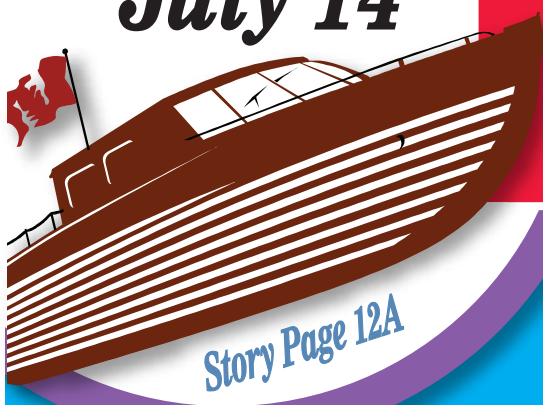


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Health Department Investigates Rental After Mysterious Illness

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE FALLS—The Health department of Northwest Michigan is supporting an investigation conducted by the Michigan Department of Community Health and the Saginaw Department of Public Health after four people were hospitalized after vacationing at a private lodge located between Boyne City and Boyne Falls the week of June 10-17.

Authorities are investigating the cause of a mysterious illness that made the eleven Saginaw area people staying at a privately owned vacation rental in Charlevoix County sick. "There is no confirmation that what this family has experienced had anything to do with that rental," said Reynolds. "Were just checking it out." Reynolds went on to explain that, "This type of thing is really confined the individuals in question who were traveling together." The Health department has completed an environmental investigation of the rental and expects to get the test results sometime next week.

Preliminary test results of one of the patients indicates that a bacterium known as legionella is the cause of the ill-

See **Mysterious Illness - 7A**

Let's Ellebrate!

...this weekend at the second annual Ellsworth Ellebration! festival.

By Catie L'Heureux

You can finish the Independence Day holiday this weekend with three days of family fun at the second annual Ellsworth Ellebration! festival.

Events begin Friday, July 6 at 5 p.m. with a '50s "Drive-In" Dinner at Ellsworth Elementary School, 9467 Park Street, and Family Water Fun Night at the Ellsworth Community Park from 7 to 9 p.m.

Main events on Saturday, July 7 include the 32-mile Ellebration! Bike Tour of the Chain-o-Lakes at 8 a.m., Grand Parade at 11 a.m. and Roast Pork Lunch at the Ellsworth Community Park Pavilion at 12 p.m. Competitions during the day include the Fireman Games between three local fire departments at 1 p.m. and the Ellsworth Farmers Exchange Horse Pull at the grand-



The Pig Roast is still a feature event during Ellebration

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stand on Main Street at 2 p.m. At dusk there will be a boat parade on St. Clair Lake followed by a fireworks show.

The festival will conclude Sunday, July 8 with an ice cream social

at 6:30 p.m. and a showing of the film Courageous at 7 p.m. at Ellsworth Wesleyan Church, 6339 Elm Street.

Erin Nickel, chair of the Ellsworth Ellebration! Committee considers Ellebration! a transformed annual event.

"It's an event that I really believe in," she said. "For 30 years prior to Ellebration! it was called the Ellsworth Pig Roast. There's a great tradition that goes along with Ellsworth community events."

When members of the long-established Pig Roast Committee retired two years ago, Nickel stepped up to lead the newly formed Ellebration! Committee.

"Once we saw that change we thought maybe this is a time the community needs a bit of a fresh event," Nickel said. "We didn't want to get rid of those things that were so key to memories. We wanted to keep the Horse Pull, the Pig Roast Dinner and keep everything low-cost."

Nickel said the Ellebration! Committee collaborated with the Ellsworth St. Clair Fireworks Committee to



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The Grand Marshal for the parade this year is Deputy Robert Daunter

host the festival on the same weekend as the boat parade and fireworks. She especially values Ellebration! as a time for friends and family.

"It is that day where everybody comes together and it's almost out of an old-fashioned movie. It's so touching to see all the people visiting," she said. "You see generations of friends and families coming out and celebrating together."

Alana Haley, promotion chair of the Committee, connected with

See **Ellebration - 4A**

Hundreds of homemade desserts will be served at the Roast Pork Lunch this weekend, as part of the second annual Ellsworth Ellebration! festival.

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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION



A sign removed from the park is still pertinent in spite of a new state fireworks law. Local government still has the right to regulate the use of fireworks on public property.

Commission Considers Fireworks Restrictions

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY - Boyne City Commissioners are considering several options to regulate the pyrotechnics now that the state has loosened their regulations. A newly enacted fireworks law has rendered most previous city ordinances obsolete. The law does not allow local municipalities to "regulate fireworks the day before, the day of and the day after a national holiday." It is up to the commission to decide how

See **Boyne City Commission - 5A**

COUNTY COMMISSION

County Commissioners Ask Trail Planners to Think Outside the Box

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX — Charlevoix County commissioners asked planners of phase two of the Boyne City-Charlevoix bike trail to start looking outside the box for some affordable options after being informed at the Wednesday, June 27 commission meeting that cost estimates are now double what was originally presented.

Ross Maxwell, county parks and recreation director, spoke to commissioners Wednesday, stating that, "Early estimates placed costs around \$1.5 million, but now anticipated costs are nearly \$3 million." Phase two of the proposed trail consists of six miles from U.S. 31 to the old Camp Sea-Gull, a couple miles west of Horton Bay.

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10	82°F	55°F	95°F (1988)	38°F (1963)
11	82°F	55°F	93°F (2005)	37°F (1978)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Thank You to our volunteers and donors

Dear Editor:

The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) staff, Board of Directors and Women Can/Women Do committee members thank the volunteers and donors who helped make this year's fundraising luncheon in Charlevoix a success.

The talented table designers who created stunning displays included: A Touch of Spring, Boyne Mountain Solace Spa, Boynes' Beyond Borders, Connie Carr-Designer, Castle Farms Wedding Department, Charlevoix Area Garden Club, Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild Gift Shop, Charlevoix Circle of Arts, Charlevoix Country Club, Deer Creek Junk, Elements, Fanciful: Eclectic Tableware Rental, GaGa for Kids, Hearts to Holly Quilt Shop, inspired living, Jordan River Arts Council, Kilwin's of Charlevoix,

Lake Street Market, Marvin's Gardens, MerryMakers, Panache Hair Studio, Petals Custom Floral Designs, Raven Hill Discovery Center, Sommer-set Pointe Yacht Club & Marina, The Backdoor-A Floral Studio, Upsy-Daisy Floral, and Nanette Dion-Artist/Designer. Your generous donation of time and talent helped ensure the success of this annual event.

We also thank our hard-working table captains! Your willingness to be involved and your generosity in giving so much time and energy to make sure the tables were filled with guests, greatly contributed to the success of this fundraiser.

Once again we enjoyed the lovely setting of Castle Farms and thank owners Linda and Richard Mueller. The enjoyable prelude music provided by the Gaillard String Trio and delicious dessert prepared and

donated by Diane McMahon were both greatly appreciated. Special recognition goes to Liz Firebaugh, CKD, of Signature Kitchens who provided a complimentary copy of her book, Design with Taste, to each luncheon attendee.

The hundreds of attendees at this event provide critical dollars to WRCNM programs and services so that we are able to continue providing help to thousands of women, children and families, every year. Thank you for your commitment to our agency and the communities we serve.

Many thanks for continuing to support the Charlevoix Women Can/Women Do luncheon!

Sincerely,
Janet Mancinelli
Executive Director

A great big "Thank You" from the East Jordan Freedom Committee

Dear Editor,

The community of East Jordan celebrated the start of the summer season with another great East Jordan Freedom Festival from Wednesday, June 13 – Sunday, June 17. The festival brought families and friends from throughout the area into downtown with 5 days of fun for all to enjoy. The East Jordan Freedom Festival would not have been possible without the support of many organizations, businesses, churches and individuals. The East Jordan Freedom Festival Committee would like to recognize and thank the following:

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East Jordan Police Department, East Jordan DPW Department, East Jordan Park's Department, East Jordan EMS, East Jordan Fire Department, Way Transportation, East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department and The U. S. Coast Guard for all of your time and hard work.

As you can see...it takes MANY people to make a successful festival. Without their time and support events such as the East Jordan Freedom Festival would not be possible!

Most Sincerely
Shannon Fender
President
East Jordan Freedom Festival

Please save the date for the South Arm Classic Festival including a Micro Brew Tent sponsored by the East Jordan Freedom Festival, July 14, 2012 in downtown East Jordan.

OBITUARIES

Elizabeth 'Betty' Mae Russell (Sloop), 70

(FEB. 2, 1942 - JUNE 27, 2012)

Elizabeth "Betty" Mae Russell (Sloop), of East Jordan, died June 27, 2012, in Pine Bluff, Ark.

She was born Feb. 2, 1942, and attended school in East Jordan.

On June 6, 1959, she married Bud Dale Russell in Petoskey. They were married 53 years and had five children: Mark Russell of South Haven; Cindy Burke of Charlevoix, who passed away in 2006; Todd Russell of Charlevoix; Teresa Lanterman of East Jordan; and Jeff Russell of Charlevoix. Betty is also survived by 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Nelson L. Spoelman, 74

(Nov. 23, 1937 - June 28, 2012)

Nelson L. Spoelman of Banks Township, died June 28, 2012, at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey.

He was born Nov. 23, 1937, in Charlevoix, the son of John and Edna (Zylstra) Spoelman.

He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Michigan State University, graduating with honors.

Mr. Spoelman taught math at Ellsworth Community School and served as principal and superintendent. He moved to Alaska in 1968 where he taught math and coached hockey. He also built two homes for the family, served as a hunting guide and did commercial fishing.

Upon retirement in the early 1990s, he moved back to the family farm in Banks Township and enjoyed country living. He was an avid and successful hunter and fisherman. He also enjoyed woodworking.

Surviving are his children, Debra Knox of Anchorage, Alaska, Derrik (Barbara) Spoelman of Mesa, Ariz., and Gregg Spoelman of Central Lake; grandchildren, Mariah Knox, Griffen Knox, John Spoelman, Claire Spoelman, Fallon Spoelman, Paige Spoelman Garret Spoelman; brother, Theodore (Leona) Spoelman of Muskegon; sister, Joyce (Dwayne) Spoelman Evans of Clare; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, John Spoelman, and mother, Edna Spoelman; brother, Lewis Spoelman; and loving friend of 17 years, Patricia White McCarthy. He will be deeply missed by family and friends.

A memorial service took place Saturday, June 30, at Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth, with the Rev. Doug Blackwell officiating.

Internment will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Torch Lake Township.

For those wishing to make memorial contributions, the family suggests Banks Township Fire and Rescue or Hiland Cottage.

Richard Howard Beagle, 79

Richard Howard Beagle, formerly of Grand Ledge, Mich.,

died Sunday, June 24, 2012, at the age of 79.

The son of Howard and Althea Beagle, Dick graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1951 and then from Michigan State University in 1960.

After a long career in public service across the state of Michigan, including the start of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance in Boyne City, Dick retired to spend time with his friends and family in Florida.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Susan Jean (Fuday) Beagle, of Lake Wales, Fla.; his son, Brad, and daughter, Cindy, both of Minneapolis, Minn.; and grandchildren, Taylor, Erin, John and Andrew.

The funeral service will take place at 6 p.m. Monday, July 9, at Wacousta Methodist Church, just outside Lansing, Mich.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Richard Beagle Memorial at the National Parkinson's Foundation; www.parkinson.org.

Jeffrey William Muha, 53

Jeffrey William Muha, 53, of Mesquite, Texas, and Ellsworth, Mich., passed away after a brief battle with cancer on Sunday, June 10, 2012.

Jeff was born in Charlevoix Area Hospital, the son of Jean B. Muha and the late Arnold Bill Muha. He graduated from Ellsworth High School (1976) and received his degree from Oberlin College.

He lived in the Dallas, Texas, area since 1980 where he worked in information technology.

He is survived by his mother, Jean, of Ellsworth; brothers, Michael of Wixom, Mich., and David of Centerville, Ohio; sister, Mary, of Irvington, N.Y.; two half brothers, Wayne and Jerry, of southern Michigan; as well as cousins, nieces and extended family.

We will miss Jeff, his positive attitude, his heart of gold, and his angel food cake. We love you Jeff!

A memorial service will take place at 10 a.m. Monday, July 9, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. The Rev. James K. Gardiner will be officiating.

John 'Jack' Apol, 71

John "Jack" Apol of Charlevoix, died July 1, 2012, at McLaren Northern Michigan.

Arrangements are pending at Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Robert N. Timms Jr., 54

Robert N. Timms Jr. died Friday, June 29, 2012, at his home in East Jordan.

No funeral services are scheduled.

The family received friends on Monday, July 2, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.



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Bingham Insurance of Charlevoix Named to Top 10

By **Catie L'Heureux**

Auto-Owners Insurance recently recognized Bingham Insurance Services of Charlevoix as one of their Top 10 growth agencies for the Company in the Traverse City Region for 2011. The Auto-Owners Traverse City branch evaluated agencies based on premium growth and profitability.

Rod Rupp, Executive Vice President of Auto-Owners, invited the ten agencies to a roundtable luncheon in Traverse City at the Holiday Inn West Bay on April 26. The Auto-Owners Traverse City regional office hosted a party afterward. Auto-Owners then presented a luncheon for the entire Bingham Insurance staff at their Charlevoix office on May 30.

Vice President Sam Bingham of Bingham Insurance highlighted the agency's great working relationship with Auto-Owners.

"Auto-Owners is definitely one of our top carriers," he said. "One of the reasons why we've

consistently grown with them is just because they are an excellent company to work with, a good partner for us."

Bingham Insurance previously received the Auto-Owners Top 10 Award in 2008, Bingham said. He attributed Bingham Insurance's success with Auto-Owners to aggressive advertising, referrals and most importantly to the dedication of the Bingham Insurance staff.

"We work very hard on the referral side of our business, on thanking our current customers that send people to us," he said. "Primarily it's everybody here in the office. It's such an incredible group of people. We've got people that have been with the agency for many years."

Bingham noted Bingham Insurance's strong role in supporting the community.

"Our role is to provide a product that protects families, that protects their assets, protects everything that they've been working toward their



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whole lives," he said. "On the business side, to help make businesses a safer environment for their employees, and also

giving back to the community. We have always felt that it's very important. There are a number of organizations that

we support as much as we can."

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EAST JORDAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT;

Eugene W. Smith, Attorney at Law

By **Jim Akans**

The Ambassadors of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce are proud to announce that Eugene W. Smith, Attorney At Law, has been selected as the Business Spotlight of the Month. An attorney with 30 years of experience, Smith is presently employed at the firm of Young, Graham, Elsenheimer & Wendling, PC, and his office is located on Mason Street in Charlevoix.

Smith was raised on the family farm between East Jordan and Boyne City, and his family has a long history in the area.

He relates, "On my mother's side, the Sheridan's seem to have arrived with the lumber schooners, and our family has owned farms in the county for several generations. My late wife's family is also a local farm family with a centennial, plus, farm. I was married to the farmer's very accomplished daughter - musician, bank auditor, District Librarian, mother - , Judy Lee Nicloy, and we were together for 37 years and had 3 daughters, and now 2 grandsons. We graduated together from MSU and I also have a degree from WMU."

After spending eight years active duty in the Navy, Smith worked at the East Jordan Iron-



Eugene W. Smith

works and subsequently for Mary Feindt at Charlevoix Abstract and Engineering. In the early 1980's, he began practicing law in Charlevoix County, and was also a member of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Board. He left the area to rejoin the Navy, practice law in the U.P. and southern Michigan, and recently returned to the East Jordan area where he now lives on the family farm.

In addition to his work at Young, Graham, Elsenheimer & Wendling, P.C., where he focuses on municipal, labor, property and general practice law, Smith has rejoined the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Board and has been an active participant in the shaping the economic development plan utilized by the City and Chamber.

Congratulations to Eugene W. Smith for being selected as the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Business Spotlight.

Radio Control Hobby store opens for business

Terry's R/C Hobbies, a new radio control hobby store, has opened its doors. It is located between Boyne City and East Jordan at 305 N. Advance Rd. Featuring a 90' x 100' outdoor track which includes jumps and turns are sure to meet all enthusiast needs. There is a smaller track with jumps for kids.

The new store is a family owned business that focuses on their customers having fun. Both beginner and experienced racers will enjoy the new track. We look forward to helping you Control the Track. Terry's carries a full



line of products, including Team Associated, Traxxas, Hpi, and Xtm as well as others. Store hours are Mondays - Thursday 10-6, Friday and Saturday 10-7 and closed on Sundays. Visit the website at terrysrc.com or contact them at 231-675-9218.

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"I'm beginning to feel like that parent you just keep asking trying to wear down. This isn't about if you support the trail or not; this is about money. It's come down to the cold hard cash," said Commissioner Chris Christensen.

The option Maxwell brought to the commissioners involved having the Charlevoix County Road Commission apply for a \$2.2 million Federal Transportation Enhancement Grant, as opposed to the \$1 million request originally discussed, and applying for a \$300,000 Trust Fund Grant leaving \$350,000 to be absorbed by the county. Maxwell stated he believed \$100,000 could be raised through local philanthropic agencies leaving a quarter-million dollar shortage.

Maxwell asked the county to pitch in the lacking grant match money, which he stated, came to 8.5% of the total project. Commissioners have already agreed to maintain the entire trail. "We're not going to ask tax payers to pay for this trail, we'll support it in any way we can other than pass out cash," said Commissioner Joel Evans, board chairman from South Arm Township.

Commissioner Christensen asked that trail planners look outside the box, suggesting that maybe a detached trail is not an option. "I may want a Cadillac but if all I can afford is a Jimmy; I drive a Jimmy," he said. "I'm not advocating one way or the other I just want to know what all my options are."

The board sent Maxwell on his way to re-examine alternatives available including detailed information on scaling back the project's scope, increasing funds from townships or reducing the proposed match

amount in the grant application.

Just prior to Wednesday's meeting County commissioners learned that bids for the new sheriff's substation in Boyne Falls failed to include a septic system, driveways or landscaping. "Everything outside was not included," said Commissioner Robert Drebenstedt prior to the meeting. More work must now be done and the pending costs are unknown.

Sheriff Don Schneider advocated for the new building on the opposite side of the county from the sheriff's office to replace an outdated office connected to a village owned garage and to be used to store special rescue equipment, such as boats, all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles as well as provide office space for the county clerk and treasurer. None of the bids submitted included the septic or any outdoor work. The low bid from Birchwood Construction, of Harbor Springs came in at \$263,000 and was awarded the job.

All commissioners voiced regret for not examining the bids closer but stated that they expected the standard items to be included.

"I expected it to be in the bids," said Rich Gillespie, commissioner from Beaver Island.

"You guys need to do a better job watching our dollars," said resident Vince Currier during the public comment portion of Wednesday's meeting. Currier suggested hiring a CPA to assist the board with money decisions. "We could have saved ourselves time and money if this was done right," he said.

Gillespie said any contractors who wish to submit a quote for the extra work at the substation should contact the Charlevoix County Clerk's Office at (231) 547-7200.

The next County Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 11 at 9:30a.m.

Sign up by Friday at New Beginnings Thrift Store to participate in 7th annual Harbor Springs Community Yard Sale

By Jim Akans

New Beginnings Thrift Store will be coordinating the 7th annual Harbor Springs Community Yard Sale that will be taking place on Friday, July 20th and Saturday, July 21st, from 9 am to 5 pm. The two-day event will be held at the Holy Childhood of Jesus Church parking lot as well as at homes located throughout the community. Those who would like to participate in the sale must register with New Beginnings by Friday, July 6th. The cost to participate is \$20 for a space at the Holy Childhood of Jesus Church parking lot, or \$15 to hold the sale at home as part of the community wide event. The registration fee will secure the participant's location on the sale map provided to shopper, plus a yard sign and balloon.

Located at 650 W. Conway Road in Harbor Springs, New Beginnings Thrift Store has an incredible selection of top quality, gently used clothing and accessories, furniture, books, jewelry, tons of household items, and much more on display at their 12,000 square foot facility. The shop was originally located in the basement of the Holy Childhood School when the operation was founded back in the 1980's. Proceeds at that time helped to support the school's day care program.

"We are well known for having very high quality items that someone doesn't typically find in a resale shop," observes New Beginnings Thrift Store manager, Carol Grissom. "Our inventory is constantly changing, so there is something new and exciting to discover here each and every day."

The Shop began operating under



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the direction of the Holy Childhood of Jesus Church in 2005, being re-organized to function more like a typical Thrift Shop, featuring donated inventory from local residents and businesses with a level of quality that far exceeded shoppers expectations. Proceeds from sales at the shop are utilized to support tuitions for children from Holy Childhood School who attend St. Francis in Petoskey, with remaining funds going to assist area individuals in need.

New Beginnings Thrift Store is

open Monday through Friday from 9 am until 5 pm, and on Saturday from 9 am until 4 pm. For additional information, visit www.holychildhoodchurch.org and follow the New Beginnings Thrift Store link or call (231) - 348-2980.

"What truly sets our shop apart is the incredibly high level of quality items that we offer," states Grissom. "The clothing, furniture, and other household items we have to offer are beyond what shoppers will typically find at a resale store."

Ellebration

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Cirque Amongus, a circus arts group based in Livonia, Mich. She described the addition of Cirque Amongus as the biggest change to this year's schedule of events.

"This year we wanted to try something more fun and different and we were contacted by Cirque Amongus," she said. "No one has ever done that up here."

On Saturday from 12 to 3 p.m., Cirque Amongus will perform two shows on the Ellsworth Community Park Grounds. In addition, children will be invited to participate in 10 circus stations, including acrobatics, juggling, ropes and stilts.

Scott Sowers, an Ellebration! Com-

mittee member is responsible for ordering and setting up the Roast Pork Lunch. He expects to serve 1,000 people at this main event. A crew of six to eight "roasters" will begin preparing five pigs 24-30 hours in advance. Baked beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls and homemade pies will also be served, he said.

Deputy Robert Daunter of the Antrim County Sheriff's Office of Bellaire, 107 Grove Street, will be this year's Grand Marshal in the parade on Saturday. After serving 10 years as police chief for the Village of Ellsworth, Daunter retired from the position last year. He has been involved in many aspects of the festival in the past, including serving food at the Pig Roast and organizing the parade route.

"It is an honor," he said. "When they called and asked me to be the Grand Marshal I was speechless." Haley noted Daunter's great con-

tributions to the Ellsworth community.

"He was a big part of our community for a long time. He was really active in the schools here and everybody loves him," she said. "He's just such a sweet, humble man and he was so honored to be the Grand Marshal so he's going to be great. Usually he's the one who has to close the roads and make sure everything goes okay. This year he actually gets to be in the parade! That's never happened."

(Editor's Note) This is fun, family weekend event in one of the nicest little towns in America. For more information and a complete schedule of events visit www.ellebration.com.

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Supreme Court ruling on Affordable Care Act supports local Health Department initiatives

The U.S. Supreme Court decision to uphold the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) will impact local residents, especially those currently without health insurance, say public health officials.

Twenty percent of the population ages 19 through 64 in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties is currently uninsured, according to Linda Yaroch, Health Officer for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "When the ACA is fully implemented in 2014, these adults will have health insurance coverage through both public and private health insurance expansion."

Yaroch adds that improving access to health care has been the Health Department's #1 priority for many years.

"We've seen firsthand what happens to people who are uninsured," said Bruce Miller, Executive Director of the Northern Health Plan. "They generally do not receive preventive care, suffer in silence when they need treatment, and wait to seek care until their condition is urgent, often at hospitals' emergency departments. This is expensive in both financial and human terms."

"Improving the health of individuals, families, and communities is not a partisan issue in public health," Yaroch said. "Access to stable, affordable health care is crucial to our vision and mission. We'll continue to work with a wide variety of community partners who share our goals to make meaningful improvements in the health of individuals, families, and communities."

However, we recognize that other factors also impact health of our residents that the ACA cannot address. Health is not just something that comes from the doctor's office. Community and neighborhood conditions have a significant effect too. That is why we continue to work closely with community partners—hospitals, schools, social service agencies, businesses, and others."

U.S. Supreme Court upholds Affordable Health Care Act...so what's next?

By Jim Akans

It has been a political, moral and philosophical dividing line since Congress first passed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (H.R. 3590) back in December of 2009. Proponents claim ACA will increase consumer choices for affordable health care, stimulate insurance competition, provide more transparency and efficiency for health benefit plans, and allow virtually every American access to affordable health care. Skeptics feel that provisions of the act will decrease the quality of health care coverage, increase costs to the consumer, and that coverage mandates as well as the bills requirement that every American purchase health care or face a tax penalty is an invasion of citizen, employer and religious rights.

ACA is certain to be a major political issue in the upcoming November election, but with the U.S. Supreme Court decision released on June 28th upholding the law thus far, ACA's provisions remain on schedule for rollout over the next couple of years. Here's a look at what's ahead:

2013

- New funding to state Medicaid programs that choose to cover preventative service for patients at little or no cost
- The establishment of a national pilot program designed to encourage hospitals, doctors and other providers to work together to improve the coordination and quality of patient care.
- A requirement for states to pay primary care physicians 100-percent of Medicare payment rates for 2013 and 2014 primary care services. The increase is to be fully funded by the federal government.
- States will receive two additional years of funding for continuing coverage for children not eligible for Medicaid.

2014

- New consumer protections to go into effect including prohibiting coverage discrimination based on pre-existing conditions or gender, eliminating annual dollar limits on the amount of coverage an individual may receive, and ensuring coverage continues for individuals choosing to participate in clinical tests.
- The introduction of tax credits for people purchasing health care insurance that have incomes between 100-percent and 400-

percent of established poverty levels.

- The establishment of Affordable Insurance Exchanges, where individuals and small businesses can purchase coverage if their employer does not offer an insurance plan. Exchanges will be set up to offer a choice of plan that meet required benefit and cost standards.

- An increase in the tax credit amount for qualified small businesses and non-profits that provide health insurance for employees.

- Increased access to Medicaid for individuals earning less than 133-percent of poverty level. States to receive 100-percent federal funding in the first three years to support this provision, and 90-percent federal funding thereafter. The U.S. Supreme Court's recent ruling stated that states that do not choose to participate in this expansion of eligibility for Medicaid will not have to sacrifice existing Medicaid funding.

- The provision that requires individuals to obtain basic health care insurance coverage or pay a penalty also goes into effect. If coverage is not available to an individual, or they cannot afford it, they may be eligible for an exemption. Penalty levels will be \$95 for 2014, \$325 for 2015 and \$695 for 2016 as a flat fee or 1-percent of taxable income in 2014, 2-percent in 2015, and 2.5-percent in 2016. After 2016, the penalty will be increased annually by the cost-of-living adjustment.

- A requirement that employers with 50 or more full-time employees provide health care insurance coverage for their employees or face a penalty.

- Workers who cannot afford coverage provided by their employer may utilize the funds their employer would have contributed to purchase a more affordable plan at the new Health Insurance Exchanges.

2015

- A provision will go into effect that will tie physician payments to the quality of care they provide.

A recent press release from the Health



Department of Northwest Michigan noted that approximately 20-percent of the population ages 19 through 64 in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties is currently uninsured. Linda Yaroch, Health Officer for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, stated, "When the ACA is fully implemented in 2014, these adults will have health insurance coverage through both public and private health insurance expansion."

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Cruise Ship Appears in Round Lake Harbor

By **Catie L'Heureux**

Charlevoix - The cruise ship Yorktown glided under the Charlevoix drawbridge on Monday, July 1, making its third summer appearance in the Round Lake harbor.

The Great Lakes Cruise Company has established Charlevoix as one of the Yorktown's regular stops during its eight-day Voyage to the Great Lakes tour between Detroit and Chicago this summer.

The ship is 257 feet long, 43 feet wide and has a draft of eight feet. It accommodates 138 guests and holds 69 exterior cabins.

Harbormaster Hal Evans of the Charlevoix City Marina, 100 E. Clinton Street, helped dock the ship at the end of the marina's A dock and greeted passengers. He noted the ship's short visit.

"They did almost like a touch-and-go because they docked just long enough to let all of the people off the boat," he said.

Passengers took buses to visit Castle

Farms, 5052 M-66 North, and then toured the historic Earl Young homes. They shopped and walked around downtown Charlevoix for a few hours before boarding the Yorktown to continue their voyage.

The ship did not refuel in Charlevoix, but did unload its greywater at Ward Brother's Boats, Inc., 106 E. Antrim Street, Evans said.

Bethany Pearson, Director of Membership at the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce, 109 Mason Street, said Charlevoix presents a unique stop for the cruise ship.

"Charlevoix just has one of the best ports in the state of Michigan. Our marina being so new and updated just makes it a really good location along with all of the historical and interesting attractions that we have here in town," she said. "I just think it was a perfect fit for them. It was right along the area where they wanted to stop and Round Lake is such a nice protected bay that it worked well."

Both Evans and Pearson noted the York-

town's contributions to Charlevoix businesses during its stops. Pearson, also Market Manager for the Charlevoix Farmers Market, said it was very busy at the market last Thursday when the cruise ship was in town.

Evans considers the Yorktown's Charlevoix stop an opportunity to help local businesses and attract more visitors.

"I hope it'll bring a little infusion of cash to town," he said. "It will expose them to Charlevoix and if they like it they'll come back and they will go around and do the normal tourist things. We'll see. This is an experiment on both of our parts to see if it's worthwhile for us and they'll see if it's worthwhile for them."

Captain Paul Figuecick, Director of Marine Operations for Travel Dynamics International, organized docking, planning and fueling for the Yorktown. He will captain the ship for its July 12 visit to Charlevoix and highlighted his passion for leading the cruise ship and getting to know its passengers.



The cruise ship Yorktown made its third summer appearance in Charlevoix's Round Lake Harbor on Monday, July 1.

"It's a lot of fun dealing with the passengers and being on the adventure of a lifetime," he said. "It's an amazing thing. They come on the boat at the beginning and then you show them these different things and bring them to different places and you really have an impact on their lives. You really do."

The Yorktown will return to Charlevoix this summer on July 12, 16 and 26 and again on August 6, 16 and 20.

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Citations Issued	31
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Motorcycle Collides with Deer, injuring rider

On June 30, 2012 Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputy responded to Old 31 and Murray Road at approximately 10:14 p.m. for a motorcycle personal injury crash in Hayes Township.

Jared Johnson, age 29 of East Jordan, struck a deer on his motorcy-

cle, causing him to crash. Johnson was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash. Johnson was treated by Allied EMS at the scene prior to being transported to McLaren Northern Hospital. Johnson stated to responders that his right arm might be broken. Johnson in addi-

tion had lacerations to his hand and legs.

Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputy was assisted by the Michigan State Police with the crash investigation. The deer colliding with the motorcycle was deemed the cause of the crash.

One injured in Ultra Light plane crash at East Jordan Airport

Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputies investigated an Ultra Light plane crash on July 1, 2012. Deputies were advised by the Charlevoix Area Hospital that William L. Stone, age 59 from Ohio, was in treatment of injuries sustained from a plane crash.

Stone reported he was practicing touch and go flight at the East Jor-

dan Airport on July 1, 2012 around 7:00 p.m. when his Ultra Light caught unexpected wind and crashed. Stone was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash. He was treated by the Charlevoix Area Hospital for a laceration above his left eye and bruising to his right leg. Stone was released medically by staff at the Charlevoix Area Hos-

pital.

Great Lakes regional operating center with Grand Rapids Flight Service Aviation Safety Institution was contacted and advised of the Ultra Light airplane crash.

Investigation was conducted at the East Jordan Airport by Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputies and the East Jordan Police

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restrictive the new ordinance will be. Interim Police Chief Craig Remsburg presented the commission with two ordinance suggestions. One that would outlaw fireworks entirely except for those holidays mandated by the new law and one that would amend the old ordinance but allow fireworks use year round. "These are two possibilities and there could be a large range in between," said Remsburg. Mayor Ron Grunch felt the new law provided a good opportunity to get feedback from the community concerning much regulation is wanted. One resident, Jim Baumann, was present and stated that, "Ever since the state law passed I've been hearing it almost every night, I urge you to do what the state law allows you to do, keep it to national holidays," said Baumann.

Commissioner Sansom brought up the question of what is a national holiday and pointed out that many other communities have interpreted the law to mean 'federal' holidays. The commission will be looking into how the residents of Boyer City want to proceed on the matter the ordinance will be discussed again at the next city commission meeting on July 10.

In 1998 the state passed the land division act which put in process the municipal review of all land division before it was divided. The law was enacted to prevent people from making divisions that did not concur with local ordinances. Ordinances on the local level require a \$250 fee and divisions must be approved by the planning commission and the city commission, a process that takes a minimum of thirty days. Scott McPherson, AICP Planning/Zoning Director asked the commissioners to consider making the process an administrative process to make it more efficient. "In an effort to streamline and make this more user friendly for residents," said McPherson. Commissioner Tom Neidhamer stated that the present process "Is expensive, time consuming and not necessary." And Commissioner Gaylord wanted to make sure property owners would still have a right to appeal administrative decisions under the new process. A motion to pre-

pare an ordinance amendment was passed.

In his report to the City Commission, City Manager Michael Cain explained why since June 14 city workers have been re-visiting a hole dug at North Lake Street at the State Street intersection across from the Veterans Memorial. Standing water caused by a leak in one of the underground waterlines brought attention to the line and was promptly repaired with the replacement of a stainless steel screw but while the repairs were being done it was discovered that one of three valves on the line was found to not function properly so workers returned to make the second repair when finished they left the site to dry out but found that it wasn't draining properly so returned to address the drainage issue. Workers are presently working on repair number four at the site replacing the black top. "The end result is we wanted to get that road opened up in a safe way," commented Cain.

McPherson informed the commission that he was still waiting on results from the sound analysis tests conducted at the Kirtland Products. McPherson expects to have the results by the end of the week. "As soon as I get something I'll let the commission know." He said. President/chief operating officer, Tom Monley, informed the commission that he is intending on running the plant from 6a.m. until 11p.m. five days a week with start up on June 27. Commissioner Sansom asked Monley if not running the plant for the holiday was an option stating that it would be appreciated if it did not run. "We intended on not running the week of the Fourth of July but we lost two days of production, I'll have to take a look and see if I can get away without running that week," said Monley.

The drinking fountain at Avalanche Mountain which has been having trouble with water pressure since it was placed at the highest point in the city has been repaired again. "We've made some changes we hope will be more reliable, otherwise we'll relocate the fountain to the bottom of the hill where it will have good water pressure," said Cain.

The city's new webpage has gone live. City Commissioners are asking residents to visit the site and let them know what you think. www.boyerncity.com.

Mysterious Illness

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ness. The bacterium is the cause of Legionnaires' disease which is a severe form of pneumonia. "You can't catch Legionnaires' disease from person-to-person contact," said Reynolds. Instead, most people get Legionnaires' disease from inhaling the bacteria. Legionella bacterium also causes Pontiac fever, a milder illness resembling the flu. Pontiac fever usually runs its course with no need for medical intervention but untreated Legionnaires' disease can be fatal. Symptoms usually begin 2 to 14 days after being exposed to the bacteria. Prompt treatment with antibiotics usually cures the disease.

Victims of the bac-

terium were hospitalized at the Saginaw St Mary's hospital where two of them were later sent to the University of Michigan hospital in Ann Arbor as of June 27 only one of the patients has been released.

Legionella pneumophila is a ubiquitous aquatic organism that thrives in temperatures between 77 and 113 °F with an optimum temperature of 95 °F. Legionnaires' disease acquired its name in July 1976 when an outbreak of pneumonia occurred among people attending a convention at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia. On January 18, 1977 the causative agent was identified as a previously unknown strain of bacteria, subsequently named Legionella.



Jim Daly

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

with Jim Daly & Juli Slattery



Dr. Juli Slattery

COUPLE NEEDS TO GET TO THE 'CORE' OF THEIR RELATIONSHIP

Q: My wife and I don't spend a lot of downtime together. It's not like we're out carousing with other people. But jobs, kids and other important responsibilities are taking their toll. How do we find time for ourselves?

Jim: Your situation is not unique. Many husbands and wives today are running in opposite directions. We're too wrapped up in work and even in our kids' activities. It's like we're addicted to being busy.

If you wait for life to "settle down" on its own, you'll never make progress. You have to take active steps to make time for each other, and to foster genuine intimacy in your relationship.

Dr. Harold L. Arnold Jr., an organizational psychologist, has developed an acronym — C.O.R.E. — to help couples put intimacy back in their marriage. Maybe you'll find it helpful.

"C" stands for commitment. Commit to a specific day and time each week when you and your wife can spend an hour in conversation — without any distractions. Unless there's an emergency, stick to this commitment.

"O" represents openness. Be honest with your spouse about your needs, desires and fears. Open up with her; don't hold it all in.

The "R" in C.O.R.E. stands for repent. Many of the supposed flaws you see in your spouse are associ-

ated with your past behaviors. Own up to your mistakes and be willing to forgive your spouse for hers.

Finally, the "E" represents empathy. Your wife will only open up if she senses that you really understand her and love her unconditionally. Take time to listen without prejudice and to respond unselfishly.

Commitment, openness, repentance and empathy — the C.O.R.E. of marriage. If you and your spouse will make these behaviors a top priority, chances are excellent that you'll feel more connected even amidst the busyness of life.

Q: My sister is getting married next month, and I don't like the guy she's marrying. I've hinted that I don't like him, but I'm wondering if I should say something or if I should just support her decision.

Juli: My first question would be, "What don't you like about your potential brother-in-law"? If your concerns have more to do with superficial issues like appearance, interests or even personality, it's probably better for you to keep your opinions to yourself and work on getting to know him better. If, however, your objections are more substantial, relating to his character or how he treats your sister, sharing these thoughts may be very impor-

tant. Do your parents and others who know your sister's fiance have similar concerns? If so, this is another indication of red flags that are worth bringing up.

This close to a wedding, no bride wants to hear that a sibling is not completely supportive. So, be very careful how you address the topic. It's much better to have one very intentional conversation than to let criticism and concern "drip out" over the years. As pastors in the movies used to say, "Speak now or forever hold your peace."

I recommend getting your sister alone, uninterrupted. Tell her how much you love her and care about her. Sensitively share with her some of the things you've noticed, and ask her if she has any of these concerns as she approaches her wedding. If so, suggest the possibility of talking about these with a pastor or counselor. Most importantly, tell your sister that whatever she decides, you'll be 100 percent behind her.

Once she's married, your job is to support your sister and her new marriage. Even if you're not thrilled about the guy she chose, he's family now. Become a safe place for your sister to process the joys and challenges of their new marriage and do everything you can to help them succeed.

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DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

No emergency fund means living on the edge

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are in pretty good shape financially. We make about \$250,000 a year with about \$50,000 in the bank and no debt, and we've set aside money for our children's college funds. Currently, we owe \$70,000 on our home. I want to use \$40,000 of our savings to pay down the house then rebuild our emergency fund. My husband disagrees. What do you think?

Kelly
Dear Kelly,
You're right about one thing. You guys are in really good shape financially, partly because of planning and wise choices. The problem I see is this: What if you have an emergency but no emergency fund? You're living on an income of a quarter million dollars a year, and that's fantastic, too. But I don't like the idea of you sitting there with just \$10,000 in savings. In your world, \$10,000 isn't much at all.

Baby Step 3 of my plan says that you set aside three to six months of

household expenses. You guys could cheat a little bit, down to the three month side of things, but I still don't think \$10,000 will cover three months of expenses in your household.

In my opinion, \$10,000 is too low. But to be honest, \$50,000 is probably a little much. I'd look at a number somewhere in the \$20,000 to \$30,000 range for an emergency fund. Then you could throw the remaining cash at the house. I mean, let's face it. If you did that, with your income, you could roll up your sleeves and pay off the house by Christmas!

—Dave

Impulsiveness is not faith

Dear Dave,
My husband and I would like for me to be able to quit my job and stay at home with our kids. We've got a little money saved up, but we're not sure we could make it on just his salary. The money would be very tight. In your mind, how do we know the difference between being financially responsible and relying on

God to provide?
Michelle
Dear Michelle,
This is a great question! I admire the desire to be at home with your kids, and that you realize you can't just act impulsively and call it faith. This is a concept that's misused and misunderstood a lot.

If you can't make it on just your husband's salary, then you've got to develop a game plan that involves a written monthly budget and some lifestyle changes. If you do this with diligence and sacrifice, chances are you'll be able to make this happen and not bankrupt your family. This could also mean that you start a small business on the side—something you could do from home—to offset the difference.

Having faith that God will provide requires study of the Scriptures. But God also tells us that you need the maturity and wisdom to plan your direction. The Bible says, "The diligent prosper. He who is impulsive exalts folly." Folly is a fool in action. It's kind of like the guy who closes his eyes, jumps in the pool, and hopes there's water in there—and calls that faith.

I love the idea of you coming home to be with your kids, Michelle. Just make sure you develop an intelligent plan, and mix intellect with faith.

—Dave

* Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

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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, July 6 entertainers - Balloon Fun w/ Popper & Twister Joe, He Said She Said, Holly Keller & Lee Dyer, Up North Vocal Institute Students, Northern Nights, Rustic Heart, The Kowalske Family Band, The Sunshine String Band and a Blissfest performer.

CHARLEVOIX

Circle Summer Camp

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

CHARLEVOIX

Downtown Concert

2012 Charlevoix Concert Series Schedule at the Odmark Performance Pavilion in Downtown Charlevoix's beautiful East Park.

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

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 line-up

Friday Evening 7 to 9pm at the East Jordan Band Shell in Memorial Park

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

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.

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

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 - 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: jthomzoo@charter.net or 231-222-0237 or Fischer Jex: fischer@wagbo.org or 231-536-0333

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.

July 11 - Ann and Will Rowland, 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

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.

CHX/EMMET COUNTIES

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.

CHARLEVOIX

Up North Fourth

Join the Charlevoix Convention and Visitors Bureau, The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority, and Porterhouse Productions for the 2nd Annual Up North Fourth. The event will take place Saturday, July 7th.

BOYNE CITY

Soap box derby

The derby will be held at 2pm on July 4th, but this year all participants are required to attend Pinewood Derby School at 1 p.m. on July 3rd at the corner of East Street and East Pine Street. This practice and instructional session will insure that 7 to 10-year-old drivers have the proper skills to operate the derby car. There is no fee to enter the derby, and cars will be provided for those who do not have one. All cars must meet stringent safety standards and must pass a pre-race inspection. For further information contact race director Dale Goby at gobyd@comcast.net or call 248-410-3632.

EAST JORDAN

Sen. Walker office hours

State Sen. Howard Walker, R-Traverse City, has scheduled office hours for Monday, July 9, 2pm, East Jordan City Hall, Council Chambers, 210 Main St.

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/lej>

CHARLEVOIX

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 Flinders 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.

CHARLEVOIX

History of Round Lake

David Miles, Co-Director, Harsha House Museum, Charlevoix Historical Society, will be on hand to give the sweeping history of the development of Round Lake, 6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 12 at the Charlevoix Public Library. From the time before our first settlers arrived to what they did after they got here will be the main topic of discussion along with hundreds of photos of its shoreline. The settlers encountered many obstacles trying to get Round Lake and Lake Charlevoix connected to Lake Michigan. The shoreline has changed dramatically over the decades and all the important aspects of that change will be highlighted, including the buildings, the personalities, the vessels, and the activities. For more information about this or other library events, visit the library at www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 231-237-7340.

BOYNE CITY

Young professionals

The Chamber's Young Professionals group will hold its next get-together Thursday, July 12, at Wildwood Rush. It starts with socializing from 5:30 to 6 p.m. followed by sit-down discussion from 6 to 6:30. Appetizers are provided. Any area resident under the age of 35 is invited to attend. No reservations

are needed. If you would like to be notified of future YP events, contact Ryan Moskal at 517-937-2428 or orryanc-moskal@gmail.com.

CHARLEVOIX

Cruise Ships Coming

Watch the Yorktown cruise ship arrive and depart in Round Lake Harbor.

July 12 - arrive 7am - depart 12 noon

July 16 - arrive noon - depart at 10:30pm

July 26 - arrive 7am - depart at 9pm

August 6 - arrive 7am - depart 5pm

August 16 - arrive 7am - depart 12 noon

August 20 - arrive noon - depart at 10:30pm

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@mancelonaschools.org for more information.

BOYNE CITY

Boyne Thunder

Speed, excitement and fun returns to northern Michigan for the ninth annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run on July 13 and 14 in Boyne City. This year's event already includes 65 boats, 20 more than ever before. This unique boating event is a fund-raiser for Camp Quality and showcases high performance boats roaring through the waters of Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan on a 90-mile excursion. Card stops during the journey on gorgeous Lake Michigan include Northport, Elk Rapids, Harbor Springs, Bay Harbor, with a lunch stop in downtown Charlevoix. Boaters wrap up their day on the water with a final card stop near Horton Bay and a gathering at Somers Pointe, a beautiful waterfront development and one of the event's sponsors. The day concludes with a dinner at Veterans Park where participants play their cards to see who has the best hand. July 13-14 event provides fun and helps kids with cancer.

EAST JORDAN

Micro Brewery Beer Tent

July 14, 2-8 PM, Local Bands "Horton Creek" - 2:00 - 5:00 PM, "Rusty Heart Band" 5:00 - 8:00 PM \$3.00 cover / \$2.00 with Freedom Festival Button. Concessions Available

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.

EAST JORDAN

South Arm Classic

The popular South Arm Classic is expanding again this year. The Boat show is July 14, 10am - 4pm at Memorial Park on the edge of Lake Charlevoix. The Car show is July 14, 10am - 4pm in downtown. Also enjoy the Micro Brewery beer tent July 14, 2-8pm in Memorial Park. New this year is the Classic Tractor show and the Classic Travel Trailer show. Both of these shows are July 14, 10am - 4pm downtown. Lots of music throughout the afternoon and evening.

EAST JORDAN

Class reunion

The East Jordan class of 1950 is hosting a potluck for East Jordan classes that graduated 50 or more years ago. All graduates prior to 1963 are encouraged to join us. The reunion potluck will be held at the VFW hall on M-32, Saturday, July 14. Bring a dish to pass. We plan to eat at Noon, so arrive a little early. Bring your own table service and beverage. Renew old friendships and have fun remembering the good old days of East Jordan High School.

CHARLEVOIX

Held Over

In Blooming Color through Sun. July 15. Charlevoix is noted for its miles of petunia lined streets, beautiful parks and the exquisite public and private gardens. We invite you to bring the color and the beauty of blooms alive inside the Charlevoix Circle of Arts. This is an all media exhibit. Our juror is nationally recognized flower designer and Master Flower Show Judge Marge McGoff

CHARLEVOIX

Pizza Hut Tip Night

Bergmann Center AKtion Club of Charlevoix is teaming up with Pizza Hut located on Bridge & Carpenter Street for a Tip Night Fundraiser on July 16 from 4:30 - 9pm. Kiwanis Club and AKtion Club will be your wait staff for a fun filled dining experience. 100% of the tips will go to AKtion Club who is raising funds to attend the AKtion International Convention in New Orleans.

BOYNE CITY

Summer Food Service

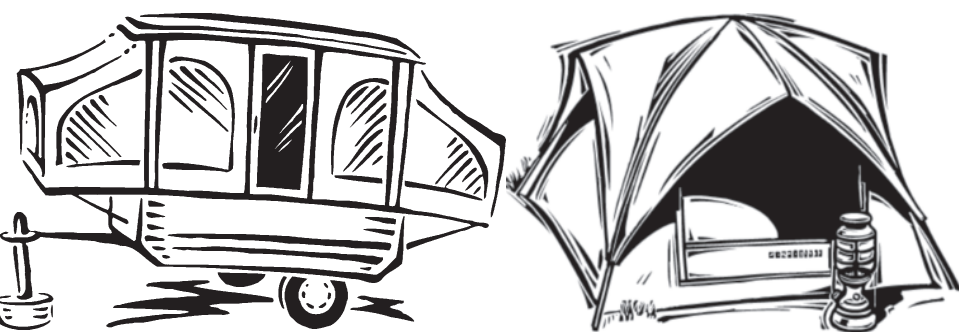
Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or person up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. At Boyne City United Methodist Church, 324 Park Street, lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday, until Aug. 24.



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Alpenfest
48th Annual Alpenfest on the streets of downtown Gaylord. Get your lederhosen and dirndls out and wear them down to the Alpenstrasse to enjoy the 48th annual Alpenfest. July 17th - 21st
Tuesday: July 17
Noon - Honors Luncheon
Evening - Queen's Pageant
Burning of the Boogg!
Wednesday: July 18
Morning - Walking Parade
World's Largest Coffee Break
Noon - Young Americans
Pontresina Suppen
Mahlzeit (Soup)
Afternoon - Kids Games
Evening - Pulled Pork or BBQ Pork Plate
8pm - ENDLESS SUMMER BAND - Back by popular demand
Thursday: July 19
Morning - Alpine Country Breakfast
Afternoon - Ice Cream Social
8pm - CONFEDERATE RAILROAD - Straight from Nashville.
Friday: July 20
Morning - Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
Sauerkraut & Sausage Supper
Afternoon - Yodeling Contest
8pm - PAUL KELLER JAZZ BAND - Some great music
Saturday: July 21
Morning - Alpenfest Run
Noon - Alpenfest Grand Parade
Studel on the 'Strasse
7pm - THE RETURN - An awesome Beatles tribute show through the years
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EAST JORDAN

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July 2 - July 21 - 2nd Annual Art Jordan, Sponsored by Jordan River Arts Council. Vote on your favorite piece of art by local artists that will be displayed in downtown businesses.

EAST JORDAN

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

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

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 Wednesday, Sept. 5, 12 and 19. Areas north of Main Street will be picked up on Thursdays, 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 & EMMET COUNTY

Playgroups
Playgroups are offered free through the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan, are for children aged 0-60 months and preschool-aged siblings. The summer schedule is: 9:30-11am Tuesdays at Christ Lutheran Church, Boyne City; 9:30-11am Wednesdays at United Methodist Church,

Alanson. Playgroups in Petoskey and East Jordan will resume in September. Call (231)347-0067 for more information.

BOYNE CITY

Computer classes
Free computer classes are held at the Boyne District Library at 10am every Friday thru the summer. Classes are tailored to your skill level, beginner to advanced. For more information call the Library 231-582-7861 or instructor Ron Grunch at 582-6974.

CHARLEVOIX

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

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

Farmers 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 commit-

tee 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

Lecture - Old Norwood dock
The Underwater Archaeology of the Old Norwood Dock, Program by Dr. Mark Holley, July 18, 7:30 pm Norwood Schoolhouse. Thanks to underwater archaeology the location and structure of the old Norwood lumber shipping dock has now been rediscovered. Dr. Mark Holley, founder of the Grand Traverse Bay Underwater Survey Project, will use underwater photos and drawings to bring the historic dock from this one time logging village to light.

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. 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.

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

BOYNE CITY

Candidate's forum
The Chamber has scheduled a July 24 Candidates Forum for those running for county office in the August 7 election. The forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Boyne District Library.

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 Countywide 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.

EAST JORDAN

Portside Art Fair
50th Annual Portside Arts Fair, August 4 and 5, 10AM to 4PM. Sponsored by E.J. Portside Art & Historical Society Elm Pointe Estate on M-66 For more information contact Kim Prebble 231-536-3282 or go to www.portsideartsfair.org

VANDERBILT

Yoga Fest
For three days, August 17th-19th, Song of the Morning Yoga Retreat Center, in union with the yoga community throughout Michigan, will host a yoga festival for the

public. Wooded or river side campsites are available as well as limited indoor accommodations for what has become the largest yoga event in Michigan. All are welcome! For further information: www.songofthemorning.org

CHARLEVOIX

Call for Entry
Charlevoix Photography Club! Michigan Seasons: Aug 20 & 21. A Photography Competition and Exhibition will be presented by the Charlevoix Circle of Arts and the Charlevoix Photography Club. Michigan Seasons focuses on the abundant beauty of Michigan: from the ripening greens of Spring, to the clear blues of summer, the crisp oranges of fall and peaceful whites of winter. Entries will be in the following categories: 1. Realistic Photography 2. Photographic Art 3. Canvas Wraps 4. Youth Category (18 and under). See www.CharlevoixCircle.org or go to www.CharlevoixPhotography.com/ for information.

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.

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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.

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Next weekend's South Arm Classics in East Jordan will offer even more vintage fun

By Jim Akans

East Jordan always has something exciting planned for the middle of July. Right on cue, next Saturday, July 14th, it's time for the annual South Arm Classics event, an exhibition that has expanded from its beginnings as a vintage boat show to an opportunity for attendees to view also sorts of classic craft, including boats, cars and now tractors and even travel trailers.

Let's start with the South Arm Classic Boat Show. This is the 7th year that a huge selection of vintage watercraft will be on display on land and in the water at Memorial Park during this one-day event. Attendees will be treated to a free viewing of beautiful mahogany and classic fiberglass boats. There will also be displays of an-

tique outboard motors, canoes, kayaks, and several vendors on hand with boat and cottage themed merchandise for sale.

After perusing these fabulous watercraft, stroll down to Main Street in East Jordan to enjoy a collection of vehicles comprising "anything with a motor." That includes vintage vehicles from the early 1900's, classic cars and trucks from the "golden age of the automobile," to contemporary sports cars, racing machines, and trucks. New this year will be the addition of classic tractors and travel trailers to this segment of the show.

South Arm Classics also coincides with the 2nd Annual "Art Jordan" event, sponsored by The Jordan River Arts Council. Local artists will be displaying their works in the windows of downtown

businesses from July 2nd through July 21st. Folks can saunter through downtown East Jordan, pick up a ballot at any of the local businesses displaying artwork, and vote for their favorite work of art. The winning artist will receive a \$200 gift certificate.

South Arm Classic show hours are 10 am until 4 pm on Saturday, July 14th, and there will be a Micro Brewery Ten set up at Memorial Park from 2 to 8 pm with live music by local musicians. There will also be a Chicken BBQ at Memorial Park starting at 5 pm on Friday, July 13th, and Jake Slater, Elvis Tribute Artist, will perform on stage at the corner of Spring and Hammond Streets from noon to 2 pm on Saturday.

For additional information visit www.southarmclassicroboats.com or www.ejchamber.org



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32nd annual Blissfest Music Festival begins next weekend

By Jim Akans

It's a celebration of music, culture, art and community, and for the 32nd year, the annual Blissfest Music Festival is getting tuned up and ready to present an amazing array of musical performers on three stages starting on Friday, July 13th, and continuing through Sunday, July 15th. The event takes place at the 120-acre Blissfest Festival Farm, located about five miles outside of historic Cross Village and north of Harbor Springs.

While there are over 90 talented acts scheduled for this year's event showcasing virtually every type of musical genre, Blissfest is much more than three days filled with incredible sounds. It is a gathering of families, friends and music lovers of every age who may camp out, attend a huge variety of workshops, peruse the fascinating wares at the 60-plus craft, healing arts and service booths, treat the kids to a huge variety of organized kids activities, enjoy fabulous food cooked up at the 18 food booths on the grounds, and can even enjoy a lighthearted round of Frisbee golf. For attendees who may want to check out nearby Cross Village and the Lake Michigan shoreline, the festival has a bus to shuttle folks out to the lake and back.

Music is, however, at the core of the Blissfest soul. Bringing together some of the finest regional, national and international musicians, alongside relatively unknown yet superb performers to entertain festival attendees has been founder and organizer Jim Gillespie's goal throughout the event's 30-plus year history. That vision is well intact today.

This year's musical lineup features a typically diverse range of artists, bringing a wide array of folk, world and roots music and dance to the Blissfest grounds. Performers this year includes such well known names as The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and Arrested Development, the blues meets reggae sounds of Corey Harris and The Rasta Blues Experience, a cross cultural roots experience from Canada's The Tequila Mockingbird Orchestra, and the channeling of the country sounds of Hank Williams (with a bit of a twist) by New Country Rehab...and that barely scratches the surface.

Attendees will also be treated to the modern vintage jazz of Miss Tess and The Talkbacks, Grammy-winning World Celtic artists Eileen Ivers and Immigrant Soul, and "Music from the Andes" by Rukanas. Blissfest is also a showcase of Michigan musical talents and among this year's performers will be Seth and May, Claudia Schmidt, Magdalen Fossom, Kirby, John D. Lamb, Robin Lee Berry, Flight Squadron Yon, John Driscoll Quartet, the winner of the Petoskey High School Battle of the Band; Door Hinge Tragic, and many more.

Blissfest organizers observe, "You really have to experience Blissfest to believe it! Bring the whole family, come for a day or spend the entire weekend."

Rustic camping is available for the weekend with a Weekend Pass. Ticket information, directions to the event, and a full schedule of performers and performance times can be found at www.blissfest.org.

Jordan Valley District Library 2012 Summer Reading Program

The Summer Reading Program at Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan is July 1-August 1. The 2012 theme is Dream Big, READ! Children, ages 5-13 will win prizes for reading, have a scavenger hunt and enjoy special entertainment. Registration is required to win prizes. The library welcomes children of all abilities. All programs are free of charge. For more details call 231.536.7131 or visit jvdl.info.

Dream Big READ Entertainment Schedule

All events are held in East Jordan, at Jordan Valley District Library, One Library Lane. The special entertainment is free and the public is welcome, no sign-up is required.

July 11 - 10:30-11:30: Joel Tacey: Pajama Jam Comedy Show (Optional: everyone is encouraged to wear their pajamas or bring their favorite stuffed animal)

11:30-Noon: Color your Summer Reading t-shirt (supplied to readers by Library Friends)

July 18 - 10:30-11:30: Acting Up Theatre Company presents the play Dream, Big Bear...READ!

11:30-12:30: Paper Bead-Making workshop presented by Jordan River Arts Council

July 18-24 - Library Scavenger Hunt find the hidden clues and solve the puzzle.

July 25 - 10:30-11:30: Organiza-

tion for Bat Conservation Join the Night Life with Animal Adaptations; includes live bats, an owl and a flying squirrel. Scavenger Hunt prize drawing at the end.

11:30-Noon: Last chance to color your Summer Reading t-shirt

August 1 - 10:30-11:30: Rick Kelley "My Favorite Dreams are Books" Pajama Party! Optional: wear your pajamas or slippers and be ready to move. Grand Prize drawings at the end.

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Harbor Springs' Polish Kitchen opens second location in downtown Petoskey

By Jim Akans

There is nothing quite as delicious, satisfying, and heartwarming as authentic Polish cuisine. The challenge is finding a restaurant in northern Lower Michigan that specializes in such traditional Polish dishes as Potato-Cheese, Sauerkraut or Meat Pierogi's, Polish Meat Goulash, Golabki (Stuffed Cabbages) Polish Kielbasa, Cutlets and Schnitzels, and Nalesniki (or Crepes)...is your mouth watering yet?

In March of 2010, the Polish Kitchen opened in Harbor Springs, bringing these marvelous Polish dishes, plus many more special creations such the Pierogi Reuben Plate, and Warsaw (Wings) Pierogi, to diners right here in northern Michigan. As of June 2012, this fabulous traditional Polish fare is now also available in downtown Petoskey, as a second Polish Kitchen location has opened at 307 Petoskey Street.

Proprietor, Rafal Bebenek, states, "We are offering the same menu, same hours, and same genuine Polish dishes at our new location. We also have outdoor seating and a very nice view of the bay, and we offer an opportunity for people to enjoy traditional Polish food at a convenient downtown Petoskey location. Both of our restaurant locations are unique to this area in the sense that we bring the traditional Polish cuisine and use all homemade recipes. The only item on the menu that we do not make is the Kielbasa. That is made in Chicago in true Polish tradition and we have had a great response from our local community."

He adds the menu also features a good selection of standard fare such as Ham, Turkey, Cutlet sandwiches, and Kielbasa on a bun. He affirms that the Polish Kitchen's Reuben has been a tremendous hit, "we go through dozens a day on a busy day.



The Polish Kitchen's proprietor, Rafal Bebenek notes that along with a scrumptious variety of Polish food, the atmosphere at the restaurant keeps customers coming back time and time again. COURTESY PHOTO

We also feature a kid's menu."

Bebenek notes that along with a scrumptious variety of Polish food, the atmosphere at each restaurant location keeps customers coming back time and time again.

"We offer a real Polish dining experience," he observes. "We offer large portions of our traditional tasting food. We are told that the food is the best part as people are brought back to their younger years when they remember the home cooked meals that grandparents or parents used to prepare, as if we are taking them back in time. Even though our Petoskey location has only been open for a few weeks, we have already had many people come back several times."

Bebenek recalls that his family had thought about opening a small cafe style restaurant for many years. The opportunity arose when both of his parents lost their jobs when the manufacturing plant they worked at closed down

"So it became a family business and so far it has been a tremendous hit," he states. "The staff consists of

only family as my father does the cooking with the occasional help from my aunts from Poland or my mom when she is capable of it. I run the front end of the restaurant and take care of the accounting, ordering, etc."

The Polish Kitchen can accommodate large groups for birthdays, anniversaries, wedding rehearsal dinners, business or organization meetings, and other special occasions in a special section of the facility. Each location is open seven days a week from 11am until 8 pm. Bebenek notes that his staff will serve people all the way till 8 pm and even later if they keep on coming in; "we do not close till the last person leaves."

The Polish Kitchen in Harbor Springs is located in the Harbor Plaza right before Pleasant View Rd, and the Airport on the south side of M-119 in Harbor Springs, (231) 838-5377. The Polish Kitchen in Petoskey is located at 307 Petoskey Street, (231) 881-5987. A full menu can be found at our website www.famous-polishkitchen.com

Josh White Jr. to perform at Aten Place this Saturday

Josh White, Jr. will be performing at Aten Place on Saturday, July 7th at 7:30 pm. Josh was the first performer at Aten Place in July of 1995, and has continued to be a favorite of new and old barn patrons. This will be his sixteenth appearance at Aten Place.

Josh is in the shadow of his father, Josh White Jr. invokes the presence of the senior, making music for the masses and masses for the music. His simple acoustic renditions reveal layer after layer of intrinsically belated design. The pure, unadulterated chords and notes, along with deeply intense lyrics, are characterized in every tune. Josh takes his listeners through a history of American blues, gospel and folk favorites, and often encourages audience participation.

When Josh is not performing on stage, he is working with communities and schools to help them understand their historical past. In 1993, Josh teamed up with the founder of Story Living, Rändi Douglas, to form an interactive educational outreach instructional curriculum called Living History. The program is based on 40 years of British teaching and research on the use of creative activities as a teaching tool. The process is active, creative and democratic, inviting all participants to exercise their imaginations as they learn. The purpose is to teach history and social studies using kinesthetic and multiple intelligence activities.

The program involves students in becoming the people they are learning about and allows them to become emotionally involved. This all happens in the classroom with music, imagination and role-playing. The Living



Josh White, Jr. is a master of vocal inflection as well as one of music's premiere vocalists and performers, will be performing at Aten Place on Saturday, July 7th at 7:30 pm. COURTESY PHOTO

History sessions are held in schools from third grade and up, universities, churches, temples, community centers and seminars. The mantra of Living History is "I hear and I forget ~ I see and I remember ~ I do and I understand"

Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. The venue is a ninety plus year old oak frame barn with seating for 180, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne Mountain. Tickets are \$15 and go on sale at 6:30 pm the day of the concert, with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Advanced tickets and schedule details are available by visiting www.atenplace.com. Aten Place is a non-profit endeavor, and no food or beverage is sold on the premises. Many patrons bring snacks and desserts to share at intermission. There is also a covered picnic pavilion for those who wish to come early and enjoy the grounds and peaceful setting. For more information on this summer's schedule go to www.atenplace.com or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 231-549-2076

Boyne City's "Evening at the Gazebo" concert series is underway

Boyne City's free "Evenings at the Gazebo" concert series began on Wednesday, June 27th, and will continue on Wednesday evenings from July 11th through August 27th starting at 6:30 pm at the gazebo in Old City Park, located at the corner of Park and River Streets. The first concert featured Rustic Heart performing old-time country and original music. The annual concert series is organized by the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce and funded by local business sponsors and donations on concert nights. Most concert-goers bring lawn chairs or blankets.

This summer's schedule of free "Evening at the Gazebo" concerts will be:

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 atti-

tude

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

Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, but not your

dogs. Spicy Bob's Italian Express will again be offering pizza and soft drinks during the concerts. This concert series is made possible by sponsors and in-park donations made on the night of each performance. If you would like to be a sponsor, email or call us at 231-582-6222 or send your donation to the Boyne Area Chamber, 28 S. Lake St., Boyne City MI 49712. Sponsors are recognized in

fliers, this newsletter, announcements at the concerts, and online. For information and details call the Chamber at 231-582-6222 or visit www.gazebconcerts.com. In case of rain, concerts will be held at an alternate location - check the website or call the chamber for details.

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It's a Garden Party

In a setting that is reminiscent of Claude Monet's Japanese water garden

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club invites you to attend the 14th Annual Garden Walk, It's A Garden Party and a Standard Flower Show, on Wednesday, July 11, from 10 AM to 4 PM. Six fabulous estate-style gardens are featured on the Walk. All on the north shore of Lake Charlevoix. The Standard Flower Show is held at the Community Reformed Church at the corner of US 31 and Meech Street.

July 11th is the day to indulge your most romantic dreams as you imagine yourself decked out in flowered hats and white gloves sipping pink lemonade. The six gorgeous private gardens provide the ideal setting for those fantasies. Here are a few descriptions of what you will see: "bold and beautiful riot of color", "textures, colors, scents and wildlife", "a lakeside garden fit for outdoor games", "a beautiful transition be-

tween beach and lawn that's filled with a multitude of blooms", "native species blending together in a loosely formal way" and "a setting that is reminiscent of Claude Monet's Japanese water garden."

If you have never attended a Standard Flower Show you are in for quite a treat! It is based on the same rules as the Chelsea (Eng.) show. You will see 36 juried floral arrangements as well as hundreds of horticultural specimens from Charlevoix's private gardens competing for the coveted blue ribbons.

Tickets are available at various merchants, at the Community Reformed Church on July 11th or by calling 231-547-2119. The price for a Garden Walk ticket is \$10 in advance and \$15 the day of the Walk. Admission to the Standard Flower Show is free!



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WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

The Young Americans make their annual visit to Gaylord Sponsored by Lappan's of Gaylord.

Noon **The Young Americans**

1:00PM - Gaylord's own **Margaret Madagame** Easy listening during lunch. Sponsored by Northwestern Bank

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8:00PM Endless Summer



THURSDAY, JULY 19

NOON - Michigan Northern Lights – Our local chapter of the Sweet Adelines. Under the Pavilion. Sponsored by Maid Pro

5:00PM - Gaylord Youth Orchestra -Under the Pavilion. Sponsored by First Federal of Northern Michigan



8:00PM Confederate Railroad

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FRIDAY, JULY 20

NOON - Alpine Kitchen Band performs for you. Under the pavilion. Sponsored by Hickerson Floor & Tile

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8:00pm The Paul Keller Jazz Band

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SATURDAY, JULY 21

NOON - Alpenfest Grand Parade

8:00PM The Return

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Concert in the Park



The Group, "Full Circle" will perform Friday evening, July 6 as an offering for the East Jordan Concerts in the park series. This group has been together since high school and is well known for their 60's rock and roll music. The concert is from 7:00 — 9:00 pm. Music lovers are advised to bring their own chairs and have an enjoyable evening.

Pictured left to right are : John Slough, Roger Lilak, and Nick Lilak,. Missing from the photo is drummer, Graham Fineout. This group is one of the summer series brought to the public by the East Jordan Downtown Development Authority, The East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, and the Jordan River Arts Council, which runs every Friday evening through August 10.



Pack 53 from Boyne City/Boyerne Falls is taking on the job of keeping the four sites clean. L-R in front- Daniel, Michael, Kayden, Drew, Timmy. Back Row—Bob Petersen, Scout Leader, Matthew, Jeremiah, Michelle Gutcher, Scout Leader

Grant for Jordan River Cleanup Project

The Jordan River Action Group was awarded a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation for equipment and supplies for their Jordan River Cleanup Program. The group is a non-profit organization in East Jordan that aims to promote stewardship and responsible use of the Jordan River Watershed

Initiated in 2008, the Cleanup Program promotes stewardship and responsible use of the Jordan River Watershed through the placement of trash and recyclable collection locations along the popular Jordan River canoe route. These receptacles offer an alternative location for canoeists to dispose of trash and recyclable cans and bottles. And, they promote stewardship amongst student groups who are charged with removing this trash and recyclables throughout the summer. Funds from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation Grant will be used to upgrade and maintain these sites.

Each year, a different student group handles this project. Money collected from

the returnables is applied to their respective programs. This year Pack 53 from Boyne City/Boyerne Falls is taking on the job of keeping the four sites clean. Based on past statistics, they can expect to remove 20 plus bags of trash each week. Money collected from returnables will go towards programs such as camping trips, and will earn their environmental badge award.

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.

For more information about the Jordan River Action Group or their River Cleanup Project, call Tressa Youmans at 231 675-4707.

Local organizations receive \$23,000 in People Fund grants

Great Lakes Energy members continue to lend a hand to local community causes through their voluntary contributions to the People Fund. The People Fund Board of Directors awarded a total of \$23,000 in grants in June to the following non-profit organizations in northern Michigan:

Kalkaska County Library, Kalkaska: \$2,500 for the Kalkaska Memories Project to create digital access to historical newspapers.

Otsego County Habitat for Humanity, Gaylord: \$500 for tools to enrich home building program.

Northern Michigan Regional Health System Foundation, \$1,500 toward a program that will provide dental work for uninsured patients.

Crossroads Ministries New Life Pregnancy Resource Center, Gay-

lord: \$2,000 for a computer, software, office chairs and car seats.

Top O' Michigan Trails Council, Petoskey: \$5,000 for engineering and planning for the Boyne Trailway.

Charity Hill Ranch, Rapid City: \$4,000 for the Sunshine therapeutic riding camp.

Friendship Shelter, Gaylord: \$4,000 for heating units for shelter.

CS Lewis Festival, Petoskey: \$1,000 for books for students participating in the Petoskey Reads CS Lewis project.

Friends of the Boyne River, Boyne City: \$2,500 for a nature area near the Boyne River.

The People Fund is supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members who allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dollar.

Since 1999, more than \$2.2 million in grants have been awarded to charitable and community organizations throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26-county service area, which stretches along the western side of Michigan.

"For less than 50 cents a month, Great Lakes Energy members can help many in need," says President/CEO Steve Boeckman. "Members can enroll very easily by contacting us so we can continue to help local, worthwhile organizations in need."

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Save-A-Lot Food Store would like to thank the community for helping celebrate the completion of road work on M-32 during the East Jordan Community Celebration Day held last week

We would also like to thank the Business Community for supporting the Community Celebration with gifts and giveaways to help make this celebration a lot of fun.

Special thanks to Rose Hines for keeping everything straight and to Dan Miller from True Value Hardware for supplying the Bounce House.



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