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Charlevoix rightfielder Morgan Stewart prepares to fire in one back into the infield against the Red Devils.



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Charlevoix's Jen Archey races towards first base, for one of her two opening game hits against the Red Devils.

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52nd Annual National Morel Mushroom Festival

Starting next Thursday, May 17 in Boyne City



It's almost time for the 52nd National Morel Mushroom Festival, which will begin next Thursday, May 17th, and continue through Sunday, May 20th.
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By Jim Akans

Each spring, thousands of people head for the northern Michigan woodlands in search of the magnificent Morel Mushroom, and each May since 1960, Boyne City has been the destination where many of those mushroom hunters gather to experience the annual National Morel Mushroom Festival.

This year, the 52nd National Morel Mushroom Festival will begin on Thursday, May 17th, and continue through Sunday, May 20th. Of course mushrooms take center stage at this annual fungi fête, with a Morel Seminar led by local morel expert Anthony Williams, a guided morel hunt and the Morelfest "Wine & Dine" all held on Fri-

day, May 18th. The mushroom fun continues next Saturday with a Morel Breakfast, the Boyne Valley Lions National Mushroom Hunt, "Taste of Morels" event, Private Property Morel Hunt and the "Great Morel Giveaway" all taking place.

However, there is much more than mushroom hunting, tasting and tutorials going on during the National Morel Mushroom Festival. There will also be carnival rides all during the festival courtesy of Schmidt Amusements, plus a Craft Show at Veterans Park on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There will be lots of music in Veterans Park during the evening, with a concert featuring local musicians on Thursday, the sounds of one of Detroit's finest groups, the Thorntona Davis Band on Friday

night, a special performance by Audio Circus on Saturday night, an TNT & Northern Nites on Sunday afternoon.

But that's not all. There will also be a Michigan Outdoor Recreational Experiences and Living Show at Sunset Park from 10 am until 6 pm on Saturday, and open again from 11 am until 4 pm Sunday. There will be lots of presentations and displays from local businesses, providing a central spot for attendees to learn about and celebrate the outdoor beauty and countless recreational opportunities available here in Northern Michigan.

To order tickets in advance for National Morel Mushroom Festival events, and a full schedule of those events, visit www.morelfest.com.

Great Lakes Energy and Consumers Power Co. Join Forces To Teach Local Firemen

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH—A hands-on explanation of the power of electricity was the topic of an in-depth demonstration presented to local fire departments on Tuesday, May 1st, in a

collaborative effort between Consumers Power and Great Lakes Energy. A Great Lakes Energy's fun and interactive safety demonstration that drives home the message of elec-

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Dan Stroven and Wayne Brumstead, safety demonstrators with Great Lakes energy, show firemen from the Atwood, Ellsworth and East Jordan stations how a branch can conduct 7,200 volts of electricity. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

ELECTION UPDATE

Results of May 8, 2012 Special Election

Charlevoix-Emmet ISD:
 Special Education Renewal (1.16 mills/4 years)
YES 2253 (71.37%)
NO 582 (28.63%)
 Chx. County – Yes 1282 (68.78%)
 Chx. County No 904 (31.22%)

East Jordan Schools:
 Millage Renewal (2.25 mills/2012)
YES 372 (77.02%)
NO 111 (22.98%)

Charlevoix County:
 Beaver Isl. School Renewal (15.7908 mills/2 years)
YES 110 (70.51%)
NO 46 (29.49%)

Ellsworth Schools: Operating Millage Proposal (18.5 mills/3 years)
YES 143 (81.25%)
NO 33 (18.75%)

(Results are unofficial)

National Police Week honors those who have fallen in the line of duty

By Jim Akans

The week of May 13th through the 19th is being recognized as National Police Week, and across the nation, law enforcement officers, government officials, and citizens will pay tribute to those officers who have paid the ultimate sacrifice

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BELOW: Plaque at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial at Judiciary Square in Washington, D.C. COURTESY PHOTO



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Drugs seized in Hayes Township raid

Sheriff Don Schneider reports that on April 23, 2012, Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputies and the Joint Operation Law Enforcement Team (J.O.L.T) received a tip about a possible large quantity of drugs in a Hayes Township residence.

Through an investigation over 29 lbs of marijuana were discovered in a resi-

dence and vehicle. The street value ranges from \$30,000 to \$90,000 depending on packaging and how it was to be sold.

There are suspects in this case, but names are not being released at this time due to the pending investigation and pending charges.

Let's Take Action. Get Up, Get Out, Clean Up, East Jordan Event

"Let's Take Action... Get Up, Get Out, Clean Up, East Jordan" Event scheduled for May 14th to 20th. As spring arrives it's time to "take action" and get our homes, businesses and community ready to greet visitors. The city of East Jordan will hold the 2nd annual citywide clean up event.

Monday, May 14 - "Face-lift Day" Get outside and decorate, wash windows, sweep down cobwebs, etc.

Tuesday, May 15 - "2nd Annual Trash Walk" As you walk around the town from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM bring a

bag and pick up litter and dispose of it in the E.J. City Truck that will be parked in the City lot next to Galmore's/ in back of the Civic Center.

Wednesday, May 16 - "City-Wide Planting" Plant trees, shrubs, your flowers, "Go Green!"

Thursday, May 17 - "East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours" Proudly sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank at Murray's Bar and Grill. 5-7 PM, \$3.00 for Chamber Members, \$5.00 for Not-Yet Members. Hors d'oeuvres & Cash Bar. Prizes for Best Hawaiian Shorts or

Skirts.

Friday, May 18 - "Best Decorated Trash Can Contest" Award Day - 5:00 PM at City Hall on the front steps. Let the Chamber office know if you have a Trash Can that needs to be judged. 231-536-7351

Saturday, May 19 - "City Wide Spring Cleanup" Items taken at transfer station with proof of residency obtained at City Hall.

Sunday, May 20 - "Street Washing by the East Jordan Fire Dept."

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Students, business partners feted at ISD CTE Recognition Dinner

More than 600 students, families and teachers celebrated Career and Technical Education programs offered through Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District and their local high school at the annual CTE Recognition Dinner.

The May 1 dinner attracted the top 10 percent of students from the 40 approved CTE programs throughout the ISD. At the dinner, students received a certificate from their CTE teacher and an awards pin from their superintendent or principal.

Students with the Business, Management and Administration Program in Central Lake were feted with the traveling trophy for their performance with mock investments in an area-wide stock market competition with other BMA programs.

Char-Em ISD also recognized The Michigan School of Boat Building and Marine Technology as its "business partner of the year." Located in Petoskey, the boat building program currently has more than 15 students enrolled in the 18 week pilot program to introduce high school students to the materials and methods used in composite construction.

Executive Director David Lesh has started the program which will offer a certificate or two-year associate degree for students once its nine-month, full time post secondary program launches next school year. In addition to work skills, the program, offered in partnership with Char-Em ISD, will emphasize the importance of teamwork, positive work ethic, project management, and other "soft skills" sought by employers.



Rick Diebold (left), superintendent of Char-Em ISD, and Jim Rummer (right), ISD Director of CTE, present The Michigan School of Boat Building and Marine Technology Executive Director David Lesh with the ISD's Business Partner Award.



East Jordan Superintendent Susan Wooden (left) hands off a pin to Austin Lee Newton during the ISD's CTE Recognition Dinner as teacher Darrin Podskalny follows behind.

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OBITUARIES

William A. Feldkircher, 85

William A. Feldkircher, husband of Barbara Berlage Feldkircher, formerly of Charlevoix, passed away on May 2, 2012, in Las Vegas at the age of 85.

The funeral service was Tuesday, May 8, at the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1900 Buchanan Blvd., Boulder City, Nev.; burial to follow. A memorial service and celebration of Bill's life will be scheduled in Cleveland, Ohio, at a later date.

Florence M. Brachel

(FEB. 12, 1917 - MAY 3, 2012)

Florence M. Brachel, 95, of Charlevoix, died Thursday, May 3, 2012, at Georgia House in Charlevoix. She was born February 12, 1917, in Detroit, the daughter of Anthony and Mary (Speckienski) Jagello, and grew up there, graduating from Cass Technical High School.

In 1956, Florence married Richard A. Brachel. Together, they lived in the Detroit area until retiring to Charlevoix in 1980. Florence worked at the Packard Motor Company during WWII, and later for J.L. Hudson. In Charlevoix, she was a member of Saint Mary's Church, and worked at Barb's Hallmark Harbor. She was an avid homemaker, enjoyed cooking

and baking, and loved her grandchildren.

Florence is survived by her daughter, Rosemarie (Richard E.) Brachel of Charlevoix; sons, Philip Kluczynski and his friend Karen Stankevich of Charlevoix, Paul (Margie) Durak of Rochester Hills; eight grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; former daughter-in-law, Barbara Kluczynski of Charlevoix. Richard preceded her in death on April 3, 2010.

No services are planned at this time. Inurnment will take place at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Mt. Holly.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield, Charlevoix, MI 49720, or to Charlevoix County Humane Society, 614 Beardsley Street, Boyne City, MI 49712.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling arrangements.

William J. Bacot

(NOV. 10, 1915 - APRIL 29, 2012)

William J. Bacot, 96, of Charlevoix, died Sunday, April 29, 2012, at his home. He was born November 10, 1915, in Charlevoix to Daniel and Inez (Seymour) Bacot. He graduated from Saint Michael High School in Flint in

1933. Following graduation, Bill worked at General Motors for eleven years before joining the US Marine Corps to serve during WWII. He retired from Consumer's Power Company in 1976 after thirty years. Bill returned to Charlevoix in 1977.

Bill was a member of the American Legion, Leslie T. Shapton Post #226, the Knights of Columbus Pierre de Charlevoix Council #7172, and Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix.

In 1940, Bill married Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Miller, and she preceded him in death in 1995. Bill is survived by his daughters, Patricia Bacot of Mercedes, Tex., and Arlene Bacot of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Steven, Cathy, Sherie, and Michael; eleven great-grandchildren. Bill was also preceded in death by his son Gerald Bacot and daughter, Mary Burdick.

A graveside service will be 11:00 am, Friday, June 29, at Saint Mary's Cemetery in Charlevoix.

In lieu of flowers, Masses may be offered for Bill, or contributions may be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 21311 Civic Center Drive Southfield, MI 48076

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

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trical safety for kids was also scheduled to educate our community's children Wednesday, May 2nd. In two back-to-back sessions, for Ebenezer Christian School and home-school children and then K-6th graders from Ellsworth Elementary were taught the do's-and-don'ts of down power lines and the unforgiving reality of electricity.

Consistent with his philosophy of 'communication is king', Banks Township supervisor, Thomas Mann arranged that while the portable hot-line trailer, complete with poles, transformers, fuses, conductors, insulators, meters, and other equipment used to distribute electricity was in Ellsworth, he would seize the moment and take education a step further. So before the children got their lesson in the power of electricity, representatives from the Consumers Power Company joined the Great lakes crew to answer questions and remind three local fire departments of the behavior of electricity.

"Our big concern for the fire departments as the first responders is to emphasize that if you see the line down stay back, set up a perimeter, wait until we get there and we will get you where you can do what you need to do," said Rick Jordan, Area Supervisor for the Boyne City Great Lakes Energy office.

The joint spokesmen discussed potential problems with home generators and how to address them, the technology behind power lines and what to expect, and policies and problems with firemen removing meters as a short cut to shut off electricity during a structure fire. One of the problems encountered by firemen during the recent fire in Ellsworth was the length of time it took the electric company to get someone out to shut the power off to the burning structure, putting firemen's lives at risk who were struggling to save the historic Township Hall located next to the burning building.

"This is basic electricity 101," said Dale Jacob, Boyne City Electric Field Leader as he encouraged the firemen to be guards, protecting the public from a downed line rather than rushing in and becoming a statistic.

Fundraiser a Success For Boyne City-Charlevoix Trail

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—Boyne City's Red Mesa restaurant and the Boyne City-Charlevoix Trail Committee joined forces to raise monies to pay off the remaining balance of the required local matching funds needed to complete phase I of the trail on Wednesday, May 2nd. The restaurant donated proceeds from all 'Daily Special Entrées' and 'Casa

Margaritas' sold that day to the Trail Steering Committee. A silent auction and raffle was also held and three different musical groups performed during the 12-hour fundraiser, which brought in almost \$7000.

"We are fast approaching our goal," said Mike Sheean, Boyne City-Charlevoix Trail Advocate.

With the help of 30 volunteers that supported the party in one way or another,

nearly 300 customers stopped into Red Mesa on Wednesday. "All the downtown stores did better business than they usually do on a Wednesday in the middle of a quiet season," said Sheean.

The event was planned and organized by volunteer Paula Larson, who heard concerns expressed by some members of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners about maintenance costs; a topic of discussion since it has been determined that Charlevoix County will own and maintain the trail. Larson took it upon herself to put a team together to help defer costs for the outstanding balances and to assist with the maintenance of the trails. She hopes to contribute annually to these expenses through fundraising.

"My vision is to get a good group of volunteers to come together yearly to raise funds while also working together to maintain the trail so that the taxpayers will not be responsible for it," said Larson.

Larson and her team are in the early planning stages of two more fundraisers; one in July and one in the fall. Although she said there is nothing set in stone for the fundraisers except the fact that there will be more, Larson was elated over the efficiency and capability of the volunteers who helped with the Red Mesa event.

The beautiful 14-mile trail that will follow the Charlevoix-Boyne City Road right of way through Young State Park and Horton Bay and connect to the Little Traverse Wheelway near the Charlevoix Country Club currently exists only in the mind's eye. The trail project has been divided into three phases.

In 2008, grants were applied for on Phase One of the project which will follow the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road for 3.2 miles from the Boyne city limits to Springwater Beach Road. The grants require local funds matches totaling \$88,600. The trail committee had an outstanding balance of \$17,512 and has been working to raise those funds since January.

"We put out a request for funds to the bike club at the beginning of the year and have received about \$12,000 from club members," said Sheean.

The North Country Bicycle Club, whose goal is to provide 'rides' for the community, has members all over Northern Michigan and their office in Boyne city has dedicated itself to supporting the trail.

"I can see the trail being a place for moms to push their strollers, senior citizens to walk their dogs and a place for families to walk safely together," said Larson.

BC-CharTrailFundraiserPhoto: Volunteers Paula Larson, Rita Coe, Shari Thompson, Rachel Oliver and George Peet give excited thumbs up along with Red Mesa employees Jessica Goddard, Jerri-Jo Sleder, Amy Kile and Jeremiah McGeorge outside the restaurant where almost \$7,000 was raised Wednesday, May 2nd to support phase one of the Boyne City-Charlevoix Trail project. Photo; Tina Sundelius



PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, April 30, 2012

10:15am Report of contraband found in the 1000 block of Boyne Av

11:26am Low hanging cable line in the 1200 block of Pleasant Av

5:15pm Assist Fire Dept in the 1300 block of Boyne Av

6:45pm Report of dead cat in road on E Division St

8:24pm Citation issued for expired registration

Tuesday, May 1, 2012

11:22am Report of suspicious situation in the 1000 block of Boyne Av

5:30pm Citation issued for expired registration.

6:50pm Citation issued for expired registration.

8:16pm Report of lost iphone.

Wednesday, May 2, 2012

10:18am Meet subject at shelter to drop off homeless kittens

12:45pm Financial exploitation of vulnerable adult complaint.

1:08pm Report of lost black bag containing serving tray in the old Carter's parking lot.

3:16pm Unlocked vehicle in the 200 block of Brown St

3:48pm Unlocked vehicle

in the 500 block of N lake St

5:47pm Citation issued for seat belt violation

6:00pm Subject arrested on outstanding warrant.

6:00pm Threats complaint received from the 300 block of E Water St

8:05pm Assist EMS in the 200 block of N Park St

10:13pm Citation issued for speed, no proof of insurance, and registration violations

Thursday, May 3, 2012

1:10am Assist Sheriff Dept with accident on Jaquay Rd

4:23am 911 hangup from the 400 block of Front St. Phone malfunction

8:46am 2 vehicle property damage accident in the 100 block of S Park St

2:55pm Standby to keep the peace in the 1000 block of Boyne Av

4:05pm Assist Sheriff Dept with disturbance in Boyne Falls

4:40pm Report of unattended 3 year old in the 400 block of N Lake St

6:21pm Unlocked vehicle at the T-ball field

8:35am Assist Sheriff Dept in the 1400 block of Pleasant Av

8:40pm Report of dog left in the 400 block of N Lake St. Was gone on arrival.

11:01pm Report of CSC.

Friday, May 4, 2012

6:24am 911 hang up from the 400 block of Front St. Phone malfunction

7:29am Citation issued for speed

10:12am Hang up calls being received in the 800 block of S Park St

12:04pm Larceny of copper wire from the 800 block of Front St

3:36pm Citation issued for speed.

3:55pm Report of kids messing with parked cars in the 300 block of Silver St

6:15pm Multiple 911 hang ups from the 400 block of Front St. Phone malfunction.

9:00pm Fraudulent cell phone alert received in the 600 block of Jefferson St

9:15pm Fraudulent cell phone alert received in the 600 block of East St

9:22pm Assist Sheriff Dept with disturbance in Boyne Falls.

10:26pm Arrested subject on 2 outstanding warrants

Saturday, May 5, 2012

2:16am Arrested subject for OWI and DWLS third

7:42am 911 hang up in the 400 block of Front St

11:24am 911 hang up in the 400 block of Front St

2:10pm Larceny of large metal pipe from the 300 block of Groveland

2:51pm Fraudulent cell

phone alert received in the 600 block of Jefferson St

Sunday, May 6, 2012

5:42am 911 hang up in the 400 block of Front St

10:15am Damage to door of building in the 100 block of E Division St

12:30pm Assist citizen at pavilion

2:12pm Civil complaint on the 100 block of W Court St

2:14pm Disturbance in the 600 block of Jefferson St. Assisted by EMS.

8:05pm Juvenile complaint in the 700 block of S Lake St

10:32pm Report of assault in the 1000 block of West St

Regarding the fraudulent cell phone alerts people have been receiving over the weekend- these have been coming into peoples phone as text messages advising them that their credit union cards have been deactivated, and asking them to call with information. We would like to remind everyone not provide anyone with your personal information over the phone. If you get one of these messages and want to confirm that it is fraudulent, we recommend calling the local branch of your financial institution, and not the numbers provided in the text. Most financial institutions will not send you a text regarding these issues.

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The last Back Porch Coffeehouse for the season will feature Kelly Shively and Norm Hausler

Back Porch Coffeehouse announces last performance of the season.

The last Back Porch Coffeehouse for the season will be held Saturday, May 12th at the Charlevoix Senior Center building, and will feature Kelly Shively and Norm Hausler!

Kelly Shively and Norm Hausler are a pair of seasoned musicians who have played with many Northern Michigan musicians and also on their own, as solo singer/instrumentalists. Kelly brings her original songs of family and home, along with her interpretations of traditional mountain and Celtic music. Norm's deep baritone voice lends itself to country classics and provides a wonderful harmony for Kelly's soprano vocals. Norm is enjoying learning to accompany Kelly with "mountain modal" tunings on his guitar, while Kelly surprises with turns on her fiddle, harp, banjo and a variety of other instruments. You never know what tunes and arrangements these two will offer...but you are sure to smile and hum along.

Suggested donations are \$5/person, \$10/ family- all donations are for the scheduled perform-

ers. Light refreshments are available at no charge... cookie donations are always welcome! The musical evening is for all ages. Kelly and Norm will play from 7 to 8:30 p.m., followed by a circle jam session- musicians and poets of all ages are welcome to join in.

Directions to the Senior Center building: From US-31 on the south end of Charlevoix, turn west onto Carpenter St. (between the Pizza Hut and Flap Jack Shack). Continue .7 mile on Carpenter to the corner of Norwood Rd. The Senior Center is the large white building on the left of the intersection. Parking is available both in front and behind the Center. The facility is fully accessible. Contact: 231-622-2944. Please respond to this number or this e-mail if you have received this message in error or wish to be removed from our contact list. We hope you can join us for another warm evening of community and music, and we hope you will share this information with others who may be interested.

CTAC Classes for Kids Announced

Crooked Tree Arts Center is looking to help everyone fill their summer calendars this year. Registration is now open at www.crookedtree.org with offerings for all ages including Strings Camp, Kids Art Camps, Youth Theatre Camp, adult workshops, ballet classes and the Northern Clay Art and Pottery Club! With discounted tuition for all Arts Center members, membership pays for itself with only one class. Not a member? Joining and registering can happen at the same time! Members also receive special discounts on all future tuition, tickets, and invitations to members-only special events. Student, Individual and Family memberships are available.

Summer Strings Camp 2012 An exciting offering from CTAC and the Dorothy Gerber Music Program for 8 years old and up! Beginning June 11 and running Tuesdays and Wednesdays through June 27, Summer Strings offers sessions for beginners, intermediate players and fiddlers, as well as the Concert and Chamber Orchestras. All classes and rehearsals, except for the Fiddle Workshop, will be held at Crooked Tree Arts Center, downtown Petoskey. The Fiddle Workshop, for violin, viola, cello and bass students with one year or more of playing experience will be held at the Boyne City Public Schools Administration Building. The beloved Jennifer McAndrew and Robert Dudd will be leading Summer Strings.

Kids Summer Art Camp for grades 1-8. Young studio



Jasper Faylor, Kids Art Camp



Summer Strings participants, Boyne City

artists, or for those who just like to express themselves, will be creating a variety of different projects from mosaics, ceramics, painting, sculpture and much more. Teaching artists Maggie von Wagoner and Lori Bolt lead different projects with each session, which makes three different weeks of things to do! Session I is June 25-29; Session II is July 23-27 and Session III is August 13-17. Times vary for various age groups, so check out www.crookedtree.org for a full schedule.

Summer Ballet Workshops offer continued growth and development for ballet dancers. Three 3-week sessions are offered beginning June 18 and finishing August 18. With classes for all levels of dancers, CTAC's nationally known dance program is an intensive and exciting environment for young dancers. Instructors Heather Raue and Kerrie Benedict provide world class instruction. A detailed schedule can be found under Take A Class on Crooked Tree's website.

Acting for Film and Stage for Young Artists, August 6-11 for grades 5-12 includes acting differences for stage and film, audition techniques, monologue, scene work, voice and movement training. Taught by actress/director Michele Messmer-a member of Ac-

tors Equity Association and The Screen Actors Guild, Ms. Messmer's resume includes work on camera (films and national commercials) as well as on stage in Michigan, Chicago, and New York. There will be a public performance of all the workshop scenes for family, friends and invited guests on the final day of camp, August, 11. 11:30 am-2:00 pm for grades 5-7 and 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm for grades 8-12.

Kids Northern Clay Art and Pottery Club, under the inspirational direction of Jim Beckering, will consist of a foundation of structured lessons and projects to teach hand building tech-

niques, and development of pottery wheel skills. Some open studio days provide participants with the opportunity to apply the skills learned and developed in an experimental "free choice" construction of pottery. Kids will use decorative under-glaze as well as dipping and pouring stone ware glazes (all glazes are lead and cadmium free). This camp will give students a broad understanding of the processes of pottery from clay to kiln while working with all the different states and processes of clay. Tuesdays, June 19- July 24, 10:00 am -12:00 noon.

CTAC Dancers Ireland Adgate and Marie Millard



Bolley Presentations May 15 at Library

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to present two very different programs hosted by professional storyteller and librarian, Jean Bolley. Jean will first present for children and families 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 15, where she will weave

Mother Goose tales and other fun folk tales from around the world. Jean will continue entertaining our patrons in the evening by presenting her unique look at the history of the library at 6:30 p.m. that same evening, May 15.

A person's work often survives him while details of his life may be lost. Ms. Bolley will highlight the personal side of her great uncle, Warren Holmes; the architect of the 1927 school the library is currently housed. She will relate how a farm boy from Fowlerville became an architect known for his innovative approach to



JEAN BOLLEY

designing school buildings.

Jean has been employed in libraries in the Lansing area for more than 30 years and has enjoyed sharing stories in both library and school settings. She believes in the power of story and lets the story, and the audience's reaction to it, be the star. Her repertoire

includes personal stories and historical works. She has master's degrees from the University of Michigan in library science and East Tennessee State University in Storytelling. Her father, Gordon Holmes Stow, was an architect and a nephew of Warren Holmes. He worked for his uncle and continued with the firm after Mr. Holmes' death.

The Michigan Room Committee of the Friends will be serving refreshments for the Warren Holmes program. For more information about these or other library events, visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 231-237-7340.

Spring Concert with the Crooked Tree Youth Orchestra and Dorothy Gerber Strings Program

The Crooked Tree Youth Orchestra and Dorothy Gerber Strings Program will conclude another great season at the 12th annual Spring Concert Sunday, May 20th at 3:00pm, Boyne City Performing Arts Center, Boyne City. String players from twenty-two schools located in Charlevoix, Emmet, & Antrim counties will join together on stage to perform music they have been studying since the beginning of the school year. Over 500 students participated in the strings program this year making this vibrant program grow more and more!

The Crooked Tree Youth Orchestras will perform music to celebrate the 200 year anniversary of the War of 1812 with the Symphony Orchestra performing Tchaikovsky's famous 1812 Overture. The Youth Orchestra concerts are free to the public. The Crooked Tree Youth Orchestras are funded by a grant from the Dorothy Gerber Family and the Gerber Programs for Children and Music. Enjoy this great afternoon of talent and music!

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"Berry Picking Kiteley's Farm in Charlevoix", by Trish Morgan, Watercolor

Summer Day, Summer Nights

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is hosting an exhibit and art sale during May and June. Each artist work submitted art for the Charlevoix Exhibit, Summer Days, Summer Nights.

Artist Trish Morgan submitted two beautiful watercolor paintings to be hung at Charlevoix Library for the exhibit, "Summer Days - Summer Nights"

Listed are the other eight artists whose paintings and or wall hangings are in the exhibit which will be at the Library the months of May and June. Exhibit is on the hallway walls near the Community Rooms. A list of the art on display follows.

Artist	Title of Art	Size	Description	Price
Jeanie Putman	Gracie's Vase	11 x 14	Acrylic on Canvas	\$225
Jeanie Putman	Over the Hill	16 x 20	Acrylic on Canvas	\$350
Jeanie Putman	Lean On Me	11 x 14	Acrylic on Canvas	\$225
Kathie Briggs	It's All About the Ball	36 x 20	Fiber	\$725
Kathie Briggs	Heron on the Dock	21 x 31	Fiber	\$550
Kathie Briggs	Last Season	24 x 34	Fiber	\$650
Helen Beemon	Flowers in Blue	16 x 20	Oil on Canvas	NFS
Karen Kimmell	Isles off Beaver	13.5 x 16.5	Pastel	\$195
Karen Kimmell	Shade at Kiteley's	13.5 x 16.5	Pastel	\$195
Linda Boss	Celebrate Charlevoix	11 x 14	Acrylic on Canvas	\$300
Linda Boss	Charlevoix Lighthouse from Bluff	8 x 10	Acrylic on Canvas Board	\$175
Trish Morgan	The Picnic	21.5 x 21.5	Watercolor	\$585
Trish Morgan	Berry Picking at Kiteley's Farm	15.5 x 21.5	Watercolor	\$585
Sue Bolt	l 75	36 x 48	Acrylic	\$800
Sue Bolt	Parade	24 x 36	Acrylic	\$1,000
Russ Bolt	My View	24 X 36	Watercolor	\$250
Russ Bolt	Sail Races	12 x 24	Watercolor	\$200
Ann Carolan	Dunes of Northern Michigan	8 X 10	Pastel	\$175
Ann Carolan	Sunflower	8 x 10	Pastel	\$175

Deb Bobo wins SOBO Poster Contest

The Boyne Arts Collective (BAC) was filled with eager artists and those who appreciate local artists' pieces at the May 4th re-opening of the BAC Gallery at 210 S Lake Street in Boyne City.

The winner of the SOBO Arts Festival poster contest, Deb Bobo, as well as several other contestant artists were present to "bask in the glory" of having their artwork hung on the walls of the BAC Gallery. The winning entry will be published and on display advertising the SOBO Art Festival in South Boyne City on June 29 and 30. There is a call for artists to be vendors at the festival. Please visit www.soboartsfestival.com.

Brisk sales of artwork were by buyers who wanted to seek out their favorite morel and spring art. At least they could have some mushrooms and spring flowers to view in their homes even if Mother Nature isn't always cooperative.

The Morel Mushroom and Spring Art exhibit is open Friday 1 - 5 PM through June 8; then 1 - 8 PM from June 15 through Labor Day weekend; 10 - 6 on Saturdays; and noon to 4 on Sundays.

The Jam Sessions are 10 - noon on Saturday in the BAC South Gallery. Anyone may attend with or without an acoustical instrument and singing voice for free.

The first BAC Stage Concert Series begins Saturday May 19th at the BAC Gallery

with Bob Marshall from 7 - 9. \$10 gate includes refreshments. Bob knows how to entertain with Americana, Acoustic, and Folk music. After many years as police officer and professional rodeo participant, Bob has received international play throughout the world and across the U.S.

Visit www.boynearts.org for additional information.



Deb Bobo -Poster contest winner for SOBO Arts Fest with BAC curator Mary Whitlock. COURTESY PHOTO

Jenny Maher of East Jordan is Downtown Diva's event makeover prizewinner!

Jenny Maher of East Jordan is all smiles after winning the "Downtown Diva" make-over package at the April 24th Downtown Diva Night at Murray's Bar and Grill. Jenny received a "package" of services and items from the following downtown businesses - Murray's Bar and Grill, Mary's E.J. Shoppe, Chello's Salon and Day Spa, Busy Bridge Gifts & Antiques, Sunnyside Up Tanning, Backdoor Florist and the Inner Structure Interior Design. Pictured with Jenny from left to right - Mary Faculak - Mary's E.J. Shoppe, Jennifer Aenis - The Inner Structure Interior Design, Charla Telegenhof - Chello's Salon & Day Spa, Jenny Maher holding pres-



entation bouquet from Backdoor Florist - Judy Worgess, Debbie Chapuies - Sunnyside Up Tan-

ning, Sharon Jackson - Busy Bridge Gifts & Antiques, Emily Walsh - Murray's Bar & Grill.

Congratulations to Jenny Maher and to another successful, and fun, Downtown Diva's event!

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CHARLEVOIX

Country Club Grand Opening

We are excited to announce Charlevoix Country Club is under new ownership and management. Our Grand Opening is slated for Wednesday, May 9th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Please be sure to save this date! Many fabulous changes and renovations are taking place at the Club which is open to both private members and the general public. The golf course is shaping up beautifully as is the Clubhouse. During our Grand Opening we will be introducing everyone to Shanahan's Prime; a steakhouse themed restaurant offering the finest experience in dining. Charlevoix Country Club is the perfect venue for weddings, private celebrations and parties. Our goal is to create an exciting environment that results in long-lasting memories for your family and friends. We look forward to meeting you at our Grand Opening, Wednesday, May 9th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm!

EAST JORDAN

M-32 work resumes

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will remove and replace a box culvert on M-32 and reconstruct the pavement from East Jordan to Airport Drive. This work requires a detour for motorists headed to East Jordan that will use Rogers Road and M-66. Access to businesses and residences will be maintained at all times. The project is estimated to be completed by June 8.

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Brides-to-Be - Wedding EXPO

Brides-to-be from all over Northern Michigan are invited to attend the Northern Michigan Wedding EXPO on Sunday, May 20 at Boyne Mountain Resort. EXPO begins at 1pm. Door prizes drawn throughout the day. Fashion show at 3pm. Grand Prize drawing at 4:45pm. Sponsored by BOYNE and the Charlevoix County News. Pre-Register on-line at www.Charlevoix-CountyNews.com. Registration is free, but required.

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Looking Beyond the Landscape

May 10, How Our Landscapes Impact Birds, Butterflies, and Other Wild Creatures. Join Matthew Bertrand of the Grand Traverse Conservation District and Heidi Schaffer of the Antrim Conservation District for an inspiring exploration into how our landscapes impact the wild creatures around us, focusing on how native plants support birds and butterflies. You'll also learn how partners in the Grand Traverse Regional Invasive Species Network (ISN) are working to keep our region's natural areas

healthy, and what we need from you to be successful in the effort. \$5 suggested donation. Recommended for adults. Lakes of the North Clubhouse, 6330 Pineview Drive, Mancelona.

BOYNE CITY

Young professionals

The Chamber's new Young Professionals group will hold its next get-together from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10, (Sushi Night) at Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club. Any area resident under the age of 35 is invited to attend. Organizing the new group is Ryan Moskal, a Chamber board member who moved to the area and started Moskal Chiropractic a year ago. The main purpose of the group is to provide informal fun social events and business networking for professionals under age 35. No reservations are needed. If you can't make it but would like to be notified of future YP events, contact Ryan at 517-937-2428 or ryancmoskal@gmail.com.

EAST JORDAN

Celebrity Dinner

Thursday, May 10, 5 - 8pm at the Zone Sports Lounge. Fabulous food being served by past and current Chamber award recipients. All tips and a portion of each dinner will benefit the Chamber's promotional budget. Thank you to Bill and Ann Werner owners of the Zone for hosting this fun event! Diners may request their server!

CHARLEVOIX

Circle Summer Camp

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is now accepting applications for instructors and Aides for the Circle Summer Camp for July 2 through August 10. The camp will offer 10-12 different sessions. For more information, please visit www.charlevoixcircle.org.

CHARLEVOIX

Keep Charlevoix Beautiful Needs Volunteers

If you enjoy the petunias encompassing Charlevoix every summer, we would love your help! Keep Charlevoix Beautiful is seeking volunteers for some tasks to kick this petunia season off right. Any and all help is appreciated, but specific things that need volunteers: Rototilling the beds, bringing coffee (treats) to weeding crew in the mornings, helping with fertilizer for the Petunia Truck, and helping with various plant day and picnic tasks. Please email amandawilkin@gmail.com to sign up to volunteer. Thank you for your help!

EAST JORDAN & ELLSWORTH

Farmer's Market

Both the East Jordan and the Ellsworth Farmer's Markets are looking for vendors for the upcoming Summer market season. Produce & Handcrafted items are welcome at both locations. For information on the East Jordan Market contact Laurie Wakeham at 231-536-2636 or for the Ellsworth Market contact Shannon Fender at 231-536-7351. The East Jordan Market takes place every Thursday from 9am - 1pm starting in May and the Ellsworth Market takes place on Tuesday evenings from 5 - 7pm starting in mid June.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Committee Members Needed

The Day of Caring committee and Char-Em United Way has started planning

this year's event. Day of Caring will be Wednesday, September 19, in honor of the National Day of Service and Remembrance on September 11. The committee is seeking new 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 over 500 volunteers together with more than 40 projects. If you would like to join the Day of Caring planning committee or have ideas to share please contact Char-Em United Way at 231-487-1006, info@charemunitedway.org or www.charemunitedway.org

EAST JORDAN

Mother/Daughter banquet

The East Jordan Lions Club will be hosting the 44th annual Mother/Daughter Banquet on Saturday, May 12 at the East Jordan High School. Dinner will be served at 6pm and is being prepared by Chef Joe Krumholz of the Jordan Inn and served by the East Jordan Lions with help from friends and family. The doors will open at 5:30pm. Dinner will be followed by recognition of past Mothers of the Year, entertainment by East Jordan Seniors Sarah DeHaan and Martina Peterson and the announcement of the 2012 Mother of the Year. Please join us for this event as we say thank you to all mothers for their commitment to their children as well as to the community of East Jordan. Tickets are available from any East Jordan Lion and are \$7 for adults, \$4 for students. Preschool children will be admitted free of charge.

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May Day festival

A benefit for the Women's Resource Center Northern Michigan Safe House. May 12, 1-5pm at Sacred Sparks, 5070 Mt. Bliss Rd. Music all day. May pole ribbon dance, earth healing, garland dancers, psychic readers, children's activities, potluck dinner. Bring a dish to pass and table service. Admission by donation of non-perishable foods or personal care items. Sponsored by Northern Michigan Pagans.

EAST JORDAN

2nd Saturday

Families in northern Michigan are invited to join Raven Hill Discovery Center staff and volunteers on Saturday, May 12 from noon to 4pm, when the Center will offer free admission and special activities for families. Visitors can explore the hands-on museum and hold or pet the

animals, as well as participate in a special project by designing their own Personal or Family Flag. Learn about the history and meaning of the Presidential Flag and see the High Flying Flags that will soon be flying in the Center's new Warren Loranger Great Room. Families are also encouraged to dress for the outdoors so they can enjoy the Music Garden, Jurassic Park Walk, Schoolhouse, Tree House and other outdoor exhibits.

CHARLEVOIX

2nd Annual Quilters' Cruizine

Hearts To Holly Quilt Shop is offering their 2nd Annual Quilters' Cruizine. We provide a bus that takes you from our shop to Cousin's Quilt Shop, Delphine's Quilt Shop and The Quilt House where you will see some great demos, beautiful trunk shows and be fed some scrumptious meals. There will be ample opportunity throughout the day to shop, relax and be entertained by our Quilt Divas. Join us Monday, May 14 from 9am until 6pm for a fun filled day. Cost is just \$65. Call Hearts To Holly for more information 231-547-2729. Seats are limited so don't delay.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Seats Open for Charlevoix County Elections

All six districts for the County Board of Commissioners, as well as the county prosecutor, clerk, sheriff, surveyor, treasurer, registrar of deeds and drain commissioner. Lots of opportunities if you'd like to run for office. The deadline for potential candidates to file is 4pm on Tuesday, May 15th.

EAST JORDAN

Business after hours

May 17, sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank held at Murray's Bar & Grill, 5 - 7pm.

BOYNE CITY

Mushroom Festival Committee announces entertainment

The Mushroom Festival has announced its live entertainment for this year's 52nd annual event from May 17-20. A great lineup of live music starts at 8:30 pm Friday, May 18, when the Thornetta Davis Band performs under the heated tent in Veterans Park. Rock n' roll band Audio Circus performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 19. Tickets for both concerts are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. On Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m., TNT & Northern Nites perform, presented by the Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders. Admission is by donation on Sunday. The festival is packed with fun: carnival rides all four days, and a craft show and outdoor recreation show Friday through Sunday. Friday highlights include a morel seminar, guided hunt and the Chamber's Wine & Dine gourmet event at 5:30 at the Beach House restaurant. Saturday starts with a morel breakfast, the Lions Club National Mushroom Hunt, the Taste of Morels from noon to 3 p.m., the Great Morel Giveaway at downtown stores at 4 p.m. and a Private Property Morel Hunt at 4:30.

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BOYNE CITY

Mushroom Festival includes music, food and morel hunting

The Boyne City Mushroom Festival includes great food, morel hunting and an exciting lineup of live music. The music starts at 8:30pm Friday, May 18, when the Thor-netta Davis Band performs under the heated tent in Veterans Park. Rock n' roll band Audio Circus performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 19. Tickets for both concerts are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. On Sunday from 1 to 5pm, TNT & Northern Nites perform, presented by the Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders. Admission is by donation on Sunday. The festival is packed with fun: carnival rides all four days, and a craft show and outdoor recreation show Friday through Sunday. Friday highlights include a morel seminar, guided hunt and the Chamber's Wine & Dine gourmet event at 5:30 at the Beach House restaurant. Saturday starts with a morel breakfast, the Lions Club National Mushroom Hunt, the Taste of Morels from noon to 3pm, the Great Morel Give-away at downtown stores at 4pm and a Private Property Morel Hunt at 4:30.

BOYNE FALLS

Morel Fest Wine & Dine

Tickets are now on sale for the 7th Annual Morefest Wine & Dine at the Beach House Restaurant at Boyne Mountain (439 E. Deer Lake Road) from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 18. Admission is \$40 per person, including tax and gratuity. Sponsors of this gourmet event are the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, Boyne Mountain and Bayside Beverage. Reservations are required. This event sells out every year, so don't delay. Call the chamber to purchase tickets, 231-582-6222.

PETOSKEY

Singles for Christ

Dinner group for all area singles 50 years and older will meet Saturday, May 19th, 6pm at City Park Grill, 432 E. Lake St. After dinner, Card & Game Night at 1st Presbyterian, 501 E. Mitchell, across from the Petoskey Library. Bring a snack to share and your own beverage. Restaurant reservations are required so R.S.V.P. by calling Frieda at 231-347-5747 or e-mail frieda@compnor.com

CHARLEVOIX

Fun Walk for Autism Acceptance

The Walk will be held at East park on Saturday, May 19th. This is a fun walk (approximately 1/2 mile) that will begin in Charlevoix's beautiful East Park, wind through downtown and end in East Park. Join us after the walk for an Autism celebration. Registration begins at 9am with the walk starting at 10am. Fees are \$20 for an adult and \$10 for a child 12 and under. For more information or to register contact Rachael Olson at 989-732-6295 X3614 or rolson@norcocmh.org

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Veteran - Need a job?

If you know a Veteran in need of a job please contact Douglas W. Robinson of the Veteran's Employment Representative Workforce Development Agency. Douglas will work with local Veteran in the job search. Petoskey Office (Mon-Tue) 231-439-5219, Grayling Office (Wed) 989-348-8709 - ext. 4234, or Gaylord Office (Thur-Fri) 989-732-3886 Ext. 4234. Feel free to contact Douglas at any of these locations or by email at robindson15@michigan.gov

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

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CHARLEVOIX

Keep Charlevoix Beautiful Needs Volunteers

If you enjoy the petunias

encompassing Charlevoix every summer, we would love your help! Keep Charlevoix Beautiful is seeking volunteers for some tasks to kick this petunia season off right. Any and all help is appreciated, but specific things that need volunteers: Rototilling the beds, bringing coffee (treats) to weeding crew in the mornings, helping with fertilizer for the Petunia Truck, and helping with various plant day and picnic tasks. Please email amandawilkinn@gmail.com to sign up to volunteer.

BOYNE CITY

Boat launch permit stickers now available for 2012

Annual boat launch permit stickers are now available for 2012 at Boyne City Hall. These stickers are good for launching at either the small launch at the marina or the north launch near Glen's Market (attainment of a sticker does not include the overnight parking fee). To obtain your annual permit, you will need to present your current boat registration and driver's license. For your convenience, once the marina office is open for the season in May, they will carry stickers and will be open evenings and weekends. Annual stickers can also be obtained by mail; contact City Hall for information, 231.582.6597.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Calling young artists

Do you know a high school-aged student in the Char-Em ISD who would love a chance to display their artwork in local businesses? The Leadership Little Traverse Class of 2012 invites them to be a part of Articipate, a new kind of art experience. Articipate will provide an experience to artists beyond the classroom and traditional exhibit format through an educational workshop with exposure to professional artists. Articipate includes a prize competition awarding the top finishers, including a \$500 cash prize sponsored by Sturgeon River Pottery, a 2-week exhibition at the Crooked Tree Arts Center, and more. Art will be displayed in various venues from May 18 to June 1 and will focus on 2D and 3D visual art. If you know of someone interested in entering a piece into Articipate, email info@articipateupnorth.org to receive an application.

PETOSKEY

Mother & Daughter Weekend

Mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, big sisters, aunts plus their daughters, sisters and granddaughters ages 7 to 17 are invited to an activity-packed weekend at the 2nd annual Mother & Daughter Weekend at Camp Daggett, Friday, May 18 through Sunday, May 20. Again, there will be wonderful activities including smores and singing around the campfire, high ropes activities, bracelet weaving, scrap-booking, Petoskey buddy stones and jewelry, book reviews by McLean & Eakin, an in-house beauty afternoon provided by Talulu Beauty Lounge (some charges apply), a pontoon boat ride, karaoke and great food. Cost is \$150 for mother/daughter, plus \$50 for each additional daughter. Space is limited and registration is on a first

come first served basis. Fee includes lodging, food and all activities, unless otherwise noted. For additional information, contact Kathy Bardins at 231-487-1188. To register, please contact Jen Tarquini at Camp Daggett, 231-347-9742.

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BOYNE FALLS

Wedding EXPO

Visit with all the best wedding related businesses in Northern Michigan at the Northern Michigan Wedding EXPO on Sunday, May 20 at Boyne Mountain Resort. Tons of prizes, food and fun. Free admission. Brides-to-be from all over Northern Michigan can Pre-Register at www.CharlevoixCountyNews.com and get an extra entry into the Grand Prize Drawing. EXPO begins at 1pm. Door prizes drawn throughout the day. Fashion show at 3pm. Grand Prize drawing at 4:45pm. Current exhibitors include Bridal shops, Florists, Photographers, Caterers, Hall Rental, Decorators, Wedding Planners, DJ's, Entertainers, Limo Services, Travel Planners, Reception Venues and more. Sponsored by BOYNE and the Charlevoix County News.

EAST JORDAN

Clean up week

Let's Take Action... Get Up, Get Out, Clean Up, East Jordan. Event scheduled for May 14th to 20th. As spring arrives it's time to take action and get our homes, businesses and community ready to greet visitors. The city of East Jordan will hold the 2nd annual citywide clean up event. May 14, Face-lift Day. May 15, Trash Walk. May 16, City-Wide Planting. May 17, Business After Hours. May 18 - Best Decorated Trash Can Contest. May 19, City Wide Spring Cleanup. May 20, Street Washing by the East Jordan Fire Dept.

PETOSKEY

Fashion show

Spring Fashions North of the 45th fashion show is May 22 at the Perry Hotel, downtown. Tickets are \$35. Silent auction, 11am - Noon. Lunch with fashion show at Noon. For tickets contact Joanie Schumann, 231-582-7496 or Marilyn Rhadigan, 231-582-0427. Benefits local charities. Sponsored by Eta Nu Charities.

EAST JORDAN

Plant flowers

Once again it is time to think of Spring Flowers and the City of East Jordan DDA Flower Boxes on Main Street. We hope that all spring planting can take place by Thursday, May 24. If

you are interested in planting and maintaining a "Flower Box" please contact Tom Teske at 231-536-4428 or mobile 734-604-6872

BOYNE CITY

Plant sale

The Boyne Valley Garden Club's annual Shrub and Perennial Sale is now in progress. Order forms are available from club members, Boyne Avenue Greenhouse, Local Flavor Bookstore, Boyne Co-op True Value, Upsy-Daisy Floral and Boyne City Ace Hardware. You may also call 582-9373 to request an order form. Orders must be paid in advance by May 24. Orders then must be picked up from 9am to noon behind Boyne Avenue Greenhouse.

BOYNE CITY

Grand opening

The Blue Harbor Grille at Sommerset Pointe will have a grand opening celebration May 24, 5:30 - 7:30pm. Mini samples of menu will be served. RSVP not necessary.

BOYNE CITY

Business after hours

BAH this month will be held Thursday, May 24, from 5:30 to 7:30pm at Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club. This will also be a ribbon cutting and grand opening for Sommerset's new Blue Harbor Grill. There is a cash bar and no charge for admission or hors d'oeuvres. Next month, Wildwood Rush Zipline Canopy Tour will host Business After Hours on June 21 at 02575 Boyne City Road, just west of Young State Park.

ATWOOD to BOYNE FALLS

Breezeway Garage Sale

3rd Annual Garage Sales Across the Breezeway and East Jordan Sidewalk Sales - Fri/Sat - May 25-26.

EAST JORDAN

Canister day

The East Jordan Freedom Festival will be holding Canister Day on Friday, May 25 at 8 locations in East Jordan. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event. If you would be interested in taking a one (1) hour shift between 12 - 5 PM, to help raise

money for the fantastic fireworks display scheduled for Saturday, June 16th please call the

Chamber Office at 231-536-7952. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

CHARLEVOIX

Stars for Hospice

The 29th annual Hospice of Northwest Michigan Stars for Hospice Benefit Dinner and Auction will be held on Friday, June 1 at 5:30 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. Your reservation provides you with an evening of fun, food and friends including cocktails, station style dining, the Wall of Wine, games, raffles, restaurant and golf frenzies, a live auction and entertainment by nationally renowned comedian Dr. Brad Nieder - who has been described as Ray Ramano with an MD. He'll have you rolling in the aisles! We have great auction items that you won't want to miss. Seating is limited. Please call 231-547-7659 for information or to make a reservation.

EAST JORDAN

Rotary Variety Show

Rotary Variety Show this year is scheduled for Friday, June 8th and Saturday, June 9th at 7pm in the community auditorium. A silent auction will precede the show beginning at 6 p.m. in the lobby. Tickets are \$8 each and are available at Bay Winds Federal Credit Union, Charlevoix State Bank, Glen's Market, Huntington Bank or from a Rotarian.

CHARLEVOIX

Art class

Mike Coltman - Pastels, Brush & Palette Knife - Monday June 11 & Tuesday June 12, 5 - 9pm at the Circle of Arts.

CHARLEVOIX

Bob Carey Memorial Golf Scramble

The MSU Top of the State Alumni Club announces the 2012 Bob Carey Memorial Golf Scramble will take place on Saturday, June 16 at the Belvedere Golf Club in Charlevoix. Shotgun start at 8am followed by lunch, prizes, and networking at 12:30pm. Player cost: \$100.

Hole Sponsorships: \$100. All proceeds go to benefit the Top of The State Scholarship Award to an incoming MSU student. To register or for more details call Steve Seely 231-499-3674 or Jeff Wellman 231-582-0097. Go Green!

CHARLEVOIX

Art Class

Beverly Eby - Watercolor Painting - Monday June 25 & Tuesday June 26, 5 - 9pm at the Circle of Arts. Bring a photo of your home!

CHARLEVOIX

Northern Lights Celebration

St. Mary School of Charlevoix will be hosting their 17th Annual Northern Lights Celebration on Friday, June 29th at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. The event will include unique auction items from various surrounding communities and includes our signature Children's Art Gallery. For more information on the event, contact St. Mary School of Charlevoix at 231.547.9441.

WALLOON LAKE

Kayak for a cause

Kayaking enthusiasts are invited to participate in the 4th annual Kayak for a Cause on Walloon Lake, a fundraising event for the Camp Daggett Adventure Center (CDAC), Saturday, July 21 and Sunday July 22 from 9:30am until 4pm each day. Beginners and advanced adult kayakers will paddle the 30 miles along the beautiful Walloon Lake shoreline and raise much needed dollars for scholarships for children to attend Camp Daggett Adventure Center programs. You must register by June 15 to receive your free team shirt. For more information, contact Karen Marietti, CDAC director, at 231-347-9742, ext 117 or karen.marietti@campdaggett.org

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Freedom Festival "Original" T-Shirt Quilt

When Former Freedom Festival Board Member Debbie Chappuies graciously donated her collection of Freedom Festival T-shirts to the Board a comment was made how neat it would be to make them into a quilt. East Jordan resident Shelley Stallard was contacted and she graciously accepted the suggestion to turn the t-shirts into a Freedom Festival work of art. The quilt was completed after 20 hours of work by Shelley who donated her time, talent and materials to the project. One lucky winner will own the quilt as a result of a Freedom Festival Quilt Raffle which is now underway. Tickets are \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00, and



Pictured are Debbie Chappuies and Shelley Stallard displaying the red, white & blue Freedom Festival quilt.

may be purchased at East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Office or from any Freedom Festival Board Member. This

year's Freedom Festival will be held June 13 - 17 in East Jordan.

Boyerne City Farmers Market opens for 30th year

The Boyne City Farmers Market, which has earned a reputation as the best farmers market in northern Michigan, opened last weekend at Veterans Park. This is the 30th anniversary for the market and this season is shaping up to be one of the best ever under the direction of Rebecca Harris, who was hired this past winter, as the market manager. The outdoor market runs from 8 a.m. to noon every Wednesday and Saturday, May through October. The opening of the outdoor market season comes after the successful first year of the indoor Boyne City Farmers Market. More than 15 vendors participated in the weekly indoor market and plans are already underway to have the

indoor market again next year. Boyne City is one of the few communities in northern Michigan to offer a year-round weekly farmers market.

The outdoor market features more than 60 regular producer vendors, all local and all serving the best that northern Lower Michigan has to offer including seasonal fruits, vegetables, and herbs; gourmet baked goods and preserves; eggs and cheese; honey and maple syrup; meat, poultry and fish, potted annuals, shrubs, and cut flowers; plus a juried craft market with unique handmade items for your home or a special gift.

New this season is the creation of a "Friends of the Market" support group

formed to support and help grow activities at the market. Volunteers are being recruited to help on market days and in planning special events. Lucy Hartlove is serving as chair of the newly formed group.

The Boyne City Farmers Market is a program of the Boyne City Main Street / Downtown Development Authority. It is governed by an 11-member committee consisting of vendors and community members. For more information visit the expanded farmer's market website at www.boynecityfarmersmarket.com or contact market manager Rebecca Harris at 231-330-2704. You can also contact the Main Street Program at 231-582-9009.

Expert offers Morel hunting tips at Boyne District Library on May 10th

Before the hustle and bustle of the 52nd National Morel Mushroom Festival May 17-20, Boyne District Library is offering a program for local residents to hone their morel skills. Local expert Tony Williams will share tips and anecdotes on May 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the library's Community Room.

Topics will include: how and when to find morels; fail-safe identification;

picking techniques, proper storage; and preparation and recipes.

Williams, a Boyne City resident, has been awarded the position of "Expert-in-Residence" for the National Morel Mushroom Festival. He teaches morel hunting and takes people on guided morel hunting tours each spring.

"It's a great food. It's exotic," says Williams of the morel. "It's like a treasure

hunt. People love to find stuff!"

"His enthusiasm is contagious and his presentation style is sure to entertain and inspire everyone to get out into the woods," said library director Cliff Carey. "We are looking forward to his presentation."

There is no charge for the program. For more information, contact the library at 231-582-7861.

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The NLEA Annual Luncheon began with a rousing performance by the Petoskey Marching Band, followed by a welcome from NLEA president Stephanie Baldwin.

Over 500 attend Northern Lakes Economic Alliance Annual Luncheon at Boyne Mountain

PHOTOS BY JIM AKANS

By Jim Akans

Boyne Mountain's Civic Center was packed with over 500 attendees last Friday afternoon, May 4th, as the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) holds their Annual Luncheon Event, reviewing achievements across the organizations four-county service area, featuring key-note speaker Kirk Wyers, and presenting this year's Special Recognition, Maniac of the Year Award, and Project of the Year Award.

NLEA serves Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet counties, comprising 65 townships, six cities and nine villages, nine Chambers of Commerce's, over 4,000 businesses and a population of nearly 113,000 individuals. The mission of the Alliance is to "enhance the economy in our four-county service area by acting as a resource to retain and create quality jobs." Among the achievements cited in their 2011 annual report were 17 business expansions and nine new business start ups, and over 175 new jobs and 346 retained jobs in the area.

Examples of achievements this past year among NLEA



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members were a \$1 million investment plus a \$400,000 CDBG grant at Central Lake's Armor Express, resulting in the hiring of 100 employees. Downtown Pellston underwent a downtown renovation utilizing a \$580,000 grant, Moran Iron Works expanded into the Cheboygan area with plans to hire up to a dozen

new employees, and Kirtland Products arrived in Boyne City with a new business investment of \$4.5 million and the creation of 20 new jobs.

The Annual Luncheon began with a rousing performance by the Petoskey Marching Band, followed by a welcome from NLEA president Stephanie Baldwin. Keynote speaker, Kirk Wyers, offered some encouraging advice about emerging from a tough economy, including the importance of recognizing the value of relationships and people, noting, "you cannot go it alone in today's economic environment."

With the 2012 political season firmly underway, the luncheon also included short presentations from Congressman Dan Benishek of Michigan's First District, State Senator Howard Walker of the 37th District, District 107 Representative Frank Foster, and District 105 Representative Greg MacMaster.

The early afternoon event concluded with the presentations of this year's NLEA recognitions and awards. Dean Solomon, Senior Extension Educator for MSU Extension received a special recognition, presented by past NLEA chairman, Don Voisin. Steve Rawlings presented the "Maniac of the Year" award to Jim Gillett for his extensive volunteer contributions to the revitalization of downtown Pellston, and his award included a hat-rack signifying the many hats Gillett wears. The "Project of the Year" award was presented to Matt Davis of Central Lake's Armor Express by Pete Garwood, after a fascinating three-minute video highlighting the extreme care the Armor team extends in creating protective apparel used extensively by law enforcement agencies.

The Annual Luncheon was sponsored by Northwestern Bank, Boyne Mountain, DTE Energy, and ITC. For additional information about NLEA, visit www.northernlakes.net



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Chickens Allowed In Boyne City

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY - At the May 8 meeting of the Boyne City Commission amendments to three city ordinances were approved to allow chickens in residential areas of the city, an update on the Kirtland wood pellet plant was given and a public hearing was held to discuss progress on the grant for South Park Street.

After considering a request by several citizens that approached the planning commission last fall, an ordinance amendment was drafted that would allow people to keep chickens in residential areas. Amendments to the zoning ordinances of the Traditional Residential District, the Rural Estate District and an amendment to section 6 of the animal ordinance were required. Some specifics of the amendments include allowing up to 4 chickens, no roosters, no slaughtering or dressing of the chickens outside, chickens must be provided with a covered enclosure in the rear yard and it must be positioned at least 10 feet from adjacent property lines. The amendments passed 4 to 1. "I think we are going to run into some issues here. I can't see how you can possibly have chickens and not be offensive to your neighbors," said Commissioner Laura Sansom. Mayor Ron Grunch

responded that if the ordinance wasn't self policing that it could be tightened.

City Planning Director, Scott McPherson updated the commission on progress made concerning Kirtland Products. A noise consultant, RSG Inc. has been hired and will begin a noise analysis the week of May 21. The plant must be at full operational capacity in order for the tests to be accurate so the plant will be up and running for three days. Discussion with the DEQ has taken place concerning plant emissions. Further testing must be done to see if the plant is in compliance with regulations. Citizen comment came from Mark Kowalske, "I appreciate you taking the time to really research this like you are doing," he said.

Part of the process of applying for the Community Development Block Grant includes minor changes to the Community Development Plan. The grant will be a significant aid in financing the project which includes the total reconstruction of three blocks of Park Street in downtown Boyne City from Water Street heading south to Pine Street. City Manager, Michael Cain stated in a memo to the commission that the "overall plan is still considered current and consistent with the communities needs and goals," and recom-



Resident Sandy Hill addressed the City Commission Tuesday, May 8 stating that she was the one who started the "whole chicken episode" and confided that she has had no problems with her chickens in the three years she has had them. She considers them to be "pets with benefits."

mended that the commission adopt the proposed plan, which they unanimously did.

The next regular city Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22 at noon.

Ellsworth Names Class of 2012 Top Graduates

VALEDICTORIAN MIKAYLA THORMAN

Valedictorian Mikayla Thorman, daughter of Rhonda and Glen Thorman, has earned a 3.98 GPA. Mikayla is currently training to become an EMT through her dual enrollment at Northwestern Michigan College. She has been active in the Band,



Volleyball and the National Honor Society throughout her high school career. She has also participated track and field competitions. She will be attending Central Michigan University in the fall and hopes to serve as a paramedic while earning her degree in medicine.

SALUTATORIAN EMILY VEENSTRA

Salutatorian Emily Veenstra, daughter of Alvin and Jennifer Veenstra, has earned a 3.96 GPA and will be attending Calvin College in the fall. During her junior year she was named an all-state basketball player as well as an academic all-state athlete; during her senior year she became a 1,000 point scorer early in the season. She has also distinguished herself in cross country, volleyball, track and softball. She has been active on student



council, the Youth Advisory Council, and has been a Peer Mentor. She has also served in numerous roles during her high school career including: the yearbook staff, prom committee, Junior Class President, National Honor Society, Band and as an intern with the Antrim Review as a sports writer. She plans to study sign language and special education and will be playing basketball and possibly track at Calvin next year.

DAVE Says

Dave Ramsey



schedule a long weekend, just for Nancy, and get away somewhere to just relax, unwind, and think about the things that make you happy.

It's easy to get out of the habit of dreaming, but try to find some time that will allow you to get back the feelings you had when you were 18 and felt like you could conquer the world. Visit that place in your mind and your spirit, and think about what you'd aim at if you could do it all over again.

Dreaming is a great thing, but you have to formulate an idea. Once you have that in place, you can begin to develop a strategy for getting there. Make a list of the things you need to do ahead of time to make the transition possible. Would you need to take some classes or save up and buy some equipment between now and then? These are all important issues to address. And check out the book *Quitter* by Jon Acuff. It's a fantastic read for folks in your situation. Good luck, Nancy!

—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is America's most trusted voice on money and business. He's authored four New York Times best-selling books: *Financial Peace*, *More Than Enough*, *The Total Money Makeover* and *EntreLeadership*. *The Dave Ramsey Show* is heard by more than 5 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Short term or greater good?

Dear Dave, I have a problem with impulse spending. I switched to a debit card so that the money comes straight out of my checking account, but I still buy things I know I shouldn't. Should I stop using the card?

Lauren
Dear Lauren, First, let me say that debit cards are great. You can't spend money you don't have with them like you can with a credit card, but you've still got to budget carefully and give a name to every single penny of your income. Otherwise, you can still overspend.

When I made the decision to get intentional with my money, I just used cash. It's hard to spend it when you don't have any on you. It's a tough thing, I know, but you have to make a conscious decision to start living differently. You have to get mad at the things that steal your money a dollar or two at a time, and you have to put your foot down. Enough is enough!

Try looking at your life as a

whole, not a moment at time. All the moments you're living right now will have either a positive or negative effect on your future. I decided I wanted the greater, long-term good, so I gave up on the short-term stuff. No discipline is pleasant when you're doing it, but as the Bible says, it yields a harvest of righteousness.

Trust me, Lauren. The greater good is worth the sacrifice. But until you make that decision for yourself, you won't do it.

—Dave

Daring to dream again

Dear Dave, I'm 53 and in a position financially to retire in a couple of years. I want to keep working some after retirement, but I'm so burned out by my job that I'm not sure what I would do. How can I find something that would light my fire again?

Nancy
Dear Nancy, If you haven't dreamed in a while, dreaming becomes an exercise. I think it would be a good idea to set aside some time, turn off the television, and just think about the things you like doing. Maybe you could

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Down
1- What there oughta be; 2- La Dolce ___; 3- Eye part; 4- Waterflea; 5- Kathmandu resident; 6- Icon; 7- Tampa Bay player, for short; 8- Fast fliers; 9- Native Alaskans; 10- One concerned with the bottom line?; 11- "Lovergirl" singer ___ Marie; 12- Thorny flowers; 13- Cave; 21- Washer cycle; 23- Boat often made of birchbark, canvas, or fiberglass; 26- Fragments; 27- Hero; 28- Game of chance; 29- ___ evil...; 30- Miscalculates; 32- Tiny particle; 33- Impersonator; 34- Actor Julia; 35- TV award; 38- Approaches; 39- Sleep images; 44- Angelic musician?; 45- Sagacious; 46- Deceive; 47- Breed of dog; 48- Eye drops; 49- Acclaim; 50- All together; 51- Burn with water; 53- Tibetan oxen; 55- Matures; 56- ___ speak; 57- Ladies of Sp.; 60- The Company;

STUDENT of the Week

Boyne Falls Elementary

Logan Crocker



PARENTS: Jennifer Kind & Larry Crocker
GRADE: 2
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO WHEN YOU GROW UP? I would like to be a builder and work in construction because it seems like most people in my family do that.
FAVORITE BOOK? I enjoy mystery books because I like to see how the author decides to solve mysteries.
HOBBIES/INTERESTS: Going to the beach and water parks are activities I enjoy.

HOBBIES/INTERESTS: Logan strives to do his best at all times. He comes to school ready to learn every single day. Logan exhibits all the qualities of a great role model for classmates. He is always willing to help others or to help with classroom tasks. Congratulations Logan! (Rebecca Disney)

News

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Chamber names Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center May's "Business of the Month"



The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected the team at Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center of Charlevoix as the May Business of the Month. COURTESY PHOTO

By Jim Akans

The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center of Charlevoix as the May Business of the Month, recognizing the organizations longstanding commitment in helping to make Charlevoix an outstanding community in which to live, work and play.

NMSMC is an outpatient facility, which provides physical & occupational therapy, aquatic therapy, and specializes in athletic injury rehabilitation. With six locations throughout northern Lower Michigan, NMSMC was originally founded in Petoskey in early 1988 with a mission "To provide high quality rehabilitative and preventive care to

enhance the active lifestyles of northern Michigan."

The company opened their Charlevoix location in September of 2004, and also has offices in Rogers City, Cheboygan, Harbor Springs, Indian River, and a second location in Petoskey. At each location, the NMSMC team is dedicated to providing the highest quality care with a strong focus on patient satisfaction.

Joel Smith Physical Therapist and Clinical Manager at the Charlevoix location, states that the best part of doing business in the Charlevoix area is, "There are very few areas I can think of where you can live, work and play without ever leaving home, and the greatest of these places I can think of to be is in Northern

Michigan. It (Charlevoix) is a tight-knit, supportive community that emphasizes and encourages support of its local businesses and commerce."

He adds that the best part of his job is, "Quite simply, just to help people. Being part of a physical therapy team allows me to use a hands-on approach to help someone function in a way that they were previously unable to do, and get back to performing those activities most important to them."

Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center of Charlevoix is located at 6510 M-66 North in Charlevoix, and can be contacted at (231) 547-0380 www.northernmichigansportsmed.com

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Police Week

by losing their lives in the line of duty while protecting and serving the public.

On average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 53 hours. Since the first recorded line of duty death back in 1791, over 19,000 law enforcement officers in the U.S. have lost their lives while protecting the lives of the citizens they serve.

The roots of National Police Week reach back to 1962, when President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation that designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week following as Police Week. In August 1981, the Fraternal Order of Police National Auxiliary Board voted to hold the first National Peace Officers' Memorial Day Service on Capitol Hill at Senate Park the following May. The event, which was initially attended by approximately 120 supporters and survivors, has grown to become National Police Week, offering a series of events that draw up to 40,000 attendees to our nation's Capitol from across the world.

President Ronald Regan sign legislation into law in October 1984 that established the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, created to raise funds for what became the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Judiciary Square in Washington, DC. The Memorial was dedicated in October 1991 by President George Bush, and currently bears the names of over 16,000 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

A group called Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc. distributes over a half million blue ribbons for law enforcement agencies to tie to their car an-

tennas to draw national attention to Police Week. The United States Congress recently passed legislation that allows the U.S. flag to be flown at half-staff on May 15th in honor of fallen officers.

There will be a Candlelight Vigil held in Washington, D.C. on May 13th, at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. During the service there will be a reading of the 362 names being added to the memorial this year; 163 who died in the line of duty in 2011 and 199 officers who passed away previously but who's names have not been documented on the memorial.

For those seeking a personalized way to show support for law enforcement officers, there is a special tribute section on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund website (www.nleomf.org). The tribute section welcomes narratives, poems, stories - any message someone wants to share in tribute to our fallen officers. Tributes can be posted for an individual officer or for America's fallen heroes in general. Browsing through these tributes offers a heartfelt appreciation for the service and sacrifice of America's law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our safety and protection.

Join us here at the Charlevoix County News in thanking and recognizing our local law enforcement. After all they are giving us fifty-two weeks of around the clock protection.

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Habitat for Humanity Restore helps build dreams

By Jim Akans

When someone purchases an item from the vast inventory of new and gently used home improvement products at the 9,500 square foot Habitat for Humanity Restore facility in Harbor Springs, they not only enjoy huge savings in price, they are helping to build the new home dreams of the families the Habitat organization helps each year. It is truly a win-win situation, the expansion of a vision that began back in 1976 when Millard and Linda Fuller founded Habitat for Humanity. To date, over 400,000 affordable houses have been built by Habitat affiliates, housing more than 2 million people worldwide.

Harbor Springs Habitat for Humanity Restore Director, Bob Bystrom, states, "There were 28 Restores in Michigan when we started this one four years ago. Today there are approximately 50 here in Michigan, and over 800 nationwide. We offer a wide variety of home improvement items, such as windows, doors, plumbing and electrical products, lawn and garden products, light fixtures, paint and more."

The inventory also includes a constantly changing selection of gently used furniture and home accessories. About the only type of item they don't carry is clothing, and as with every Habitat for Humanity Restore in the state, they no longer accept box springs or mattresses.



Customers shopping at the Habitat for Humanity Restore facility in Harbor Springs not only enjoy huge savings in price, they are helping to build the new home dreams of the families the Habitat organization helps each year. COURTESY PHOTO

Bystrom notes that local businesses, area contractors, and people in the community donate the vast majority of the items offered in the store. Since Habitat for Humanity Restore is a non-profit organization, those donations are typically tax-deductible for the donor. Proceeds from the sales at the Restore are utilized to assist affiliate Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity build quality, energy efficient, new home for families in Emmet and Charlevoix Counties.

"When we open our doors back in March of 2007," Bystrom recalls, "Norwest Michigan Habitat for Hu-

manity was building approximately one and a half homes per year. That capacity has now jumped to four to five homes per year, and last year there were seven active projects. Since opening, we also estimate that we have diverted approximately 11,000 tons of waste that would have ended up in landfills."

Harbor Springs Habitat for Humanity Restore is located at 8460 M-119 in Harbor Springs, and hours of operations are Monday through Friday, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm, and Saturday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. For details, call 231-347-8440 or visit www.northwestmihabitat.org/Restore.htm

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Moms; A Child's Greatest Gift

This Sunday honor the special lady we hold near all year long

By Jim Akans

Moms...you just can't help but love them.

From the very first moments of our awareness, we instinctively understand that a mother's arms offer protection, reassurance, and support. While we may cause lots of grief for mom as we grow, her love remains unfaltering, unconditional, and unending. As anyone who has lost a mother knows, the bond between mother and child lasts well beyond her lifetime.

So it is of no surprise that we have established a special day each year to celebrate the many virtues of motherhood. What is surprising is that it took so long to do.

Our modern Mother's Day was the brainchild of Anna Jarvis, who, less than 100 years ago, actually trademarked the phrase "Mother's Day" and even "sec-

ond Sunday in May." The apostrophe's positioning is something Anna was very concerned about, wanting to make sure the phrase was a singular possessive so each family was inspired to honor their mother rather than make the day a broad celebration of matriarchs everywhere.

President Woodrow Wilson was instrumental in the creation of a law making the holiday official, and Hallmark made sure everyone knew about it.

Even television has generally been kind to mothers over the years, though never squarely on the mark.

In the 1950's and 1960's, fictional roles such as June Cleaver, Donna Reed and Harriet Nelson caught the sweet, "apple pie" aspect of mom. As we moved through the 1970's, 1980's and 1990's, television moms such as Ann Romano on One Day at a Time, Elyse Keaton on Family

Ties, Clair Huxtable on Cosby and Patricia Richardson of Home Improvement reminded us that moms can also be cool, career oriented, and independent. Today's fare tends to lean toward "reality" based formats, with mom's portrayed perhaps not quite as wholesomely, thought that does point out that there is more than one reason moms became moms after all!

Yet despite a fairly good effort, television has never gotten down to the heart of the mom matter. You see, moms are complex cats...they are all these things and much, much more.

So spend some time with the one who brought you up in this world this coming Sunday. Stop by for a visit, give her a call, or hold her in your thoughts. For the greatest gift a child can give, is letting their mother know that they love them too.

Mother's Day

Her children have all grown, she has her time alone
Walks among the memories inside a silent home

And she is standing by, ready to sanctify
The hopes and dreams of others lives
With all that she has known

Provide encouragement, strength and sentiment
A quiet dignity she has learned and won't forget...it's Mothers Day

While there is joy and laughter in her heart
It's so much different than she imagined at the start
Lullabies, reasons why - turn around and wave good-bye
She can't believe just how quickly it's gone by...it's Mother's Day

At times it's as though everything's the same
She can close her eyes and see it all again

There's a little girl hiding in her face
Who still questions all the mystery's of this place
Though time has been of justice, and age has made her wise
She seldom notices or stops to recognize...it's Mother's Day

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