as well. Restaurant managers tell us business is just as good—or better—than before the law and customers really appreciate the clean and healthy environment," she said.

To view the cotinine level and air monitoring studies, please log onto www.michigan.gov/smokefreelaw and scroll to Evaluation Study Results. For more information, please contact DeMoor at the Health Department at 231-347-4640.



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At a rehearsal prior to last weekend's show (left to right) Fred Malpass, Gary C. Roberts, Maryann Roberts, Bob Anderson, unknown, unknown, Debbie Chappules and Debbie Manville.

East Jordan Rotary Variety Show a resounding success!

The 5th Annual East Jordan Rotary Variety Show was held on Friday and Saturday, June 10 & 11, at the Community Auditorium at East Jordan High School. The show was a BIG HIT, playing to a full house for each performance.

Featuring the Rotary Swing Band, which included performers from Chicago and Los Angeles, under the direction of Bob Bryan, the musical productions in the show included a medley of Motown classics, as well as a medley of songs that paid tribute to the 20-year history of the East Jordan Thespians.

The show also features a healthy helping of slapstick comedy, including a spoof of the television commercials featuring the world's "Most Interesting Man." Other comedy features included a eulogy, performed stoically by Ted Sherman, of the Pillsbury Doughboy, and a surprise appearance by the 2012 United States Olympic Co-Ed Synchronized Swim Team!

Show General Manager Chip Hansen commented on the show's success. "Play-



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The Rotary Show also featured a healthy dose of slapstick comedy.

ing to sell out crowds is a real treat for the Rotarians who work so hard to create a great show," he said, adding, "we're real appreciative of all of the businesses and individuals who support the show finan-

cially, through advertising or attendance." "Their generosity will allow our club to continue to do good work in our community," he concluded.

Free Varicose Vein Screening June 21st & July 14th

A free screening for those interesting in finding out more about venous disease will take place Tuesday June 21st and Thursday July 14th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the new medical office complex on Charlevoix Area Hospital's campus.

Hosted by Charlevoix surgeon Marc Lame MD, the event will give patients an opportunity to learn about risk factors, prevention, spider and varicose veins, and treatment options—including the new VNUS Closure procedure. Everyone is welcome to participate, and there is no charge or obligation. Those wishing to attend should make an appointment by calling Charlevoix Surgeons, (231) 547-2812.

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United Way Day of Action on June 21st Promotes Literacy Three-Year Education Initiative Launched

Char-Em United Way will join organizations nationwide in celebrating a Day of Action on the longest day of the year, June 21st. The event has special significance this year, as United Way Worldwide will launch an ambitious goal to recruit one million volunteer readers, tutors and mentors to improve childhood literacy and education over the next three years. Today, fewer Americans are likely to earn a diploma than their parents, a distinction not shared by any other industrialized country.

Locally, Char-Em United Way will partner with local libraries, schools and other agencies to promote reading and learning skills with area children.

"We are excited to promote our second local Day of Action," says Martha Lancaster, Executive Director. "The longest day of the year is a great time to renew our community's focus on education. We encourage everyone to take an action on June 21 in support of education. You

can volunteer to read to kids, write a letter in support of early childhood education funding, donate books to a local school, or make a financial contribution to our education efforts."

There will be many ways to participate in the Day of Action in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties on June 21st. The Petoskey District Library will host a reading event for children at 7:00pm at the Carnegie Building, featuring volunteer readers from many different cultures. The Boyne City District Library is hosting a kick-off celebration for their Summer Read 2011 program with stories and activities from 9:30am to 10:30 am. Both libraries are promoting "One World, Many Stories" as their theme for summer reading. Charlevoix Public Library will be hosting a drop in reading event from 1:00pm to 3:00pm.

Starting on the Day of Action, Char-Em United Way is seeking committed volunteers to form a Literacy Corps to support its reading initiatives. Initially, the United Way Lit-

eracy Corps will work in area school, after-school and summer programs to improve reading competency. The focus will be on preschool and elementary age students.

Volunteers are being recruited to read to children at several sites on June 21. People interested in volunteering at a local library, pre-school or summer school program, can learn more about this opportunity at www.tinyurl.com/volunteer-connections.

"Developing reading proficiency at an early age is a key factor in high school graduation," continues Lancaster. "Students who aren't strong readers by 4th grade are at risk of educational failure and are more likely than their peers to drop out of high school. We believe - with the help of local volunteers - we can put local kids on the path to success."

Volunteer readers will be matched with summer school programs conducted by the Char-Em ISD's 21st Century Project. This is a critical time for reading activities, as re-

search spanning 100 years shows that students typically score lower on standardized tests at the end of summer vacation than they do on the same tests at the beginning of the summer.

The Literacy Corps can continue their work at school and after-school programs during the coming year. Over the coming three years, United Way's Education Initiative and volunteer activities will be expanded to encompass additional activities promoting education at all grade levels and in non-school settings. Char-Em United Way has set a goal of recruiting 150 local education volunteers to implement the initiative. Training and support will be provided for all volunteers joining the effort.

If you are interested in helping with the Day of Action activities or becoming a mentor, tutor or reading aide in the future, email vista@charemunitedway.org or call 487-1006. Volunteer opportunities are listed under the Volunteer tab at www.charemunitedway.org.

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Friends of the Jordan Announces Annual Photography Contest

Whenever you talk to people who have visited the Jordan Valley you find that each value it for a different reason. Some talk of the autumn vistas from Deadman's Hill or the Landslide Overlook, others love to stand in a cold running stream with a fly rod in hand. Still others hunt for morels or hike in to see the spring wildflowers, others value hunting and snowmobiling or the thrill of the wild river run in a kayak. It is a resource for lumber, fresh water, recreation, game and fish.

The chain of life from the smallest bug to the predators at the top of the food chain are all necessary to the conservation of the resource. To promote the concept of Biodiversity: the value of all life forms and all habitats, the Friends of the Jordan is announcing the theme of its seventh annual photography contest "The Jordan, For All

Creatures...Great and Small." The contest is open to all photographers amateur, professional, young and old, locals and seasonal visitors. Photographs that portray the diverse elements of the Jordan River Watershed including but not limited to scenery, flowers, animals, plants, activities and the changing seasons of the Jordan are all appropriate and images from all seasons are encouraged. The only requirement is that the pictures be taken within the boundaries of the Jordan River Watershed. Refer to the FOJ website at www.friendsofthejordan.org for a map of the watershed. There will be at least 12 prizes awarded including a Youth Award for a person under age 18. Monetary awards have exceeded \$1200 in each the last 3 years thanks to the generous support of our sponsors. The winning photographs

will be published in the 2012 calendar. An exhibit of all entries and an awards ceremony will be the centerpiece of A Celebration of the Natural Wonders of the Jordan River Watershed, an annual community event planned for Saturday September 17, 2011. Photo entries must be unmatted 8"x10" prints. A \$5 entry fee must be submitted with each photo however, students under 18 may enter 2 photographs for free. Entries must be received by August 3, 2011. Entry forms for the contest are available on the FOJ website, www.friendsofthejordan.org, or can be obtained from Jordan River Animal Clinic. Frequently asked questions are also answered on the website or can be addressed to mmoran@friendsofthejordan.org.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

KATIE HYBL - CHARLEVOIX-

The sweet swinging sophomore pounded out three hits including a double in the Lady Rayders regional loss to Tawas.

CHX BOYS GOLF TEAM - CHARLEVOIX-

The Rayders golfers ruled the links in the Division III regional tournament, rolling past the competition by 37 strokes!



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Softball

Lady Rayders fall to Tawas

Late rally comes up short in final at-bat

By Chris Fiel

Tawas 4, Charlevoix 3

ELK RAPIDS - Each team took turns leading over the first four innings, then some late scoring by both Tawas and Charlevoix highlighted the Division III regional semifinal on June 11, in which Tawas came away with a 4-3 victory.

The Rayders wasted little time in getting on the scoreboard, as Chelsie Hoffman scored on an Anna Moon solid hit that the Tawas defense couldn't handle. Hoffman walked, and then advanced to third on Kristen Mielke's single before scoring.

The game would remain 1-0 Rayders until the bottom of the fourth, when Braves pitcher Abby Gentger stepped to the plate and cranked a two-run shot with a runner on base, giving Tawas a 2-1 advantage.

Gentger's home-run to the left field power alley, hit the top of the fence, bounced up and carried over for her first career round tripper.

Tawas then was able to push across what would be two important runs in the bottom half of the sixth giving them a 4-1 cushion. But that's when the Rayder bats came to life and put both teams on the edge of their toes.

Emily Mielke led off the top of the seventh with a single to center and scored on a Katie Hybl double to cut the lead in half. Hoffman followed with another Charlevoix double, scoring Hybl to pull the Rayders within 4-3 with the heart of the line-up coming up.

Down to their last two outs, Charlevoix sent senior Hannah Hybl, and junior Kristen Mielke to the plate. Hybl was able to get a good solid swing on the ball, but lined it right at the third baseman. Mielke followed with a sharp grounder to third, ending the game.

Charlevoix senior hurler Hannah Hybl took the loss, allowing seven hits, one walk, and fanning eight.

At the plate, Katie Hybl finished with three hits, including a double, Hoffman doubled, while Emily Mielke, Kristen Mielke, and Anna Moon all singled.

The Rayders close out an impressive 24-6 season, one that



PHOTO BY ADAM ESSELMAN

Charlevoix Senior hurler Hannah Hybl (shown here in an earlier game) pitched well in the season ending loss.

saw them capture their third consecutive district crown, along with the Lake Michigan Conference title.

Tawas lost to Gladstone 5-3 in the title game.

Golf

Rayder golfers roll to regional title - State Finals Bound

By Chris Fiel

CHARLEVOIX - Home court advantage, home field advantage home ice advantage, home course advantage? That is exactly what the Charlevoix Rayder boys' golf team used to their advantage in claiming the Division III regional crown at the Charlevoix Golf and Country Club on June 10.

The Rayders who usually play at the Belvedere course, adjusted to the move without much difficulty.

Charlevoix shot a 322 as a team to claim the trophy as their closest competition of Whitehall and Chippewa Hills

both carded a 359 score.

A 37-stroke victory! The Rayders will take that to the Division III state finals June 17-18 to be held at the Forest Hills Akers West golf course on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing.

Charlevoix took the top three places in the regional event, as medalist Wyatt Drost shot a 2-over 74 to lead the pack, followed by teammates Ryan Winner with a 77, and Thomas Rich tied for third, shooting an 81, along with Houghton Lake's Nick Manville.

Also for Charlevoix, Tanner Catt

carded a 90, and Chandler Novotny shot 96.

Boyer City's Bryan Wonski and Bradley Fouchia played in the regional as individuals, but neither advanced to the state tournament. Wonski shot an 87, and Fouchia finished with a 92.

Can the Rayders add another piece of hardware to the trophy case this weekend? I would not count them out, as they have added three new titles this season, earning the Lake Michigan Conference and district championships prior to the regional title.

Sports Briefs

5 K run

The Ellsworth Cross country and Track & Field programs are hosting their annual 5K run on June 18 at 9 am. Cost is \$20 per entrant and includes a T-Shirt. The event will begin at the Ellsworth Elementary School. Registration to take place day of the event, for more information, contact coach Kirk Ikens, (231) 675-7946.

Far Post Camp

The Boyne Area 4-H Youth Soccer Far Post Camp is scheduled on July 11-15, from 6-8 pm at Rotary Park in Boyne City. The camp is for all players, boys and girls, ages 5 to adult. The camp is directed by Farmington Hills Public Schools Soccer Program director Greg Thompson. Scholarships may be available.

All campers will receive a T-Shirt and should bring own equipment including shin guards, water bottle and soccer ball. Players will be divided into groups based on age and skill.

Cost for the youth players is \$60; adults are free. Registration deadline is Friday June 24. Registration will be at the Michigan State University Extension Office in Boyne City, Monday-Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm. For more information, contact Gail Fox at (231) 582-1080 or email gegaillfox@earthlink.net.

DNR Report

Natural Resources Commission Votes to Lift Deer Baiting Ban

June 10, 2011

The Michigan Natural Resources Commission on Thursday voted 4-3 to lift the current deer baiting and feeding ban in the state's Lower Peninsula. The ban had been in place since 2008, when Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) was detected in a deer at a private deer breeding facility in Kent County.

Baiting will still be prohibited in Deer Management Unit (DMU) 487, the six-county Bovine Tuberculosis zone in northeastern Lower Michigan. The counties where baiting will continue to be prohibited are Alcona, Alpena, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle.

The NRC approved a proposal to allow baiting in limited quantities from Oct. 1 to Jan. 1. Hunters may place any type of bait, no more than two gallons at a time, across a 10-foot by 10-foot area per hunting location.

The NRC also reinstated recreational feeding of deer in the Lower Peninsula, with the exception of DMU 487. Property owners may place two gallons of bait on their property within 100 yards of their residence year-round.

The NRC also placed a three-year sunset on the regulations, which means it will reconsider the baiting issue again in 2014.

In 2008, the Department of Natural Resources announced it had detected the state's first case of CWD in a three-year-old female deer at a private deer breeding facility in Kent County. At the time, the Department followed protocol as outlined in the state's emergency response plan for CWD and immediately banned baiting and feeding of white-tailed deer in the Lower Peninsula. The NRC then passed regulations making the ban permanent, but said it would reconsider the ban in three years, giving the DNR adequate time to perform disease testing and surveillance in the state for CWD.

In the three-year period, the DNR tested thousands of white-tailed deer for CWD, but did not detect another case.

The NRC also directed the department to work with the Legislature to strengthen the penalties for baiting violations. A potential bill sponsor has been identified who supports establishing an escalating scale of penalties for repeat offenders, which would include mandatory hunting license revocation.

If hunters do use bait, the DNR requests they not place bait repeatedly at the same point on the ground, and only place bait out when they are actively hunting. This may minimize the chance of direct and indirect exposure of deer to any unknown disease that may be present.

For more information about CWD, go to www.michigan.gov/emergingdiseases.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state's natural and cultural resources for current and future generations. For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/dnr.

Soccer

Rayder Girls bow out in regional soccer final

By Chris Fiel

Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian 3, Charlevoix 0

HOLTON - The Charlevoix Rayders found themselves playing catch-up the entire contest as they fell behind early to Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian Mustangs before dropping the contest 3-0 on June 10 in the Division IV regional final.

The Mustangs went on a shooting spree early and kept the Rayder defense working hard as they jumped out to a 2-0 lead eight minutes into the contest.

Lynzie Gotshall recorded 12 saves in goal for Charlevoix.

The Rayders which finish the season with a record of 16-7-3 will say goodbye to six seniors.

Baseball

Area to be well represented in annual Near-Far All-Star game

By Chris Fiel

TRAVERSE CITY - The Charlevoix County area will be well represented in the annual senior Near-Far All-Star baseball game that was to be held on June 15 at Traverse City Central High School. Results of the contest were not available at press time and will be posted next week.

Those area players to be featured in the contest are Boyne

City infield/pitching duo of Caleb Roberts and Kolbi Shumaker, and East Jordan outfielder Wes Petrie.

Other players with Northern Michigan connections are pitcher/infielder Eli Schlappi of Harbor Springs, and the Petoskey tandem of infielders Austin Panoff and Tyler Romanick.

News

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Fathers as role models

Guest Commentary by
Dena Sydow
Women's Resource Center
of Northern Michigan

Fathers have a crucial role in raising their sons and daughters. Every day young and impressionable girls and boys are exposed to hundreds of messages about how our society defines what is culturally acceptable and who we are as men and women.

Fathers are in a unique and daunting position to help young people make sense of these multiple messages. Television, movies, video games, music, magazines and the internet bombard young people telling them what is normal with respect to how they dress and behave, what they value, and how they treat one another.

Geoffrey Canada, author, *Fist Stick Knife Gun, a Personal History of Violence in America*, said, "The music industry presents overtly sexual messages that denigrate women and portray them as sex toys. Video games offer violent messages, and even the sports video games include taunting and teasing. Movies portray men as tough guys. And there are the subtle advertising messages aimed at boys, in the liquor ads on billboards and buses. All of these offer images of masculinity that boys strive to achieve."

Unfortunately, those messages are not what most families consider normal. Boys are being asked to fit into a too-narrow definition of masculinity. Because boys model the behavior of their fathers and other male authority figures it is up these role models to help define masculinity based on a set of values surrounding family, self and community... not a violent video game or over-the-edge reality television show out to grab the highest ratings.

"If boys see through examples that their fathers and other authority figures care about and are actively engaged with their families, and live by their own standards of masculinity, they will begin to see that men are not defined by society's rules, but by the kinds of people we are inside," says Canada.

Boys want to grow up to be like their fathers—the human brain is wired for imitation. As a result, men are in a unique and powerful position to deliver the message to boys about what it means to be male.

Fathers have an equally important task with their daughters. It is a father who will show through his own actions how to treat women and will provide a blueprint for what type of person his daughter should seek out in her future relationships. The impact is enormous when a father talks to his daughter about his feelings on violence against women and the unfair images the media uses to make girls feel insecure about their bodies.

Girls and boys are getting strong messages on who they should be, how they should look and how they should behave from a variety of print and electronic sources. These are images that young people strive to achieve. It is up to both parents to challenge these myths and show by example that there are many ways to define masculinity and femininity.

Fathers play a huge role in helping our young people define who they are, who they will be and how they will contribute to our society. Lead on... and Happy Father's Day.

Lois Donaldson, 91

(APRIL 25, 1920 – JUNE 11, 2011)

Lois Donaldson, 91, of South Arm Township, died Saturday, June 11, 2011, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

She was born April 25, 1920, in Central Lake, the daughter of James D. and Lucretia (Henderson) Frost.

On Dec. 12, 1937, she married Howard Donaldson in South Arm Township where they made their home. Mr. Donaldson died in September, 1963. Lois later moved to Pine River Place in Charlevoix where she lived for more than 25 years.

Lois graduated from East Jordan High School in 1938 through the adult education program. She was a member of the Ellsworth Wesleyan Church. Besides homemaking she worked at ITT in East Jordan for many years. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, Bingo, and playing the piano.

Surviving are her children Arthur James (Margie) Donaldson of Ellsworth, Lauren "Bud" (Jane) Donaldson of East Jordan, Marian Widdows of Thomasville, N.C., Rose Anderson of Mount Airy, Md., Robert (Karen) Donaldson of Winter Haven, Fla., David (Linda) Donaldson of St. Clair, and Linda (Edward) Lamoreaux of Clark Lake, Mich.; 27 grandchildren; 50 great-grandchildren; 19 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Donaldson, and brothers, Harold Frost and George Frost.

The funeral service was June 14, at the Ellsworth Wesleyan Church with the Rev. Chris Wallace officiating. Burial was at Southern Cemetery in Central Lake.

For those wishing to make memorial donations the family suggests Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Wilfred Nichols, 86

Wilfred Nichols of Joplin, Mo., passed away on Thursday, May 19, 2011.

Wilfred moved to Joplin after retiring from Charlevoix County Road Commission in 1986. Wilfred was married to Delores (Sutliff) Nichols, who preceded him in death in 2003.

Wilfred is survived by two sons, Jon and Mary Nichols of Cassville, Mo., and Daryl and Vicki Nichols of Fenton, Mich.; sister-in-law, Leanna and James McCarry, and brother-in-law, Oral and Eleanor Sutliff, all of Boyne City. Wilfred has six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Contributions in Wilfred's name can be made to the American Red Cross. Services for Wilfred took place in Joplin just before the tornado hit, not far from his home.

Shirley Drost

(MARCH 6, 1925 – FEB. 8, 2011)

Shirley Drost, 85, of Charlevoix, died Feb. 8, 2011, at Florida Hospital Waterman in Tavares, Fla.

A graveside service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 18, at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix. Paul Bradley will officiate.

Shirley was born March 6, 1925, in Charlevoix, the daughter of Edward and Thelma (Kirby) Bradford.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband, Willard, on Sept. 9, 1999. She is survived by her sister, Emily, and brother, Burton, and the wonderful Drost family.

Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Darryl Ivan Sprague, 72

Darryl Ivan Sprague of Grayling and formerly of Boyne City passed away on Sunday, June 5, 2011.

A memorial service was Saturday, June 11, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home in Grayling.

Arrangements are entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home; www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Robert "Bob" Pelham, 80

Robert "Bob" Pelham of Ellsworth died Dec. 9, 2010, in Lansing.

A memorial service was June 11, at Ellsworth Wesleyan Church, 6339 Elm St., with the Rev. Chris Wallace officiating. Inurnment will follow at the Atwood Cemetery.

The family is being served by Hastings Funeral Home, Ellsworth.

Donald Saganek Sr.

(MAY 17, 1934 – JUNE 5, 2011)

Donald Saganek Sr., 77, died Sunday, June 5, 2011, at his home near East Jordan.

He was born on May 17, 1934, in East Jordan, the son of John and Ellen (Grossett) Saganek. He served in the United States Air Force during the Korean conflict.

On Dec. 26, 1981, he married Patricia

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Looze Confer. He had worked as a construction foreman for many years. He enjoyed farming, cutting wood, fishing, hunting, tinkering on cars and watching Western movies.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Saganek, of East Jordan; five children, Donald (Kris) Saganek Jr. of East Jordan, Sid (Jodi) Saganek of East Jordan, Rick (Connie) Saganek of Alba, John Saganek of Grand Rapids, and David Saganek of East Jordan; four stepchildren, Skee (Sandy) Confer of Columbus, Ohio, Buddy (Sue) Confer of Belding, Bonnie Bundy of Gulfport, Miss., and Jimmy (Irene) Confer of Lancaster, Ohio; 18 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Katherine Miller and Dorothy (Pete) Hammond, both of East Jordan. He was preceded in death by one son, Charlie Saganek, and one sister, Rose Trojaneck.

Private visitation took place at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. No services are scheduled at this time. Memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association.

Dennis C. Rylant, 59

(MARCH 2, 1952 – JUNE 4, 2011)

Dennis C. Rylant, 59, of Ellsworth, died Saturday, June 4, 2011, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

He was born March 2, 1952, in Hobbs, N.M., the son of William and Rose (Patton) Rylant.

On June 6, 2000, he married Nina Lucas in Shelby Township, Mich., where they made their home. They moved to Ellsworth in 2007.

Dennis served in the U.S. Navy. He worked as a truck driver for Grand Traverse Trucking. He enjoyed golfing, Dallas Cowboy football, fishing, camping and garage sales.

Surviving are his wife, Nina; son, Jon Rylant, of Chesterfield Township; his beloved pet, Molly; children, Ricky Rylant of Seguin, Texas, Tanya Rylant of San Angelo, Texas, Alicia Crain of San Angelo, Texas; brothers, William Jackson (Linda) Rylant Jr. of Corpus Christi, Texas, Arboth (Andrea) Rylant of Ovilla, Texas; sister, Becky Rylant of Helotes, Texas; two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

The funeral service was June 7, at Hastings Funeral Home with the Rev. Celia M. Hastings officiating. Memorial contributions may be directed to the family.

Leonard Ptak

(JULY 5, 1923 – JUNE 2, 2011)

Leonard Ptak, 87 and a 60-year resident of Boyne Falls, died June 2, 2011, at his home.

Leonard was born on July 5, 1923, in Chesterfield, Mich., the son of John and Honorata (Babiarz) Ptak.

During World War II, Leonard served with the U.S. Army in Europe and was for a time considered Missing in Action as well as being wounded twice in action on separate occasions for which he received the Purple Heart with Cluster. He later was placed in charge of an Allied Controlled Prisoner of War Camp in Germany which is where he learned how to ski. This knowledge of skiing soon became a love and when he moved to Boyne Falls he opened the Chateau Ptak Ski Lodge and Bike Store.

Leonard is survived by his sister, Theresa (Jim) Magyari, and by many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass for Leonard will take place downstate at a later date and Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City will announce when a time has been established.

Friends and family wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Alvin Dale McCandless

(FEB. 14, 1928 – JUNE 2, 2011)

Alvin Dale McCandless, 83, of Wooster, Ohio, formerly of Charlevoix and Ellwood City, Pa., passed away on Thursday evening, June 2, 2011, in Summa Akron City Hospital in Akron, Ohio.

Dale was born in Ellwood City, Pa., on Feb. 14, 1928, to the late Joseph Alvin McCandless Jr., and the late Mildred Wehman McCandless. He was a graduate of Lincoln High School in Ellwood City in the class of 1946 and served in the United States Marine Corps during World War II.

After the war, he studied at Thiel College and earned a degree in physics with a minor in chemistry.

He married his wife of nearly 60 years,

Lois Brewer McCandless, in 1952. He began working for the Medusa Cement Company's Wampum, Pa., operations in 1953 until moving to its Charlevoix plant where he was the quality control supervisor until his retirement in 1996, when he moved to Wooster, Ohio.

While in Ellwood, he was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. In Wooster, he was a member of Zion Lutheran Church. Dale was a member of F.&A.M. No. 599 Ellwood Lodge, the Ellwood City Lions Club, and the Charlevoix Kiwanis Club.

He enjoyed gardening, reading and traveling; most recently traveling to Scotland and Ireland with his wife for their 50th wedding anniversary.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Joseph Lyle McCandless, in 1954.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter and a son, Darcy McCandless of Grandville, Mich., and Curtis (and April) McCandless of Clinton, Mich. He is also survived by two grandsons, Leland and Cole McCandless at home, and a brother, Raymond N. (and Jane) McCandless of Montpelier, Vt.

The funeral service was June 7, at the Turner Funeral Home of Ellwood City, Pa. with the Rev. Peggy Suhr-Barkley, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made in Dale's name to the American Heart Association, www.americanheart.org, or the American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org. You may view the obituary, sign the guestbook and send condolences online at www.turnerfh.com.

James Walter Hurd

(AUG. 7, 1946 – JUNE 4, 2011)

James Walter Hurd, 64, of Harbor Springs, passed away unexpectedly June 4, 2011, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix.

A funeral service took place June 9, at Stutsmanville Chapel. Pastor Edward Warner officiated. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery.

James was born Aug. 7, 1946, in Petoskey, to Walter and Nina (Hickman) Hurd. He attended Pellston schools.

On Nov. 18, 1967, he married Judy Gokee and the couple made their home in Harbor Springs. He served in the United States Army from 1967-1968 and served a tour of duty in Vietnam. He had worked at Northern Concrete Products for 27 years and had also worked at Harbor Springs Area Sewage Disposal Authority for eight years.

James was an avid car enthusiast and spent his time working on his cars and then attending many car shows with his cars where he earned many trophies. His greatest joy in life however was spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Judy; his son, Christopher and his wife, Kim, of Harbor Springs; his daughter, Rebecca Ann Stephenson of Petoskey; his grandchildren, Chelsey Stephenson, James Stephenson, VaLyndi Hurd, Alexandra Hurd, Trevor Hurd, Zachary Hurd and Kaylie Hurd. Also surviving are his brother, Michael, and sister, Eileen, and half sisters, Iris McCandlish and Charlene Marhugh, and his half brother, Frank Daniels. James was preceded in death by his half sister, Jeannie Arquette.

Arrangements were made through Schiller Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Thorneita E. (Bradley) Koteskey

(MAY 18, 1919. – APRIL 24, 2011)

Former Boyne City resident Thorneita E. (Bradley) Koteskey, age 91, died April 24, 2011, at Suncoast Hospice in Clearwater, Fla. Thorneita was born in Boyne City on May 18, 1919.

She married Gordon E. Koteskey on Feb. 5, 1943. They made their home in Dunedin, Fla., for the past 25 years. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Clearwater, Fla., where a celebration of life took place at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 28.

Survivors include her husband, Gordon E. Koteskey, of Horton Bay; son, Michael E. (Kaye) Koteskey, of Bridgeport, Mich.; and daughter, Dawn E. (Larry) Moeschke, of Horton Bay. She was preceded in death by her son, Daniel E. Koteskey.

A memorial service took place on Saturday, June 11, at the Alanson Church of the Nazarene. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Church of the Nazarene, 7489 Mission Road, Alanson, Mich. 49706.

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DAVE Says

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Dear Dave,
I hear you talk about using an ESA when it comes to funding college for your kids. What can you do with an ESA, though, if your child decides he or she doesn't want to go to college?
Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,
You may just have to shoot the kid. I'm kidding, of course, but if something like that happens, you're going to get killed on the investment. An Education Savings Account (ESA) can only be used for education. If you use it for anything else, you'll get hit with a 15 percent penalty plus your tax rate. The government's going to take about half of your money and maybe more.

Now, college is a great idea, but should everyone go to college? Of course not. Some people just aren't cut out for college, and some kids don't need four years at a university to find the training they need to do what they want to do in life. In our house, we just talked about college as if it were going to happen from the very beginning. We said things all the time like, "This money is going into your college fund." An ESA makes perfect sense in this kind of situation, but if the entire family isn't committed to the importance of getting an education, then you shouldn't be loading up an ESA.

But hey, if a kid doesn't want to go the traditional college route, there's always specialized training in several fields and plenty of vo-tech schools around. An ESA can be used for lots of these kinds of things, too, as long as the school participates in the federal student aid program.

I don't have a problem with any of that, as long as there's a plan. But letting a kid get the idea that they're just going to party and lie around while mom and dad hand half of that ESA over to Uncle Sam? Really?

I don't think so!

—Dave

What's a good retirement goal?

Dear Dave,
Do you recommend that people have a certain goal percentage or dollar amount saved for retirement?
Faith

Dear Faith,
Well, life doesn't generally happen in linear fashion. In my opinion, your overall goal—closely and constantly adjusted and monitored—should go something like this: Build a nest egg that you can live off about eight percent of. If you have \$500,000 stashed away, then that would mean about \$40,000 a year. If you'd rather live on \$80,000 a year at retirement, you'd need \$1 million. Otherwise, you're liable to start counting on the government. And we all know how well they handle money...

Want to know where I got this figure? Throughout the history of the stock market, the Standard & Poor 500 has averaged between 11 and 12 percent. Some folks don't think it will average that in the future, but they didn't think it would when it was booming, either.

But, if inflation runs about three or four percent, and you're making 11 to 12 percent, you can pull out eight percent, and you're still leaving enough in there to give yourself an inflation raise every year and not touch your nest egg.

—Dave

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Father's Day turns 101

Some fatherly statistics to consider as dad's holiday begins a new century

By Jim Akans

Father's Day enters a new century this weekend, marking 101 years since the first annual "holiday for dad" was celebrated on June 19th, 1910 in Spokane, Washington, as designated by the town's mayor. That inaugural occasion resulted from an idea hatched by Spokane resident, Sonora Dodd, while listening to a Mother's Day sermon the year before. She was inspired to create a special day to honor her father and Civil War Veteran, William Smart, and the month of June was selected to reflect the month of Smart's birth.

Since then, the celebration of Father's Day each June spread across the nation, receiving the first presidential proclamation from President Lyndon Johnson in 1966, and being signed into public law by President Richard Nixon in 1972.

Father's Day, much like dear old dad himself, tends to be a somewhat low profile holiday. Barring the plethora of tool and tie ads that fill the tabloids and television screen as the middle of June approaches, it is an annual event without a lot of hoopla, often celebrated with a simple backyard family barbeque, and long distance phone calls from sons or daughters who have flown the nest.

According to the US Census Bureau, there are an estimated 70.1 million fathers in the United States, about of third of whom are a part of a married couple with children under the age of 18. About 1.8 million are single fathers raising their children, and reflecting a downward marriage trend, the Census Bureau's 2009 data shows that over 24 million children live apart from their biological fathers. That is about one out of every three children in America.

However, dads are very important people wherever they may lay their heads to sleep. A key component in a healthy father-child relationship, regardless of their living arrangements, is that it is a loving one, and that it is involved. The National Fatherhood Initiative has gathered lots of data supporting a somewhat obvious concept; a father's love is crucial in predicting a child's social, emotional, and cognitive develop-



ment.

What these statistics don't reveal, however, is just how much the love of a child impacts their father's social, emotional and cognitive development.

As a father of four, I can attest that being a part of bringing and nurturing another life into this world certainly comes with a fairly extended commitment of duty and obligation that forever changes that way one looks at and responds to each new day. It also

brings a level of joy, wonder, pride, love, and even amusement that simply can't be experienced any other way. It is a life changing experience; being a dad is as special as having one.

So bring on the tools, the ties, the gizmos and the gadgets...it's all good. Just don't forget the hug...it's the gift every dad loves to return.



Jim Daly

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Dr. Juli Slattery

Father's Day A Time To Remember What Makes a Good Dad

Q: This will be my first Father's Day (our daughter was born four months ago). Quite frankly, the entire concept scares me. Who thought it would be a good idea to let ME be a dad? I don't think I have what it takes.

Jim: If you're not a little scared at the thought of being a parent, there's probably something wrong. It's a tough assignment -- but it's also one of God's greatest gifts!

Years ago, my friend, Dr. Ken Canfield, wrote a book called "The Seven Secrets of Effective Fathers." Perhaps you'll find these principles empowering as you start your journey.

First, effective fathers are committed to their children. Nothing else can fill a dad's role -- not TV, not school and not even Mom. Fathers need to be there for their kids.

Second, effective fathers know their children. They ask them questions, spend time on their turf, and help them develop their own talents and interests.

Third, effective fathers are consistent in their attitudes and behavior. They keep their promises. Their lives are characterized by regularity and predictability.

Fourth, effective fathers protect and provide for their kids. This means not only putting a roof over their heads, but also knowing their emotional needs.

Fifth, effective fathers love their children's mother. Dr. Canfield calls this

"one of the best things you can do for your kids." Dads need to go on dates with their wives, and show them affection in front of the kids.

Sixth, effective fathers are active listeners. They pay attention when their kids talk to them, and block out distractions.

Finally, effective fathers spiritually equip their children. They take them to church, and teach them to pray.

Some of these principles won't apply until your daughter is older, but ingrain them in your mind now. Happy Father's Day, and may God bless you in your role as a dad!

Q: My husband and I have been married for almost 15 years. We have two children together, and we have just grown apart. We live under the same roof, but don't seem to communicate. Recently I've started voicing my unhappiness, but my husband doesn't seem to be too concerned, and if anything, seems shocked that I'm unhappy. What do I do?

Juli: During the busyness of raising kids and managing life, it's pretty normal for couples in your life stage to feel like the connection has gone out of your marriage. It is also common for you to be more sensitive to this lack of intimacy than your husband is. In general, women desire more emotional intimacy in marriage and are the first to notice

when you begin to drift apart.

You didn't mention any major conflicts that are contributing to "drifting apart." This is good. However, if your marriage continues to drift, you'll become more and more vulnerable to a crisis like infidelity. Now is the time to change things.

Since your husband doesn't think there's a problem, he may not be interested in marriage counseling. However, he might be willing to read a good book together on marriage or even attend a weekend marriage conference.

One of the simplest and most important things you can do is to start investing time in one another. Plan a date night at least twice a month. Take 15 to 20 minutes a day to check in with each other. Go out of your way to connect during the day with a quick text that says "I'm thinking about you" or a sweet note with lipstick on the mirror. These might seem like very minor adjustments, but they can make a big difference in working toward intimacy.

Finally, don't give up. Many couples go through stretches in which marriage is not fun or emotionally fulfilling. Investing through these rough spots will build an even deeper emotional connection for the future of your marriage.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met June 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.; Mayor Timmons presiding with all members of Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of \$409,121.67.

Further Commission Action: acknowledged receipt of the Monthly Public Safety Report of the Fire Department for April 2011; acknowledged receipt of the Monthly Zoning Activity Report for May 2011; approved all requests made by the South Arm Classics Festival; accepted and approved the Fireworks application for the Freedom Festival; accepted the agreement to license property with the East Jordan Iron works and allowed the City Administrator to sign any paperwork pertaining to the Freedom Festival; acknowledged receipt of the Introduction to Ordinance #143C; referred and requested suggested language changes to Professional office that would be clearer; approved Resolution #110-2011; approved Resolution #111-2011; approved Resolution #112-2011; acknowledged

receipt of Introduction to Ordinance #212B; authorized City Administrator to negotiate tap in fees with residents affected by Maple Street project in need of easements; accepted License agreement with Team Elmer's for rental of 320 State Street for \$250.00 per month and authorized Mayor to sign; and approved requests made by Jordan Valley Triathlon.

Copies of the minutes of the above meeting are posted in City Hall for review during normal office hours.

Cheltzi M. Wilson, CMC
City Clerk

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Bid proposals will be received by Boyne City Public Schools, Attn: Irene Byrne, Business Manager, located at 321 South Park St., Boyne City, MI 49712, by mail or hand delivered by 11:00 a.m., local time on Wednesday, June 22, 2011. Bids are to be sealed and marked with the name of the RFP. The District will not consider or accept any bids received after the date and time specified above. All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the bidder or any employee of the bidder, and any member of the Board of Education of the school district, or the Superintendent of the school district.

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Irene Byrne - Business Manager, Boyne City Public Schools

Charlevoix County Commissioners SYNOPSIS - JUNE 8, 2011

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met June 8, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. in the Charlevoix County Commissioners room. All Commissioners were present.

Motion approved the minutes of the May 20, 2011 and May 25, 2011 meetings as presented.

Motion approved Resolution #11-049, Approve County Expenditures.

Motion approved Resolution #11-050, Retirement Tribute to Earl Muma.

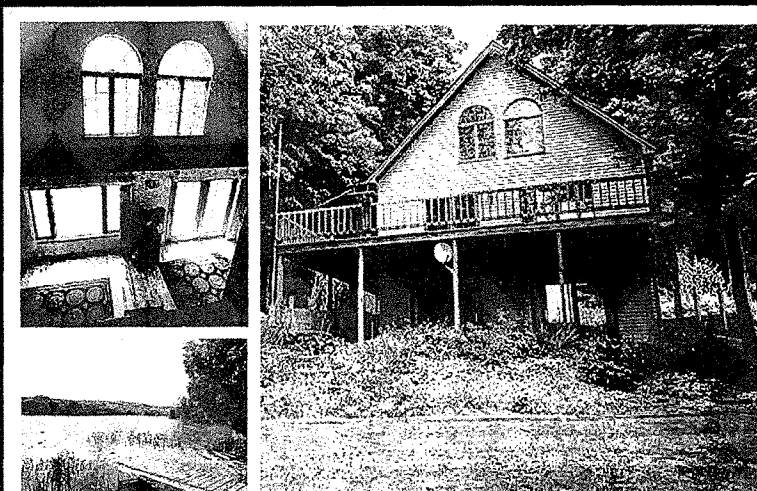
Motion approved Resolution #11-051, Animal Control Services Contract, and authorized Chairman Evans to sign said contract.

Motion adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Complete copies of Board minutes can be found on the County website, www.charlevoixcounty.org.

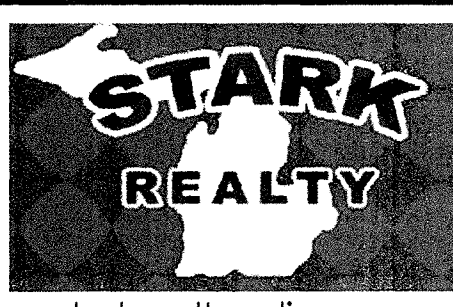
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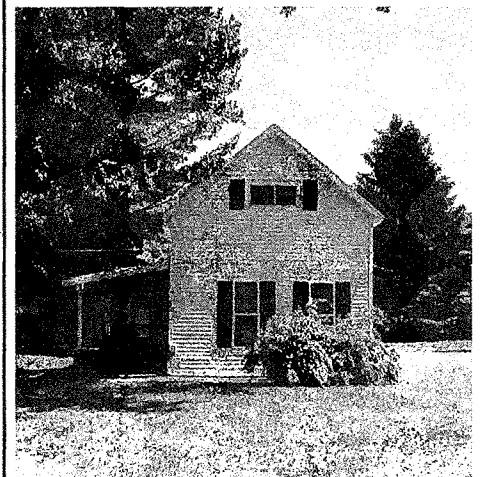
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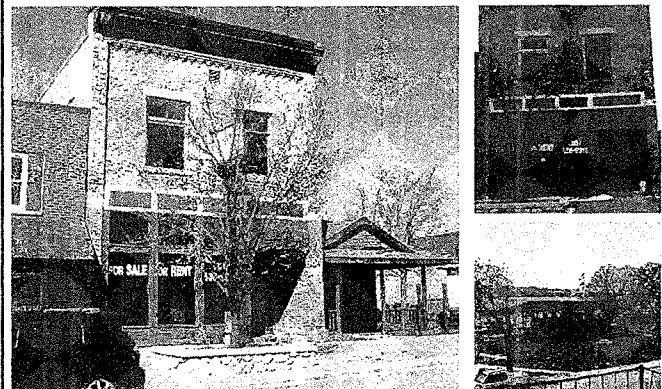
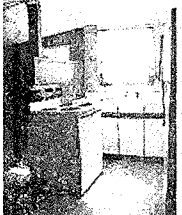
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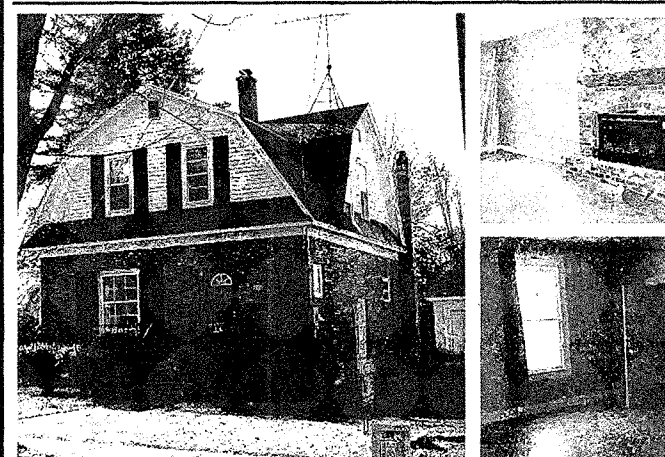
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The principal items of work consist of the following:
Reconstruction of approximately 5 stations of City Street including machine grading modified (with HMA and concrete pavement removal), water main and storm sewer construction and replacement, aggregate base course, HMA pavement, concrete curb and gutter, concrete sidewalk, and miscellaneous appurtenant work.

Bid Documents, including specifications and plans, are available for inspection at the following locations

Office of the City Clerk City of East Jordan 201 Main Street East Jordan, Michigan 49727	Office of C2AE 123 West Main Street Ste. 200 Gaylord, Michigan 49735
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A certified check, bank draft, or bid bond payable without condition to the City of East Jordan, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the Total Bid Amount, shall be submitted as a "Bid Guaranty" as required in the Information for Bidders.

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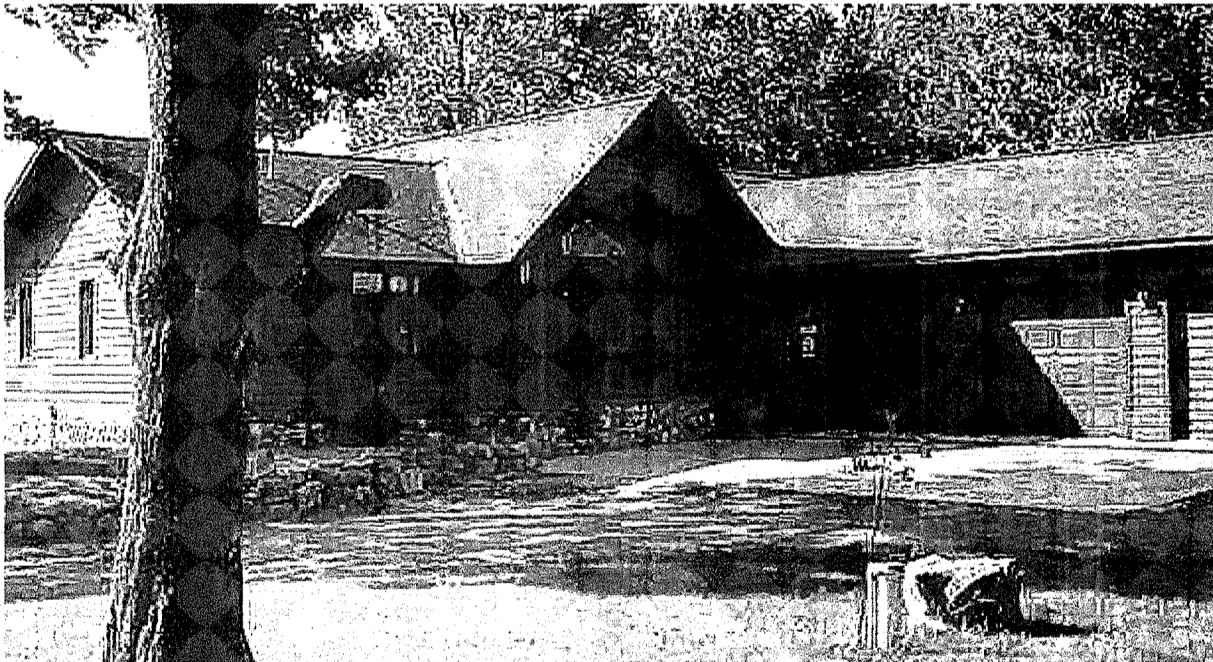
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By Jim Akans

"I can see for miles and miles and miles" relates the lyric of a classic rock song by the Who, and it is an apt description of the extraordinary panoramic views offer by the hilltop setting of this exceptional, custom designed and built home near Boyne City. From nearly every room in this home, the outdoor vista's stretch for miles to the horizon, embracing lush, green northern terrain, forests, and majestic views of Lake Charlevoix.

The home has a two-level floor plan, with approximately 3,400 total square feet of living space divided between the main floor and lower level walkout. The amenities are all top notch; with gorgeous hardwood flooring in the main living, dining and kitchen area, tongue and groove wood wall and ceiling finishes throughout most of the living spaces, and solid wood 6-panel interior doors.

The main living room features a soaring cathedral ceiling and huge window array framing the outdoor views. Other amenities include in-



floor heating, whirlpool bath, thermally efficient wood sash windows, and kitchen with stainless steel appliances and a preparation island with built-in cooktop.

And while this is certainly a stunningly beautiful and meticulously maintained home, the incredible outdoor setting beckons from virtually every room. The spectacular scenery

surrounding this home can also be enjoyed from a pair of raised and open decks off the main level, and there is outdoor access to the yard from the lower level. Another great feature of this home is an attached three-car garage; providing plenty of space for vehicles as well as additional storage.

The fabulous custom built home

on 2.26 acres of nicely landscaped property, plus miles upon miles of extraordinary views, is available for \$375,000.

For a more information or to arrange a tour of this property, call Marty Moody at 231-582-9555 or email at marty@lyndasrealestateservice.com



Leadership Program to be Launched by three Charlevoix County Chambers

Three Charlevoix County Chambers of Commerce are working together to bring the residents of Charlevoix County a new program. Leadership Charlevoix County is a program designed to cultivate new, emerging and potential leaders from our area to identify and address pertinent community needs and strengthen individual leadership abilities.

"I am honored and excited for the opportunity to work with local individuals in developing and strengthening their leadership skills," said Program Coordinator Mishelle Shooks. "It will be great to see the current leaders of Charlevoix County be a part of the process in making our community richer."

Charlevoix County will accept between 12-18 participants each year. The program consists of 11 days of training, one full day per month from approximately September through June each year. Included is one overnight team-building retreat and graduation ceremonies. Each session is designed and coordinated around a particular subject. Topics include local, regional and statewide government, arts, culture, diversity, economic development, media management, education, health and human services, environment and natural resources, philanthropy and volunteerism.

General leadership skills such as Board management, decision-making, speaking/presentations skills and networking techniques will also be a part of each session. Participants will conduct a class project in order to fulfill graduation requirements.

The program will enhance a deeper level of awareness of community strengths and challenges throughout the County and increase understanding of various community sectors and how they relate and interact.

Chambers involved with the program include the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce, East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, and the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce. The program is also receiving additional support from the Beaver Island Chamber of Commerce.

"As a collective whole, Charlevoix County has many strengths, we also have some great challenges. It's been fantastic collaborating with Jim & Mary (Boyne and East Jordan Chamber Presidents) as we create a program which should provide educated participants in our future," said Charlevoix Chamber President Erin Bemis.

The launch of Leadership Charlevoix County was made possible by a generous grant given by the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. If you would like to participate in Leadership Charlevoix County please contact Mishelle Shooks at the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce by calling 231.547.2101.

East Jordan businesses open during street work

B. J. Conley

EAST JORDAN — The reconstruction of Maple Street is underway after an unexpected delay because of soil conditions that had to be improved. Businesses are open and accessible and signs are being installed on the roads lead-

ing into East Jordan to inform the public of that fact.

The majority of Maple Street residents' property lines will be within 200 feet of the public sewer being installed. That means those property owners must tap in to the sewer line as authorized by the Code of Ordinances, section

46.124 (e).

But city commissioners, aware of the hardship the \$1,250 tap-in fee will pose for some residents, passed a resolution at a June 7 meeting that gives the option of paying the fee over three years and an option to pay quarterly.

City administrator Bob Ander-

son suggested to commissioners that the city waive tap-in fees for those residents that permit the city to have an easement across their properties. The commissioners gave the go-ahead discuss the issue with the residents.

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