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Groundbreaking held for Charlevoix County Annex in Boyne Falls

By Jim Akans

A groundbreaking ceremony was held last Tuesday, June 12th, for the new Charlevoix County Building Annex located at 2287 Railroad Street in Boyne Falls. The new building, scheduled for completion within the next 120 days, will serve as both a storage facility for Charlevoix County Sheriff equipment and as a part-time location for County officials, including the Clerk and Treasurer, for holding temporary hours during week.

Charlevoix County Sheriff, Don Snyder, states, "We have been trying to establish a new substation on the east side of the county for several years, so this has been a long time coming. This will provide a heated garage to house patrol cars and store our equipment, such as boats, ATV's and snowmobiles, so that they are 'at the ready' when needed on the east side of county. This will also provide a facility where we can sit down and meet with people in a private setting."

Funding for the 4,600 square foot facility was approved in early June. It was designed by Elaine Keiser Architect Inc of Petoskey, and the General Contractor for the construction will be Birchwood Construction Company of Harbor Springs.

The first shovels of earth have been removed and construction of the new Charlevoix County Annex is expected to be completed by October. From left; Cheryl Browe (Charlevoix County Clerk), Chris Christensen (County Commissioner), Don Snyder (Charlevoix County Sheriff), Richard Gillespie (County Commissioner) and Debra Taylor (Boyer Falls Village Clerk).

PHOTO BY ELAINE KEISER



All roads open! East Jordan "Community Celebration" to be held on June 26th

By Jim Akans

For the past couple of years, roadwork throughout the East Jordan community has made getting around town a bit difficult...to put it mildly! However, with the recent completion of the M-32 roadwork, all roads are open and it's time for a community-wide celebration of this renewed mobility.

That celebration event is scheduled to take place at the Save-A-Lot parking lot on June 26th from 3 to 7 pm, and will feature live music by two area bands, free food, and lots and lots of prize give-aways.

Frank Leonard, who co-owns Save-A-Lot with Scott Roggenbeck, states, "We are holding an "open for business party," and we have had 100-percent participation for local businesses and merchants in putting this celebration together. Our town has been on continual detour for the past couple of years, with the present M-32 work, the previous State Street work, and other



The road for fun is open and clear to the East Jordan Community-wide Celebration event at the Save-A-Lot parking lot on June 26th from 3 to 7 pm. See you there! PHOTO BY DAVE BARAGREY

projects as well. Now that we are feeling confident that work is completed, and once again residents and visitors can access everything our town has to offer, it's time for a celebration!"

In addition to live music, free food, and fun for the kids including a chance to explore a genuine East Jordan fire truck, local merchants have donated prizes and gift certificates and attendees will have an opportunity to win some of those items by simply putting

their names "in the hat" during the celebration. Those prize drawings will take place throughout the event, and all the names will be put back in the hat for two Grand Prize drawings at the end of the day. The two Grand Prizes will be free gas for a year and free groceries for a year...courtesy of Save-A-Lot.

The road for fun is open and clear to the East Jordan Community-wide Celebration event on June 26th from 3 to 7 pm. See you there!

Charlevoix County Board Appoints New Civil Council

By Tina Sundelius

At the June 13 meeting of the Charlevoix County Commissioners the vacant position of civil council was appointed to Young, Graham, Elsenheimer and Wendling, a law firm with offices in Bellaire and Charlevoix.

The County Personnel Committee was assigned the task of reviewing proposals submitted for the position and the commissioners voted in favor of their recommendation 5-1. Commissioner Richard Gillespie voted against appointing the firm because he felt the potential for a conflict of interest was present since the firm also represented some of the county's townships. "I felt from day one that it would cause conflict. I know many people at Young, Graham, Elsenheimer and Wendling and I respect them but problems could surface very quickly," said Gillespie.

In a letter submitted to the commis-
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Commissioner Richard Gillespie fears new civil council could present a conflict of interest. FILE PHOTO

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OBITUARIES

Herbert Bruce Moore, 87

(APRIL 5, 1925 - MAY 16, 2012)
Herbert Bruce Moore, 87, died May 16, 2012, at his home in Charlevoix.
He was born April 5, 1925, to Joseph and Anna (Cousins) Moore. In 1944, Herbert enlisted in the US Army and came home to graduate from Charlevoix High School in 1947.

Herbert was co-owner of the Argonne Supper Club, and was owner of Gebeau's Grocery. Herb loved to drive the back country roads which led him to take on a paper route with the Petoskey News Review.

Herbert was married to the former Anne Speigl and he was also married to Mary Novotny.

Herbert is survived by his wife, Mary, three sons, Mike (Jill) Moore, and Tom Moore both of Charlevoix, Terry Moore of Noel, Ark.; four step-children, Kathy (Tim) Bradley of Charlevoix, Cheryl (Robert) Ripley of Traverse City, James (Jean) Novotny and Jeff (Cindy) Novotny both of Charlevoix; five grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his poodle, Paws, and his neighbor and good friend, Blair Petrosky.

Herbert was preceded in death by his wife, Anne; son, Joe, and his parents.

A memorial service will be 2:00 pm, Friday, June 22, 2012 at Saint Mary's Cemetery in Charlevoix.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield, Charlevoix, 49720.

The family was served by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Helen Dudzik, 95

Helen Dudzik of Swartz Creek and formerly of Beaver Island died June 15, 2012, at Genesys Hospice in Goodrich.

Funeral Mass was Tuesday, June 19, at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Beaver Island with the Rev. Joseph Blasko officiating.

Burial followed at Holy Cross Cemetery, Beaver Island.

Douglas W. Gabrielsen, 81

Douglas W. Gabrielsen of Boyne City, and West Orange, N.J., entered heaven's glory on June 13, 2012, at McLaren Northern Michigan hospital in Petoskey.

He was a mechanical engineer for Honeywell in Teterboro, N.J., and Boyne City. Douglas was an active and faithful board member at Walloon Lake Community Church, the Gideons, Youth For Christ, Child Evangelism and was a long time elder, treasurer, organist and choir member at Calvary Evangelical Free Church in Essex Fells, N.J.

Doug is survived and missed by his wife of 58 years, Sus (Sylvia);

sister, Janet (Art) Teisen; children, Diane (David) Gabrielsen Cabush, Douglas A. (Joy) Gabrielsen, Debbie S. Gabrielsen; grandchildren, Joshua, Kelly and Ross Gabrielsen, Diane and Eva Andres and Carrie Cabush; and six nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life for Douglas will be held 2 p.m., Sunday, July 8, at Walloon Lake Community Church with pastor Jeff Ellis officiating.

In lieu of flowers donations may be directed to the Walloon Lake Community Church or the Gideons.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Douglas are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhome-inc.com.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Donald G. Orrick, DDS, 83

(FEB. 22, 1929 - JUNE 8, 2012)
Donald G. Orrick, DDS, passed away peacefully on June 8, 2012, at the age of 83.

He was born Feb. 22, 1929, to Earl and Viola Orrick who preceded him in death.

He attended Emmanuel Missionary College (Andrews University) in Berrien Springs, Mich. He graduated from the Ohio State University School of Dentistry in 1955, after which he served in the United States Navy as a lieutenant commander.

Don practiced dentistry in Worthington, Ohio, for 36 years. He was very active in community associations. He was a life member of the Columbus Dental Society. As an avid boater, Don was a member of and active in both the Columbus Power Squadron and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. He was a past commodore of the Gravel Bar Yacht Club in Marblehead, Ohio. He was a long-time member of the Worthington and Boyne City Seventh-day Adventist churches.

Don is survived by his wife of 51 years, Chris; his three daughters, Kathy and Greg Goodlin, DDS of Oregon, Kimberly and Harry Suckert, DDS of Tennessee and Heidi and Mike Wallace, DDS of California. He adored their eight grandchildren: Michelle, Bryndi, Madison, Andrew, Brook, Britta, Kristen and Brayden. He is also survived by his sister, Marilyn Lidner, of Arizona; nephews, Tom and Paula Lidner, Mark and Uni Lidner of Arizona, and Nathan Frazier of Arizona; niece, Nicole and Aaron Enebrad, and their daughters, Savannah and Ava, all of Arizona; brother-in-law, Richard and Starr Frazier, of California; mother-in-law, Ann Guddat, of California; and his many friends and church family from Boyne City.

A memorial service and celebration of his life will take place at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 28, at the Worthington Seventh-day Adventist

Church located at 385 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Worthington, Ohio 43085.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Chattanooga Care Center located at 2626 Walker Road, Chattanooga, Tenn. 37421; or Boyne City Seventh-day Adventist Church located at 228 E. Cedar St., Boyne City, Mich. 49712; or to the Worthington Seventh-day Adventist Church 385 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Worthington, Ohio 43085.

Share a memory of Don and/or a personal condolence with Chris and the family by visiting his memorial web page and guest book at www.companionfunerals.com.

Companion Funeral & Cremation Service of Cleveland, Tenn., was honored to assist the Orrick family with these arrangements.

Daniel L. Gelios, 36

(MAY 9, 1976 - JUNE 10, 2012)
Daniel L. Gelios of Ellsworth died Sunday, June 10, 2012, at home.

He was born May 9, 1976, in Mount Clemens, the oldest son of Virginia (Gina) Fuller and Ronald Gelios.

Danny grew up in and graduated from Roseville High School. He loved to read books and was very knowledgeable about most things. Danny was a great tinkerer and could fix anything. He loved his family and was loved by all who knew him. "He was a whole ball of kindness." Danny enjoyed his quiet time and his coffee.

He is survived by his parents, Gina Marszalec of East Jordan and Ronald Gelios of Missouri; sister, Melissa (Anwar) Khan and their children Aliyah and Aydin; brothers, Timothy (Danielle) Gelios and their children Cody, Hailey, and Teagan; Randall (Krystle Hamilton) Gelios and their children Lilly and Markis; grandparents, Mary Ann Fuller of Boyne Falls and LaVona and James Gelios of Harrison; and a large extended family.

Danny was preceded in death by his grandfather, Robert Fuller; aunt, Bandi Fuller; uncles, Richard and Bobby Fuller.

Funeral services were Thursday, June 14, at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with the Rev. Jared Van Noord officiating. Interment followed in Southern Cemetery, Central Lake. Memorials may be made to the family.

Please sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Fireworks and the law

Sheriff W.D. (Don) Schneider would like to advise citizens there are revisions to the law relating to the sale, possession and use of certain fireworks. "Consumer fireworks" means fireworks devices designed to produce visible effects by combustion and are required to comply with the construction, chemical composition and labeling regulations promulgated by the U.S. consumer product safety commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507 and are listed in APA standard 87-1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, or 3.5.

A local unit of government may enact an ordinance regulating the ignition, discharge, and use of consumer fireworks. However, an ordinance enacted under this subsection shall not regulate the use of consumer fireworks on the day preceding, the day of, or the day after a national holiday.

A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks on public property, school property, church property, or the property of another person without that organization's or person's express permission to use those fireworks on those premises. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person who violates this subsection is responsible for a state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of not more than \$500.00. Consumer fireworks shall not be sold to a minor.

An individual shall not use consumer fireworks or low-impact fireworks while under the influence of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance. An individual who violates the smoking prohibition under NFPA 1124, 7.3.11.1 is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than one year or a



Sheriff Don Schneider

fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.

If a person knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly violates this act, the person is guilty of a crime as follows: (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 30 days or a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both. (b) If the violation causes damage to the property of another person, a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than \$5,000.00, or both. (c)

If the violation cause serious impairment of a body function of another person, a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years or a fine of not more than \$5,000.00, or both. As used in this subdivision, "serious impairment of a body function" means that term as defined in section 58c of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.58c. (d) If the violation causes the death of another person, a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 15 years or a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, or both.

For further information on the laws regulating "Consumer fireworks" you may contact www.usfireworks.biz/title16.htm

Rollover accident injures several

On June 18, 2012 around 9:50 p.m. the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a single vehicle roll-over accident on Miles Road in South Arm Township. The driver of the vehicle, Austin Newton age 18 from Ellsworth, was traveling North on Miles Road off of Ellsworth Road when he lost control of his 1999 Mazda 4-door. The vehicle entered into a large puddle of water at the base of a hill and began to hydroplane. Newton then left the roadway which caused the vehicle to roll over.

Passengers, Kimberly Sewell age 18 from East Jor-

dan, and Ellie Hague, age 17 from East Jordan, were both transported to the Charlevoix Area Hospital where they were treated and released. All three occupants suffered from minor injuries.

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the East Jordan Fire Department, East Jordan EMS, and Banks Township EMS personnel.

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office would like to remind motorists to use due care and caution when traveling in severe weather conditions.

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“Fun for All”

at the 2012 Freedom Festival Block Party

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ABOVE: Tom Zipp and the Knuckleheads stir a frenzied crowd of young fans.



Miss East Jordan, Martina Peterson and Samantha Gardner in the Queen's Court prepare to announce the winners of the Children's Parade at the East Jordan Block Party during the Freedom Festival.



Alyssa Sherman and Brooklynn Malicke took second place for “Best Wheel” while driving to the party in the children's parade at the Freedom Festival Block Party.



ABOVE: East Jordan's Mayor Russ Peck displays the many pins he purchased for an opportunity to win a laptop, Kindle or other prizes. He is standing in front of a quilt made from past Freedom Festival t-shirts donated by Debbie Chappeus and sewn by Shelley Stallard. The quilt was auctioned at the park on Saturday.



ABOVE: Shelly Hart of Birch Run produces baby accessories and Monster hoodies out of her home so she can visit beautiful East Jordan during the Freedom Festival for a working vacation.



LEFT: Scotty Bruce of MI Foods in Ellsworth gives tasty samples of local foods.



BELOW: Third grader Christopher Symons sinks middle school history teacher Sean Ferguson into the dunk tank at the East Jordan Freedom Festival Block Party on Friday.

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County Commission

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sion the law firm stated that, "We served as civil counsel in Otsego County, Kalkaska County and Montmorency County. At that same time, we also represented townships within each of these counties. I cannot specifically recall a conflict situation arising between the counties and townships within the county."

Chairman Joel Evans commented on the concern, "I really believe no matter who we hire for civil council if they see a conflict they will step aside."

The commission heard a report from the County Veteran Affairs Director, John Hess, who told the commission that veterans brought seven million dollars into the county last year. "The amount of income is increasing every year but the number of veterans is declining," he said. He then went on to outline benefits provided through his office including an emergency grant of up to \$2,000 available to veterans in the event of an unforeseen emergency. "It has to be a true emergency," he said. Hess added that the Veteran Affairs office has been giving away more of these grants recently because of the state of the economy. There are 2,800 veterans in Charlevoix County.

During New Business, Chairman Evans congratulated the Sheriff on the groundbreaking of the new county facility in Boyne Falls. The Chairman also congratulated Commissioner Christensen on his award for meritorious achievement in his efforts with the MERIT community. This award was for his efforts to bring the MERIT Community to Charlevoix County and his understanding of the importance of broadband for Northern Michigan.

Before the commissioners gave their indi-

vidual reports, Commission Chairman, Joel Evans apologized for allowing Commissioner Tripp to read a letter at the May 23 meeting. He stated that he felt the letter constituted her personal agenda and that he did not know its contents or he would have asked her not to read it. "This is a time to share committee reports. Before we make true or false accusations against a department or a county worker be very careful. We have methods to deal with that," said Evans.

During public comments, Bay Township resident Roger Conaway discussed the letter read at the last meeting by Mrs. Tripp stating that Mr. Jarema talked to Mr. Conaway. Conaway said this is not true. Mr. Conaway met with the State Police and it was his idea to prosecute. Mr. Jarema never said or even alluded to prosecution.

Additionally, county resident, Bob Taylor has called the Ethics division of the Attorney General's office. He tried to re-create the letter that Commissioner Tripp read at the last meeting. Mr. Taylor stated that he never had a conversation with Mr. Jarema concerning prosecution of anyone. He presented a copy of an email that discussed irregular payments in regards to Commission on Aging meetings. Mr. Taylor suggested that the Board review their rules for submitting payments for meetings.

Ron Harris, Harris Group, gave his report on the 2011 Audit. He reviewed his audit report with the Board. Mr. Harris stated that the County is financially sound.

The next County Commissioners meeting will be held on June 27 at 7 p.m.

Graduation day at Project FREE preschool



Graduation was held for a total of 35 students who attended morning or afternoon classes of Project FREE preschool, a state-funded school readiness program for four year olds operated by the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM). During the ceremony students proudly donned graduation hats, listened to a story about the graduation of Clifford the Big Red Dog, sang a Zoophonics song, received diplomas and shared cake with family and friends. Project FREE preschool helps students build social and academic skills through a variety of activities and educational programming to ensure a smooth transition into kindergarten and elementary school. The preschool employs two lead teachers, Sara McVannel and Shelley Troup who have elementary education degrees with early childhood endorsements, and one teaching assistant, Trista Cady. For more information on Project FREE, call the WRCNM's administrative office at (231) 347-0067.

Venus & Blue Jeans offers gently used designer clothing, accessories & home décor items

By Jim Akans

Venus & Blue Jeans, launched by Cheryl Scheer in October of 2009, is sort of a "shabby chic" boutique, primarily focusing on consignment sales of upscale designer/brand name clothing items, from just a few years old to recently off the rack, displayed in a comfortable, easy to browse showroom on the Westside of Gaylord's downtown business district.

"We have a wonderful assortment of name-brand clothing and accessories," states Cheryl Scheer, "often including Lucky brand, Silver jeans, American Eagle, Abercrombie, Hollister and Ralph Lauren. We encourage people to bring in their designer and name brand items and consign them."

The selections at Venus & Blue Jeans also offer a wonderful collection accessories such as purses, shoes and jewelry, as well as a selection of home furnishings, jewelry and antiques.

The consignment arrangement at Venus & Blue Jeans is refreshingly straightforward, offering a 60/40 split between the shop and the consigner. Clothing items must be no



Offering gently used designer clothing, accessories & home décor items, Venus & Blue Jeans is located at 340 W. Main Street in Gaylord. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

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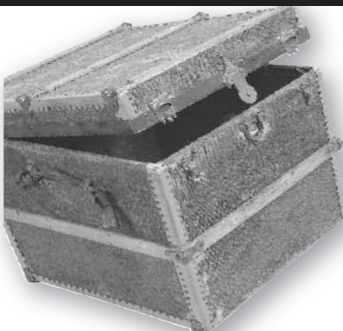


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EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 19, 2012

EMS Facing Financial Shortfall

EAST JORDAN – The City of East Jordan is approaching the end of their fiscal year and like many communities money is tight. With some last minute adjustments to the budget, the city expects to come in very close to meeting their budget. However, some unexpected expenses from the city's EMS department may put the city over.

The EMS fund has run short of meeting their expenses by \$20,000 which is currently being covered by the city. The city has been dipping into the general fund to help bail out the EMS to meet payroll and operating expenses.

The commission gave praise to the EMS for their service to the residents, but the problem, according to Commissioner Tony Cutler is that this is not an expense in the city's budget. Cutler said, "EMS checks are bouncing and the city has to cover them. We have to solve the problem. This is not in the city's budget and we just don't have any extra money pay the bills for EMS."

Commissioner Tom Breakey disagreed. Breakey cited examples from nearby communities. "The city of Charlevoix puts more than \$100,000 a year into their EMS fund. The city of Boyne City pays between \$60,000 and \$80,000 a year to their EMS. We haven't been paying them anything."

Cutler sharply disagreed with Breakey's analogy. "The problem is that this expense is not in the budget and we don't have the money to continue to bail the EMS out. Those two communities plan for that expense. This is an unplanned expenditure that our budget cannot afford."

As the discussion began to get heated, Mayor Russ Peck asked the two commissioners to calm down so the city commission can discuss a resolution to the problem. City Administrator, Bob Anderson told the commission that he and City Treasurer, Heather Jackson have contacted the city's auditing firm and asked that they conduct an independent audit of the EMS. Anderson said, "According to the April, 2012 financial report, the EMS has \$448,000 in accounts receivables. The auditor told us that this is way too much to have on the books. We are asking the

auditor to look at the EMS financials to see if they can help them find a way to become solvent."

The EMS operates as an enterprise fund, the same way the Water & Sewer and Tourist Park and generates its own revenue to sustain itself.

In the last city audit, the auditor called attention to this large amount of receivables on the EMS books. This is a problem that needs to be addressed to protect the financial integrity of the EMS and sustain the financial solvency of the organization for now and years to come. The commissioners commented that the EMS is a tremendous asset to the area which makes it even more critical that this financial situation is resolved soon. Cutler said, "This issue does not reflect anything done improperly by the EMS department. It is strictly a budget concern."

In other business, the city approved a resolution to levy tax mills for 2012 of 17.7953 mills. They also approved a tax exemption for Meredith Manor, approved a bid for janitorial services to Up North Property Services, LLC and approved special consideration for parking and other city services for the South Arm Classic scheduled for July 13 and 14, 2012.

Commissioner Mark Penzien reported that the search committee has narrowed the field to the top contenders for the City Administrator position. Letters will be sent to the top candidates inviting them back to meet with the commissioners and possibly attend a public forum. This would be a great opportunity for public input on who we choose for this important position. Names of the candidates have not yet been released. The names will be withheld for now until the candidates have been contacted and have agreed to move forward in the process. The commissioners plan to visit current cities of employment of the top candidates.

The commissioners each commended the community volunteers and organizers of the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival for a very successful event to kick off the summer.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is planned for July 2, 2012.

Banks Township Considers Not Renewing Library Contract

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH—At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Banks township Board library contract negotiations and improvements to the township hall were discussed.

State mandates provide library services for residents of Banks Township since there is no library within the township. Funds collected as 'Penal Fines' for speeding tickets and other violations committed within the township are paid by the state on behalf of the township to surrounding libraries allowing citizens the privilege of using those libraries. The township board has the authority to decide how the funds are divided and divides them according to the number of patrons to use each library as reported by the libraries each year.

Presently each of the three libraries, Charlevoix, Central Lake and Jordan Valley in East Jordan receive close to one-third of the penal funds available. From 2002-2006 a voucher system was used to reimburse the libraries and under that system Jordan Valley District Library (JVDL) received an average \$300 per year while Central Lake averaged \$400 and Charlevoix averaged \$620. This system directly reflected the number of Banks Township citizens using each library.

In 2007, the township asked for a five year contract with the libraries and doubled the amount given to each library annually. JVDL received \$800 per year, Central Lake \$1200 and Charlevoix \$2000. When the contract came up for renewal in 2012 another increase was offered to each library. The amount offered to JVDL was nearly double that of the last contract to \$1500. Charlevoix and Central Lake libraries received and renewed their contracts with Banks Township three months ago. The old contracts expired on June 1, 2012. Jordan Valley did not acknowledge the contract renewal until this month when JVDL director Dawn Pringle informed Banks Superintendent Thomas Mann that they did not feel the library was receiving a large enough percentage of the funds and would only sign a one year contract. "I believe strongly in collaboration but this is ridiculous, I don't believe our citizens should have to overpay," said Mann.

Several options were discussed including signing the contract with the intention of not signing it next year but giving citizens a year's notice to adjust to not being able to use the library or to not renegotiate the contract at all and redistribute the funds among the other two libraries. The board decided to hold all action until citizen input and research could be conducted. A deci-

sion will be made at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Anyone with a library card can take it to the front desk of the library and ask for a Michicard sticker. The sticker allows you to go to any library in the state.

Now that the village Christmas tree has been cut down the waterlines running underneath it can finally be replaced. The work will be postponed until after the Fourth of July celebration.

The board is asking for bids for a new furnace for the hall. A heat pump system is preferred.

The board discussed focusing on getting the historical building designation at the township hall and making the building ADA accessible. Mann said, "We need to start looking at a long term plan to get this building up to standards." "We don't want to change the integrity of the building but we want to make amenities to allow it to be accessible," said Township Treasurer, Katie Postmus.

A suggestion was made to put a committee together to gather advice on the best plan of action to take with the building. No action was taken.

The next Township board meeting is scheduled for July 23 at 7:30.

Ellsworth Ellebration will be held July 6th and 7th.

DAVE Says

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Dave Ramsey



Susan

Dear Susan,

First, you can't give to a level that it starts to make you worry about your future. Your first obligation is to your own household. Once that's done, you can help family members and your immediate community as best you can without weakening yourself.

The big thing in this scenario, I think, is to make sure you're helping someone get back on their feet. You're not helping when you give a drunk a drink, so you have to ask yourself if your generosity is really helping them or if you're simply enabling irresponsible behavior.

I'm not saying this because I'm a control freak. I'm saying it because I don't believe in investing God's money unless I see a positive return on investment. In human terms, that means helping someone get out of a mess they're in, while at the time seeing that they are working to make sure they never end up back there again. If they're buying cigarettes or lottery tickets with the money, then you're not helping them.

Taking this stance isn't mean, and it doesn't indicate that you don't love your family. It means you're loving them well and want what's best for them.

—Dave

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What goes up must come down

Dear Dave,
I'm about to graduate from college, and I'm following your plan and trying to focus on my future financial situation. Is the current down economy a cyclical thing and just part of life?

DJ
Dear DJ,
It is. There are always cycles in the economy. I know you hear all this talk about this is the worst recession since the Great Depression, but that's a bunch of bull. It was worse in 1982, when the Jimmy Carter era came to a close. We had double-digit inflation, double-digit unemployment and home interest rates were at 17 percent.

The current situation has been kind of long and boring. Things haven't really rebounded quickly. Instead, they've just kind of wallowed around and crawled along. There are a lot of theories as to why it's happened this way, but the truth is it's a part of life. Just like you have good and bad times in your personal life, there will always be good and bad times in your financial life. That's why you need a solid, common-sense

financial philosophy that works when things are up and when things are down. The principles I teach about not having debt and investing conservatively over the long haul work every time.

Right now, I'm tempted to invest like a wild man and put every dollar I can find into investments, because everything is on sale. It's a great time to buy real estate and put money into mutual funds. The best time was about a year and a half ago, but the deals are still there.

Just keep investing and working your plan. The idea that you're graduating at bad time and never going to have a good life is just plain wrong. There's always some good and some bad out there, and the cycles will always come and go.

—Dave

Guidelines for giving

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are debt-free, and we have \$100,000 saved. We like to give, rather than loan, money to family members if they're having financial problems. Can you give us some advice on how to establish giving guidelines?

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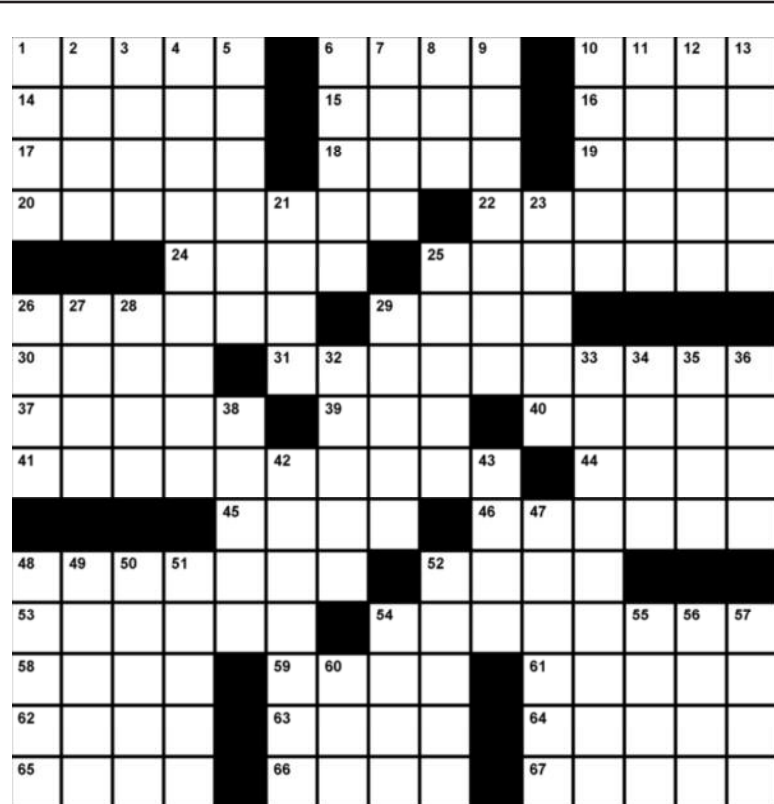
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Free seminar will offer licensed builders information about residential rehab contracts

Attention all licensed residential builders. On Friday, June 29th, a free seminar will be held at the Boyne District Library from 9 - 10:30 am offering information about two local sources with hundreds of thousands of dollars to spend on residential rehab projects. Northern Homes CDC and Northwest Michigan CCA have federal funds available for residential rehab projects in Antrim, Emmet and Charlevoix Counties. To qualify for bidding on these projects, builders must attend a seminar regarding Federal Section 3 Contract-

ing Policy and Procedures and meet qualifications. By participating in this seminar, builders may get on the list of qualified contractors that receive bid packages on an ongoing basis and receive preference in bidding opportunities.

Information on other state and local resources to assist residential licensed builders will also be available. There is no charge for this seminar, but space is limited. To register contact: Jane MacKenzie (231.582.6244) or Jonathan Scheel (231.347.8105).



Across

1- Luges; 6- Ancient Andean; 10- Fed; 14- Unconventional; 15- Horse of mixed color; 16- Helen's mother; 17- Treat with disdain; 18- Red gem; 19- "___ Brockovich"; 20- Rare lustrous metallic element; 22- Aztec god of rain; 24- Puppeteer Tony; 25- Like some cats; 26- Actress Mimieux; 29- Intentions; 30- Office note; 31- Highest rank in scouting; 37- City on the Nile; 39- Chinese "way"; 40- Horse opera; 41- John Bunyan, for one; 44- Khartoum's river; 45- Legal claim; 46- Weights; 48- Hawaiian guitar; 52- River through Florence; 53- Surprisingly; 54- Prospective; 58- Scene of first miracle; 59- Held on to; 61- Hindu social class; 62- Exclamation to express sorrow; 63- Aviation pioneer Sikorsky; 64- Something drawn out; 65- Gone by; 66- Lymph ___; 67- Where Hercules slew the lion;

Down

1- Like a pillow; 2- Humdinger; 3- 007's alma mater; 4- Pharmacy; 5- Attacks; 6- Like some vbs.; 7- Person, place, or thing; 8- Taxi; 9- Whenever; 10- Flash of light; 11- Actress Oberon; 12- "Farewell!"; 13- John ___ Garner; 21- Woody plant; 23- Cow catcher; 25- Grain stores; 26- Village People hit; 27- Meat dish; 28- Pianist Gilels; 29- Encore!; 32- ___ Grows in Brooklyn; 33- Continued discharge of cannon; 34- Auricular; 35- River to the Ubangi; 36- Very, in Versailles; 38- Leers at; 42- Waterproof fabric; 43- Legal wrong; 47- Not uniform; 48- Remove a covering; 49- Australian marsupial; 50- Arm bones; 51- Slightest; 52- Cave; 54- Apple player; 55- Percussive instrument; 56- Suffix with exist; 57- Numbers to crunch; 60- Self-esteem;

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Char-Em United Way Celebrates Local Contributors



Lisa Hoyt is the 2012 recipient of the John Newton Award which is given to both an individual and an organization who through their actions have significantly to the health and human services in Charlevoix and Emmet counties. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

By Tina Sundelius

PETOSKEY—Thursday, June 14, the Char-Em United Way celebrated the success of their 2011/2012 Campaign and honored citizens at a breakfast held at the Ozone in the Odawa Casino.

Those honored with the John Newton Award included Lisa Hoyt and the Harbor Springs High School National Honor Society Hospi-teen Volunteer Program. Recipients of other awards were Michelle Harrington with the Northern Michigan Review for Campaigner of the year; DCL/Bay Shore Steel Works for Outstanding Campaign, the You've Got a Friend Award was

presented to the Women's Resource Center, the When You Believe Award was presented to the Edgewater Design Group and the Char-Em United Way Volunteer of the Year was presented to Dana Lorian.

The goal of the Char-Em United Way is to improve the lives of people in Charlevoix and Emmet counties by working together and sharing resources. They do this by partnering with local agencies to bring programs to our community that improve literacy, create innovative ways to reduce poverty and improve transportation services for the elderly and disabled.

Some of the programs funded by the Char-Em

United Way include The Bergman Center, the Boyne Valley Food Pantry, Exceptional Riders, Mt. McSauba, Spirit Day Camp and the Women's Resource Center to name just a few. These organizations are called 'funded partners'. "It's not about meeting a goal, it's about meeting a need," said Marty Van De Car, Emcee and Local United Way Board Member.

The many local donors were applauded and informed that 68% of all funds are invested back into the community through other agencies like the Boy Scouts, Camp Daggett and early Learners (funded partners) and less than 12% is used for administrative costs.

"Through the programs the United Way funds we are creating lasting change," said Therese Green, Board of Di-



Harbor Springs High School National Honor Society members, Taylor Sydow, Hana Ketterer, Kylan Johnston, Andrew Furstenberg, Grace Carbeck, Lindsay Hall, and Lily Dart volunteer at Highland Cottage through Hospice of Little Travers Bay. The society was presented with the 2012 John Newton Award for an organization. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

rectors member. The Char-Em United Way has been in existence for 70 years.

Dee Vincent, Board Vice President excitedly told the audience about the upcoming United We Read educational initiative beginning this year.

"Early childhood education is the place we can make the greatest long term and short term impact, the more the merrier and the better for our children and our future," she said.

CHX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

June 11-17, 2012

911 Hang Up Call	1
Abandoned Vehicle	4
Abuse	0
Alarm	3
Animal Complaint	21
Annoyance	5
Assault	3
Assist Citizen	4
Assist Motorist	3
Assist Other Agency	11
Attempt to Locate	4
Attempted Suicide	0
Bank Alarm	0
Boating Accident	0
Boating Violation	5
Breaking & Entering	3
Car/Deer Accident	7
Citations Issued	31
Civil Complaint	6
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Death	0
Disorderly Person	0
Disturbance	0
DNR Complaint	0
Domestic Dispute	3
Driving Complaint	2
Fireworks Complaint	1
Found Property	2
Fraud	2
Health & Safety	0
Hit & Run	4
Intoxicated Person	0
Juvenile	2
Larceny	4
Lockout	7
Lost Property	0
Malicious Destruction of Property	1

Mental Subject	0
Minor In Possession	0
Miscellaneous Criminal	2
Missing Person	1
Noise Complaint	1
Operating Under the Influence	0
Paper Service	25
Parking Violation	0
Personal Injury Accident	0
Personal Protection Order	1
Private Property Accident	2
Property Check	2
Property Damage Accident	3
Prowler	0
Road Hazard	3
Stalking	1
Suspicious Situation	10
Threat	3
Traffic Stop	130
Trespassing	3
Unknown Accident	2
Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile	0
Vehicle in the Ditch	0
Violation of Controlled Substance Act	1

ed to because kids have medicaid. Otherwise we would have opted out

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, June 11, 2012

1:09am Subjects found in Charlevoix Street park after closing.
3:32am False alarm in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
4:19am Assist Sheriff Department on Fall Park Rd
10:25am Report of missing

camera case	12:26pm Funeral escort
12:54pm Assist Sheriff Department at Young State Park	
1:04pm Responded to harassment complaint in the 100 block of E Water St	
3:44pm Civil complaint from the 100 block of N Park St	
4:35pm Unlock vehicle in the 200 block of S Lake St	
4:58pm Found wallet turned in. Was returned to owner.	
5:50pm Report of fail to pay for gasoline in the 200 block of S Lake St. Subject returned to pay.	
8:39pm Driving complaint received in the area of Robinson and Silver Streets	
8:54pm Unlock in Industrial Park	
11:35pm Report of shopping cart in road in the 400 block of N Lake St	

Tuesday, June 12, 2012

12:40pm Suspicious subject reported in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
1:57am Arrested subject for trespassing in the 300 block of E Division St
6:49am Citation issued for no seatbelt
7:12am Citation issued for no seatbelt
8:15am Found scope cover turned into PD
9:04am Fraud complaint received from the 100 block of E Water St
9:33am Report of 2 black labs wandering in road on Main St near Boyne Av
11:00am Child custody dispute in the 300 block of Silver St
6:13pm Fail to pay for gasoline in the 200 block of S Lake St. Believes it was mistake with credit card.
8:43pm Assist Sheriff Department on Hull St

8:53pm Suspicious situation in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
10:28pm Suspicious situation in the 700 block of Ottawa St

Wednesday, June 13, 2012

1:50am Assist Sheriff Department with OWI at Front and Marshall
10:55am Request for assistance with dog on Beardsley St
3:33pm Car deer accident on Marshall Rd near Anderson
5:15pm Subject turned in bank envelop of money that he found. Returned to owner.
5:59pm Report of harassing phone calls being received in the 300 block of Silver St
7:58pm Report of suspicious subject on Division St near First St
10:44pm Suspicious situation in the 700 block of Wenonah St
10:49pm Fireworks complaint received in the 300 block of E Division St

Thursday, June 14, 2012

1:38am Report of large group of people with flashlights in cemetery at Division and Leroy. Gone on arrival.
10:05am Assist to Sheriff Department on Pleasant St
11:07am Found key turned into PD. Was found at Marina.
1:56pm Report of verbal altercation in the 400 block of N Lake St
4:19pm MDOP at Rotary Park
6:01pm Property damage accident on Vogel St
7:58pm Lodged two stray dogs at the shelter
10:20pm Assist to East Jordan PD in the 300 block of State St
10:51pm Unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St

Friday, June 15, 2012

12:17am Citation issued for speed
12:48am Report of open door in the 300 block of N Lake St
3:12am Report of suspicious activity on Front St
6:57am Report of stray pit bull in the 300 block of Harris St
9:22am 911 hang up call from the 100 block of N East St
12:59pm Littering complaint received on Boyne Av
2:28pm Custody dispute in the 300 block of Silver St
11:24pm Vehicle ran off road on Pleasant St near Prospect. Broke tree branches and threw debris in roadway.

Saturday, June 16, 2012

12:53am Health and safety complaint in the 300 block of State St
12:59am Arrested subject for MIP.
9:16am Welfare check requested in the 500 block of E Lincoln St
9:59am Citation issued for no seat belt and no proof of insurance
10:11am Citation issued for no seatbelt and improper use of seat belt
10:31am Citation issued for no seatbelt
11:03am Citation issued for no seatbelt
1:35pm Unlock at Lake and Division Streets
2:25pm Citation issued for texting while driving
3:00pm Citation issued for disregarding stop sign and no proof of insurance
3:31pm Citation issued for no seatbelt
3:39pm Civil dispute in the 500 block of Jersey St
4:36pm Gasoline drive off from the 200 block of S Lake St
5:05pm Citation issued for speed

7:50pm 911 hang up from the 200 block of S Lake St.
9:31pm Arrested subject for driving while license suspended
11:40pm Disturbance in the 100 block of S Lake St

Sunday, June 17, 2012

12:34am Alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St
12:52am Disturbance reported in the 500 block of N Lake St. Subject arrested for disorderly and resisting & obstructing
4:04am Citizen receiving harassing phone calls from subject in Ellsworth
9:02am Lodged 2 stray dogs
10:19am Citation issued for no seatbelt and no seat belt on child between 4-15 years of age.
10:34am Citation issued for no seatbelt and no proof of insurance
10:53am Citation issued for no seatbelt
11:17am Citation issued for no seatbelt
11:27am Citation issued for no seatbelt
11:54am Citation issued for no seatbelt and no proof of insurance
12:06pm Citation issued for no seatbelt
1:39pm Citation issued for no proof of insurance
1:58pm Arrested subject for no insurance and citation for no seat belt.
2:52pm Citation issued for no seatbelt
4:01pm Unlock in the 400 block of Clark St
6:11pm Citation issued for speed
10:43pm Fireworks complaint in the 900 block of Pleasant Av

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Bay Harbor Foundation Offers Donor Challenge for Good Samaritan Family Services

Ellsworth - In an effort to raise awareness of the Good Samaritan Family Service's work in Charlevoix and Antrim counties, the Bay Harbor Foundation has extended a challenge that will match donations to the organization. The matching funds apply to all gifts given from residents of Charlevoix County through the end of the year. Once the total of the gifts reaches \$10,000, the Bay Harbor Foundation will match that with a \$10,000 donation.

"We are very grateful to the Bay Harbor Foundation," says Bill Broadwick, Development Director of Good Samaritan. "It is a wonderful opportunity for us to get the word out about all the great work we are doing in the area, and it is a wonderful way for people to see their gifts multiplied to have an even greater impact."

Good Samaritan Family Services began in 1990 as a one-woman operation to help families in need. Since then, the organization has expanded to include a food pantry, two resale shops, and a "Moms & Tots" re-

source center. Today, nearly 200 volunteers work with the organization, donating a cumulative 21,000 hours of service per year to make sure operations run smoothly. Every month, an average of 600 families receive food from the food pantry, and many of those also receive assistance paying their medical and utility bills. Since its inception, the Good Samaritan has served more than 43,000 families in Charlevoix and Antrim counties.

Candace Fitzsimons, Executive Director of the Bay Harbor Foundation, says, "I hope that citizens of Charlevoix County will recognize what an exceptional resource is available in the Good Samaritan organization and the matching fund challenge will be entirely utilized to benefit those families in need in our region."

Merrie Goodrich, a client of Good Samaritan, speaks highly of the organization and the ways it has been able to help her and her family to make ends meet in tough times. With an associate's degree in accounting, and a bachelor's in Business Adminis-



Merrie Goodrich and her mother Jeanne Goodrich enjoy their visits to Good Samaritan Family Services. The organization has helped their family make ends meet in tough times. PHOTO BY MICHAEL MURPHY IV

tration, Goodrich never thought she would be in need of a food pantry. "I had a great job downstate," she says. But when both her parents became ill, she quit her job to move north and take care of them.

When she first moved to the area, she heard about Good Samaritan and decided to stop

in. The organization helped with electric bills and the food pantry stocked the whole family with meals. "They've just always been there for us," says Goodrich. "They give you so much food, it is really incredible. I don't know what we would have done without them."

With the job market less than

stable, and the economic downturn still affecting rural Michigan, the need for service organizations like Good Samaritan is great according to Mary Peterson, Director of the Pantry and Resale Shop. "Every day I see people who are in deep need. Whether it is senior citizens who have difficulty paying their heat bills, or single parents trying to feed their families, we truly want to help everyone we can. Thanks to so many generous donors, we are able to be a helping hand to many people who have nowhere else to turn."

To learn more about Good Samaritan Family Services, visit the website at www.thegood-sam.org. To take advantage of the matching funds opportunity, donations are accepted online or by contacting them at P.O. Box 206, Ellsworth, MI 49729; 231-588-2208. To learn more about the Bay Harbor Foundation, visit the website at www.bayharborfoundation.org.

Start your Boating Summer Safely

Charlevoix — With Memorial Day now behind us, the summer boating season is "officially" under way. Now is the time to get a Vessel Safety Check (VSC)!

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To locate a vessel examiner in your area, please contact the United State Coast Guard Auxiliary, visit: www.safetyseal.net/GetVSC/. Get your Vessel Safety Check today and boat smart from the start.

Editor:

On Saturday, June 16, 2012, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of the Charlevoix/Emmet County Bike4BreastCancer Ride along with the 294 riders who came out to show their support of this event and enjoy the gorgeous weather that only Northern Michigan can provide. This was a largest turnout in the history of this event, and when all the dust has settled we are confident of attaining our goal of raising \$40,000 in support of women in Charlevoix and Emmet County.

With this year's totals, this ride will have raised over a quarter of a million dollars in its ten years, giving well over \$200,000 back to the community to help sustain programs offered through Charlevoix Area Hospital and McLaren-Northern Michigan Hospital.

The support for this event is outstanding. The businesses and industry in this area provide the foundation for us to build on, the volunteers help us make it all happen, and the riders put us over the top year after year. There were so many old friends who have been with us since the beginning and lots of new faces joining us for the first time. I'd like to give special recognition to Kevin Johnston of Harbor Springs, who not only was our highest indi-

vidual fundraiser, but dedicated each mile of the 55 mile route to a cancer survivor and had their signature or name on a shirt he designed and wore.

There are so many people to thank, the list just keeps growing each year. I would be remiss if I didn't recognize Bo Mayfield, John McClorey, Chet Morris and Christian Janssens from the local bike shops, Obie Wicker from BC Pizza in Boyne City, John and Bre Curtis of John Curtis Photography and Randi Hunter of R. Hunter Photography. My heartfelt appreciation also goes to Kathy Jacobsen, Dee Vincent, Gay Pung, Kim Stevens, Kay Holley, Diane Gorkiewicz, Therese Green, Amy Wicker, Teri Reynolds, Cheryl Hofweber, Jessie Corp, Candy Greene, Donna Moll, Helen Truchan, Sue Huston, Audrey Jacobsen, Rod Stevens, Pat Brown, April Cameron, Marie Sheets and Jan Plackey, who are not just volunteers, but my friends and people I can count on. Lastly, my children Kendra and Bill Morris, my grandchildren, Billy and Emily, and my amazing husband Bill, without whose support I could not accomplish any of this.

The time has come for me to take a less active role in the Bike4BreastCancer Ride, but there are some amazing women waiting to take the

reins and lead this event through its next ten years. It has been my privilege to be a part of such a great organization and I thank everyone in-

involved for their support throughout the years.

Susan Morris
Ride Coordinator

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Summer Food Service

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. Breakfast will be served at East Jordan Elementary School; 304 Fourth Street 7:30am - 8:30am and lunch will be served from 11:30am - 12:30pm, Monday through Friday, until Aug. 24.

BOYNE CITY

Summer Food Service

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. At Boyne City United Methodist Church, 324 Park Street, lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday, until Aug. 24.

BOYNE CITY

Stroll the Streets

Music, fun and great times will fill the streets of downtown Boyne City starting Friday as Stroll the Streets returns for its ninth season. The popular event organized by the Boyne City Main Street program will get the summer off to a musical start on Friday, June 22, from 6 to 9pm. Performers are Ann & Will Rowland, Balloon Fun w/ Popper & Twister Joe, Blissfest Performer, Kelly Shively & Norm Hausler, Loud Mouth Soup, Synergy Song, The Kowalske Family Band, David Youngman

BOYNE CITY

Farmers Market

Thru October 31st, (Wed. Sat.), 8 am to Noon in Veteran's Park. From the garden to your table. It doesn't get any fresher than this. Come browse in our lovely town on the shore of Lake Charlevoix.

BOYNE CITY

Parade

It's time to register for the parade and running races held during the Boyne City 4th of July Festival. The celebration features a giant parade at 10am, evening fireworks plus a dozen other

activities including the 35th 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, and children's games. 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. Info and schedule: 231-582-6222 or www.boyne4thofjuly.com.

BOYNE CITY

Business after hours

Wildwood Rush Zipline Canopy Tour will host the Boyne Area Chamber's Business After Hours on June 21 at 02575 Boyne City Road, just west of Young State Park.

BOYNE CITY

Rubbish collection

Rubbish collection will begin in early June in the City of Boyne City. The first pickups will take place in areas on and south of Main Street on Wednesdays, June 20; and Sept. 5, 12 and 19. Areas north of Main Street will be picked up on Thursdays, June 7, 14 and 21; and Sept. 6, 13 and 20. For more information click here or call City Hall at 582-6597.

BOYNE CITY

Senior center dinners

Boyne Area Senior Center will continue hosting night meals instead of lunches on Wednesdays. Dinner will start at 5pm and serving will continue until 6. Please join us for this endeavor and have dinner instead of lunch every Wednesday. Entertainment will also be provided each Wednesday.

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.charlevoix-circle.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 aman-dawilkin@gmail.com to sign up to volunteer. Thank you for your help!

BOYNE CITY

Kids Rock Boyne

Stroll for young people coming soon. Are you a

singer, musician or some other type of performer? The Boyne City Main Street program is starting Kids Rock Boyne, a new Stroll the Streets style event from 6 to 8pm on Tuesdays featuring local young people as the performers. We are looking for singers, musicians, mimes, face painters, artists, balloon twisters, yo-yo performers and more. We're open to your ideas. If you have suggestions or would like to perform, call or visit Karen Guzniczak at Country Now & Then, phone 582-2355, email cnt20@att.net.

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

NORWOOD

School Days

Wednesday, June 20, 7:30pm at the Village of Norwood Schoolhouse, 742 Fourth Street, Charlevoix. Norwood Area Historical Society Lecture Series Presents "School Days: The Education of Norton Pearl 1878-1906" Dr. Norton Bretz, retired Princeton University professor of physics and avid researcher, will present his unique perspective on his grandfather, Norton Pearl, who was born in Eastport and immigrated through Norwood and Antrim City following the Civil War. Mr. Pearl was related to over 100 individuals in Norwood and Antrim City between 1870-1900; the

Pearls, Flanagans and Staffords. Come hear about the original Social Network.

EAST JORDAN

Business after hours

Join members of the EJ Chamber at Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club & Marina for one last Business After Hours Event before we take a break for the summer, June 21st, 5-7 PM, Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. This is a great time to let everyone know what is happening at your business, club or organization over the summer months. Bring your business card and drop it in the bucket for a chance to be the Business of the Month. It will be lots of fun and lots of business networking.

CHARLEVOIX

Artists in Action

The Artists in Action at the Charlevoix Public Library is hosting three artists who will be in the lobby of the library this summer demonstrating their talents. This series highlights artists who set up a small work area in the library to share their craftsmanship with the public. The artists will be in the main lobby 2 - 4pm the third Thursday of the month. The artists will be creating while the public watches and will be eager to answer any and all questions about their work. June 21 will show off the talented Josh Skeel, with his ink and watercolor drawings of super heroes and comic book stars. On July 19, Tom Kaufman will be on hand twisting together his funky wire sculptures. Then on August 16, DeEtta Gilland will be demonstrating her special technique of rug hooking. For further information about this or other library events visit: www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

CHARLEVOIX

Downtown Concert

2012 Charlevoix Concert Series Schedule at the Odmark Performance Pavilion in Downtown Charlevoix's beautiful East Park.
Thursday, June 21, 7pm, Dragon Wagon (Ann Arbor MI) Bluegrass Folk Rock
Saturday, June 23, 7pm, Humor on the Harbor with Devin Keast (Chicago IL) Comedy
Thursday June 28, 7pm, The Sleeping Gypsies (Charlevoix MI) Blues Rock
Saturday, June 30, 2pm, Orpheum Bell (Ann Arbor MI) Country & Eastern
Thursday, July 12, 7pm, The Duke of Yuke and His Novelty Orchestra (Urbana IL) Orchestral Funk
Tuesday, July 24, 5pm, Audio Circus (Charlevoix MI) Classic Rock at the East Park's Tiki Tent
Thursday, August 9, 7pm, Petoskey Steel Drum Band (Petoskey MI) Island Percussion
Thursday, August 16, 7pm, Cairn to Cairn (Ann Arbor MI) Chamber Folk
Thursday, August 23, 7pm, Trombones Plus (Delaware OH) Jazz
Thursday, August 30, 7pm, Sister Wilene (Traverse City MI) Country

EAST JORDAN

4th Annual Breezeway Cruise

Save the date - June 22 and June 23, 5:30PM - 7PM. Friday night - meet your friends and family at Boyne Mt. for a chance to look at the cars and motorcycles - enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar, chairlift rides, then leave for a "cruise on the Breezeway" to Atwood - Royal Farms for dessert, wine tasting, and entertainment. Price for a wonderful evening - \$10.00 per person, \$5.00 per entry (vehicle or motorcycle)
Saturday, June 23 - Breakfast brunch from 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM at Murray's - door prizes. Then leave on one of two possible guided tours, visit historic sites, etc. Both tours will conclude in Ellsworth where MI Farm Market will be holding a "Tasting Event". For more complete information go to <http://www.ridethebreezeway.com>

CHARLEVOIX

Art & Photo Sales Event

Bergmann Center Resale Shop - 8888 Ance Road will be offering an "Art & Photo" Sales Event on June 21, Noon to 8pm also June 22 & June 23, from 9am - 4pm. We will be featuring local artist Martha Sulfridge from Boyne City along with several of Bergmann Center's artists. Light refreshments will be served

EAST JORDAN

Music in the Park Concert Series

The Music in the Park Concert Series will begin on Friday, June 22 with a concert in the Bandshell in Memorial Park. The band Charlie Witthoef - Hipps & Ricco will take the stage at 7pm. Please see below for the rest of the concert lineup
Friday Evening 7 to 9pm at the East Jordan Band Shell in Memorial Park
June 22 Charlie Witthoef: Hipps-N-Ricco-Acoustic / Blues / Rock
June 29 Boyne River Remedy-Western Rock
July 6 Full Circle-60s Rock & Roll
July 13 Second Time Around-Classic Country
July 20 Diamonds and Gold-Country Rock
July 27 Robin Lee Berry-Folk / Blues
Aug. 3 Ratone-Indle Rock
Aug. 10 Breathe Owl Breathe-Eclectic

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Plastic Recycling

June 23, 9AM to Noon. Charlevoix County Plant Plastic Collection. In Boyne City: Boyne Ave. Greenhouse, In Charlevoix: K-Mart parking lot, In East Jordan: EMS/Fire Station.

WOLVERINE

Lumberjack Festival

June 23 & 24 is the annual Lumberjack Festival. Great time for the entire family. Activities include 5K run, draft horse pulls, chicken dinner, kayak &

canoe races, chainsaw carving contest, horse-shoes, workshops, contests, games, story telling and lots more. info go to www.wolverinelumber-jacjfest.org.

EAST JORDAN

Goat Skill Swap

The Institute for Sustainable Living, Art and Natural Design and the Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center will hold a comprehensive symposium on goat care later this month. The Goat Skill Swap takes place on June 23 from 1 to 5:30pm at Wagbo Farm, located at 5745 M 66. Cost of the skill swap is \$40 if pre-registered before June 20th, \$45 for late registration. Conference size is limited and pre-registration is required.

BOYNE CITY

Farmers Market Update

Produce Arrival Update: Strawberries & Snap Peas are here. Rhubarb and Asparagus are still plentiful. New - the market is proudly accepting Bridge Cards.
June 23rd - Get Healthy Boyne will visit and share information.
July 7th - Chef David Schneider, from MaComb Community College, will take the challenge to create a dish with ingredients only found at the market! Come and taste his creation.

EAST JORDAN

FREE Movie

The Adventures of Tintin, June 24, 1:30 PM Jordan Valley Community Room at the Jordan Valley District Library

EAST JORDAN

Watershed summer programs

Young Friends of the Jordan 2012 Summer Program for grades 4 - 8. Two Sessions - 6 Classes, 9 AM - 1 PM Daily Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Session 1: June 25, 27, 29 & July 9, 11, 13. Session 2: July 16, 17, 20 & July 23, 25, 27. Space is limited to 20 students for each session. For more information feel free to contact John Thompson: jdthomzoo@charter.net or 231-222-0237 or Fischer Jex: fischer@wagbo.org or 231-536-0333

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!

EAST JORDAN

Community Celebration

Celebrate the completion of road work on M-32 at Save-A-Lot on Tuesday, June 26. Free hot dogs, chips, pop and plenty of prizes for everyone. Enter to win gas and groceries for a year along with gifts donated by local East Jordan businesses.

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BOYNE CITY

Circus

The Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce is bringing the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus, to Veterans Park in Boyne City on Tuesday, June 26. There will be two scheduled performances at 5 and 7 p.m. Tickets will be available soon from the Boyne Area Chamber office at 28 S. Lake St.

CHARLEVOIX

Craft mania

The Charlevoix Public Library is hosting Craft Mania, 2 – 5pm, Tuesday, June 26. Stop by during the three-hour drop in time to make and take crafts galore. The Charlevoix Public Library has done some spring cleaning in the craft cupboards and has put together the biggest crafting event for kids this summer. Kids of all ages will have the opportunity to create many different crafts from the smorgasbord of crafting materials. All ages welcome to drop in anytime during the event. For more information about this or other kids programs at the library, call 231-237-7350 or visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

EAST JORDAN

The Circus is coming to town

Culpepper & Merriweather Circus is set for Wednesday, June 27 under the Big Top at Community Park in East Jordan. Tickets will be on sale by the end of this week at Save-A-Lot, Essence Hair Salon and the Chamber Office. Ages 2-12 \$6 advance or \$7 at the gate, Adult \$9 in advance or \$12 at the gate. Make checks payable to East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Show times will be 5pm & 7:30pm.

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 27. Concerts continue at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday through Aug. 22 at Old City Park (Corner of Park and River Streets). Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, but not your dogs. In case of rain, concerts will be held at an alternate location; for details, call the Chamber at 582-6222 or visit our website.

June 27 - Kelly Shively and Norm Hausler, old time country and some original music

July 4 - No concert (3

bands play in Veterans Park from 1 to 7 p.m.)

July 11 - Ann and Will Roland, Christian, folk and bluegrass

July 18 - Cairn to Cairn, Celtic and original music

July 25 - Judy Harrison and ReBooted, high energy country music with an attitude

Aug. 1 - Mark Sanders Band, American roots music

Aug. 8 - Low Road Ramblers, Acoustic and Traditional Music

Aug. 15 - Kort McComber, Essence of Americana and feel-good music

Aug. 22 - Trombones Plus, Easy-listening jazz

EAST JORDAN

Water Color Workshop

For the third year, a special Luke Buck Water Color Workshop is scheduled at Raven Hill Discovery Center for Thursday, June 28 and Friday, June 29, 2012 from 10 am to 3 pm. 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 techniques for painting water. Early enrollment is recommended as space is limited. Cost: \$250 for 2 days. Lunch is included. To register or for more information, call Cheri at 231.536.3369.

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.

EAST JORDAN

Triathlon

27th Annual Triathlon, June 30. For more info. 231-536-7881 Sponsored by East Jordan Ambulance Association.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

United Way seeking info on Charlevoix history

Char-Em United Way is looking for information on its origins as a Community Chest in Charlevoix, East Jordan, and Boyne City. "We know our 70th anniversary of work in Emmet County is approaching, but we have little information earlier than the 1980s from

Charlevoix County," says Martha Lancaster, Executive Director. "We hope that people who were involved as volunteers with United Way and its predecessors in Charlevoix will contact us and share their recollections with us. We'd also like to recruit a volunteer who can search newspaper archives for old articles about United Way and community Chests in Charlevoix County." If you have information about Charlevoix County United Way or would like to volunteer to help research, call Char-Em United Way at 487-1006 or email: info@charemunited-way.org.

BOYNE CITY

SOBO Arts Festival

The popular arts festival returns to South Boyne for the weekend of June 29-30, celebrating visual, performing and healing arts. The event offers a variety of entertainment and a juried art fair featuring multi-dimensional work of Michigan artists. There is still a call for artists and sponsors. For more information visit soboartsdistrict.org or call Robin at 231-582-2588.

BOYNE CITY

Class reunion

Class of '76-'77 reunion - BCHS Alumni Class of 1976 and 1977 will be having a reunion at 4 p.m. on June 30, at Sommerset Pointe in Advance. Organizers encourage class members to spread the word to fellow alumni so they don't miss anyone. Cost is \$20/person and you can mail your payment to: B.C.H.S. Class of 1977, P.O. Box 405, Boyne City, MI 49712. If there are any questions contact Theresa Jarema Hecker, <http://www.facebook.com/theresa.j.hecker> or email millpond_us@yahoo.com.

CHARLEVOIX/EMMET

Parent Advisory Committee

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is looking for parents of children with behavioral health issues to join the Parent Advisory Committee of the Early Childhood Behavioral Health Initiative. Our aim is to enhance the availability of and the access to behavioral health services for children 0-5 and their families. For their participation, parents are given a \$50 honorarium for travel and child care per meeting. Please contact Natalie Kasiborski at n.kasiborski@nwhealth.org or (231) 347-5144 for more information. Parents must reside in Char-Em ISD area.

BOYNE CITY

4th of July

The Boyne City 4th of July Festival features a giant parade at 10 a.m., evening fireworks plus a dozen other activities including the 35th 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,

and children's games. 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. Info and schedule: 231-582-6222 or www.boyne4thofjuly.com.

EAST JORDAN

Bible school

Free Community Vacation Bible school (for children just finishing preschool through 5th grade) will be Sunday, July 8th - Thursday, July 12th at Lighthouse Missionary Church from 6:00pm-8:30pm each night. To register on line go to <http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/ej>

CHARLEVOIX

Downtown Beautification Project

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 9th and award certificates for first, second and third places on July 10th. If you wish to participate in the year's Beautification Project please call Kirsten Berwick at 231.547.3526 or Susan Flanders at 231.547.4887.

CHARLEVOIX

Jazz at the Library

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to present the sixth season of JATL, Jazz at the Library. JATL is a program of live concerts chronicling jazz music through the ages, with an "Out of the Box" approach. This year standard jazz will be pulled in new directions in a unique setting with eclectic mix of musicians. There will be many non-traditional players including the head of the violin dept at MSU, steel drums, and new vocalists. Concerts are hosted 7pm each Wednesday beginning July 11 and going through August (except Venetian Week) in Grandma Geri's Children's Garden. A special soloist will join the JATL trio of Steve Stargardt, Andy Evans, and Chris Ames each week to bring the music alive.

MANCELONA

Volleyball Camp

July 12th & 13th Western Michigan University Volleyball Camp for girls going into 8th-12th grade. The location is Mancelona High School 9am-3pm. The cost is \$100 and includes a t-shirt. Girls from any school are welcome. Please contact Renee Guerriero 231-587-8551 or rguerriero@mancelonascho

ols.org for more information.

BLISS

Blissfest

Blissfest Music Festival has announced its lineup for the July 13-15 celebration of music, culture, art and community. The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band is one of the headliners for the 32nd annual festival that features diverse and innovative folk, world and roots music and dance at the picturesque Festival Farm north of Harbor Springs. Bring the whole family, come for a day or spend the entire weekend. Rustic camping is available with a Weekend Pass. There are 3 stages, 4 workshop areas, organized children's activities, a variety of food concessions and a juried arts and crafts show.

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

CHARLEVOIX

Charlevoix County Candidate Forum

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a candidate forum for the upcoming Charlevoix County elected positions on Monday July 30th from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Charlevoix High School Auditorium. Candidates will be asked questions pertaining to their position and will be available for one on one meet and greet time. Candidates in attendance include those running for County-wide contested position.

CHARLEVOIX

Summerfolk concert series

The Folk series will continue on July 30th, 6:30 – 8:30pm, with the library's own Jessica Dominic, who will show off her dynamic vocals and eclectic mix of music. To continue the theme of librarians in song, there will be a special performance by Dwain Martin and his band Just Now on a special added date of August 13th. August 27th brings Jamie-Sue Seal and her American sound to the Folk series.

CHARLEVOIX

Technology Help

The Charlevoix Public Library is launching a new

service this summer to assist patrons with some basic technology questions. Tech Help Sessions will be hosted in the library's Coeling Computer Lab, 10:30 – noon, each Tuesday from June 19 through August 28. The Tech Help Sessions will be staffed by a knowledgeable staff member who will be able to answer basic questions about the library's computers, software, and applications. For example, if you have questions about Microsoft Office products, downloading eBooks, email, or the library catalog, just stop in and ask the tech guy for assistance. Tech Help Session staff is not available to support privately owned hardware and devices. For hardware assistance, ask at the information desk for a list of local providers. For more information about this or other programs at the library, visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

EAST JORDAN

Visions of the Valley

The Friends of the Jordan Photography contest With hundreds of acres of rolling hills, cool forests and miles of clear clean river and streams, the Jordan Valley is a natural treasure. To promote the value of this pristine area, the Friends of the Jordan is sponsoring its annual photography contest with the theme "Portraits of Nature". All photographers; amateur, professional, young and old, locals and seasonal visitors are encouraged to enter. Pictures of activities, scenery, flowers, animals and the changing seasons of the Jordan are all eligible and images from all seasons are encouraged. The only requirement is that the pictures are taken in the Jordan River watershed area. Entries must be received by August 6 at the Jordan Valley Animal Clinic, 800 Water Street. Entry forms for the contest are available on the FOJ website, www.friendsofthejordan.org, or can be obtained from Jordan River Animal Clinic or by calling 231 536-9947.

BOYNE CITY

Hazardous waste

Household hazardous waste collection will be held from 9am to 2pm Sept. 8 in Boyne City. Call 582-6193 to schedule an appointment.

CHARLEVOIX

Summerfolk concert series

June 25, 6:30 – 8:30pm will feature Hanna Stoppel who will delight the audience with her vocals and guitar playing, songs from her Celtic roots. Hannah Stoppel grew up on Celtic music.

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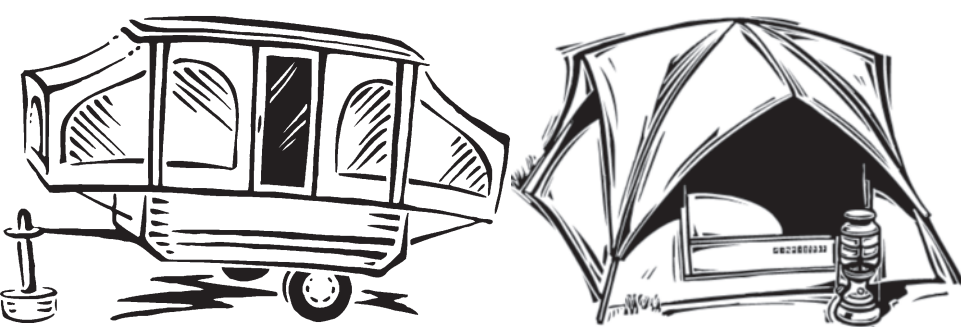
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Fountain of Youth



On a hot summer weekend, a child's favorite place is running through the fountain in East Park in the heart of downtown Charlevoix

Now is the Time to Buy a Home

Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency Offers Home Buyer Education Workshops to New Homeowners

It might surprise many people to find out that June is the celebration of National Homeownership Month. Given the unstable economy, most people are thinking that this is the worst time to buy a home. But that couldn't be further from the truth.

Right now, the houses are still at an all time low prices. Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA) is dedicated to making a homebuyer's dream come true.

"NMCAA is a one-stop agency for your free financial fitness, homebuyer and homeownership needs," says Karen Emerson, manager of NMCAA's Financial Management Services. "Whether you are interested in developing a workable spending and savings plan, getting out of debt, understanding and improving your credit

report, buying a home, getting out of debt or planning for your financial future, you can get assistance for all this and more at NMCAA."

NMCAA, a non-profit serving a 10-county service area for over 30 years through housing, senior nutrition, head start and weatherization programs, conducts free homebuyer education and financial workshops at all three office locations (Traverse City, Cadillac, Petoskey) throughout the year. They focus on teaching clients how to navigate the steps involved in mortgage management, home shopping, budgeting, credit repair and information about banks and lending institutions. For more information, call (231) 947-3780 or (800) 632-7334 or visit www.nmcaa.net.



Charlevoix Community Foundation president Chip Hansen (left) and program office Maureen Radke present a check to Lake Charlevoix Association board members Paul Witting and Dan Mishler at a meeting in the Boyne City Public Library June 12. PHOTO CREDIT: LAKE CHARLEVOIX ASSOCIATION

Grant Aids in Telling Lake Association Story

The Lake Charlevoix Association (LCA), a volunteer body focused on preserving and protecting the lake, has received a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation that will allow it to explain its work better to residents and visitors to the area.

The new multimedia presentation will be shown to a wide range of groups around the lake, including condominium and homeowner associations as well as civic organizations as part of LCA's goal of improving public understanding the problems that affect the lake.

"The Lake Charlevoix Association has always had a good story to tell since it was started nearly 40 years ago," said Paul Witting, the LCA board member who directed the project. "And now we have the LCA Story itself to tell to our community."

The work, which can be shown with a computer and projector, includes text, photos and other graphics. It was created by Johnson Graphics of Boyne City, a creative design agency. In addition to the grant from the Community Foundation, the project was financed by LCA and an anonymous donor.

Presenting a check to Witting at a meeting of LCA's Shoreline Ambassadors

at the Boyne City Library on June 12, foundation program officer Maureen Radke said "there is important work to be done to educate people about the lake, which is our county's most important natural resource. We are happy to be able to help LCA carry out that vital task."

Last year the foundation awarded nearly \$950,000 in grants to a wide range of programs in supporting arts and culture, education, environment, health and human services, recreation and other areas. It has made multiple grants to the lake association.

The 550-member LCA has taken the lead in recent years in combating the threat of the invasive grass phragmites australis. It has run an on-the-water science training program for middle school students for 17 years. Last year it started a new program to improve fish habitat in the lake, and this year it launched a Lake Guardian program that recognizes individuals and businesses who agree to follow "best practices" in protecting the quality of the lake's entire watershed.

To schedule a showing of the new presentation, please contact Paul Witting (paulw@lakecharlevoix.org or 231-675-5207).

Summer Food Service Program provides Meals for Children

East Jordan Public Schools announces the sponsorship of the 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. The meals will be provided without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. Meals will be provided at from June 11, 2012 through August 24, 2012: East Jordan Elementary School, 304 Fourth Street, East Jordan and at Boyne City United Methodist Church, 324 park Street, Boyne City. At East Jordan Elementary School

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. Neighborhood children are welcome to participate.

At Boyne City United Methodist Church, lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Neighborhood children are welcome to participate.

Charlevoix County 4-H receives Grant



Jen Booher (adult left side of the goal post) from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation presents a check to Charlevoix County 4-H Council. 4-H Youth in the photo are members of the Boyne Area 4-H Spring Soccer Program. Also in the photo is Leah Herrick (adult right side of the goal post), 4-H Program Coordinator for Charlevoix County.

The Charlevoix County 4-H program has received a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. The funds will benefit youth ages 5-19 by providing opportunities and education through 4-H Program efforts that encourage and develop friendships, creativity, learning, leadership and teamwork to low income families, who cannot afford registration fees.

Last year 4-H was able to sponsor approximately 160 youth. There are many 4-H opportunities to attend; for example Capitol Experience, where high school students are given the opportunity to learn more about their state government. Other state events include Kettunen Center Workshops

that offer many things from animal science seminars to clinics for 4-H Youth. Exploration Days is another wonderful opportunity for youth 12-19, where they attend classes and stay on Michigan State University Camp for 4 days and 3 nights. We also offer sports and fitness programs: Swimming, Sailing, Soccer, Tennis, Golf, and Wrestling locally. With the obesity rate being high it is our goal to offer these programs to encourage healthy habits and not deny any youth participation due to lack of income.

You can find more information about MSU Extension 4-H Youth Programs at www.msue.msu.edu/charlevoix or by

calling 231-582-6232 here. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life for all who live, work, or vacation in Charlevoix County. CCCF funds help enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come, by building permanent charitable endowment from a wide range of donors, addressing needs through grant making, and providing leadership on matters of community concern.

Sen. Walker announces July office hours

LANSING—State Sen. Howard Walker, R-Traverse City, announced Thursday that he has scheduled office hours for Monday, July 9.

Office hours provide constituents an opportunity to meet and discuss concerns with the senator or a member of his staff. All are welcome. Specific office hours locations for Monday, July 9 are as follows:

East Jordan
2 p.m.
East Jordan City Hall,
Council Chambers
210 Main St.

For further information, please contact Walker's office by visiting his website, SenatorHowardWalker.com; via email at SenHWalker@senate.michigan.gov; or by phone, toll free at 1-866-525-5637.

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Charlevoix's 1st Annual Summer Open House!

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Charlevoix merchants celebrated the arrival of the 2012 summer season with the first-ever Summer Open House which took place downtown Charlevoix on June 18th. Participating businesses extended an overall hardy welcome to all by offering specials, snacks, refreshments, and entertainment.

Many of Charlevoix's merchants moved out of their air-conditioned shops to greet those meandering down the street. The

Cherry Republic Assistant Manager Pam Barnes passes out ice cream floats made from cherry sodas to Dominic Barnes and Jeremy Tachout of Portland, Michigan.



Cherry Republic offered cherry accented ice cream floats, live music and a place to gather and converse outside or inside their doors. The Rocking Horse Toy Co. displayed bead collection and assisted with the making of free monogram bracelets and the new Mittens Frozen Yogurt's employees greeted guests at the door and gave cheerful tours of how to prepare the ambrosial self-serve treat. Other merchants offered food and beverages and plenty of helpful staff was on hand.

Although the Summer Open House was scheduled to coincide with the season premier of the "Movies by the Marina" series sponsored by Huntington Bank, a torrential thunderstorm started just before 7p.m. and made the viewing impossible. However, the band Ribo and the Flavinauts played over the roar of falling rain for thirty minutes before the rain invaded the snug white tent set up in East Park. Musicians Danny Gillespi and Danny Johnston moved their seats and continued to pick and grin under the balcony in front of The Cherry Republic until the streets were virtually bare of all soggy visitors.

Even with the rain the 1st Annual Charlevoix Summer Open House was an evening of great shopping, dining, and entertainment for the entire family!

Participating Businesses Included: Aartvark Studio, American Spoon Foods, Central Drug



The normally 6 man band, Ribo and the Flavinauts, agreed on short notice to entertain. Mike Carey, Jim Clark, Rob Cody and Amy Cook set up as the thunder rolled and played in spite of the weather. "That's what makes it exciting," said Carey. "We're going to have a great time no matter what."

Store, Charlevoix Circle of Arts, Charlevoix Harbor Wear, Charlevoix Historical Society, The Clothing Company, Elements, Ellair Gallery, Halfway to the Top, Ga Ga For Kids, Glik's, Le French Bulldog, Pine River Books, Revolution Bike, Rocking Horse Toy Store, Round Lake Books, Scovie's Gourmet, Sunglass Shoppe, Sunshine Charters, Todd Warner Studios, Villager Pub.

RIGHT: Central Drugs offered ten minute massages and cigar rolling demonstrations. Tom Petrie learned how to roll a good cigar from a Cuban friend while in the Caribbean.



Charlevoix Circle of Arts Offers Summer Youth Arts Camp

The Charlevoix Circle of the Arts is offering a six week Arts Camp for children ages 6-14 years old beginning July 2.

Circle Camp will start and end each day at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts building at 109 Clinton St., but campers may venture out exploring all the cultural richness Charlevoix and surrounding area has to offer. It is a general day camp with a focus on the arts including painting, photography, exercise, drawing, acting, food preparation, scrap booking and much more. Campers will also get plenty of exercise playing games in the park or at the beach.

The Circle Camp schedule includes a wide variety of art from painting to food preparation. The Circle of Arts has assembled a group of creative counselors to help campers learn and explore art.

For more information, to register a camper or to volunteer to help with the program, call the organization's office at (231) 547-3554.

Vintage Car & Boat Festival

Bay Harbor to Host 14th Annual Event This Weekend

By Jim Akans
There is something very special about vintage craftsmanship. Perhaps it is inherent in that what it typically more simply designed and engineered simply reigns supreme. Maybe it is the sense of nostalgia, or the beauty of a handmade object that endures the test of time.

This weekend, Friday and Saturday, June 22nd and 23rd, there will be a unique opportunity to peruse some fantastic and classic automobiles and watercraft at the 14th Annual 2012 Bay Harbor Vintage Car and Boat Festival.

Friday will feature a vintage auto driving tour starting at 8:30 am, a "Cruise In" at Bay Harbor at 5:30 pm.

Saturday, the Vintage Car and Boat Festival kicks into high gear starting with a parade of vintage cars and a display of vintage boats beginning at 10 am, a commentary of cars and boats by Edward Lucas from 10 am until 12:30 pm, a "Drive-By Award Presentation" at 2:30 pm, and a "Best of Detroit" extravaganza with live Motown-style music, a strolling dinner and spectacular auction at the Bay Harbor

Yacht Club starting at 6 pm.

The Bay Harbor Vintage Car and Boat Festival is a benefit for the Bay Harbor Foundations. For more information, visit the Bay Harbor Foundations web site at www.bayharborfoundation.org.

BayHarborCarShow-Photo; This weekend, Friday and Saturday, June 22nd and 23rd, there will be a unique opportunity to peruse some fantastic and classic automobiles and watercraft at the 14th Annual 2012 Bay Harbor Vintage Car and Boat Festival. Courtesy photo



COURTESY PHOTO

History Series speaker reveals legacy of "Smeltania" at June 25th presentation

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society presents its June 2012 "History Speaker Series" program: "Smelt Runs and Smeltania in Boyne City during the 1930s and 1940s" with Guest Speaker Bob Morgridge on Monday, June 25th at 7:00 PM in the Boyne District Library's Lower Level Community Room on 201 East Main Street in Boyne City.

At the turn of the century Boyne City was a busy lumbering town but the lumbering boom faded in the early 1920's. The community settled down to hard times with the advent of the depression in the 1930's. Only the Tannery provided most of the citizens with work. During this time local people found that they could find a meal and earn a living by catching smelt and selling smelt for a penny or two apiece to downstate restaurants. The first smelt were dipped in the Boyne River around 1929 with the advent of the smelt runs. Around 1937 another event began near the shores of Boyne City... this was the establishment of Smeltania City. When Old King Winter stilled the turbulent waters of Lake Charlevoix with a thick blanket of ice a new city emerged. The city was called Smeltania.

Join us as historian and author Bob Morgridge reveals the legacy of the only city in the world built on ice! This event is free & open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. For more information call 231-582-5326.

The 14th Annual Summer Solstice Art Show was held June 16 & 17 in downtown Charlevoix in East Park.

The 14th Annual Summer Solstice Art Show in Charlevoix featured quality art displayed on the shore of scenic Round Lake Harbor. Participating artisans are carefully selected to ensure a well-rounded event offering a variety of fun and unique creations from 70 vendors.



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STROLLING THE STREETS OF BOYNE CITY



LEFT TOP: A staple of Boyne City's Friday night stroll is the popcorn machine in front of Lynda's Real Estate



LEFT BOTTOM: Boyne City's Green Thumb Goddesses of the Boyne Valley Garden Club take their plants for a walk during Stroll the Streets

RIGHT: Nine music groups, artists and performers spent Friday night along the streets of downtown Boyne City during the first Stroll the Streets of the year.

BELOW: The Boyne City class of 2015 took the opportunity to raise funds for charity during Friday night's Stroll the Streets



Water Color Workshop Scheduled at Raven Hill

For the third year, a special Luke Buck Water Color Workshop is scheduled at Raven Hill Discovery Center for Thursday, June 28 and Friday, June 29 from 10 am to 3 pm. 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.



"I'm looking forward to returning to the Raven Hill Discovery Center for another workshop session in Watercolor Painting. It's been my pleasure sharing ideas and thoughts with such an energetic and knowledgeable group of artists during the course over past couple of years. It's been a nice blend of painters, from the novice and beginner, to the more experienced and accomplished artist. During last year's Watercolor Workshop, we had several requests to explore watercolor painting of water. This year, along with

a general study in watercolor technique in landscape painting, we will focus on painting Water in Watercolor—lakes, rivers, rain, waterfalls, etc." 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 techniques for painting water. Early enrollment is recommended as space is limited. Cost: \$250 for 2 days. Lunch is included. To register or for more information, call Cheri at 231.536.3369.

Dream Big, Read at Library

The Summer Reading Club at the Charlevoix Public Library is getting ready for a blow-out summer full of fun. Dream Big, Read has something for kids of all ages. Summer Reading Club is designed to help children read throughout the summer to keep their reading levels steady from spring to fall. It's easy to join, just stop in the library register, set a reading goal, and share stories!

Events are held 6:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings for all age groups through August 14. The youngest participants, ages birth – five, have the opportunity to join in Kindermusik which helps children develop early literacy & language skills, cultivate a lifelong love of music, and have a fun time @ the library! This is an adult / child interactive program with separate sessions for birth through two (6:30) and ages 3-5 (7:15). The spots fill up fast, so make sure you stop by

to register. For kids grades K-8 the club kicks off on July 10 with Michigan Magician – Jeff Wawrzaszek of A2 Magic who will dazzle the audience with his feats of magic. Then the three weeks following, special crafts for all ages will be featured, including a Dream Box, Dreamcatcher, Word Birds and Book Prints. Then on August 7, the Bubbleman will be featured and to the end the summer, the annual Youth Craft Show will be hosted on August 14.

As usual, there will also be a weekly story hour presented by Miss Laura every Thursday at 10:30. New this summer will be Miss Sandi reading Stories in the Park – once per month during the Farmer's Market. For more information about this and other summer events at the library check out the website www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call the youth desk @ 231-237-7350.

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Thanks to the sponsorship of The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus, is coming to East Jordan on Wednesday, June 27 at East Jordan Community Park, with two scheduled performances at 5 and 7:30 pm. Now in its 28th edition, C&M Circus has become internationally known for quality family entertainment. This authentic One-Ring, Big Top Circus has been featured on National Geographic's Explorer TV series, Entertainment Tonight, The Los Angeles Times, The Chicago Tribune, Arizona Highways Magazine. It has also been featured on the A&E Special: Under the Big Top and most recently, On the Road with Circus Kids, a Nickelodeon special featured on the Nick News Program.

Bring your friends and family out circus morning to watch as East Jordan is transformed into a bustling Circus City. Activity swirls around the grounds as animals are unloaded, the Big Top is erected, and rigging is prepared for performances later in the day. Enjoy the magic and tradition of

Circus Day Schedule (times may vary)

- Between 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. - Tent Raising & FREE Tour
- 4:00 p.m. Midway & Box Office Open (pony rides, moon-bounce, concessions and more)
- 5:00-6:30 p.m. - First Show
- 7:30-9:00 p.m. - Second Show

the American Circus with your family and create memories that will last a lifetime.

Between 9 and 10 am come watch the raising of the Big Top, then stay for the FREE Tour. This presentation offers a unique face-to-face opportunity for families, schools, and interested community members to meet and learn all about the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus family and includes a walking tour of the circus grounds. Learn interesting facts about performers, the history of the show and the different species of animals in the Circus Family. This presentation will also address topics such as hygiene, grooming and the veteri-

nary care all of our animals receive.

In recent years the Tent Raising and Morning Tour has become a popular program for families and interested community members. It is presented in a way everyone, young and old can learn many interesting facts about the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus Family and now we have a brand new tent! This is a special part of Circus Day that should not be missed.

On circus day, performers bring the magic of the circus to life in each 90-minute performance. This year's lineup includes an All-Star group of performers and entertainers that include Miss Simone and her amazing single trapeze, Miss Lana's Feathered Friends, Miss Paulina on the Web, The Arlise Troupe on their wild and crazy unicycles, Angel Perez with juggling, The Silverlake's sizzling whips, Karina and her hoola hoops, The Perez Russian Swing. This year we are trying something new with animal acts. Every few weeks a new act will be contracted out. All with original music, written by the talented, Matt Margucci from



Los Angeles, California. Our performers are sure to amaze, delight and entertain audience members of all ages beyond your wildest imagination.

SAVE MONEY by purchasing your tickets in advance. Advance tickets are available at:

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- East Jordan Area Chamber Of fice

Prices for advance tickets are \$6.00 for children ages 2 to 12, (children under 2 are always

free), and \$9.00 for adults. On show day tickets will be \$7.00 for children and \$12.00 for adults. Buy your tickets early and save.

For more information or to purchase tickets with a credit card call 866 BIG TOP 6. Advance tickets will be available at this number until 3:00 p.m. Central Time on circus day.

Author Doc Fletcher offers photographic presentation at Boyne Library on June 27th and Charlevoix Library on June 28th

Michigan is known for its natural beauty, especially the shoreline. One of the hidden treasures here in the "Mitten State" are its lovely rivers. Doc Fletcher, author of the newly published "Paddling Michigan's Hidden Beauty: the Rivers, the Towns, and the Taverns," will be offering two hour-long slide show

narrative presentations highlighting seven rivers from his book. The first will be at the Boyne District Library Community Room on Wednesday, June 27th starting at 7 pm, and the second at the Charlevoix Public Library on June 28th starting at 7:30 pm.

The seven river trips that he shares include: the

North Branch of the Pentwater; the Carp near St. Ignace; the Red Cedar from wilderness area through the MSU campus; the incredible rock formations of western U.P.'s Menominee; the beautiful Boardman River by Traverse City; Crockery Creek near Grand Haven & it's blue heron

nesting area 50' above the water line; and the rapids of the Clinton River in SE Michigan. He will also take attendees on an urban kayak adventure on the Chicago River through downtown Chicago to the edge of Lake Michigan.

At the end of each program there will be a drawing for a free canoe or kayak day trip, good for one of Michigan's rivers, donated by various canoe and kayak liveries in the Upper and Lower peninsulas. The drawing winner may choose from several rivers in the U.P. and the Lower Peninsula for their personal adventure. Doc will also be selling and signing copies of his four books.

At the June 27th event, No Boundaries, located at 126 Water St. in downtown Boyne City, will have canoeing and kayaking equipment on display, and the Friends of the Boyne River will be on hand as well to share their expertise about local resources. Informa-

tion, including livery brochures and state maps will be available to assist program attendees in planning river trips.

"Experienced paddlers will be introduced to little-known rivers, and novices will be moved to enjoy firsthand the beauty of the

rivers," said Boyne District Library director Cliff Carey. "With photographs of Michigan's beautiful rivers, these presentations are sure to be enjoyed by everyone."

Refreshments will be provided at each event. For information about the Boyne

District Library event call 231-582-7861 or visit www.boynelibrary.org. For information about the Charlevoix Library event, call 231-237-7340 or visit www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

PBS-featured Michigan author Doc Fletcher will share an hour-long photographic journey down rivers selected from his canoeing and kayaking books at area Libraries. COURTESY PHOTO



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Charlevoix Student Wins Central Region Award for Poster Contest

Madison O'Leary (third from left), a sixth grader at St. Mary's School, was the first place winner of the Michigan Garden Club's Smokey Bear "Only You Can Prevent Forest Fires" and Woodsy Owl "Lend a Hand - Care for the Land" poster contest. These themes are created at the national level through the National Garden Clubs, Inc. and the United States Forest Service. In addition to winning the first place in the Michigan, Madison's poster was judged as the first place winner in the National Garden Club's Central Region covering entries from six states.

The second poster contest is sponsored locally through the Charlevoix Area Garden Club and is a garden-related poster. The 2011-12 theme was "MAKE Charlevoix the Beautiful". The Chamber of Commerce developed the phrase "Charlevoix the Beautiful" years ago as a part of a promotional tool but it does express a reality. In addition, just as Smokey and Woodsy ask children to do specific things, we wanted to help children become aware of how we ALL can "make" our city "beautiful".

BELOW: are the Youth Education Chairs, Mary Bailey-Hengesh, Kathleen Schmidtke, Ruth Augustine, and several members of Madison O'Leary's family.



RIGHT: Pictured with Peggy is Kate Klinger - Grand Prize Winner of "Make Charlevoix Beautiful"



BELOW: Winners Madison O'Leary (First Place winner CAGC fifth grade, MGC, and NGC Central Region), Patrick Sterrett (First Place winner first grade and Second Place winner MGC first grade), CAGC President, Peggy Brennan, and Helen Hanchin (Grand Prize Winner of the local "Smokey/Woodsy" contest and First Place winner fourth grade).



Leadership Charlevoix County Received Community Foundation Grant

This spring, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation awarded Leadership Charlevoix County (LCC) with a \$5000 grant to help fund the second year of the educational training program.

"The Community Foundation is so pleased to be in a position to support Leadership Charlevoix County again in the year ahead," noted Chip Hansen, Foundation President, adding, "we know that leadership matters, and working with the local Chambers of Com-

merce to develop quality leaders is something that we're proud to be a part of."

LCC's mission is to cultivate new, emerging leaders from the Charlevoix County area to strengthen individual leadership abilities and create an awareness of leadership opportunities within the communities. The program is a partnership of the Boyne, Charlevoix and East Jordan Area Chambers of Commerce with support from the Beaver Island Chamber of Com-

merce and is organized by a volunteer Steering Committee.

This project is a necessary component for the stability and growth of Charlevoix County. Leadership is not often an accessible education option, nor is it focused on local issues and situations. LCC provides both of these opportunities in a comprehensive and affordable format for up and coming leaders. Ultimately, the program will help to develop stronger Charlevoix County employees and citizens while advocating volunteerism and philanthropic activity.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life for all who live, work, or vacation in Charlevoix County.

COCF funds help enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come, by building permanent charitable endowment from a wide range of donors, addressing needs through grant making, and

providing leadership on matters of community concern.

Applications are now available for the 2013 class of LCC. More information about may be found at www.leadershipcharlevoix-county.com or by calling 231-547-2101. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.



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