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Charlevoix County Commission Adopts Code Of Ethics

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX-The Charlevoix County Commissioners adopted a written code of ethics at the July 11 meeting. The code, which was adopted to prevent commissioners from talking about one another to the press according to Commissioner Bob Drebenstedt, states that "one of the most important roles of county government is to foster public confidence in the decisions made by the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners and appointed county officials."

"We did have some issues some time ago concerning one of the commissioners," said Joel Evans, County Chair. At that time Evans found a copy of a code of ethics that he brought to a meeting and read to the commissioners. The commissioners agreed there were a few rules and regulations that they all needed to follow. The county didn't have a code of ethics so Kevin Shepard, Human Resources Coordinator for the county revamped the example brought in by Evans and came up with the exist-

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Venetian Festival Begins This Weekend



82nd annual Charlevoix Venetian Festival begins Saturday, July 21.

By Catie L'Heureux

Eight days of family fun and live entertainment kick off this weekend at the 82nd annual Charlevoix Venetian Festival, from Saturday, July 21 to Saturday,

Rhythms of Venetian, an eightday music festival presenting local and national bands, begins Saturday, July 21 with a performance by 5 O'clock Somewhere at 12:30 p.m. at Ferry Beach, 224 Ferry Ave. Rhythms of Venetian will present several music performances every day throughout

the week. Other major bands to be featured include The Spinners, The Farm & Casey James, Herman's Hermits and Brandie Spradley.

Worship on the Water, new to the Venetian Festival this year, will present music from local worship music groups on Sunday, July 22 at the East Park Bandshell in downtown Charlevoix from 7 to 10 p.m. The Battle of the Bands at Michigan Beach will showcase talents on Monday, July 23 for another music highlight.

The Venetian Games begin Saturday, July 21 with a volleyball

tournament at 12 p.m. at Ferry Beach. Other competitions will continue throughout the week, including basketball, soccer, tennis and golf tournaments as well as a swim meet and sailing regatta.

Kids Day on Thursday, July 26 offers outrageous fun for kids from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Michigan Beach. The majority of activities are free, including karaoke, a bubble station, petting zoo and face painting. Other kids' events such as pony rides, mechanical bull and inflatable jump houses require a \$10 armband for admission.

Main events on Friday, July 27 include the coronation of the Charlevoix Venetian Queen at approximately 8 p.m. in East Park and a fireworks show over Lake Charlevoix beginning at dusk.

Festivities conclude Saturday, July 28 with a full schedule featuring longtime Charlevoix Venetian traditions. The Street Parade will cruise through downtown Charlevoix at 11 a.m. Around 10 p.m. the Boat Parade will dazzle spectators in Round Lake with 20 boats decorated for this year's

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Mr. Petunia Keeps Charlevoix Beautiful

By Catie L'Heureux

ne look at his house on a Sunday morning reveals the man behind the story: a kids' play house off to the right side of the house, a 1919 Model T on the front lawn and a white convertible with a license plate reading "PTUNIAS" next to, of course, a few beds of colorful petunias.

Dale Boss, often called "Mr. Petunia," envisioned flowers lining the roadway within the Charlevoix city limits and presented his idea to the Keep Charlevoix Beautiful board in 1982. 31 years later his vision is now a signature trademark of Charlevoix, where colorful petunias bloom along the streets all summer long. The beautification project, known as "Operation Petunia," was started and maintained by Boss as selfappointed caretaker of the flowers. The undertaking is the main focus of the Keep Charlevoix Beautiful organization

See Mr. Petunia-7A



Dale Boss, self-appointed caretaker of Charlevoix's petunias for the past 31 years, continues to water the city's flowers every other summer morning at 4 a.m.

New Boyne City Police Chief **Unanimously Confirmed**

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY — At the Boyne City Commissioners meeting Tuesday night Boyne City Com-

missioners unanimously voted to confirm local officer Jeff Gaither's appointment as

police chief,

PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIOUS.

discussed the need for a fireworks ordinance and the possibility of getting a portion of the downtown area listed on the National register for Historic Place.

Gaither who was selected out of a pool of 32 applicants has worked as a part-time officer for the city for the last five years fol-

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY



HIGH: Upper 80's HIGH: Upper 80's LOW: Low 60's LOW: Low 60's

TUESDAY



HIGH: Upper 80's LOW: Low 60's

Mary C. Warner, 94

Mary C. Warner, 94, of Charlevoix, died Tuesday, July 17, 2012, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix. Arrangements are pending at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Henry William Solgot, 85

Henry William Solgot, 85, of East Jordan, died Monday, July 16, 2012, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan. No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements by the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

Arnold Massey, 75

Arnold Massey, 75, of Boyne Falls, died July 16, 2012, at the McLaren Northern Michigan hospital in Petoskey. Arrangements will be announced by Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City.

Violet J. Feeheley, 84

Violet J. Feeheley, 84, formerly of Saginaw, died Monday, July 16, 2012, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan. Arrangements are pending at the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jor-

Connie L. Griffin (Price), 56

(DEC. 21, 1955 - JULY 15, 2012)

Connie L. Griffin (Price) formerly of St. Johns, Mich., passed away Sunday, July 15, 2012, after a two-year struggle with cancer.

She was born on Dec. 21, 1955, in St. Johns, Mich., the daughter of Gerald and Cora (Watson) Price. Connie graduated from St. Johns High School in 1973.

Connie had worked more than 15 years at the Hitching Post Restaurant located north of St. Johns, The John Henry Printing Company in Lansing and Second Chance Body Armor in Central Lake.

She moved to East Jordan in 1998 to marry her best friend, her very loving husband, Dave, who survives her.

She is also survived by her son, Jeremy Mick and his partner, Will Camp; daughter, Amanda Arrequin; grandsons, Ryan and Logan; her parents, Gerald "Andy" and Cora Price; sisters; Terri (Mike) Stoddard, Karen (Dennis) Gillespie and Janet Taylor and her partner, Russ Pope; six nieces; five nephews; six great-nieces; six great-nephews; stepson, David (Christy) Griffin; stepdaughter, Heather Griffin; and brother-inlaw, Roger Griffin, and his partner, Jeannie Massey.

Dave and Connie never left each other or came back to each other without giving "Smooches." She loved driving her motorcycle, making quilts, gardening and watching her hummingbirds out her kitchen window.

The funeral service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, July 19, at the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan. The Rev. David Scott of the Pleasant Valley Free Methodist Church will officiate. Interment will follow at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.

The family will receive friends

from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18, at the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

Memorials may be made to the Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, American Cancer Society or Susan G. Komen Foundation.

Online condolences may be sent to www.penzienfh.com.

Frank J. Grunow, 84

Frank J. Grunow, age 84, of Boyne City, died at his home surrounded by his loving family Wednesday, July 11, 2012.

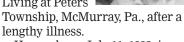
A graveside service with military honors will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at Evangeline Township Cemetery in Boyne City.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Robert Duane 'Bob' Fitzpatrick, 74

(JULY 11, 1938 - JULY 11, 2012)

Robert Duane
"Bob" Fitzpatrick of
Washington,
Pa., passed
away Wednesday, July 11,
2012, in Paramount Senior
Living at Peters



He was born July 11, 1938, in Boyne City, the son of the late Eugene and Ruby May Belford.

A graduate of Boyne City High School, he lettered in three sports and was the quarterback of the football team. He then graduated from Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Mich., where he majored in biology and pitched for the baseball team. Upon graduation, he taught biology and then worked in the pharmaceutical industry for the former Lederle Laboratories. After moving to Washington, Pa., in 1967, he established a long-term business in the domestic and international steel industry, beginning with employment by Baldwin International, Bedford, Ohio.

Mr. Fitzpatrick was a long-time member of the Church of the Covenant. He was a member of the Sunset Lodge No. 623 F. & A.M., and a member of the Valley of Pittsburgh A.A.S.R. 32nd degree and the Elks Lodge No. 776 B.P.O.E.

A life-long athlete, Mr. Fitz-patrick played squash, volleyball and racquetball, but most enjoyed golf. He was a member of Nemacolin Country Club, Beallsville, Bonita Bay Country Club, Bonita Springs, Fla., and Lahinch Golf Club, Lahinch Co. Clare, Ireland. He especially enjoyed his frequent trips to Ireland and guided many trips to the country for appreciative family and friends. His love of traditional Irish music increased steadily throughout his life.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years; Marylu Gilbert Fitzpatrick, of Washington, Pa.; son, Shane Fitzpatrick, of Hackettstown, N.J.; daughter; Dana (George) O'Korn of Canonsburg, Pa.; grandchildren, Casey and Riley O'Korn of Canonsburg, Pa.; sisters, Charlotte

OBITUARIES

(Dale) Looze of East Jordan, Colleen (Allie) Ingalls of East Jordan, Cindy Lamacchia of St. Paul, Minn., Bridget (Larry) Peck of Boyne City, Claudette (Earl) Elder of Denver, Colo.; brothers, Gerald (Vivian) Belford of Boyne City, Terry (Penny) Belford of Boyne City and Jeffrey (Nancy) Belford of Boyne City.

Mr. Fitzpatrick was preceded in death by not only his parents but by a brother, Collins Belford, and a nephew, Jarred Belford.

A memorial service was Friday at the funeral home with Pastor Stephen Getchell officiating. Interment in Boyne City at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Church of the Covenant, Washington or to the Central Christian Academy, Houston

Online condolences may be expressed at www.WarcoFalvoFuneralHome.com.

Stephen D. Landon, 51

(APRIL 24, 1961 - JULY 8, 2012)

University of Michigan-Flint associate professor Stephen Douglas Landon, passed away in Rapid City, S.D.

Stephen was in South Dakota as part of the Black Hills Playhouse production of the "Drowsy Chaperone."

Stephen is the second son of Richard Craig Landon and Anna Adams. Stephen's education took him from Charlevoix High School, as a graduate of the class of 1979, to Ball State University, Lawrence Technology University, ultimately receiving his master's of fine arts in scenic design from Wayne State University.

Stephen wore many hats in his lifetime. Owning a hair salon, creating productions for flag and rifle corps throughout the Midwest and Rocky Mountains as well as living and studying abroad in the United Kingdom and Germany were just a few of his accomplishments. Not only was Stephen a life-long learner, he was a life-long teacher. This began at Charlevoix High School where he was the drum major his junior and senior years. Additionally, Stephen took on similar roles as a young adult with marching bands in Indiana and Colorado, as well the Denver Blue Knights Drum and Bugle Corps.

To family and friends, as well as students and colleagues, Stephen was gracious, quiet, thoughtful, talented, and simply brilliant. Whether giving someone a haircut, creating a gift of stained glass, designing the scene for the latest play or creating a piece of art with beach glass and Petoskey stones, Stephen gave his all to the task in front of him. When you were with Stephen, you knew you had his full, undivided attention; this was his most precious gift of all.

As an associate professor with the University of Michigan-Flint, Stephen was instrumental in many changes on campus and in the community including freshman orientation courses, a community bicycle ride and remodeling of the campus auditorium. His roots in the Flint area run deep and Stephen was always excited to share his latest discovery. He loved the potential he saw in Flint, and like many of his more memorable pieces of art, Stephen was determined that everyone see the beauty he did in Flint. Stephen was a full-tenured professor and was slated to be the next department chair.

Stephen was preceded in death by his father, Richard Craig; and brother, Richard Andrew; grandparents, Burney and Ellen Landon, Everett Adams and Florence Levon Koenig.

Stephen is survived by his mother, Anna Austin (Adams), and stepfather, William Austin; brothers, Jeffery Scott, James Burney and wife, Theresa, and Matthew John; niece, Brittany Nicole, and nephews, Andrew Thomas and Tanner Ian. Additionally many aunts, uncles, and cousins from both sides of his family are mourning this loss.

A celebration honoring Stephen's life will be 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, July 22, at Ellsworth Community Park on Lake Street in Ellsworth.

Arrangements are being made by Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers a gift be made to the Black Hills Playhouse, in Stephen's memory: Black Hills Playhouse, P.O. Box 2513, Rapid City, S.D. 57709.

Condolences can be addressed to: The Austins, 7755 Pleasant Hill Road, Ellsworth, Mich. 49729.

Barbara Joan Pritchard, 86

(JAN. 6, 1926 - JULY 8, 2012)

The amazing Barbara Joan Pritchard, of Walloon Lake, Mich., and formerly of Flushing, Mich., passed away July 8, 2012, at Grandvue Medical Health Facility, East Jordan, Mich., after a valiant struggle with cancer. She was 86 years old.

Services were held on Saturday, July 14, at Walloon Lake Community Church. The Rev. David Behling officiated.

If desired, memorial contributions may be made in her name to The Little Traverse Conservancy, 3264 Powell Road, Harbor Springs, Mich.

Barbara was born Jan. 6, 1926, in Flushing, Mich., to Albert James Cronk and Georgia Elbertine Totten. Her brother, Dr. Richard T. (Marva) Cronk, survives. She was predeceased by her sister, Eliza Lou Cordes Wockenfuss, and her brother, A.J. (Deverlyn) Cronk.

Barbara graduated from Flushing High School and went on to study at Michigan State University, uncommon for a woman of her time. She married Frank Pritchard on Dec. 21, 1946.

She was a wonderful mother to Stanley Pritchard, Lesley Pritchard and Sandra Pritchard, and grandmother to Damien Conlin and Brandon Conlin, by her daughter, Sandra, and her son-atheart, Andrew Schmittdiel. She will also be deeply missed by many dear nieces and nephews. The family is especially grateful for her special caregivers at Grandvue.

Barbara was an astute and well-

respected businesswoman. Upon becoming a full-time resident of Walloon Lake, she became a topperforming Realtor, choosing to continue this vocation until a few short years ago. The first half of her career she worked in executive administrative assistant positions in the Flint area, most notably for Congressman Donald Riegle Jr., and for the chamber of commerce.

Barbara loved to bowl, play bridge, golf and gamble. Recently, she bested everyone at bingo.

She and Frank traveled extensively and enjoyed several cruises.

She belonged to the Flushing Tuesday Club, the Genesee County Historical Society, was a charter member of Flushing Country Club, was a long-standing member of Walloon Lake Country Club, and had the honor to serve on the board of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Barbara are encouraged to do so online at

www.stone funeral homeinc.com.

Rhonda (Reynolds) Oelfke, 57

(MARCH 9, 1955 - JULY 11, 2012)

The family of Rhonda (Reynolds) Oelfke is mourning her passing on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at Cape Fear Medical Center in Fayetteville, N.C.

Rhonda was born on March 9, 1955. She grew up in Boyne Falls and graduated from Boyne Falls Public School in 1973. Rhonda currently lived in Fayetteville, N.C.

Rhonda is survived by her husband, Ted Oelfke; two children, Todd and Brad Moody; parents, Gale and Alice Reynolds; two sisters, Colleen Salisz and Elaine Spaniak; two brothers, Duane and Randy Reynolds; two stepchildren, Nicole and Rick Oelfke; two grand-children and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brother, David.

Rhonda will always be remembered for her fun loving attitude and her caring and compassion.

A funeral Mass was Monday, July 16, at St. Augustine Church in Boyne Falls. The Rev. Frank Partridge was celebrant. Burial at St. Augustine Cemetery in Boyne Falls.

The family requests memorial donations to be directed to St. Augustine Church in Boyne Falls. Family and friends wishing to

share a thought or memory of Rhonda are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com. Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne

City is serving the family.

Loren 'Larry' Frederick Bean, 75

A graveside service for Loren "Larry" Frederick Bean, 75, of Boyne City, will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at Eveline Township Cemetery on Ridge Road.

Larry passed away on Monday, April 23, 2012, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Venetian Fest

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theme, "America the Beautiful." A spectacular fireworks show will follow in the Round Lake harbor for a thundering finale to the week's celebra-

Sarah Titus, administrative assistant and general coordinator for the Charlevoix Venetian Festival Committee, said the Committee expects around 100,000 people to attend various festival events throughout the week. Titus

considers the Venetian Festival to be a homecoming for the Charlevoix community.

"A lot of people plan this time to have a lot of reunions and a lot of people come into town who have been here before, who haven't been here before. It gives new people a look at Charlevoix," she said. "It's a festival but it also has a hometown feel."

For more information and a complete schedule of festival events visit www.venetianfestival.com or call the Charlevoix Venetian Festival office at (231) 547-3872.

Code of Ethics

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"It's important but also unfortunate that we have to put something in writing to use in place of common sense and integrity," said

The code clarifies that public confidence in the decisions of county government is enhanced when public officials avoid both actual and the appearance of conflicts of interest and specifies standards of conduct to assist those officials in avoiding circum-

stances that could negatively impact public confidence in those decisions.

The first of ten 'codes' county officials are to abide by states that they shall maintain the highest level of professionalism, integrity, and personal conduct treating each other and members of the public appearing before them with respect, fairness, and sincerity.

Some of the other codes include requirements for county officials to act within the boundaries of their authority, maintain the confidentiality of privileged/confidential Information, act in the best interest of the county and not to further personal agendas, and not

engage in or accept employment or render services that are incompatible or in conflict with the discharge of their official duties.

"It's good for all of us; we need to read and practice them. It comes down to common sense, integrity and honesty - something we all should have but sometimes people lose focus," said Evans. "It's good to have all the commissioners examine themselves from time to time."

The newly adopted code is applicable to the Charlevoix County
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Charlevoix Chamber names Grand Bay Marine as July "Business of the Month"

By Jim Akans

The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected Grand Bay Marine as the July Business of the Month, recognizing the organizations longstanding commitment in helping to make Charlevoix an outstanding community in which to live, work and play. Celebrating their 15th anniversary this year, Grand Bay Marine has been doing business in Charlevoix since 1997, and has a second location in Traverse City. The company offers a wide array of boating related products and services in northern Lower Michigan.

Liz Carney, owner, states, "We are fortunate to work with and serve such wonderful people in this area. Our customers are part of our Grand Bay Marine family. Working with our customers and our communities is wonderful!'

Heath Meeder, sales representative at the Charlevoix location, adds, "We understand that people are passionate about boating, and our staff shares that passion. We are here to help our customers enjoy their summer boating experience and do whatever we can to keep them on the water...making memories with their families."

Meeder notes that Grand Bay Marine was recognized as the third largest Rega Boats dealer in world in 2011, and are the largest StingRay and Forest River pontoon (with nameplate such as Berkshire and South Bay) dealer in the Midwest. The company recently became a Tracker Marine dealer, which is the largest boat manufacturer in



The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected the team at Grand Bay Marine as the July Business of the Month. COURTESY PHOTO

the country specializing in bass and fishing boats such as Sun Tracker, Mako, Tahoe and

In addition to offering a huge array of boats and boating accessories, Grand Bay Marine also offers full boat and engine servicing, winterization and spring start up, shrink wrapping, and indoor and outdoor storage facilities.

Meeder states, "Our service manager, Larry Holecheck. was born and raised right here in Charlevoix. He is a

Master Technician and we believe he is one of the best techs in northern Michigan. He and his team do the job right the first time, and we have a loyal following because of the expert work Larry does."

He adds, "Charlevoix County is a fabulous place to live, work, and boat. It doesn't get any better than this. It is an ideal place to fish, water ski, kayak, relaxing on a pontoon boat...all the pleasures of boating can be enjoyed right

here. Boating memories are lifetime memories."

Earlier this year the company held an exciting grand opening event, featuring Michigan State coaching legend Tom Izzo, at their new Charlevoix location at 6472 North M-66 in Charlevoix. For additional information, contact Grand Bay Marine at (231) 237-5000 or visit their website at www.grandbavmarine.com

Community Presentations by City **Administrator Candidates for City** of East Jordan Wednesday Night

East Jordan City Commissioners invite you to attend a public presentation at the East Jordan Community Auditorium (East Jordan High School) from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18,

Four candidates who are interviewing for the position of City Administrator will each make a 10 minute presentation answering: "Under your management of the City of East Jordan, what do you see in East Jordan's

Audience members will be asked to complete an assessment form following each presentation in order for City Commissioners to better understand how our community perceives each candidate.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Cheltzi Wilson, City Clerk at 231-536-3381.

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

July 25 - 10:30-11:30: Organization 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



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3:00PM PIE EATING CONTEST - Under the Pavilion, Prizes!

5:30PM SAUERKRAUT & SAUSAGE SUPPER - Free (while it lasts) with 2012 Alpenfest® pin. Under the Pavilion. Sponsored by the Odo Family and Friends. SATURDAY, July 21

3:00PM STRUDEL ON THE STRASSE - Strut your stuff down to the Alpenstrasse for a slice of strudel while it lasts. Free with your 2012 Alpenfest® pin.

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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

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Summer's here and the weather is beautiful. There's no better time to get outdoors and get some exercise. If you can't stand the thought of going to the gym, and running has taken its toll on your joints, kayaking or paddling could be the sport for you. You can burn an average of 400 calories an hour, and kayaking is easy on the joints.

There's also no more beautiful spot to kayak than on Walloon Lake. And there's no better reason than supporting scholarships for youth at Camp Daggett's Adventure Center.

Join the team! Camp Daggett is recruiting 30 or more kayaking enthusiasts to participate in the 4th annual Kayak for a Cause on Walloon Lake, Saturday, July 21 and Sunday July 22 from 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. 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.

Kayakers are invited to secure pledges at \$10 per mile for the weekend. You can paddle one day or two. And for those who don't want to paddle, you can support Camp Daggett by making a pledge toward Kayak for a Cause



Joyce Riordan, chair of Kayak for a Cause on Walloon Lake, training for the upcoming event.

on Walloon Lake, or buying a customized Kayak for a Cause flag. Go to www.campdaggett.org. Click on News & Events, then Kayak for a Cause, and finally on Help the Team. You can pay online through Pay Pal, call Camp Daggett with your credit card in-

formation (231-347-9742) or make out a check to Camp Daggett, and send to 03001 Church Road, Petoskey, MI 49770.

For more information, contact Karen Marietti, CDAC director, at 231-347-9742, ext 117 or karen.marietti@campdaggett.org.

It's not too late! Call Camp Daggett today!

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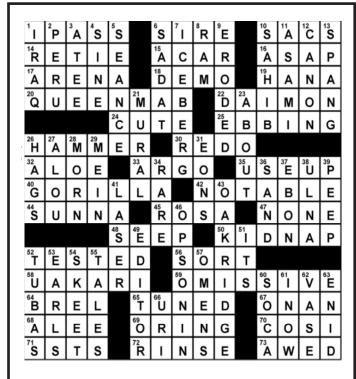
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News Briefs

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 July 20 entertainers -Bruce Walker, Debra & Zane Bobo, Hipps- N- Ricco, Jania Taylor (Magician), RFD Boys, Robert Johnson, Kowalske Family Band, The Vermeers and The Atwood Green Band on the SOBO Blissfest Stage.

CHARLEVOIX

Downtown Concert

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

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 Percus-

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

The Music in the Park Concert Series is every June 22 with a concert in the Bandshell in Memorial Park. The band Charlie Witthoeft 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 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

Evenings at the Gazebo

The Boyne Area Chamber has announced the schedule 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 18 - Cairn to Cairn,

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

Aug. 22 - Trombones Plus. Easy-listening jazz

CHX/EMMEI 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

n.kasiborski@nwhealth.org or (231) 347-5144 for more information. Parents must reside in Char-Em ISD area.

CHARLEVOIX

Cruise Ships Coming

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

July 26 - arrive 7am - depart at 9pm August 6 - arrive 7am - de-

part 5pm August 16 - arrive 7am -

depart 12 noon August 20 - arrive noon depart at 10:30pm

GAYLORD

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

Wednesday: July 18 Evening - Pulled Pork or BBQ Pork Plate

8pm - ENDLESS SUM-MER BAND - Back by popular demand

Thursday: July 19 Morning - Alpine Country

Breakfast Afternoon - Ice Cream Social

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Friday: July 20 Morning - Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

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Afternoon - Yodeling Con-8pm - PAUL KELLER

music Saturday: July 21 Morning - Alpenfest Run

JAZZ BAND - Some great

Parade

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CHARLEVOIX

Bouquet Arranging

The Charlevoix Farmers Market will be hosting local florist; Kari Davis, owner of Petals, for an upcoming floral arranging seminar. The seminar will take place on Thursday, July 19th from 11am-12pm in downtown Charlevoix's East Park and will be a hands-on, fun, informal seminar. Davis will teach the basic principles behind creating your own floral designs as well as some unique and affordable ways to arrange your bouquets. If you would like to participant please RSVP by calling 231-547-2101 or e-mailing pearson@charlevoix.org. Seats are limited to the first 25 registrants.

CHARLEVOIX

Moments in Time

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts cordially invites everyone to attend the Moments in Time Art Exhibit on Friday, July 20 from 6 to 8pm. Light refreshments and entertainment will be provided. This will be an exciting exhibit and many Plein Air Artists have submitted wonderful local scenes for all to enjoy. Check our website www.charlevoixcircle.org for more details. Circle located at 109 Clinton Street in Charlevoix, 231.547.3554.

EAST JORDAN

Vote for your favorite art

Now thru 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.

BOANF CITA

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

Noon - Alpenfest Grand Street will be picked up on seeking new members to as-Thursdays, Sept. 6, 13 and 20. For more information 7pm - THE RETURN - An click here or call City Hall at northern Emmet County 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.

CHX/EMMET COUNTIES

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

Kids Rock Boyne

Stroll for young people Artists in Action 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 singers, musicians, mimes, face painters, artists, balloon twisters, yo-yo performers and more. We're open to your ideas. If you have suggestions or would like to perform, call or visit Karen Guzniczak at Country Now & Then, phone 582-2355, email cnt20@att.net.

EAST JORDAN & **ELLSWORTH**

Farmer's Market

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

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY **Committee Members**

Needed

The Day of Caring committee and Char-Em United Way has started planning this year's event. Day of Caring will be Wednesday, September 19, in honor of the National Day of Service and Remembrance on September 11. The committee is

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sist with planning from the Boyne City, East Jordan, and 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 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

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.

CHARLEVOIX

Benefit Spaghetti Dinner

There will be a benefit spaghetti dinner for the House family on Saturday, July 21st at St. Mary's Church in Charlevoix from 6-8:30 pm. Hope House, a local nurse and member of our community, was recently diagnosed with a brain tumor with subsequent surgery and need for chemotherapy. The proceeds from this dinner will help with the family's medical expenses. If you would like to donate an item or gift certificate for the ticket raffle or make a monetary donation, please call Tricia Drenth at (231) 622-1683 or email at kellypj8@yahoo.com by July 14th. Thank you!

GRAYLING **AUSABLE RIVER FESTIVAL** & CANOE MARATHON

July 21st – 29th in Grayling

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 Ľake 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 karen.marietti@campdaggett.org

CHARLEVOIX

Venetian Festival

A festival that highlights the summer season which attracts tens of thousands of visitors. The festival offers a wonderful variety of events geared to delight and entertain every age group. July 21st - 28th, www.venetianfestival.com. The Festival offers a wonderful variety of events geared to delight and entertain every age group. Most events take place within waterfront parks, Round Lake Harbor and Lake Charlevoix. Here is a summary of activities and headliners who will perform under the pavilion in East Park

Saturday, July 21 Aquapolooza at Ferry Beach - 5 O'clock Somewhere

Monday, July 23 - Family Movie Night and Battle of the Bands at Lake Michigan

Tuesday, July 24 - City / Community Bands Wednesday, July 25 - The

Spinners Thursday, July 26 - The Farm & Casey James

Friday, July 27 - Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone Saturday, July 28 - Brandie Spradley

BOYNE CITY

Poochfest

Poochfest is coming to Boyne City Veterans Park on Saturday, July 21, sponsored by the Charlevoix Area Humane Society. Join in for fun and games at our (almost) annual Poochfest, Parade of Paws, and new this year, Wiener Dog Races. Walk begins at 8am and the rest of the events follow starting at 9am on the waterfront. Come and have a great time with your canine family members (and the two-legged members too!).

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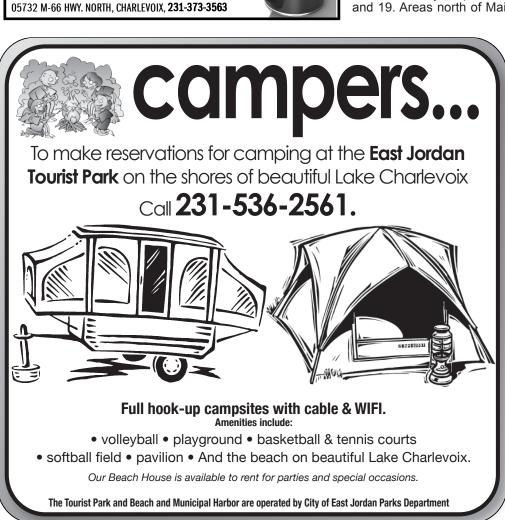
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News Briefs

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

Car show

The 20th annual Street Legends car show is July 21 in East Park. Show begins at 10am. Registration at 9am. Cars parked in the park and along the street; silent auction benefiting local charities: live music; kids events; check out the cars, listen to the music, bid in the auction; bring the kids.

EAST JORDAN

Summer Magic Benefit

Summer Magic 2012: Reaching for the Stars on Saturday, July 21 for a special, adult only, night on the grounds of Raven Hill starting at 6pm. Take a trolley ride to the Center's Ancient World to see the new megaliths, learn through the hands-on exhibits in the museum, meet the animals, explore Beyond Jurassic Park, see the one room school house, visit the off the grid energy house and the many other sites which make up Raven Hill Discovery Center. Local restaurants provide the finger foods and a silent auction offers a wonderful array of artistic creations. Watch artist, Martina Hahn, as she speed paints to music a 5'x5' painting for the winning bidder! End the evening at the Moon Base and see the stars through the Center's 16 inch reflecting telescope. The proceeds from Summer Magic support ongoing programs at Raven Hill, which connect science, art and history, as well as required matching donations for grant awards. Ticket Prices: \$20 in Advance, \$25 at the Door.

CHARLEVOIX

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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 630 p.m. in the Community Room of the Boyne District Library.

BELLAIRE

Art, Film, Philosophy

July 25, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Bellaire Community Hall, 202 North Bridge Street. This week will feature a film, followed by a groupled discussion. Donations Appreciated. A partnership of ISLAND and Parkside Arts Council, with support from Applesauce Inn Bed & Breakfast. To find out the film or for more information call Mary at ISLAND 231-622-5252 or www.ARTmeetvisit sEARTH.org.

WALLOON LAKE

Flywheelers

Northern Michigan Flywheelers Antique Tractor Engine & Craft Show, July 26th 28th. Northern Michigan Flywheelers Antique Tractor-Engine & Craft Show, at the Flywheelers Show Grounds. on US 131, south of Petoskey (between Walloon and Boyne Falls). Working blacksmith and tractor scales, basket factory & veneer mill, old machinery in operation, steam engines and lots more at this annual

family event. It's a step back in time that the whole family will love. In addition to the history, you'll find a flea market, arts, crafts and a great deal of music!!!!

BOYNE CITY

Run For Their Lives

A 5k run/walk on July 28. You can run or walk with your best four-legged friend or with two-legged friends and family. It features a beautiful along the route Charlevoix shoreline starting and ending in downtown Boyne City. There will be prizes for the first three finishers in each age group and a grand prize for the first male and female finishers (human and canine). The homeless animals will appreciate your effort. Call (231) 582-6774 for further information.

EAST JORDAN

Flower show

The East Jordan Garden Club and Jordan River Arts council Present: It's Raining Cats & Dogs Flower Show. You vote for the winners! Saturday, July 28... Noon - 4:00 PM at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main Street. Over 50 entries - Best of Show, Theme, Single Stem, Miniatures, Herbs, Dried Arrangements, Fruits and Vegetable. FREE Admission – Řefreshments

CHARLEVOIX

Charlevoix County Candi-

date Forum 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.

CHARLEVOIX

Kings Feast and Mystery

Theatre

The Front Porch Cafe of Ellsworth requests your presence for the Kings Feast and Mystery Theatre on Friday Aug 3rd at Castle Farms. Auction and mixer starting at 6 pm, followed promptly by the Kings Feast and Mystery Theatre at 7 pm. Tickets sold at Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce and East Jordan Chamber of Commerce. Single tickets \$125. Special: Table for 8 people \$800. Table for 8 with advertising \$1200. Kings Feast catered by the Blue Pelican. Mystery Theatre performed by Ransom Note Entertainment of Grand Rapids, Michigan. www.ransomnoteentertainment.com. Front Porch is a donation only, nonprofit cafe, outreaching to the regions of northern Michigan.

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

HARBOR SPRINGS, GAYLORD, CHARLEVOIX

Cal Tillman speaks

Don't Frack Michigan will be hosting a series of forums in August with Cal Tillman, former mayor of Dish, Texas. Tillman appeared in the movie GASLAND. He will relate his compelling story detailing the effects of fracking on his town and their efforts to fight against it.

Harbor Springs: Friday, August 3rd, 7pm, Harbor Springs High School Auditorium, 500 N. Spring Street With special performances by Breath Owl Breathe and

Gaylord: Saturday, August 4th, 11am, Otsego County Building Alpine Center, 800 Livingston Blvd.

Charlevoix: Saturday, August 4th, 5pm, Charlevoix Public Library, 200 Clinton

EAST JORDAN

Relay for life

The event will take place on August 11 - 12 at Community Park in East Jordan. Teams camp out overnight with the goal of keeping at least one team member walking on the track at all times throughout the event, signifying that cancer never sleeps. Teams do most of their fundraising prior to the event, but some teams also hold creative fundraisers at their camp sites during Relay. If you would like to join the Relay For Life of Charlevoix County as a volunteer or team participant, call Owen Welsh at 231-675-3644, Reid Michelle mailto:mreid7943@charter.n et or visit http://www.Relay-ForLife.org/charlevoixcoun-

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! 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.charlevoixli-

EAST JORDAN

Visions of the Valley

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

BOYNE CITY

Hazardous waste

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



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Mr. Petunia

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and continues to brighten the town's summer days. Boss waters 62,000 petunias every other summer morning at 4 a.m. in a white truck with a 2,500-gallon watering tank, rolling along Charlevoix's quiet streets at 4 mph with the radio set to Christian music on 88.1 FM. The watering job takes three hours, 15,000 gallons of water and five stops to refill the truck's tank at fire hydrants along the way. Surprisingly, Boss receives no compensation for his hard work.

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"I've never gotten one dime, don't want a dime," he says. Instead, he volunteers his time to water the petunias for the simplest of reasons.

"I do it because I love people. I love people, I like to see people be happy. And you know, we're only on this earth here for not that long, and people should be happy. And it puts a lot of smiles on people's faces.'

A man with an industrious imagination, Boss also helped to establish several other key spots in the Charlevoix community, including Mt. McSauba Recreation Area, 09223 McSauba Road, the Charlevoix Community Reformed Church (which he also surrounded with flowers), 100 Oak St., the former Charlevoix Public Library building, 109 Clinton St., and the Charlevoix Historical Society's current home at 103 State St.

Time spent with Boss will reveal treasures of Charlevoix history. The former milkman mowed lawns for local families as a boy. At 15 years old he played kick the can in the valley with his wife and childhood sweetheart, Marilyn, then 13. They celebrated 61 years of marriage last month, a lifetime that has gifted them with five children of their own, two adopted children and 17 grandchildren. Dale and Marilyn continue to live on the same plot of land that Boss bought for \$60 in 1950.

Boss maintains his vision and commitment to make Charlevoix a more beautiful place.

"I've lived here my whole life. I've worked my whole life behind the scenes," he said.

Interestingly, Boss has never officially served on the Keep Charlevoix Beautiful board, despite his steadfast involvement in the organization from its very beginning and attendance at most board meetings. While Keep Charlevoix Beautiful's president, Dr. Aaron Wilkin, calls Boss an "honorary member," Boss finds his unofficial contributions to the community necessary to his purpose in making a difference.

"I try not to belong to everything. I can do more good as an individual working behind the scenes to make things nice," he said.

Joe Vogelheim, co-vice president of Keep Charlevoix Beautiful and owner of RE/MAX of Charlevoix, 701 S. Bridge St., has worked with Boss on the petunias since the project's creation. Vogelheim highlighted the difference Boss has made with his passion for volunteering.

"He's probably one of the most giving community people that I know in Charlevoix," Vogelheim said. "It's just been a real pleasure to help him in doing something where the community gets such joy out of it...He's definitely out-of-the-box in his thinking, which I think is a good plus. There's not a lot of people that have that God-given talent to give so much to a community."

As an integral member of the community and lifetime resident, Boss has given so much to Charlevoix with his tireless passion for making the town a more beautiful place. Yet on the same Sunday morning he sits back in a chair on his front porch carefully discussing summer maintenance of the petunias, telling stories of Charlevoix's earlier days and reflecting on his time in town.

"I've got to admit it and I say it humbly. The kids are seeing that my wife and I got the grass cut and everything is fine, don't have to worry about a thing. I've proven it time and time again. Treat people nice, they'll treat you nice," he said. "And they're treating us wonderful, just wonderful. It's been a wonderful life."



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CHX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

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Missing Man Found

Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office received a report of a missing 54 year old Charlevoix man on 07/16/2012. The victim, Daniel Paul Engstrom, 54 years

old of Charlevoix, had earlier on 07/16/12 called in sick for work, his wife later reported him missing. Focus of the search located his vehicle in the

McSauba Recreational Area at North Point. Yesterday's search conducted by Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office,

Charlevoix City and Charlevoix Township Fire Departments was unsuccessful. Today's search resumed using ATVs, horse patrol, foot patrol and the Michigan State Police canine unit. The victim was located approximately late this morning near the Lake Michigan shoreline by the Michigan State Police canine unit. The victim was transported out of the remote area by Charlevoix Fire, EMS and Sheriff's officers. The victim was further transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital. The victim appeared to be having health issues. Sheriff Schneider commends the assistance by the Charlevoix Fire Department and EMS, Charlevoix Township Fire Department, Charlevoix City Police Depart-

Bicyclist Strikes Car

ment and the Michigan State

Police.

On Thursday July 12, 2012 at 18:00 the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded with Boyne City EMS to Young State Park in Evangeline Township for a personal injury crash.

10 year old Lukas James Sinkevics, of Novi, was riding his bicycle in the park when he came around a corner into the oncoming lane, at the same time a vehicle was coming from the opposite direction. Sinkevics did not observe the oncoming car until it was too late to avoid the collision and lost control of his bicycle. He then crashed his bike into the road and slid into the vehicle traveling in the opposite direction. The vehicle then ran over the rear tire of the bicycle. The motor vehicle was driven by 42 vear old Preston Belford of Boyne City.

Sinkevics was transported by Boyne City EMS to the Charlevoix Area Hospital where he was treated for minor abrasions and lacerations to his

Rollover Accident

On July 16, 2012 at 08:25 hrs, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office along with Boyne Valley Fire/EMS and Boyne City EMS were called to a report of a one vehicle rollover accident at the intersection of M-75 South and Deer Lake Road. The vehicle was driven by 21 year old

The accident occurred when Green was attempting to pass a vehicle on M-75 South when simultaneously a second vehicle turned onto M-75 South fromDeer Lake Road. Green attempted to get back in her land, but lost control of her cars as she did so. Green's vehicle ran off the road and rolled over into

a field. Jessica was assisted from the vehicle by Boyne Valley Fire and transported to Otsego Hospital by Boyne Valley EMS for evaluation. Green was wearing her seatbelt at the time of

Vehicles collide at intersection

On Monday July 16, 2012 at approximately 15:50 hrs, the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, the Michigan State Police, along with Boyne Valley Fire and EMS and Boyne City EMS responded to a two vehicle personal injury crash on US 131 Hwy South and M-75 South in Boyne Falls.

A pick-up truck driven by 32 year old Elizabeth Dian Hickman of Saint Pauls in North Carolina was stopped at the stop sign at the intersection of Mill Street and US 131 waiting to proceed straight though onto M-75 South. A passenger car driven by 33 year old Amanda Marie Guess of Boyne Falls was on M-75 South stopped at the stop sign at the same intersection. When cross traffic cleared, both vehicles proceeded into the intersection simultaneously striking each other in the intersection. Guess was transported by Boyne Valley EMS to McLaren Hospital in Petoskey

with chest and knee pain. A minor female from the pickup truck was treated by EMS on scene for minor neck pain and released. No other injuries were reported.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, July 9, 2012

2:09amAssisted Sheriff Dept with domestic on Boyne City Rd 8:29amReport of lost Florida driver's license downtown

10:08am iPod turned in that was found over the weekend 10:10am Civil complaint received from West St

10:13am Gasoline drive off from the 200 block of S Lake St 10:18am Report of lost gold

11:42am 2 vehicle property damage accident at State and

Park Streets 1:22pm Subject in with men-

tal health concerns

2:31pm Report of missing female from the 100 block of W Cedar St. Was located

5:50pm Missing wallet reported 8:28pm Arrested subject for

9:42pm Alarm in the 100 block of River St

9:49pm Unlock on State St **Tuesday, July 10, 2012**

12:07am Report of party in the 300 block of Silver St 8:29amReport of vehicle hint in parking lot in the 400 block of

1:27pm Found keys dropped off at PD. Were later claimed

1:49pm Report of odor of marijuana from the 300 block of E Division St

1:43pm Report of log trucks speeding down hill on

Charlevoix St 1:49pm Report of missing Ritalin from the 800 block of Boyne Av 2:31pm Report of vehicle

struck in the 100 block of S Park St 5:46pm Dog running at large on Silver St

6:12pm Domestic dispute in the 100 block of S Park St

6:35pm Report of damage to

car after hitting pothole 8:43pm Report of dog attacking another dog in the 700 block of Pleasant

10:19pm Driving complaint received in the area of Lake and Voael Streets

Wednesday, July 11, 2012 1:22amFalse alarm in the 100

block of Charlevoix St 4:31amAssist EMS in the 300

block of E Division St 8:15amReport of missing

8:27amReport of gas siphoned from vehicle in the 500

block of Jefferson 9:24amWallet and other items found in men's room in the 300 block of N Lake St. Returned to

owner 10:55am Report of missing wallet

12:04pm Report of traffic concerns from the Farmer's

Market 8:53pm Harassment com-

plaint received 10:12pm Report of fireworks on public property

10:39pm Citation issued for no proof of insurance

Thursday, July 12, 2012 2:20amSuspicious subject in

the area of park and East St 2:53am13 year old on foot near Brown and Poplar St in violation of curfew. Turned over to parent.

6:59am Citation for expired plate

8:40am911 hang up from the 300 block of N Lake St 9:48amCitation issued for no

insurance and speed. 9:51amScam emails reported from Harborage Park

10:40am Report of fireworks complaint in the area of Pleasant and Ann the night before 11:28am Vehicle hit in the

1200 block of Boyne Av 3:20pm Citation issued for driving on revoked license and speed

6:42pm 911 hang up from the 300 block of N Lake St 7:10pm Driving complaint received on M-75 heading into

8:17pm Civil complaint in the 100 block of N East St 8:30pm Citation issued for

expired cycle plate 9:10pm Report of stolen cell phone in the Industrial Park.

10:00pm Arrested subject for operating without security. Was also given citation for expired 10:45pm Citation for speed

Friday, July 13, 2012

12:45am Suspicious situation on N Lake St

4:16amBusiness in the 1100 block of Boyne Avenue toilet papered overnight. Residence Brown St also hit. 8:54amUnlock vehicle in the

400 block of N Lake St 9:44amCitation issued for im-

proper passing on the right 10:01am 2 vehicle property damage accident at Lake and Vogel

11:34am Assist Tuscarora Twp PD in locating subject in the 100 block of N Park St

1:00pm Assist Sheriff Department with possible suicidal subject on E Old State Rd

3:04pm Report of 3 suspicious subjects on Wilson St 6:57pm 2 parking citations

issued on S Park St 7:47pm False alarm in the 100 block of River St

8:59pm Unlock in the 500 block of N East St

11:23pm Driving complaint received downtown

Saturday, July 14, 2012

12:05am Report of possible fight in the 300 block of E Division St

1:40amReport of fight in the 100 block of S Lake St

1:45amReport of tree falling on trailer in the 1400 block of Marshall Rd

3:08amLocated dog running at large in the area of Division and Wilson St

10:15am False alarm in the 100 block of River St

10:48am Report of dogs locked under bedcover of pickup in the 300 block of N Lake St

2:28pm Report of possible seat belt violation in the 1300 block of Boyne Av 8:43pm Report of suicidal

subject in the 300 block of E Division. Was all a misunderstanding

8:59pm Report of threats being made in the 300 block of Silver St 9:45pm Fireworks complaint

on Pleasant Av 11:07pm Citation issued for

Sunday, July 15, 2012

10:15am 2 vehicle property damage accident at Lake and Lower Lake Streets Citation issued

11:15am Unlock vehicle at Avalanche

12:35pm Civil dispute in the 300 block of E Division

2:36pm 911 check in the 400 block of Harris St. 4:43pm Unlock vehicle in the

500 block of Bay St 7:54pm Subject arrested for assault in the 400 block of W Michigan.

29th Annual **Charlevoix County CROP Walk**

Come rain or shine, area residents are gearing up for the 29th annual Charlevoix County CROP Walk. Slated for Saturday, September 29th at 9:00 a.m., the six-mile walk will commence from three Charlevoix County locations. Those from East Jordan will meet at Elm Pointe. Boyne City participants will assemble at Whiting Park and Charlevoix walkers will gather at the Charlevoix Middle School. The walkers will all end at the Congregational Church in Ironton where lunch will be provided to all who participated. All area churches and individuals are encouraged to join in this annual fundraiser. This year an anonymous donor will donate \$20.00 for each new walker participating in the annual walk.

Organized locally, the Charlevoix County CROP Walk has set a goal to recruit 100 walkers to raise \$20,000. Twenty-five percent of all funds raised will be returned to Charlevoix County to support the work of The Good Samaritan of Ellsworth, Care and Share in East Jordan, the Charlevoix Food Pantry, as well as the Seventh Day Adventist and Trinity Pentecostal Church of God in Boyne City.

Last year, over 90 walkers and volunteers raised more than \$20,000 of which \$5,000 was distributed among local food pantries. The remaining contributions were used to fight hunger and to provide better sanitation for communities in the United States as well as those around the world.

For more information about CROP Walk, please contact: Marge Teske in East Jordan at 231-536-3128, John Young in Charlevoix at 231-547-2042 or Mary Richwine in Boyne City at 231-582-6035.

For more information or to make a donation visit the website for Charlevoix County CROP Walk.

www.cropwalkonline.org /charlevoixmi

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Thank you

Dear Editor,

The East Jordan Freedom Festival was celebrated in East Jordan June 13-17, 2012. The Festival would not be possible without the help of the MANY organizations, businesses, churches and individuals.

In a recent thank you from the East Jordan Freedom Festival the East Jordan Lioness Club was inadvertently left off the list. The Freedom Festival

Parade would not be possible without the help of the Lioness Club. For many years the East Jordan Lioness Club have given their time and worked very hard to coordinate the Freedom Festival Grand Parade. Thank you East Jordan Lioness for your time and support.

Most Sincerely, **Shannon Fender** President East Jordan Freedom Festival

Jarema Telgenhof Showdown at the not-so-ok corral

Dear Editor,

The strange yet almost predictable concatenation of events and characters involved in this rather sudden challenge to the office of Charlevoix County Prosecutor have basis in the shadow of the past. There is a conspiracy of sorts inherent to this internecine warfare. I say this with some fifteen years of watchful journalism concerning the legal departments of Charlevoix andEmmet Counties and a total of some forty-eight years in Northwestern Lower Peninsula Michigan. I have one book in print about this area and another in progress, plus a burgeoning history of the EastJordan Valley. I'm no recent transplant to the area, 1964-

John Jarema interned as an Assistant Prosecutor for Mary Beth Kur's regime, was fired by her along with two female office workers, consequently exonerated winning a settlement in court of some one million dollars in aggregate. Mr. Jarema thereupon filed for the job of elected Prosecutor, won, and supplanted Ms. Kur who now backs Allen Telgenhof for that office. The puzzle pieces begin to appear less fuzzy.

Allen Telgenhof, whom I do not know, appears to be a nice fellow, teaches at NCMC, writes a sports column for the Petoskey News-Review, but does not have the practical experience of even assistant prosecutor, in fact has little actual courtroom presence to date. The inference herein is that the college and the newspaper would naturally be willing to grant gratuitous advertising to Mr. Telgenhof's campaign aping Mr. Jarema's, an adventitious and advantageous combination there to be sure. This is my purport in writing in support of John Jarema whom I have followed for some eight years of active courtroom and pertinent previous jurisprudence.

I have never once in that time found reason to suspect other than integrity of conduct in Mr.

Jarema. Contrarily I have transcriptional knowledge of the former Prosecutor's tweaking of profound rules of conduct. Since Ms. Kur now supports Mr. Telgenhof it raises some suspicions for me as to what might be at stake here in this election.

The Petoskey News and one Charlevoix Commission member's attacks on the Prosecutor of late bode ill and are oddly vehement for no apparent reason, thus the attribution of conspiracy. As we know, political office provides perks in the form of influence and there must surely be some ulterior motive inherent in such a campaign involving multiple factions.

As hinted, my writings via research have uncovered a good deal of malfeasance in both counties locally and it is my intention to wholeheartedly support John Jarema as the antidote to those indiscretions and outright illegal actions which I have personally collected and composed in book format. There is no legitimate opposing aspirant to this office at present due to this consortium background that I know exists and continues to subvert the jurisprudence process.

Vote for John A. Jarema, friends and neighbors. He's the good guy here. It's a tough job and somebody's gotta do it, somebody who's already been doing it for a decade and more. Have any of vou voters ever faced down a karate match opponent, stood before an audience of 10,000 with your voice and guitar, faced down an angry mob of violent protestors, ad infinitum? That's what it's like going to trial with felony cases. It's life and death in that arena. You don't want a college professor newspaper columnist for that job leave him for the academic stuff like "expert" testimony and media comfort allocations. Prosecuting is serious hands-on rough stuff as well as compassionate fare. John's your

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan



Commissioners Nancy Ferguson, Patrick Howard, Bob Draves, Michael Buttigieg, Denny Jason, Tom Wieland, Larry Levengood, Planning Director Larry Sullivan and Kiersten Stark, Charlevoix County's Planning Commission, met at Marion Township Hall for the July meeting after touring the township. PHOTO; TINA SUNDELIOUS

Charlevoix Planning Commission Tours Townships

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—The Charlevoix County Planning Commission took a tour of Marion and Norwood Townships on Thursday, July 12 in order to view the various types of development occurring in the county. Both the tour and the meeting held later that day were open to

County Commissioner and Planning Commission liaison, Bob Drebenstedt stated that Norwood Township was a real eye opener. The Commissioners were also surprised with the lack of population growth in the township. "You talk about a sleepy little community, it's really becoming very much a rural farm area," said Commissioner Larry Levengood.

"The thing that really impressed me," said Chairman Denny Jason, "no matter what road you drove down the houses were very well

kept."

The commissioners discussed what a top notch facility The Castle has become and its benefit to Marion Township.

Commissioner Nancy Ferguson gave report on the new recycling facilities available at the Sheriff's Department. The entrance is no longer accessible from Garfield Street it has been changed to Grant Street. The facility is open from 8a.m. to 8p.m. The change from a 24-hour operating schedule was made in an attempt to be more neighbor friendly. A new cost efficient cardboard compactor that accommodates seven times the amount of cardboard than the old bins did but will cost the same amount to haul has been placed at the site. An attendant is on duty from 2p.m. to 4p.m. everyday except Tuesdays and Thursdays to show people how to use the new compactor as well as assist in directing to needed bins.

City Planning Director Larry Sullivan gave report on the progress of a beautification program to enhance the entrances to the city. The right of ways in front of the Rainbow Shop, Wojan Plumbing and Heating and the Body Shop on Bells Bay Road and US31 will be landscaped through funding provided by Charlevoix Township, Charlevoix Community Foundation and the Fry Foundation with the actual labor being provided free of charge by the Charlevoix Garden Club. If the program is successful in getting nearby property owners to take responsibility for the landscapes the planning department would like to look into expanding the program to other parts of the county.

Next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for August 2 at 7p.m. in the Pine Lake room of the County Building. Elections will be held August 7.

Police Chief

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lowing his retirement as a conservation officer with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. City Manager Michael Cain stated that the fact that he had been working for the city didn't influence his appointment as Chief.

"Mr. Gaither came out as the lead candidate. That was just icing on the cake as far as I'm concerned," he said. He is the permanent successor of retired chief Randall Howard who left in December. "I believe he will be a fine Chief of Police for Boyne City," said Craig Remsberg, interim police chief.

Gaither was sworn in as chief on Monday, July 16, at 10 a.m. by Cindy Grice, city clerk, at City Hall in Boyne City. Gaither stated that his short-term goal was "To bring the police administration to the community and tell them what we're about and ask them what they expect from the police department."

In a letter written to the City Commission by Chamber of Commerce Director Jim Bauman, Bauman stated that he "remains strongly opposed to the concept of no fireworks regulations whatsoever." He asked the board to simply maintain the status quo keeping the laws as they have been. Interim Police Chief Craig Remsberg was called upon to give his opinion of the success of the recent Fourth of July celebration. Remsberg stated that there were no injuries or fires, noise seems to be the biggest prob-

"Our previous ordinance as it stands with the midnight cut off should still stand, I think it would be a good idea to have an ordinance," he said.

The Commissioners were split on their opinions concerning the need for an ordinance. Commissioner Laura Sansom stated that she felt the unrestricted use of fireworks "waters down the Fourth of July celebration" and Commissioner Derek Gaylord expressed the idea that people could be trusted with the responsibility of this freedom and said he was opposed to restricting use on days other than holidays. County Commissioner Joel Evans stood and suggested that a countywide ordinance would make it easier for

everyone. The Commission referred researching the matter to staff with directions to report back with a recommendation within 90

William Rutter, a historic aritect from Trout Lake MI addressed the board on the progress of the application for a Historic designation for portions of the city. "You've got a lot of history here, a lot of interesting architecture, you are eligible for the National Registry, we just have a few more hoops to go through," said Rutter. He then explained the long process that has been taking place and informed the board that the next step is a public meeting to explain the preparation of the nomination and, if approved, what the historic district nomination will mean to the community. The meeting is scheduled for July 30, at 7p.m. in the Boyne District Library Community Room. He concluded with the encouraging news that the city could possibly expect a formal listing in the National Register by January of

The next regular City Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 24 at noon.

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News

New Tourist Park Reservation Policy Approved

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—East Jordan City Council approved a new reservation policy for Tourist Park at the July 17 meeting.

East Jordan City Parks Director Tom Cannon calls the new reservation policy for the Tourist Park a "starting block" stating that "a year from now we may be at a different figure." Cannon also explained that the costs are low compared to other comparable parks and his hope is that the two new resort cabins recently added to the park would pay for themselves in 18 months.

The policy accepts short term stays from 1-30 days online at www.eastjordancity.org/touristpark beginning January 1 of each camping season until April 14, after April 15 regular office hours will begin and guests can call the park directly. Deposits

are required at the time of the reservation.

The new cabins are offered daily, weekly or monthly. Holiday weekends are available with a three night minimum rental. Rates are \$75 per night or \$450 per week or \$1,500 per month. Security/damage deposits are required. Cannon is confident that the new cabins will be a success. "We've got reservations starting this week all the way through Labor Day, we're ready to go," he

Resident Russ Thomas addressed the council asking to place his hot dog cart at Elm Point. Council members were in favor of the vendor but after some discussion discovered that the 'Hawking and Peddling Ordinance' the city has would prohibit it. The ordinance states that "The city shall not provide a public park for private enter-

prise." The ordinance is not consistent with what the council envisions for the city through the Main Street program and may have to be reconsidered. "I think maybe it's time to relook at that," said Councilman Mark Penzien.

The fact that tension is created because vendors do not pay property taxes and other expenses that permanent entities in the city have to pay was brought up by City Attorney, Scott Beatty and the fact that there are vendors in the park during the Freedom Festival was brought up by Councilman John Doebel. Mayor Peck noted that the ordinance has been adhered to pretty strongly in the past but that it may be time to reconsider.

In lieu of the fact that there is presently no city administrator it may take some time to reconsider the ordinance but it has been placed on the 'to do list.'



New cabins at Tourist park

There will be four new interviews for city administrator held at City Hall Wednesday, July 18 at 9a.m. The public is welcome. An opportunity for residents to meet and rate the candidates will take place at the Community Audito-

rium at the High school at 5:30p.m. where a presentation will be made by the candidates.

The next East Jordan City Council meeting will be held on August 7 at 7p.m. Also vote on

Experience the upbeat, personalized shopping experience at Four Seasons Resale of the North

By Jim Akans

Already open seven days a week for their customer's convenience, Four Season Resale of the North will be expanding their daily hours during Alpenfest, staying open until 10 pm each evening from through July 21st. Located at 111 E. Main Street near the corner of North Center Street, the beautifully renovated 2,100 square foot facility is decorated to the tee and fully stocked with quality items ranging from adult and children's clothing and accessories, books, CD's, DVD's, household knickknacks, artwork and more.

"Our focus is on providing an upbeat shopping atmosphere," states owner, Terie Rogers. "We offer a very personalized, interactive shopping experience for our customers. If they don't happen to find what they are looking for, we will keep an eye out for those specific items when searching for future inven-

Rogers states that she is always on the lookout for items for her shop, constantly perusing places like Craigs List, garage and estate sales, and even great deals at other shops in the area.

She notes, "I look for items

that are of good quality, which I can purchase and have a small mark up, and still offer to my customers at an exceptional value.'

And the values at Four Seasons Resale of the North are truly a bargain hunters dream. Examples include a wide selection of jeans and pants for just \$3.50 each hardcover books at \$1.50 – and softcover books for just 75cents. The store will also offer some new items, including handbags, scarves and even tools in the near future.

The layout inside Four Seasons Resale of the North is spacious and open. While consignment sales are not offered, Rogers notes that item donations are always graciously accepted and she will consider pick-up for those items within a 50-mile radius of the store. The shop will also be accepting credit cards for orders

Summer hours at Four Seasons Resale of the North are seven days a week from 10 am to 6 pm. Friday and Saturday from 10 am until 7 pm, and Sunday from noon until 5 pm, and those hours are extended to 10 pm until July 21st during Alpenfest. For additional information, contact Terie Rogers at (989) 306-1482.

Charlevoix City Council Keeps Old Fire Truck In Fleet

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Charlevoix City council approves repairs to sentimental fire engine, considers a unique addition to East Park and continues a tradition to support the Community Pool at the July 16 meeting.

Fire Chief Paul Ivan approached the board asking them to consider repairing an older model fire engine that secured damage to its transmission during the Memorial Day Parade earlier this year. The 1985 pumper truck fire engine 5302 needs repairs totaling \$25,630.96.

"If the council decides to do the repairs, we're doing it with the intention of keeping it here in Charlevoix and using it for years to come," said Ivan.

The truck is the only fire engine in the fleet that was purchased through a fundraising effort rather than paid for by capital funds. The engine was purchased through a fundraising effort of the volunteer Fire Fighters Association of Charlevoix with the help of James Elliot, a summer resident who helped put the event together and was named an honorary firefighter. The bell on this engine has the names of twenty volunteer fire fighters including Elliot's, four of whom are no longer alive. Because of the sentimental value of the engine an anonymous donor has stepped forward and offered to pay approximately 33% of the cost of the repairs. City council concluded it was better to fix the engine than sell it and approved

funds up to \$18,000.

The city of Charlevoix has been approached by a citizen who is asking them to consider placing a gas-fueled fireplace in East Park. The 18 foot high four-sided stone fireplace will be funded partially by an anonymous donor. The board listened to a presentation by John Winn and asked many questions. They concluded that the development of a natural gas fired fireplace is intriguing and may be a great addition to East Park and that the project deserves additional discussion and research. Those involved in the project hope to have it completed by Labor Day. On Thursday evenings campers

from the city operated summer day camp at Mt. McSauba swim at the Charlevoix Area Community Pool at a cost of approximately \$800 a year. Since 2005 the city has elected to provide items in a 'Charlevoix Hospitality Package' to the pool in lieu of direct payment, which the pool auctions off at its annual auction. This year's auction will be held August 5 at Castle farms. Funds raised at the auction will be used for next year's campers to swim at the pool during the 10weeks of day camp. Monies raised in excess of \$800 are given to Charlevoix Recreation Department for day camp scholarships. Items included in the hospitality package are two weeks of day camp at Mt. McSauba, family ski passes, family golf passes, free dockage, a visit with one of the city's fire trucks and an evening patrol with a city police officer.

Although this is the pools 23rd

annual auction they have recently celebrated their 15th anniversary. "The pool's been holding auctions since before there was a hole in the ground," said Al Gooch, Community Pool Director.

Tickets cost \$50 each and include dinner catered by the Grey Gables and 2 drink tickets. The evening starts with a silent auction and light hors de oeuvres followed by dinner and a live auction conducted by Scott McKenzie of Boyne City. The last three year's auctions have netted between \$33000-36000 to keep the nonprofit running.

"We appreciate all the businesses that support the pool and donate items. Around 200 people attend every year and we appreciate them to, we have some people that have been to every auction, that's pretty good attendance for a 23 year old auction," said Gooch.

The same night the pool also auctions off a print provided by the Charlevoix Historical Society and shares the proceeds it generates with the other nonprofit. The board approved the request for the hospitality package in exchange for services.

Four candidates for the position of assessor for Boyne City East Jordan and Charlevoix will be interviewed this week. "It is the intention and desire of the three city managers to hire one assessor for the three municipalities, Rob Straebel, City Manager.

The next City Council meeting will be held on August 6 at 7p.m. at City Hall.

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Vintage Vehicles On Display

The seventh annual South Arm Classics Show vamped up the East Jordan streets and harbor last Saturday, July 14 with vintage boats, cars, tractors and travel trailers on display. Awards were given to South Arm Classics participants for each type of vehicle, listed below.



PHOTO BY SHANNON FENDER

Ray Olson of East Jordan won the People's Choice award for his tractor in the South Arm Tractor Show.

Winners of the first South Arm Classic RV and Trailer Show:

Bob and Mary Korr from Dexter, Mich. for a restored 1964 Airstream Safari

South Arm Classic Boat Show Winners:

Jim Churilo from Ossineke, Mich. - Ladies Choice Tammy and Russ Arrand from Cadillac, Mich. - Skippers Choice

Daniel Hunter from East Jordan, Mich. - Viewers Choice

South Arm Classic Car Show Winners:

Harold Wildfong - Best G.M. Dan & Jean Wright - Best Ford Ron & Nancy Schroeder - Best Mopar Chris McKinney - Best Non-Big 3 John McKinney - Peoples Choice Mike Skop - Best of Show

South Arm Tractor Show Winner:

Ray Olson - East Jordan - People's Choice



The East Jordan streets featured classic cars such as this beautifully restored 1928 Model A Coupe Special.

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The East Jordan Municipal Harbor showcased classic mahogany and fiberglass boats.



PHOTO BY DARRIN PODSKALNY



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A classic GMC truck and travel trailer appeared on Main Street in East Jordan.

A classic travel trailer glistens in the afternoon sun at the South Arm Classic RV and Trailer Show, a new event in the South Arm Classics Show this year.



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Michigan Seasons Photography Competition and Exhibition Call for Artists

"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. Photographs should be taken in Michigan and represent the glorious seasons that our state has to offer. Entries will be accepted at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, August 20th-21st.

Photographers may submit up to four entries in the following categories:

Realistic Photography: Essentially what the eye sees through the viewfinder.

Photographic Art: Photographs that have been enhanced with any number of software ap-

"Michigan Seasons" focuses on plications, including HIDR, Phoe abundant beauty of Michieus toshop, etc.

Canvas Wraps: All types of images and processing allowed.
Only one entry per photographer in this category.

Youth: All types of imaging and processing allowed in this category. Images must be taken by photographer 18 years and younger.

Entry Fee: \$25 (\$20 for Charlevoix Circle of Arts (CCA) members for the first three entries and \$10 (\$5 CCA members) for one additional entry. Youth: \$10 for up to four entries.

Eligibility: Youth: 18 and under at the time the photograph was taken.

Adult: Over 18 including amateur and professional photogra-

phers.

All entries must be gallery ready: framed or wrapped and wired for hanging. All frames must be plain black with white matting. Youth may submit entries with a white mat or black

rame with white mat.

Photographers are responsible for pick-up and delivery of their work

Awards will be given to 1st place and two honorable mentions in each category.

Mitchell Street Frameworks is pleased to join with Charlevoix Camera Club and provide specially priced framing packages to all show participants.

Each framing package includes: 1- white acid-free mat 1- black frame 1-1/4" wide

with premium clear glass, 3/16" foam board and wire kit.

The framing packages can only be purchased at Mitchell Street Frameworks on Mondays through Saturdays between the hours of 9:30 and 5:00.

A completed entry form must be presented for each package purchased. Each participant is limited to four packages. If you want to pre-order your framing packages over the phone call Mitchell Street Frameworks at 231-347-3606 ext. 204. You will need to show proof of entry at the time of pick up. The packages are only available until August 3.

For detailed contest and submission guidelines, please visit: https://www.charlevoixphotography.com Important Dates:

August 20th-21st - Framed photographs to be delivered to The Circle of Arts

August 28th-29th - Judging August 30th - Opening Reception and Awards presentation 5:00-7:00 pm

Dinner following at Grey Gables Restaurant, reservations: (231) 547-9261

August 30th-October 5th - Photography Exhibition: Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton St., Charlevoix

August 30th-October 3rd - People Choice voting

October 6th - Photograhy pickup from 12:00-2:00 pm





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4pm – To be announced

Howard Taylor

Yellow Room Gang to visit Aten Place on Saturday, July 20th

Some of the finest singer-songwriters in Michigan will grace the Aten Place stage on Saturday, July 20th at 7:30 pm. The Yellow Room Gang consists of eight accomplished performers who have began meeting once a month since December of

2005 for dinner, conversation and sharing their music with one another. What began as a casual excuse to get together with friends has evolved into an exciting 'super group'. Many of these artists have performed in the past at Aten Place, and will now

return as an ensemble to share their talents together. This is an outstanding opportunity for Northern Michigan to enjoy multiple talented performers all in one evening on one stage.

The Yellow Room Gang will feature David

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4pm - Maple Sugar Band

7pm - "Cascade Hollow"

1pm - Kelly Shively

Barrett, Jim Bizer, Kitty Donohoe, Michael Hough, David Tamulevich, Jan Krist and Matt Watroba. David Barrett is probably best known for his song One Shining Moment, which has been played the last 24 years at NCAA Tournaments. Jim Bizer has been a finalist three times in the New Folk songwriting competition at the Kerrville Folk Festival (TX), and made his Kerrville main stage debut in June 2005. Emmy recipient Kitty Donohoe draws from her Irish heritage as well as her American roots. Her music is rich, earthy and compelling, making good use of her gifts for storytelling, her love of language, and her ear for melody. Michael Hough and David Tamulevich have appeared at Aten Place as Mustard's Retreat. This year will mark the 35th year they have performed together. Their music is aptly referred to as community music, meaning that it comes from our common roots and traditions and pays tribute to people's hearts and lives. Jan Krist is a Midwest based singer-songwriter,



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The Yellow Room Gang. Back row: Jim Bizer, Matt Watroba, **David Tamulevich, David Barrett and Michael Hough** Front row: Annie Capps, Jan Krist, Kitty Donohoe

having recently moved from Detroit to Fort Wayne, IN, and played Aten Place in 2005. Rounding out the group is Matt Watroba, who sings songs of compassion, inner strength, humor, and everyday living. Matt's love of folk music has led him to his current position of Producer/Announcer at WKSU FolkAlley.com at Kent State University.

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 pm. Advanced tickets and schedule details are available by

visiting www.atenplace.co m. Aten Place is a nonprofit 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 set-

For more information on this summer's schedule

to www.atenplace.com or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 231-549-2076.



Guests aboard the Boyne Thunder Champagne Cruise enjoyed this great view of Boyne Thunder boats picking up their last poker playing cards in Horton Bay on Saturday afternoon, July 14.

Champagne Cruise Relaxing Way to Watch Boyne Thunder

By Catie L'Heureux

Eight local yachts cruised to Horton Bay at 11:30 a.m. last Saturday, July 14 and rafted off for an up-close view of the Boyne Thunder Poker Run boats as they reached the last card stop of their 90-mile trek. Guests paid \$75 each to enjoy the afternoon aboard the Champagne Cruise, benefiting Camp Quality Michigan and the Boyne City Main Street Program.

Over 60 high perform-

ance Boyne Thunder boats made several parade laps around the Boyne City harbor at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday morning before roaring through Lakes Charlevoix and Michigan to Northport, from the afternoon heat, Elk Rapids, Harbor Springs, waving to the powerful Petoskey and finally Horton Bay. Boaters picked up a playing card at each of the five stops on their journey, later using these cards to play in a poker game during the Thunder Feast on Saturday night.

Champagne Cruise

guests awaited the arrival of Boyne Thunder boats in Horton Bay while enjoying refreshments, hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Many dipped in the lake to cool off Boyne Thunder boats as they approached.

The Champagne Cruise offered a relaxing afternoon on Lake Charlevoix and a great view of the Boyne Thunder boats.

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Local Author writes about Starvation Lake

Fledgling author, Don Riehl, has published The Legends of Starvation Lake. For his book he has chosen four of the stories told around beach campfires about how the lake near Mancelona got its strange name and has fictionalized them. As a resident of the lake for almost 50 years, Riehl is able to incorporate points of interest on the lake into his stories.

Books are for sale at Lil' Country Store on Starvation Lake Road,



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20th Annual Charlevoix Street Legends Charity Car Show at City Park

By Jim Akans

City Park in the heart Charlevoix, with the beautiful blue waters of Lake Charlevoix as a backdrop, is the perfect spot for a classic car show. And this Saturday, July 21st, the Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club will be holding their 20th annual Charity Car Show event starting at 10 am (vehicle registration begins at 9 am), once again offering attendees a wonderful opportunity to view some extraordinary vehicles, and hear some great live music by Jake Slater (could that really be Elvis), browse a silent auction, and maybe even win a door prize of 50/50 drawing, all in a fantastic northern Michigan setting.

The fun actually starts on Friday evening with the Downtown Cruise-In. There will be a free concert at the new band shell in the East Park featuring "Dominic Fortuna Rock 'n' Roll Band". This "pre-show" evening will run from 6 to 9:30 pm.

During the day on Saturday, there will be kid's games, a 50/50 drawing, and a live and silent auction ending at 1 pm. The awards ceremony for the car show entrants will begin at 3 pm, with awards presented in several categories, including Best Interior, Best Engineered, Best of Show and the Bill Stewart Memorial award. The Grand Prize is \$500, 2nd Prize is \$300, and 3rd Prize is \$200.

In the past, funds from the Street Legends Car Show have been distributed to several local entities of the years, including Camp Quality, Charlevoix Area Hospital, Charlevoix Senior Center, Sheriffs Auxillary, Charlevoix County Human Society, Hospice of NW Michigan, Food Pantry, Junior Achievement, Boy Scout Troup 11, and



This Saturday, July 21st, the Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club will be holding their 20th annual Charity Car Show event starting at 10 am. COURTESY PHOTO

more. Total donations to the community during the past nineteen years have exceeded

For more information about the show and the Street Legends Classic Car Club, visit www.streetlegends.net

Silver Anniversary for Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers Show coming next weekend

By Jim Akans

In this fast-paced digital world we live in, it can be easy to forget that not so long ago America was an agriculturally based economy, and with the dawn of the 20th Century, the wheels of technology turned by steam.

Each year, the Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers club turns the clock back for one fabulous weekend, presenting a four-day celebration of those vintage steam powered machines as well as fascinating demonstrations of early mill technology and crafts, at their

annual Tractor, Engine & Craft Show held on the clubs grounds near Walloon Lake. This year marked the 25th Silver Anniversary for the Flywheelers Show event, and the celebration from July 26th through July 29th will feature plenty of live music, a huge flea market, and lots of exciting turn of the century machinery and crafts to see that will mesmerize those of every

A highlight each day of the festival is an amazing "Parade of Power," taking place at 2 pm as a procession of vintage tractors and farm-related equipment proceeds around the show grounds. There are also several demonstrations taking place daily, including a working sawmill, veneer mill, shingle mill, an operating basket factory, plus a blacksmith on-site displaying the art of metal forging, as well as corn chopping, cross cut sawing, and threshing demonstrations.

Features for this year's silver anniversary event will be the Oldsmobile Engine, Small Engines, Unstyled Oliver Tractors, and any make of Orchard Tractor. Attendees will also have the opportunity

to see and hear the original Ironton Ferry diesel engine in operations.

Kids will enjoy watching or participating in the daily Kids Pedal Tractor Pull, or getting up close to a variety of animals at the on-site petting zoo, and attendees of all ages will want to catch the Tractor Safari that begins at 7 pm each evening. During the Safari, a tractor pulls adventurers aboard wagons through the woods on a journey that culminates with a spectacular view overlooking Lake Charlevoix.

There is also an Arts & Craft show each day of the event, a museum on-site filled with vintage farm equipment, live musical entertainment, and there is even camping available, with both rustic sites and sites with electrical hook-



The amazing art of blacksmithing is a favorite demonstration among attendees. Other demonstrations of time-honored skills on the Flywheeler Clubs expansive grounds included a working sawmill, shingle mill, veneer mill, threshing and corn chopping. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

The entrance fee for the Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers 25th Annual Tractor, Engine & Crafts show is just \$5 per person, and children under 12 are admitted free with adult. That's one heck of

an old-time value that makes it easy to bring the whole family out for a weekend of great fun.

For additional information, visit www.walloonlakeflywheelers.net.



Tractor, Engine & Craft Show. Flywheelers Club founder, Larry Mathews, leads the Parade of Power. The Flywheelers Show silver anniversary event will take place this year starting next Thursday, July 26th through Sunday, July 29th. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS





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Yoga is coming to Charlevoix Senior Center in the fall

Before her feet even touch the floor each morning, Bernice Bates is practicing yoga. While still in bed, she does her vinyasa, a series of seven or eight postures that gets her blood flowing. She puts her arms above her head for a stretch and a yawn, pulls her knees to her chest, "walks" the ceiling with her feet and stretches her shoulders and hands. "By the time you're through — it takes about eight minutes — you're ready to walk, instead of slopping around," Bates said. "You can walk to the kitchen, to the bathroom, whatever your proce-dure is and not sort of drag yourself and say, "I don't want to do this. I don't want to do that.' You're ready to go."

Yoga has been a way of life for Bates, 91, for more than half her life: She began practicing and teaching hatha yoga in about 1960. In a fitting tribute to her decades of helping others learn her passion, she recently won the distinction of the Guinness World Record holder of oldest yoga instructor. Guinness says she is the oldest yoga instructor to complete the complex verification process.

It's an honor, the humble yogi feels, that isn't hers alone. "I don't have this reward by myself," she said. "I share it with all the students I've taught through the years." Bates credits yoga



with keeping her flexible, fit and healthy. "I think yoga is the best exercise there is," says Bates, who has always been active and still swims laps. "I've never had anything I had to go to the doctor for, except checkups," says Bates, who tips the scale at 105 pounds and is about 5 foot, 2 inches tall. "That should say something."

Yoga involves the whole body — muscles, ligaments, organs, she says, and gives you energy without ex-hausting your body. "You're not just standing on a treadmill and going, going, going and you get off and can hardly walk," she says. "Yoga itself means yoke, that's to join. We join our mind, our body and our spirit in everything we do. "Yoga gives you flexibility like you've never had before, and it makes you healthy because you're working on the whole body, inside and out," she said.

Bates, who has instructed children and adults, now,

leads a weekly one-hour class nine months a year at the Mainlands Retirement Community Center in Pinellas Park, Fla., where she lives. Most students are in their 60s and 70s, though she has two fellow nonagenarians and several students in their 80s. She leads her stu-dents through 10 to 12 poses and ends with relaxation. "We go over our whole body and tense each part, then we relax," she said.

Bernie, as her students call her, provides handouts so they can practice at home. And when they can finally do something they once couldn't, like touch their toes, "it makes me feel like it's worthwhile," she says. Some students have been with her for the 15 years she's taught at Mainlands, and they all adapt to the class as they grow on in years. Some participate while sitting on chairs.

"It's for everybody," she says enthusiastically about yoga. "There's thousands of postures. You can pick and choose. You do what you can. "It's non-competitive, which is the best thing about it," she

Bates is a widow of eight years and a mother of three, grandmother of seven and great-grandmother of three. Yoga has enhanced her full life. "It just encouraged me to keep going and it made my life better," Bates said. "You're active, so you don't gain 100 pounds. "She lives alone and tends to her flower garden, does the housework and likes to rearrange her furniture, so she's always moving it around. "If I didn't keep myself in shape, I wouldn't be able to do it at 91," she says. Her decades of physical activity have only added to her strong Methodist faith. "Anything you do for your body that's good is going to enhance improvement in your religion too," she said. "You get more faith that way." With students seeking her guidance each week, the world's oldest yoga teacher is going to keep on teaching.

"Why should I quit? she asks. "As long as I can do it and be a help to someone else, I'll just stay as long as I can. I get a joy out of seeing someone learning."

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, July 19 9:30am Independence Village/Kilwins trip 1pm Pinochle 7pm Cribbage **Back Porch Music**

5:00pm Rummy



Monday, July 23 1pm Woodcarving 1pm Pinochle 7pm Bible Study

Tuesday, July 24 1pm Paint class 5pm Rummy Raffle

Wednesday, July 25 NIGHT MEAL 5-6 pm Thursday, July 26 1pm Pinochle 7pm Cribbage Foot Clinic

Friday, July 27 5:00pm Rummy

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, July 19 Wii Bowl 11-12 Roger Hartman Birthday

Friday, July 20 Tag-a-longs 11-12 Bake Raffle

Monday, July 23 Bingo



Monday, July 23

Tuesday, July 24 Wii Practice

Wednesday, July 25 10-11 Exer. Class 5-6 Dinner 5:30-7 Bob Bryon

Thursday, July 26 Wii Bowl Roger Hartson 11-12 Birthday Day Friday, July 27 Bake Raffle



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Thursday, July 19 9:00am Independence | 11am Cousins Bingo/ Village/Kilwins trip Game Day: Uno/Wii Fun , Pool Table

Friday, July 20 Bake Raffle

BINGO

8-1pm: walking M-F

Tuesday, July 24 11 am line dancing Day of Caring 11:30 12:30 bingo 1pm Paint class

Wednesday, July 25 Movie& Popcorn Night Meal 5pm

Thursday, July 26 Game Day: Uno/Wii Fun Pool Table

Friday, July 27 **Backwoods Maestros** Bake Raffle / Bingo BINGO

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