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Please call 231-547-3554 to sign up for classes. Spaces are limited. The Circle of Arts is located at 109 Clinton St. in downtown Charlevoix. Turn on Park Avenue and use City Parking (Free) During Construction. Find us on-line at [www.CharlevoixCircle.org](http://www.CharlevoixCircle.org).

# Boyne Area State of the Community

By Tina Sundelius

**BOYNE CITY**—Nearly a hundred of Boyne City's business persons and interested citizens attended the Boyne Area Chamber's fourth annual State of the Community luncheon which was held at Somerset Pointe on Thursday, Sept. 13.

Special speaker, Main Street Manager, Hugh Conklin gave the crowd an up close and personal slide presentation of what the Main street program is all about explaining that the program is improving the social and economic well-being of Boyne City by capitalizing on the City's unique identity. Conklin showed slides of the many refurbished buildings and rejuvenated businesses as well as some businesses that are still waiting to find their niche. He then introduced Brian Asher, Co owner of The Thirsty Goat, and announced that Asher would like to give the Boyne Theater to the city. "This is a tremendous opportunity for us to restore a landmark," said Conklin. "Just imagine if we can get the theater to be successful." The city hasn't accepted the offer yet. "We are going to investigate what that offer means before we say yes we want to know what we are saying yes to," said Conklin.

School Superintendent Peter Moss gave an update on the many activities and advancements of the schools. Boyne City Public Schools has 100 more students than five years ago and 279 of the students are 'choice' students, meaning that they live out of the district and choose to come to Boyne schools. Of special interest was the new manufacturing program that was made possible because one of the local manufacturing businesses Precision Edge together with the school decided that developing a generation of youth skilled in the trades was important. "These kids are going to come out of this program with great skills, hireable and be able to stay right here in Boyne City," said Moss.

As Boyne City's representative

to the county, County Commissioner, Chris Christensen addressed the group praising the first and much needed reconstruction of the 54 year old Boyne City-Charlevoix Road. Christensen commented on the progress of completing a broadband infrastructure in Charlevoix County. "We have to keep moving on this. This is not an end point it is a starting point," he said. "We are working on a process to accelerate bringing broadband to the outlying rural areas."

Finally, City Manager Michael Cain told listeners of the massive



**School Superintendent Peter Moss held an iPhone in his hand as he announced that all Boyne City students K-12 will be issued their own iPad. He then discussed the fact that the computer that sent Neil Armstrong to the moon didn't have the capabilities that his phone had. "It's incredible the power and capabilities in this device," he said.**

investment and reinvestment that has occurred in the community which he attributed to the community "working together and looking forward". Cain used Kirtland Products as an example of how Boyne City works and sticks to-

See *State of the Community*— 11A

**Main Street Manager Hugh Conklin and Brian Asher, Co owner of The Thirsty Goat, addressed a crowd of 100 at the Boyne Area State of the Community luncheon Thursday, announcing that Asher has offered to give the Boyne Theater to the city.**



## Charlevoix County Changes bring Controversy

By Tina Sundelius

**CHARLEVOIX**—Members of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners were caught by surprise Wednesday when a citizen member of the audience presented them with a letter circulated by the County Planning Commission that disagrees with the County Board of Commissioners' proposed budget changes to the Planning Department.

A letter stating that the County Board "elected to eliminate the salary for the Planning Director" was sent from the County Planning Commission to 260 local officials stating that they believe that "more than one full time staff is warranted" and asking that persons agreeing with them should contact their County Commissioner prior to September 26, which is the date of a public hearing to discuss the 2012-2013 proposed budget for the County. Once the budget is approved all changes outlined in it become official including the changes to the County's Planning Department.

The budget does not "eliminate" the salary for the Planning Director per se. Upon his retirement, it gives the 31-year veteran and present Planning Director, Larry Sullivan's Assistant, Kiersten Stark his position. The budget does not fill her current position as Assistant, but combines the Planning Department with the County Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Department.

"We are trying to shift

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## weather

### THURSDAY



HIGH: Mid 60's  
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### FRIDAY



HIGH: Mid 60's  
LOW: Mid 40's

### SATURDAY



HIGH: Upper 50's  
LOW: Low 40's

### SUNDAY



HIGH: Upper 50's  
LOW: Mid 40's

### MONDAY



HIGH: Upper 70's  
LOW: Low 50's

### TUESDAY



HIGH: Mid 60's  
LOW: Upper 40's

## record temps

Day	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Record High	Record Low
20	71°F	46°F	84°F (1970)	29°F (1973)
21	71°F	45°F	84°F (1998)	31°F (1962)
22	70°F	45°F	85°F (2004)	28°F (1981)
23	70°F	45°F	89°F (2004)	26°F (1981)
24	70°F	44°F	88°F (2004)	27°F (1976)
25	69°F	44°F	89°F (2007)	30°F (1966)
26	69°F	44°F	84°F (1973)	27°F (1966)

## OBITUARIES

### Richard E. Cunningham

(JULY 7, 1938 - SEPTEMBER 16, 2012)

Richard E. Cunningham died Sunday, September 16, in his home with his family at his side.

His life will be celebrated on Friday, September 21 at 3:00 pm. Visitations will be Thursday, September 20, 5:00 to 7:00 pm. and Friday, September 21, 2:00 to 3:00 pm at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

Dick is survived by Nancy, his wife of 53 years, their daughter Lisa, his brother, James Cunningham (Kim), a niece, nephews and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his son, John.

Dick had an early interest in art. After graduating from Flint Central High School, he attended Mott Community College and studied pottery. He transferred to Michigan State University, graduating with a teaching certificate and a M.A. in Ceramics and Graphics.

His career as an art teacher began in Flint and continued in East Jordan. His interest in his students' success led him to return to Michigan State University where he earned a Ph.D. in Curriculum, Teaching and Educational Policy. In retirement, Dick became a member of the adjunct faculty at North Central Michigan College where he delighted in teaching drawing, reaching even more students.

Dick was a Board Member of the Jordan River Arts Council and supported the arts in our area. He was a Board Member of the Friends of the Boyne River and served as the scholarship chairman. A founding member of the Boyne Country Region of the Antique Automobile Association of America, he spent many happy hours restoring Model A Ford trucks.

Dick's love of jazz began in high school and continued throughout his life - especially the music of Louis Armstrong.

People wishing to honor Dick's memory are asked to consider the Scholarship Fund of North Central Michigan College or the Friends of the Boyne River.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Dick are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhome-inc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhome-inc.com).

### Betty Lou Massey, 83

(MAY 19, 1929 - SEPTEMBER 14, 2012)

Betty Lou Massey of Boyne Falls went to be with her Lord on September 14, 2012. She died at home surrounded by her family.

Betty was the daughter of James W. Sutliff and Veda I. (Wesson) Sutliff, born May 19, 1929 in Boyne City. On March 5, 1949, she married the love of her life, Leo C. Massey, and gave birth to two sons and three daughters. Betty worked at Boyne Mountain, Boyne Products and later moved to Boyne Falls Public School working as a cook with her best friend Louise Magee. Betty enjoyed all type of stitch work, gardening, jigsaw puzzles, traveling and baking, and was well known for her cinnamon rolls. Betty loved children and spent as much time as she could with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Betty was a member of the Boyne Falls United Methodist Church.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Leo, three brothers and one sister.

Betty is survived by a sister, Irene Cellner of Charlevoix, a brother, Robert Sutliff of East Jordan, five children, Carl (Janet) Massey, Veda Massey, Kathy (Gerry) Gray, Penney Massey, and



Robert (Janice) Massey; as well as eleven grandchildren, twenty-five great grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Visitation will be at the Boyne Falls United Methodist Church on September 22, 2012 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. followed by the funeral service. They will then proceed to a graveside service followed by a luncheon at the Fellowship Hall of St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Boyne Falls.

Memorials can be presented to the Boyne Falls United Methodist Church or the Boyne Valley Pantry, both sent to P.O. Box 183, Boyne Falls, MI 49713. Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

### Frank Leon Salisz, 93

(JAN. 27, 1919 - SEPT. 14, 2012)

Frank Leon Salisz, age 93, now resting in God's hands, passed away peacefully on Sept. 14, 2012, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

Frank was born on Jan. 27, 1919, the fourth of eight children born to Jacob (James) and Cecelia (Sidor) Salisz, Denise Road, Boyne Falls.

In 1947, Frank received an honorable discharge after serving during World War II.

Farming was his first passion. Music and dancing was his second passion. He was honored as Distinguished Citizen in Boyne Falls in 1995.

He was predeceased by siblings, Steven (Victoria) Salisz, Josephine (Leon) Florenski, Stella (Walter) Gibes, John (Genevieve) Salisz and Wanda (George) Mastaler.

He leaves two surviving brothers, Henry (Jan), Muskegon, Mich., and Edward (Mary), Canadian Lakes, Mich.; nieces and nephews, Steve Salisz, Marquette, MI; Jeannette (Dominic) Francis, Petoskey; Leon Florenski, Boyne Falls; Susan (Doug) Armbricht, Schroon Lake N.Y.; Arlene (Mastaler) Bullard, Traverse City; Joann and Joyce Gibes, Boyne Falls; Jim (Colleen) Salisz, East Jordan; Kathy Bischoff, Petoskey; Lynda Kosiur, Ada, Mich.; Dr. Joseph (Sheila) Salisz, Muskegon, Mich.; Paul (Penny) Salisz, Twin Lake, Mich.; Francis (Paula) Salisz, Pawalla, Wash.; Patricia (Mark) Vanderwest, Whitehall, Mich.; Maria (Frank) Garwood, Farmington Hills, Mich.; Deborah (John) McCormick, Martha's Vineyard, Mass.; Lucy (John) Lower, Battle Creek, Mich.; John Salisz, Northville, Mich.; Barbara (Todd) Williams, Farmington, Mich.; David Salisz, Kentwood, Mich.; and many grandnieces and grandnephews and great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews. He was loved by all.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at St. Augustine's Catholic Church, Boyne Falls. The funeral service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 21, at the church, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Frank will be laid to rest in St. Augustine's Catholic Cemetery in Boyne Falls.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com). Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

### Sharon Joan Heacock, 73

(JULY 27, 1939 - SEPT. 13, 2012)

Sharon Joan Heacock of Grayling, died Thursday, Sept. 13, 2012, at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.

She was born July 27, 1939, in Bad Axe, Mich., the daughter of Earl and Rose (Spitzza) McFadden. She lived most of her life in Boyne Falls, where she raised her family before moving to Grayling in 1996.

Sharon enjoyed making quilts for her children and grandchildren, outdoor activities and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her children, Daniel R. (Valorie) Sevanski, Deborah R. (Russ) Vanhorn, Kimberly E. (Dennis) Bofysil, Julie A.

(David) Laurie, Ginny (Jim) Hallam, Karin (Leon) Bush, Christy Sevanski; sisters, Shirley Bronson (her twin) and Colleen; 20 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Heacock; father, Earl McFadden; mother, Rose A. Kresic; brothers, Earl and Richard McFadden; and sister, Maryallen Delaney.

Cremation has taken place and no services are scheduled at this time.

Sharon's favorite prayer was, "Let the crucifix be not only in my eyes and on my breast, but in my heart. O Jesus! Release all my affections and draw them upwards. Let my crucified heart sink forever into Thine and bury itself in the mysterious wound made by the entry of the lance."

The family has entrusted funeral arrangements to Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center in Bear Lake.

### Theresa A. Miller (nee) Goodman, 52

Theresa A. Miller (nee) Goodman of Macomb Township, passed away on Sept. 13, 2012, in Gaylord after a long illness.

Dear mother of Jerry and Mae-gan, daughter to Anna Goodman and the late Keith Goodman. Dear sister to Roxane, Sue (Rich), Kathy and Mary and the late Mark. Theresa is also survived by many aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews.

She will be missed by many friends. She also leaves behind her dog, Miley.

Funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, Sept. 17, at St. Augustine Church. The Rev. Duane Wachowiak served as celebrant. Burial took place St. Augustine Cemetery.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Theresa are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhome-inc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhome-inc.com). Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

### Russell D. Gilmore, 67

(DEC. 31, 1944 - SEPT. 13, 2012)

Russell Gilmore, a native of Boyne City, died September 13, 2012 at his home. He was born December 31, 1944 in Petoskey, MI to George Gilmore and Agnes Taylor.

On January 27, 1973 he married Kathy Richards who survives. Russell was employed by McLaughlin Company in Petoskey for many years. He had a passion for motorcycles and while riding them he was never able to go fast enough! He loved to talk to anyone who would listen to his many stories.

He is survived by his loving wife Kathy; son Darwin Lee of Petoskey; mother Agnes Taylor and stepfather Charles Westphal, sister; Bonnie Hiller and many extended family members. He was preceded in death by sister, Emma Jean Zahrt.

As per his wishes cremation has taken place and a remembrance gathering will take place at a later date. Memorial Contributions may be made to Boyne City Little League through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

### William H. Drenth, 92

(APRIL 12, 1920 - SEPT. 13, 2012)

William H. Drenth formerly of East Jordan died Thursday, September 13, 2012, at his home in Mancelona.

He was born on April 12, 1920, in Muskegon, the son of Herman E. "Shorty" and



Nellie (Jensen) Drenth. Bill graduated from Ellsworth High School. He always said "I graduated in the top 10 of my class, nine graduated that year."

Bill married Reva Wilson on August 30, 1941, in Atwood. She preceded him in death on May 9, 1998. On November 6, 1999, he married Betty Lanning in Mancelona. She preceded him in death on Aug. 25, 2009.

Bill served in the United States Navy during World War II. He was a member of the East Jordan United Methodist Church, charter member and 2nd commander of the Ellsworth American Legion, member of the 40 & 8 group of the American Legion, Masonic Lodge, East Jordan Rotary Club, East Jordan Snowmobile Club and "Save the Jordan" group. He worked for 25 years in Real Estate. He enjoyed snowmobiling, hunting and woodworking.

Bill is survived by one son, Larry (Dorothy) Drenth of East Jordan; five daughters, Lynda (Neil) Olstrom of East Jordan, Gail (Ken) Batterbee of Grand Blanc, Billie Drenth of East Jordan, Jackie (John) Nachazel of Ellsworth and Vicki (Clifford) Lanning of Mancelona; four step children, Norman (Edna) Lanning, Clifford (Vicki) Lanning, Dennis (Susan) Lanning, Susan (Mark) Kler; all of Mancelona; 16 grandchildren; 34 great grandchildren; two brothers, Lester Drenth of Arlington Heights, IL and Gordon Drenth of Greenville; two sisters, Evelyn (Harvey) Bergsma of Jenison and Emily Jean Hubers of Wayland; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, September 16, 2012 at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Rev. Rap Posnik of the East Jordan United Methodist Church and Rev. Gerald Cook of the Mancelona Free Methodist Church officiated with military honors at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.

### Thelma Irene Brooks, 91

(JULY 21, 1921 - SEPT. 12, 2012)

Thelma Irene Brooks of East Jordan passed away Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

Irene was born on July 21, 1921, to parents, Clyde and Harriett Lapeer. Her school years were spent in East Jordan, until the family moved to the Detroit area for work. That is how Irene became Rosie the Riveter.

On July 3, 1946, she married George H. Brooks, they had two children. Irene and George were active lifetime members of the V.F.W. Post in Southfield. That is where they became involved in square dancing. After retirement, they moved to Cheboygan, George's hometown. They loved camping and fishing. Irene loved to end the day watching the sunset. After the death of her husband George, she moved back to East Jordan.

Irene is survived by children, Darlene (Mark) Folsom and Randy (Patti) Brooks; one brother, Marvin (Bonnie) Lapeer; two grandchildren, Don (Kris) May and Nick Brooks; four step-grandchildren, Joe (Sue) Williams, Jeremy (Cathy) Williams, Kate Folsom and Michelle Folsom; and two great grandchildren, Ashley and Corey May. Irene was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, August Lapeer and one sister, Caroline Petrie.

A memorial service will take place at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, September 22, 2012, at Pleasant Valley Free Methodist Church, 3055 W. Old State Road, East Jordan. The family will receive friends from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service on Saturday.

### Dorothy Jean Johnson, 88

Dorothy Jean Johnson of

Charlevoix passed away Sept. 10, 2012, at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey.

A graveside service was Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Westland, Mich. Arrangements by Stone Funeral Home, Petoskey.

### Eleanor L. Freedman, 89

(JULY 3, 1923 - SEPT. 10, 2012)

Eleanor L. Freedman of Charlevoix, died Monday, Sept. 10, 2012, at her home.

She was born July 3, 1923, in Kansas City, Mo., to Irving and Mary (Slatkin) Levine. She graduated from Walnut Hills High School in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1941.

On Feb. 12, 1945, Eleanor married Gordon L. Freedman. In 1947, they moved from Cincinnati to make their home in Charlevoix where Gordon established Freedman Aircraft Engineering Corp. Inc., now Harbor Industries Inc.

Eleanor and Gordon were instrumental in the development of the Charlevoix Area Hospital when it moved to its current Boulder Park location in the mid 1950s. Eleanor was a long-time hospital volunteer and a member of the Charlevoix Hospital Guild. She conceived of and managed the gift cart that later became the hospital gift shop.

Eleanor enjoyed antiques and owned the Tin Lady Antique shop in Charlevoix for many years. She was an avid and award winning gardener and a member of the Charlevoix Garden Club. Eleanor was a gregarious and giving woman who volunteered every summer at the Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair.

Eleanor's Oral Traditions video interview can be found at the Charlevoix Library and accessed online from the following YouTube link,

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6xl08mABcxM&feature=plcp>

Eleanor is survived by her son, Gordon L. (Amanda) Freedman Jr., of Carmel, Calif.; daughters, Susie Freedman of Washington, D.C., Teri L. Weidner of Boston, Mass.; grandchildren, Noah, Dylan and Ari Freedman; brother, Albert (Debbe) Lane, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Eleanor's husband, Gordon, preceded her in death in 1975.

Arrangements were handled by Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

### Lula Belle DeArce, 72

(AUG. 21, 1940 - SEPT. 7, 2012)

Lula Belle DeArce of Mackinac Island passed away Friday evening, Sept. 7 at Mackinac Island Medical Center following a lingering illness. She was born on Mackinac Island August 21, 1940 to Louis Darcy and Marion Bernice (Lozon) Bunker. She has lived on the Island all her life, working for the City of Mackinac Island doing housekeeping at the Medical Center, and Police Station for over 34 years. She also worked for Mary Franks for many years. She was a woman of strong faith; and spent the last several years with her son Duane living with her and giving her special loving care required due to her health problems.

She is survived by her sons, Wayne Drost, Charlevoix; Duane Drost, Mackinac Island; and Robert Green Jr., Seattle, WA; daughter, Tammy May, Charlevoix; brothers, Louis (Angie) Bunker, St. Ignace; Ike (Elaine) Bunker, Tom Bunker; all of Mackinac Island; sisters, Helen (Roger) Dixon, Rockford, ILL; Irene (Larry) Rickley, Mackinac Island; and Alice (Frank) Blosswick, Mackinac Island; and 6 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, and husband Victor DeArce in 2010.

There was a gathering at the Mackinac Island Community Center on Saturday, September 15. Cremation has taken place. Dodson Funeral Home, St. Ignace assisted the family with arrangements.



# Charlevoix County Commission on Aging

"The mission of the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging is to provide the highest quality senior services in partnership with the community. We focus our efforts on advocacy and support for seniors and their caregivers by promoting health, wellness, and education to achieve a dignified and enriched quality of life."

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**What:** AARP Driver's Safety Program  
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**MEDICATION AND SENIORS**

Whether you are a senior citizen, or the caregiver of a senior citizen, being aware of the risks of accidental medicinal poisoning is very important to ensuring safety. If you are aging and beginning to have numerous prescriptions, the various medications can be confusing, leading to mistakes in taking the medication which could cause poisoning through improper combination or overuse. While you may have a schedule by which to take your medication, the various types can still become quite confusing, and taking numerous medications at once can still be a bit dangerous. It is important to understand just what you should do to re-main safe from medication poisoning.

**Identify Medical Interactions** If you have any side effects to the medications you are taking, or with the combination of medications that you don't feel is right, you must write it down so you are able to remember and inform your physician. It is important that the physician is notified immediately in case discontinuing a medication is necessary to ensure safety.

**Keeping Everything in Control** Keeping a routine to follow, in which you follow a strict schedule of medication taking will ensure that you aren't mixing up medications or making other mistakes. Having complete control also means maintaining a source of contact in case there are any issues or emergencies in which you need help.

If you feel that you are suffering from even minor medication poisoning or an issue with medication you are taking, inform your caregiver or physician immediately. You should do all you can to prevent accidental harm due to medications.



Following Important Guidelines To avoid medicinal poisoning, you can follow several important guidelines that will ensure you are taking the medicine you are intended to take, at the time you are supposed to take it, and with the medication it is safe to be taken with. Following these guidelines is an option, but if you want to avoid accidental poisoning, you will be wise and follow these guidelines to ensure proper taking of medication.

**Keep a Medicine List** Keeping a list that details and describes each medication that you are taking, whether generic or name brand, will ensure that you are always aware of just what you are taking, or administering if you are a caregiver. You can keep this list with your medication in order to have it there if you aren't sure if you are taking the right pill or other type of medication.

**Maintain Constant Doctor** Contact You should maintain constant communication with your doctor or pharmacist to ensure that they are aware of medications you may be allergic to, or any side effects you have experienced. It is very important that you keep contact to ensure they are aware of what you are taking at all times, and just how you are reacting.

**Understand Your Meds** Of course you aren't going to be able to know just what medication is for what and how it is going to react to you, but taking the time to learn your medication can ensure there are no accidental mix-ups. If you are aware of what you are taking and how you react to it, you will be able to understand when something goes wrong and just why.

**Use a Primary Pharmacy** If you are only interacting with one pharmacy and become well-known and familiar with that pharmacy, you will get much better and comprehensive services. As you are prescribed medication, and as your prescriptions are being filled, you want to know that there are professionals ensuring that you are getting the right and safest medication.

**CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

<b>Thursday, Sept. 20</b> Back Porch Music Foot Clinic 1p Pinochle 7p Cribbage	<b>Friday, Sept. 21</b> Craft Class 9:30 am 5:00p Rummy	<b>Monday, Sept. 24</b> 1p Woodcarving 1p Pinochle 7p Bible Study	<b>Tuesday, Sept. 25</b> 1 p Paint class 5p Rummy Raffle	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 26</b> Brown Bag Bingo after lunch	<b>Thursday, Sept. 27</b> 1p Pinochle 7p Cribbage	<b>Friday, Sept. 28</b> Craft Class 9:30 am 5:00p Rummy
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**BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

<b>Thursday, Sept. 20</b> Wii Bowl	<b>Friday, Sept. 21</b> Tag-a-Longs 11-12 Bake Raffle	<b>Monday, Sept. 24</b> Bingo	<b>Tuesday, Sept. 25</b> Wii Practice	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 26</b> 10-11 Exer. Class Brown Bag Bingo	<b>Thursday, Sept. 27</b> Wii Bowl	<b>Friday, Sept. 28</b> Roger/Keyboard Birthday Day Bake Raffle
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**EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

<b>Thursday, Sept. 20</b> GAME DAY!	<b>Friday, Sept. 21</b> 11am COUSINS Bingo / Baked Raffle everyone bring baked goodies	<b>Monday, Sept. 24</b> 8-1 walking MEAL DRAWING	<b>Tuesday, Sept. 25</b> 11am line dancing 12:30 Bingo 1pm Paint class	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 26</b> MOVIE & POPCORN 1pm	<b>Thursday, Sept. 27</b> GAME DAY!	<b>Friday, Sept. 28</b> 11am Backwoods Maestros Bingo / gift
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**CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU**

<b>Thursday, Sept. 20</b> BEEF ENCHILADAS	<b>Friday, Sept. 21</b> MEAT LOAF	<b>Monday, Sept. 24</b> SWISS STEAK	<b>Tuesday, Sept. 25</b> PIZZA BAR	<b>Wednesday, Sept. 26</b> COOKS CHOICE	<b>Thursday, Sept. 27</b> CHEESEY MEATBALL	<b>Friday, Sept. 28</b> SESAME CHICKEN
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## CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, SEPT. 17, 2012

### Pumpkin Pie Contest



It is time to get those pumpkin pie recipes out and ingredients ready to bake a winning entry. The 3rd Annual East Jordan Pumpkin Festival Pumpkin Pie Contest will once again be a part of the annual East Jordan Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 20, 2012 downtown East Jordan in Memorial Park. Registration/ pie drop off will be from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM in Memorial Park with judging from 2:00 – 2:30 PM. First, Second and Third Place winners will be announced at 2:30 PM in the bandshell. The Pumpkin Pie Contest is proudly sponsored by Save-A-Lot of East Jordan. The pie contest is one of several family friendly events being held in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Pumpkin Festival. For more information please visit [www.ejchamber.org](http://www.ejchamber.org) or 231-536-7351.

### Charlevoix City Council Questions Benefits of Storm Water Ordinance

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—The Charlevoix City Council entered a sedate and relatively empty chamber room Monday, September 17 for their regularly scheduled meeting and heard a pitch from the county on why the city of Charlevoix should adopt the county's storm water ordinance and released another \$10,000 from the electric fund to replace dimming and broken sections of the city's tree lighting display.

Charlevoix County Drain Commissioner, Mark Seeley spoke to the board about the benefits of adopting a storm water ordinance that has been written by the county and is asking them to sign an intergovernmental agreement that would allow the county to enforce it. "We've worked for this for quite a long time and there are issues with some of the other municipalities that aren't on board with it," he said. Seeley explained that the city has been covered by this exact ordinance since 1998 with one exception. The ordinance has an added section concerning residential driveways that have more than a 10% grade. "This document has worked in the past," he explained.

Years ago, the county controlled the storm water issues, then in 1998 the attorney general ruled that the counties weren't given broad enough powers to enact an ordinance like this. Since then the municipalities have been acting on their own, most of them following the predecessor to this ordinance as a general guideline.

City Manager, Rob Straebel stated that the technical nature of some of the provisions in the ordinance, having to be subject to an appeals board consisting of appointees throughout the county, and the local control that the city will lose were the three issues he had with the document. "We've been fairly progressive in our storm water efforts. In the last three

years we've been a leader in Charlevoix County with some of the management technology. Whether we want to manage it through this (ordinance) is something the council has to decide on," said Straebel.

Seeley "strongly" urged the city to come on board stating that "If you really see a problem you could always opt out at any time."

Losing control of decisions relative to the city was the main concern of the council. "You do lose some local control, whether that is outweighed by better storm water management, I don't know," said Straebel. The board felt that at least some, if not most of the issues addressed by the ordinance were already being handled by the city.

The board asked City Manager Straebel to attend a meeting the county is hosting to explain the ordinance and the benefits and shortcomings of the intergovernmental agreement, ask questions and report back to the council.

Five years ago the Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority (DDA) proposed a plan to replace the traditional incandescent lights used in the city's tree lighting display for more energy efficient LED lights at an introductory expense of \$47,000, \$16,500 of which came out of the city's electric fund. Since then many trials have occurred as a result of having the lights initially installed too tightly so they snapped as the trees grew or too loosely so they were torn off by wind and other factors as well as a general distaste for the cold blue hue cast by the lights. However, the lights have proven to be cost effective saving over 90% the expenses of the old variety. Keith Carey, Executive Director of the Charlevoix DDA, approached the board with a plan to replace the lights with new LED's that cast a soft white glow. He seemed apologetic for a lighting display which "many people would say is barely av-

erage" and explained that "ultimately the execution (of the project) was very flawed" but felt that the project overall was heading in the right direction and added a great deal to the downtown feel on a year round basis. Carey stated that he is "not necessarily proud of the display we have down there now."

Installation of the new lights would be overseen by a knowledgeable person that "cares" about the project getting done correctly at a cost of \$22,000. The DDA was able to budget \$4,500 for the project, was asking the city to add \$10,000 and private business owners and others in the community have made pledges for the rest. "We need to swap them out one way or another," said Mayor Norman (Boogie) Carlson. The board voted to add the \$10,000 to the DDA's funds. Councilman Greg Stevens voted no with no explanation.

Audience comment by Bob Timms questioned the "considerable narrowing" of Clinton Street. Timms stated that since the new curbing was put in the street is three feet narrower that it was. "I question the rational of doing that and who is responsible for doing that?" he said. Timms was also questioning if the other areas of Clinton scheduled for work would also shrink in width. He contended that cars cannot park on both sides of the road and have a car pass between them. He is concerned about a loss of parking for summer events. Mayor Carlson was surprised and told Timms he would investigate and let him know what was happening.

City Planner Michael Spencer gave a tour of the city's website showing those present how to access information on council meetings as well as updates on the fire-plate.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Charlevoix City Council will be held on Monday, October 1st at 7 P.M. at City Hall.

### Harbor Springs Habitat for Humanity Restore helps build dreams

By Jim Akans

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

2 million people worldwide.

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

The inventory also includes a constantly changing selection of gently used furniture and home accessories. About the only type of item they don't carry is clothing, and as with every Habitat for Humanity Re-

store in the state, they no longer accept box springs or mattresses.

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

"When we open our doors back in March of 2007," By-

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

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



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## CHARLEVOIX

### Business After Hours

September 19th will mark the beginning of our monthly mixer Business After Hours. The event will take place from 5-7pm at the Edgewater Bistro. The location has changed so please make sure to take note of it. The evening is sponsored by Raymond James Financial. There will be h'orderves, live music, and 10 different door prizes. Entry is free for Chamber members and \$10 for not-yet members.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Driver Safety Program

AARP is offering a Driver Safety Program for anyone over 50 who wants to drive longer and safer. September 19 and 20th from 12:30 to 4:30 at the Charlevoix Public Library 220 Clinton St. Cost is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members, includes all materials and refreshments, some scholarships are available. The AARP Driver Safety Program is an 8 hour classroom refresher for motorists age 50 and older. There are no test requirements. The course will provide a review of driving skills and techniques, as well as strategies and tips to help everyone adjust to normal age-related physical changes. Participants will get a certificate and many auto insurance companies will give a discount for completing the course. You do not have to be a member of AARP, bring a friend, everyone is welcome.

## BOYNE CITY

### Scarecrow Contest

Help us decorate downtown, make a scarecrow! Here's your chance to help Boyne City, win a prize and get into the spirit of the Harvest Festival season by creating and displaying scarecrows that are funny, scary, cute and most of all, original. Prizes will be awarded. The Scarecrow Contest is open to anyone - award categories are: Business, Organization, Students/Kids, Residents/Individuals. Scarecrows should be between five and six feet tall and attached to lampposts or trees with twine or plastic ties. Please no wire or tape. Entry forms must be received by Oct. 3 to determine the location of your scarecrow. Entrants are responsible for installing their scarecrows during the week of Oct. 1 and must be completed for judging by 5pm, Thursday, Oct. 4. Judging starts at 6pm. Entries will be judged on originality, color, creativity and durability. Entrants are respon-

sible for removing their scarecrows by Nov. 1. For more information or an application, call Karen Guznick at 582-2355.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Sculpture class

Todd Warner has chosen the date of Thursday, September 20 to re-schedule his Clay Sculpture Class at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts located at 109 Clinton Street. The city is doing major construction on that road so we advise that you come in on Bridge and turn on Park Avenue to the City Parking Lot. The Circle is only a few feet from there. Class will start at 5pm and end at 9pm. We will serve light refreshments. Todd will supply all materials needed for this class. Please invite a friend to join you as this is a great class to learn from a master and beloved artist who is internationally known. You will enjoy the class immensely.

## EAST JORDAN

### Autumn Equinox celebration

Celebrate the Autumn equinox at Raven Hill Discovery Center Sept. 21, 8-10pm

## PETOSKEY

### NCMC Fall Luncheon Lectures

Meteorologists from the National Weather Service office in Gaylord will start the series on Friday, September 21st, with an assessment of this summer's heat and how it compares with historical records. Unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) will be the topic on Friday, September 28th. UAVs have become an important tool for the military, but they also have great potential for business and industry. Bill Donberg of Traverse City will talk about his new company that uses UAVs for aerial imaging, video, surveillance and sensor data coverage.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Poker Run & Pig Roast

Show your colors poker run & pig roast sponsored by Charlevoix Elks Lodge #2856. Proceeds to benefit Michigan Veterans. Saturday, Sept. 22. Registration from 10-11:30am; Pre-Show Event at 11:30am. Poker Run begins at Noon, Pig Roast at 5pm with live auction & entertainment: Open to public (\$10). Cost \$25 bike, includes Pig Roast. Entertainment after the run. \$10 additional rider includes pig roast or \$25 additional rider to play poker. Pre-register for free shirt. Donations for auction

items are welcome. This year's event "Freedom Don't Come Free" will benefit the Wounded Warrior Project, Forgotten Eagles, & Local Veteran Charities. For more information, contact Ken Rogers at 231-675-2297.

## HORTON BAY

### Film to focus on Hemingway's Horton Bay connections

Spotted on Lake Charlevoix, Horton's Creek and in the Red Fox Inn and the Horton Bay General Store was filmmaker George Colburn of Melrose Township and his television crew. According to Colburn, he is in the beginning production stage of a new documentary about Hemingway's early writing career. "We just finished two days of taping in and around Horton Bay; in June and July we taped in and around Walloon Lake and Petoskey, Colburn said. "I want to make sure Horton Bay gets its fair share of credit for influencing the early literary career of Ernest Hemingway," Colburn added. "Generally, Horton Bay seems almost like a footnote to the Hemingway history and it definitely is not - as the recently released volume of young Hemingway's letters make clear." Colburn noted that the letters will be the focus of the new documentary. It is scheduled to be released in early 2013.

## BOYNE CITY

### Concert

Billy Dean will perform in concert Sept. 23 at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center, sponsored by Boyne City Firefighters, in shows at 3 and 6 p.m. Morgan Frazier also performs. Tickets are available at the Boyne Area Chamber office, \$22 or \$50 per family. Info: 231-225-0275.

## CHARLEVOIX

### History presentation

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society (CCHPS) will be presenting its September 2012 History Speaker Series Event: "FILA Mission: Saving the South Fox Island light station, with guest speaker Catherine F. Allchin on Monday, Sept. 24 at 7pm at the Charlevoix Depot Museum at 307 Chicago Ave. This program is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. Please call 231-582-5326 for more information.

## EAST JORDAN

### Powder puff football

E.J. Homecoming Powder-Puff Football Game Sept. 26 at Boswell Stadium

## EAST JORDAN

### Fiber Exhibits & Workshops

Jordan River Arts Council - Fantastic Fiber Exhibits & Workshops Sept. 23 - Nov. 13

## GAYLORD

## PPK

Punt, Pass & Kick Sept. 24, 5-6:30pm at Gaylord High Football field. This event is free to all boys and girls separated by gender and age: 6&7, 8&9, 10&11, 12&13, 14&15. Winners from each age group will advance to sectional competition (all winners from each group must provide a copy of birth certificate). No cleats allowed. (Must wear sneakers). Every participant needs a parent signed registration form. Save time by registering at www.nflppk.com. Find a competition/local competitions/49735 zip code/click [register] at the bottom of the page. Print and bring signed registration form to the contest. Registration is available the day of the event at the field. All competition rules can be found at www.nflppk.com. If you have questions or would like to help, call Ken Blust at 989-732-5801 Ext 244 or kblust@gaylordstmary.org. This is the only PPK competition in the Northern Lower peninsula.

## EAST JORDAN

### Canning Applesauce

September 24, Food Presentation: Canning Applesauce. Monday from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center, 5745 M-66. Come learn how to can and freeze applesauce from organic apples; or if you know how, come join in the fun of a community canning party. Organic produce, organic sugar, canning jars and lids will be provided. Each participant will prepare and can applesauce hands-on and take home a share of the jars at the end of the class. There will also be take-home info and resources available. Class size is limited. Cost is \$15-25, sliding scale. Pre-registration is required. A partnership of ISLAND, Wagbo, NMSFC, and USDA NRCS. For more information call 231-622-5252 or email mary@artmeetsearth.org

## EAST JORDAN

### Scarecrows Across the Breezeway

Residents, organizations and businesses across the Breezeway are being encouraged to decorate with a harvest theme and to add scarecrows to their displays as part of the Annual Scarecrows Across the Breezeway Contest. Applications are available at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce website www.ejchamber.org or at the Chamber Office. The business category is being sponsored by the Northern Michigan Review, Inc. and the residential/non-profit division is being sponsored by Stark Realty of East Jordan.

## PETOSKEY

### Plumbing workshop

Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA) will be hosting a workshop on Plumbing to be held September 25, from 6pm to 9pm. This workshop is of-

fered free to the public at NMCAA's Petoskey office located at 2202 Mitchell Park, Ste. 4. To register or to find out about future workshops, please call 231-347-9070 or 800-443-5518 or visit www.nmcaa.net.

## BOYNE CITY

### Farmers Market Visioning Session

Your continued support has helped bring us recognition throughout the state as well as provide our community with local, healthy food. What's next? Please join us to discuss the future of a vibrant and sustainable Year-round Market and to define a path forward to reach those goals. Thursday, September 27th, 6pm at Boyne City Hall Auditorium 319 N. Lake St. Dean Solomon from the Michigan State Extension Office will be the facilitator. Dean also sits on the Farmers Market Committee. Don't miss the opportunity to have your voice heard! Please confirm a seat with me.

## BOYNE CITY

### Marketing seminar

The Boyne Area Chamber will be presenting a free business marketing seminar, "Two Big Questions" from 8 to 9am Thursday, Sept. 27, at the Boyne District Library Community Room. Greg Zirkle is the owner of Fox Marketing Group, which brings professional marketing services to the smallest of businesses. He is a former sales professional for a Global 200 company and his clients range from financial institutions to manufacturers, retailers to contractors, and startups to 100-year-old companies. His presentations are relaxed, entertaining and practical. To reserve your seat at this free seminar, call or email the Chamber at 582-6222.

## EAST JORDAN

### Gun show

The Jordan River Sportsmen's Club is sponsoring a Gun Show, at the Harvest Barn Church. Bigger and Better! Friday, September 28, 4 PM - 8 PM, Saturday, September 29, 9 AM - 4 PM. Dinner Friday, Breakfast & Lunch Saturday available on site. For Reservations Contact Ken Kryscio 231-497-0124

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### Broadband survey

Help us help you improve broadband availability. The Charlevoix County Broadband Committee is asking county residents and second homeowners to take a short survey to help them determine broadband internet usage and needs. With this information the committee will work with internet providers and government leaders to expand and improve access.

## EAST JORDAN

### Homecoming

Homecoming Parade downtown Sept. 28, 5:00 PM Tailgate & Red Devil Activities at Boswell Stadium - 5:30 PM Varsity Football vs. Boyne City - 7:00 PM

## EAST JORDAN

### Hike the Jordan Valley

Jordan Valley 45<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the North Country Trail will meet Friday, Sept. 28 at the Oden State Fish Hatchery Conference Room, at 2:30 p.m., (Board meeting at 1:00 p.m., all welcome.) The Hatchery is located at 8258 S. Ayr Rd. in Oden (Alanson PO). There will be a hike after the meeting led by Larry Wagle. We will try out our planned 2013 Re-route through the Michigan Fisheries Visitor Center grounds, the Fish Hatchery, and private and county land to our Kipp Rd. terminus (about 2 1/2 miles). Please join us! Email Amy Wilks, at amywilks47@hotmail.com for details.

## HORTON BAY

### Art fair

Horton Bay Annual Art Fair, September 28-30. Friday, September 28 1pm to 8pm; Saturday 29 10am to 8pm; Sunday September 30 noon-6pm; Live music, munchies, lots of art!

## NORWOOD

### Crop Walk

Norwood Church is sponsoring a Crop Walk on Saturday, September 29 at 9:30am. We will begin at the Church and walk down to the Lakeshore Drive below Norwood Village and walk 2 miles down the road and 2 miles back. A lunch will be held at the church after the walk. This is the first year

Norwood Church has sponsored a Crop Walk and we hope to encourage as many of the local walkers to either walk or sponsor those who will walk. Further information can be gotten by calling Thelma Ditlow at 547-4035 or Marion Light at 547-9356.

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### Crop walk

29th Annual Charlevoix County CROP Walk Saturday, September 29th at 9am, 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 for each new walker participating in the annual walk. For info contact Marge Teske, 231-536-3128

## ELLSWORTH

### Music at farm market

Shoppers and vendors at the recent Ellsworth Farmer's Market were treated to an evening of great music provided by Gordon Howie and friends. The Ellsworth Farmer's Market is still being held every Tuesday evening from 5-7 PM across from the Ellsworth High School on the Breezeway (C-48). Bring your family and friends to hear Cindy Loo's Story Time. October 2nd Farmer's Market will feature live music by Kelly Shively. Vendors are welcome to participate. For more information contact Shannon Fender at 231-536-7351 or email ellsworthfarmersmarket@yahoo.com

## EAST JORDAN

### Fall Middle School Paddle

If you are in middle school, join us Sunday afternoons from 2-5 PM for a fun paddle down the Jordan River ending with a campfire and s'mores on the south arm of Lake Charlevoix. Sunday's 2-5 PM September 16th, 30th, October 7th, & 14th. For more information or to reserve your spot call 231-536-0006. All reservations must be made by 5 PM Saturday before.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Yoga

Stonehedge Gardens hosts Charlevoix Yoga with Heidi Dietrich Wednesday mornings 9-10am. Stonehedge Gardens is located on M-66 one mile south of the Ironton Ferry. Come and practice Yoga in the beautiful gardens at Stonehedge.

## BOYNE CITY

### Farmers Market

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

## BOYNE CITY

### Rubbish collection

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

## BOYNE CITY

### Senior center lunch

Boyne Area Senior Center has finished a highly successful summer program of evening meals instead of lunches on Wednesdays - but now it's back to lunches at noon Monday through Friday. Suggested donation for lunch is \$3 for those 60 and older and \$6 for those under 60. For more information call coordinator Terri Powers at (231) 582-6682.

## EAST JORDAN

### Fall festival

Fall festival Free Family Event, Saturday, October 13th, 10 AM - 2 PM, Kids pumpkin patch, pumpkin painting, hayride tours, kids games, East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Chili Pot, Cider Press, Live Music and much more at the Jordan River Fish Hatchery. Hot Chocolate, Cider, Donuts and Coffee. For more information call 231-584-2461

## NORWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Norwood Village

**Sunday School: 10:45am**  
**Sunday Worship: 11:45am**

Pastor, Rap Posnik: 231-883-1985

## Now that Fall is here, it's time to start thinking about putting away those warm weather toys.



Here are some helpful tips to remember when deciding how to best store your seasonal items.

### FOR MOTORCYCLES:

- Top off your fuel tank and add high-quality fuel stabilizer designed for the type of fuel you use (gasoline or diesel)
- Change the oil and filter. Used oil contains contaminants which can create sludge and corrosion. For boats, also change the lower unit lubrication. Run your engine for a few minutes with the new oil and fuel stabilizer to distribute them in the engine.
- Remove the battery and store it in a dry, cool place away from children and pets. Check the electrolyte level on conventional batteries (on a flat surface). Add distilled water to correct levels if necessary. Charge the battery to the manufacturer's recommendations during storage.



### FOR BOATS:

- Make sure all the water is out of the engine and exhaust manifolds, fresh water systems and live bait wells. Winterize the cooling system using ethyl-glycol antifreeze (pink RV-type). If you're inexperienced, have a qualified shop do it for you.
- Boats stored outside may benefit from shrink wrapping or a canvas cover. In either case, adequate ventilation is required to prevent moisture entrapment.
- Inspect your trailer bearings. Replace the bearing seals and make sure they're well greased. While they're off check the tires for dry rot, and replace if necessary.
- If you have trailer brakes, make sure they operate and aren't worn excessively.

### YEAR-ROUND TOYS

Even if you intend to use your motorhome or RV year-round, you could still benefit from some winterization.

- Reduce heat loss - install double pane windows or use snap-on window panes or heat shrinkable window film.
- Check behind cabinetry for exposed air gaps and openings. These can be filled with caulk or foam sealant.
- Improve circulation to areas susceptible to freezing by leaving cabinet doors and drawers slightly ajar where water lines are located.

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## CHARLEVOIX

### Raffle

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts, (CCA) is offering you a chance to participate in our first annual CCA Raffle. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 for the Circle Programs. We are selling only 200 tickets at \$100 each for this 2012 - 2013 Monthly Raffle. The first drawing was Sept. 7 and the concluding drawing will be on August 2, 2013. Each and every month, you have a chance of winning 1 or 3 cash prizes: \$150, \$100 and \$50. All tickets go in the "hopper" so everyone has 36 chances of winning! The cost of the ticket averages \$8.33 per month. Please call the CCA (231) 547.3554, visit "Elements" at 107 Bridge downtown, or contact any CCA Board member to purchase your tickets. Only 200 tickets will be sold. You do not need to be present to win.

## EAST JORDAN

### Leaf Peeker Craft Show

Crafters are needed for the Leaf Peeker Craft Show scheduled for Saturday, October 20 from 10 am - 4 pm in downtown East Jordan. The craft show is being held in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Pumpkin Festival. Outdoor and indoor spaces are available. For more information contact Shannon Fender at 231-536-7351 or e-mail at info@ejchamber.org.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Tickled Pink

In recognition of October being breast cancer awareness and prevention month, the Circle of Strength Cancer Support Group of Charlevoix Area Hospital is hosting its fourth annual "Tickled Pink" event. This fun and light-hearted event will take place on Thursday, October 4 from 5:30-7:30pm in the hospital Solarium. Come and enjoy an early evening of wine spritzers and cheese, desserts and chair massages. There will be 30% off everything in the hospital gift shop for the occasion. Vouchers for free mammograms will be available for those with a financial need and no health insurance. There is no charge for this event, but donations will be graciously accepted and used locally to assist those affected by cancer.

## BOYNE CITY

### Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival is held Oct. 6 in Boyne City's downtown with music, crafts and fall produce, and is jointly organized by Boyne City Main Street and the Boyne Area Chamber. The entire Boyne City Farmers Market will move to Water and Lake Streets from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The farm market booths will sell a variety of apples and other harvest items including pumpkins, squash, apple butter, jam, honey and cider. Portions of Water Street and Lake Street will be closed to traffic during the festival to make room for the Farmers Market, music and more than 30 arts and craft vendors. The festival will also include folk art demonstrations, children's games, hay rides and a scarecrow-making contest (application) for residents and businesses. Festival hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Local churches and non-profit organizations that would like to participate by organizing children's games or harvest crafts are encouraged to contact the Boyne Area Chamber at 582-6222.

## BOYNE FALLS

### Skitoberfest

Boyne Mountain Resort is preparing for its fourth annual Skitoberfest, a fall extravaganza and homecoming taking place Saturday, Oct. 6, in the Boyne Mountain Village and surrounding area. Skitoberfest celebrates the best of fall's family offerings in an Oktoberfest style setting and the coming winter season. Highlights include great food, Michigan beers, wines and spirits, plus music and endless family entertainment. Everyone is invited to experience this event and a special invitation goes to our family of loyal BOYNE homeowners and pass holders. It's art, it's drama, it's entertainment plus food, beer, wine and fun for everyone!

## BAY HARBOR

### Communicating in Crisis

Please join us October 8 at Bay Harbor Village Hotel & Conference Center. Bay Winds FCU is excited to announce that we will be hosting Anthony Huey, President of Reputation Management Associates, a crisis communications agency in Columbus, Ohio, specializing

in media and crisis training. Anthony Huey will be presenting a 4 hour workshop featuring; 'Communicating in a Crisis' and 'Media Relations 101: Surviving the News Interview.' Anthony's presentation, interaction, live mock interviews, and overall takeaways are absolutely phenomenal and applicable to anyone who communicates with the public, media, and employees. This event will begin with a light breakfast at 7:30a.m. workshop scheduled 8am-12pm. If you are interested in attending please contact: Shelley DeYoung, Director of Human Resources/ Bay Winds Federal Credit Union 231-547-3917

## CHARLEVOIX

### Fall Classes

Jim Kosloskey Palette Knife Painting, Monday & Tuesday, October 8 & 9, 5-9 pm. Cal Kempainen Oil Painting, Monday & Tuesday, October 15 & 16, 5-9 pm. Classes are \$100 per student. Members of the Charlevoix Circle, \$90. Light refreshments will be provided. Please call 231-547-3554 to sign up for classes. Spaces are limited. The Circle of Arts is located at 109 Clinton St. in downtown Charlevoix. Turn on Park Avenue and use City Parking (Free) During Construction. Find us on-line at www.CharlevoixCircle.org.

## ELLSWORTH

### Starting a business

Class scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 17 in Ellsworth. The fee is \$20 per business and you must register by contacting the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance at (231) 582-6482 or email info@northernlakes.net. Visit www.northernlakes.net for Business Assistance resources for new and existing businesses.

## EAST JORDAN

### Pumpkin Festival

3rd Annual Pumpkin Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 20th 1:00 - 4:00 PM in downtown East Jordan. The festival will feature a craft show, musical entertainment, pumpkin pie contest, children's events, early trick-or-treating in downtown businesses, food plus much more. For more information contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351 or www.ejchamber.org

## ATWOOD to BOYNE FALLS

### Breezeway Fall Color Cruise

4th Annual Breezeway Fall Color Cruise Saturday, October 20th starting in Atwood. Pick up your goodie bag with coupons and Trip-Tips Across the Breezeway between 10:00 AM and Noon. Proceed at your own pace along the 26 mile Breezeway route and end at Boyne Mountain for a chairlift ride to view the fall colors. For more information call 231-536-7351 or www.ridethebreezeway.com

## EAST JORDAN

### Pumpkin Pie Contest

It is time to get those pumpkin pie recipes out and ingredients ready to bake a winning entry. The 3rd Annual East Jordan Pumpkin Festival Pumpkin Pie Contest will once again be a part of the annual East Jordan Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 20 downtown East Jordan in Memorial Park. Registration/ pie drop off will be from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM in Memorial Park with judging from 2:00 - 2:30 PM. First, Second and Third Place winners will be announced at 2:30 PM in the band shell. The Pumpkin Pie Contest is proudly sponsored by Save-A-Lot of East Jordan. The pie contest is one of several family friendly events being held in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Pumpkin Festival. For more information please visit www.ejchamber.org or 231-536-7351.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Current Exhibit

Circle of Arts 4th Annual Juried Photography Show Michigan Seasons Now through November 2



The family team at Michel's Collision & Repair includes Dennis Michel (2nd from left), and sons Dan, Tim and Matt (left to right). COURTESY PHOTO

## Michel's Collision & Restoration; a true family business taking pride in quality workmanship and service

By Jim Akans

From the moment one steps inside Michel's Collision & Restoration in Alanson, it is apparent that friendliness, honesty and integrity are cornerstone values shared by the entire staff. Handling collision damage repair, vehicle restoration and glass replacement, pride in workmanship is reflected in the photos of restored vehicles lining the walls, and through customer loyalty that results in the over 60-percent referrals the company receives for ongoing work.

Perhaps this outstanding level of dedication is a reflection of Dennis Michel's 43-year history in the vehicle restoration and collision repair industry, as a former employee for body shops in the Detroit and south Florida area, and as an independent business owner since 1989. It may also be part of a meticulous craftsmanship heritage passed on from his father, who was a clay modeler for Chrysler, or his grandfather, who worked as a stonemason.

That tradition of dedication and expertise is now reflected through Dennis's employees, which are his three sons; Dan, Matt and Tim. "This is a family business," Dennis states. "We believe in providing each of our customers with an honest and fair experience at Michel's Collision...coming straight from the heart."

"We all work here very well together as a team," adds Matt.

While each of those team members has a specialty, with Tim focusing on vehicle electronics and administra-



Handling collision damage repair, vehicle restoration and glass replacement - friendliness, honesty and integrity are cornerstone values shared by the entire team at Michel's Collision and Restoration in Alanson. COURTESY PHOTO

tive functions such as communications with insurance companies, Dan on painting work, and Matt on heavy metal work and welding, everyone can handle every aspect of the operation. That includes collision and cosmetic repair, restoration including rust damage, and vehicle glass replacement. The facility even custom tints and matches paints on site, ensuring the perfect match for all body work.

Over the years, Dennis has collected over 70 vintage vehicles in conditions ranging from basic shells to nearly full operating status. While a few of these are slated for in-house restoration, many are available for purchase by vehicle enthusiasts looking for parts to accomplish restoration projects of their own. Whether a customer is searching for a vehicle to purchase, looking to

have their own classic vehicle restored, or wanting have their current vehicle brought back to showroom condition, the Michel's Collision & Restoration team will give each customer their full attention and care.

"My father commented that we seem to have a very good way with our customers," Dennis relates. "I told him that must be because we believe in telling them the truth. We don't do direct repair for any insurance company. Our individual customers are always our clients." Michel's Collision & Restoration is located at 8281 U.S. 31 just south of downtown Alanson, and they serve a customers throughout the northwest Michigan area. The shop is open Monday through Friday from 8 am until 5 pm, and can be reached at (231) 348-7066, or visit www.michelscollision.com.

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**Down**  
 1- Like some appliances; 2- Christmas song; 3- Bean curd; 4- You don't bring me flowers, \_\_\_; 5- Deficient in pigmentation; 6- Roy's "singin' pardner"; 7- Like \_\_\_ not; 8- Cry of a cat; 9- From nothing; 10- Protects; 11- Too; 12- "Star Wars" princess; 13- Be in front; 21- Loretta of "M\*A\*S\*H"; 23- Convent dweller; 25- More than once; 26- Challenges; 27- Deep black; 28- Makes a loan; 30- \_\_\_ vincit amor; 31- Gangster Lansky; 32- Board for nails; 34- Miluse; 35- Badger; 38- God; 42- Roasting rod; 43- Culinary department; 45- Snarl; 46- "Evil Woman" band; 47- In the thick of; 50- "\_\_\_ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto); 51- Old Pontiacs; 52- Manner of walking; 53- Franklin D.'s mother; 54- "Exodus" author; 55- Swiss river; 56- Split; 57- French summers; 60- Shoebox letters;

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Boyne Falls

## STUDENT of the Week Sean Lynch



**GRADE:** 9

**PARENTS:**

Erika Hayden and Terry Lynch

**FAVORITE BOOK:** The Power of Six

**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:**

Basketball, Baseball

**HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:**

Drawing, reading, writing, and an interest in swords.

**FUTURE PLANS/GOALS:**

Have a career as a Psychologist or own my own restaurant

### STAFF COMMENTS

*Sean is an honest, dependable student with a great sense of humor. I have had the pleasure of getting to know Sean over the past 9 years and watch him grow into the responsible young man he is now. He stands up for others, is there for his friends when they need him, and is always willing to give a helping hand. Good Luck Sean in your high school years and keep up the good work! - Deanna Avery*

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## Voter Registration assistance at the East Jordan Health Center

East Jordan - On September 25 the East Jordan Family Health Center will assist citizens wishing to fill out or update the Michigan Voter Registration Forms needed to vote on November 6. September 25 is the official National Voter Registration Day in our country.

The Family Health Centers in East Jordan and Bellaire will have non-partisan volunteers on hand from 9 AM-5PM. Both lobbies will have areas set up to provide the forms and help in filling them out. Citizens are asked to bring along at least one of the following items for identification: an original or copy of a valid Michigan driver's license or personal ID card, a copy of a paycheck stub, utility bill, bank statement, or a gov-

ernment document which lists your name and address. A copy machine will be made available that day. All completed registration forms will be delivered to the appropriate county clerk's office.

To register in Michigan, you must be:

A U.S. citizen

At least 18 years old by Election Day

A resident of Michigan A resident of the city or township where you are applying to register to vote.

Remember, the deadline to register in the upcoming November 6 General Election is Monday, October 8, 2012. For more information about this event on September 25, call the Health Center at 536-2206, Ext. 200.

## BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

### Monday, September 10

5:39am Citation issued for no proof of insurance  
8:03am Citation issued for no proof of insurance  
8:27am Suspicious situation in the 200 block of S Park St  
12:20pm Report of subjects riding bikes through flower planters at Lake and Main Streets  
1:10pm Report of lost sunglasses  
1:50pm Report of suspicious vehicle in the Industrial Park  
8:49pm Report of kids playing in parking lot in the 300 block of E Division St  
9:34pm Assist Sheriff Department on Camp Ten Rd  
11:42pm Assist Sheriff Department on Boyne City Rd

### Tuesday, September 11

6:10am Report of subject sleeping in restroom at Peninsula Beach  
7:33am Citation issued for no proof of insurance  
7:48am Citation issued for no proof of insurance  
10:28am Transport prisoner  
2:23pm 911 hang up from the 200 block of Front St

2:24pm Report of tree on power line on Michigan Av near Charlevoix St

3:56pm Civil complaint in the 700 block of Alice St  
4:49pm Assist with overturned Hobie Cat

5:44pm Harassment complaint received from the 300 block of E Division St

6:13pm Threats complaint received from the 400 block of State St

6:37pm Harassment complaint in the 700 block of Wenonah St

### Wednesday, September 12

2:03am Suspicious situation in the 400 block of N Lake St  
10:55am Report of graffiti in Old City Park  
11:49am Truck hit cable lines at Ann and West St  
12:34pm Report of missing cell phone  
1:00pm Funeral Escort  
2:18pm Found cell phone turned in. Was returned to owner  
9:15pm Civil complaint from the 200 block of S Lake St

### Thursday, September 13

9:27am Found wallet turned into PD. Was returned to owner.  
9:51am Civil issue in the 400 block of Trent St  
9:55am Found rings and pendant turned into PD

1:30pm Vehicle inspection  
3:55pm Report of lost keys  
9:40pm Civil standby in the 600 block of State St

10:00pm Harassing phone calls complaint from the 300 block of E Division St

### Friday, September 14

9:33am NSF check complaint from the 100 block of N Park St

10:01am Suspicious situation reported from the 600 block of N East St

11:16am Credit card fraud complaint from the 500 block of Lewis Av

12:02pm Vision obstruction reported at State and Call Streets

1:28pm Phone scam reported from the 200 block of W Lincoln

7:33pm MDOP complaint from the 100 block of W Court St

8:48pm Arrested subject on warrant

9:53pm MDOP to bathroom and soda machine at Rotary Park. Subjects arrested.

### Saturday, September 15

12:05am Report of fight in the 200 block of S Lake St

1:15am Report of intoxicated subject in the 500 block of N Lake St

5:51am 911 hang up call  
8:11am Assist Fire department at Boyne Av and Lincoln

12:24pm Report of barking dogs in the 500 block of W Michigan

4:40pm Citation issued for expired registration

7:43pm Report of dirt bikes racing up and down Groveland

9:38pm Juvenile complaint from the 300 block of Arthur St

### Sunday, September 16

2:20am Checked on suspicious vehicle in the 1000 block of Boyne Av

3:13am Suspicious situation in the 1000 block of S Lake St

10:00am Private property damage accident in the 1300 block of Boyne Av

12:28pm Unlock vehicle in the 400 block of N Lake St

2:31pm Harassing text message complaint from the 300 block of E Division St

2:35pm Larceny of a shirt from the 100 block of E Water St

3:15pm Harassing vehicle in the 400 block of N Lake St. Suspect located. Shirt recovered.

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## Commision Controversy

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the focus of the Planning Department from being reactive to a more positive proactive role," said County Commissioner Chris Christensen. "Combining these two offices is a start in that direction, there are a number of benefits here. We're going to streamline some of the redundancies between the two offices and be in a better position to be a resource for the county, the townships and the municipalities in the future."

The main objection of the Planning Commission is a concern that one person cannot do the job of County Planning Director. Sullivan agrees with the County Planning Commission. "I would think that if they are going to combine the two departments they would be miles ahead to put Kiersten in charge of planning, have Brian take GIS, and bring in a planner with a degree - have that person be the planner and put Kiersten as the administrator of the two offices," said Sullivan.

However, GIS Coordinator, Brian Kelly and Stark are up for the challenge. "I'm really positive about this opportunity. With Larry's retirement and the new fiscal year beginning October 1st, I think it's a great opportunity to make some changes," said Stark, who has worked as Planning Assistant for 10 years and believes she can handle the changes the Commission County Board is proposing.

Stark believes part of the issue is one of perspective. "The Planning Commission is looking at it (proposed staffing change) from the perspective of how it's always been. The



**At the Charlevoix County Board meeting last Wednesday, September 12, Sheriff Schneider spoke about the 'Under Sheriff's Garden,' stating that over 5,400 pounds of vegetables have been harvested and served from the jail kitchen at a market value of \$7,445. Not only is the garden saving the jail money but inmates work in the garden getting fresh air and exercise. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS**

County Board is saying let's try something different. Society changes and government needs to be responsive to changes in terms of the services they provide," she said. "The County Board is proposing to combine GIS and Planning because the two fit naturally together; in Planning you use a lot of GIS and vice versa," she said.

"We work with different organizations that have resources to facilitate County services and those resources will continue to be available," said Kelly. "By joining these departments, we have planning and we have action together," he said.

"We're not going to know if they can or can't do it if we don't let them try," said Christensen.

At Wednesday's meeting, Sheriff Schneider gave report informing the commission that the State Police will be pulling the midnight cars from five northwestern counties including Charlevoix. One State Police Officer

is usually in the county from midnight to six a.m.

"That's generally when we have the people that are intoxicated and want to fight, bite and carry on," said Schneider. "Taking that safety net away from us doesn't please me."

He doesn't believe it is necessarily the act of a budget cut but that the officers are being sent downstate to high crime cities. "It's a safety issue for my deputies," he said. Schneider told the commission that the excellent working relationship with the three cities (Charlevoix, East Jordan and Boyne City) will be the Sheriff's department's saving grace.

The proposed budget for the County of Charlevoix for the fiscal year 2012-2013 is now on file and available to the public for inspection at the office of the County Clerk, 203 Antrim Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.



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## Human Services Information Summit set for September 21

The Human Services Coordinating Body of Charlevoix & Emmet counties is holding its 18th Annual Human Services Information Summit on Friday, September 21, 2012. This free event takes place from 8:00am to 12:00 noon at the Petoskey United Methodist Church, located at 1804 E. Mitchell Street. All are welcome to attend; no registration is required.

The summit is dedicated to educating participants about the many health and human service resources available to Northern Michigan residents, according to event chair Melissa Holbrook,

Admission Coordinator for Grandvue Medical Care Facility. "With almost 40 agencies attending and sharing details of their programs at breakout sessions and the resource fair, the summit is a great opportunity for health and human services professionals to learn about new programs or policy changes," she explained.

The summit is also a great resource for families, she added. "There is something at the Information Summit for everybody. We welcome people looking for volunteer opportunities, parents who want to learn about services

for a child with special needs, or adults looking for support to care for their elderly parents. We'll have agency representatives at the summit that can explain their services and answer family's questions about programs and eligibility." Participants can choose to attend breakout sessions from organizations such as the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, Michigan Works!, The Manna Food Project, McLaren Northern Michigan and the Women's Resource Center.

Keynote speaker John Stephenson, Executive Director of the

Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA, www.nmcaa.net), will deliver his address during the opening session. Stephenson has been with NMCAA for more than 25 years, managing programs that provide housing, food, emergency aid and financial assistance in a 10-county area covering Northwest Lower Michigan.

The Human Services Information Summit is sponsored by the Human Services Coordinating Body of Charlevoix & Emmet Counties, dedicated to inter-agency cooperation, coordination, and collaboration for the

improvement of local human services. For additional information about the Information Summit, contact Melissa Holbrook at (231) 536-2286, ext. 3025.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. Visit the Health Department online at www.nwhealth.org.

## Charlevoix County Commission on Aging Senior Picnic & Health Expo



On Wednesday, August 29, 2012, the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging hosted the 33rd Annual Senior Picnic and Health Expo.

Barbequed chicken was prepared by the Boyne City Rotary Club and East Jordan Lions Club; 484 meals were served. The crowd enjoyed en-

tertainment provided by Rustic Heart. Several door prizes were given away, which were made possible by the generous donations of local citizens and our senior centers, a memorial donation from the Carr family, and vendors at the Health Expo.

A fun time was had by all!

The picnic was a county-wide tribute to express the community's appreciation and commitment to our senior citizens.

The commitment from the COA Staff, board members, and many volunteers to give our seniors the best was well received! To all, THANK YOU!

## Workshops focus on strengthening families

What if we could stop child abuse from ever taking place? That's the premise behind a series of workshops held recently and hosted by the Great Start Collaborative of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties, Great Start to Quality Northwest Resource Center, Child Abuse Council serving Charlevoix and Emmet counties, and the Petoskey District Library.

The Strengthening Families workshops brought together staff from human service organizations, community and parent leaders, educators, and child care providers to enhance our community's response to child abuse and neglect.

The Strengthening Families model is a result of extensive research conducted by the Center for the Study of Social Policy. The research resulted in shifting the focus about child abuse and neglect prevention to strengthening families as a way of reaching families before a risk of child abuse or neglect occurs. The Strengthening Families Model is based on identifying five protective factors that reduce the likelihood of child abuse and neglect when they are present and strong in a family. The five protective factors are:

**Parental resilience:** Parents maintain a positive attitude and have the ability to cope with, creatively solve, and bounce back from all types of challenges.

**Social connections:** Parents have a network of people, agencies, and organizations that provide emotional support and concrete assistance.

**Knowledge of parenting and child development:** Parents understand what to expect at different stages of child development, have effective parenting skills, and ways of finding help with specific developmental or behavioral problems.

Concrete support in times of need: Parents have access to formal and informal services and support from social networks in times of family crisis.

**Social and emotional competence of children:** Parents work with children to help them learn to interact positively with others, communicate their emotions, and feel good about themselves.

Through the Strengthening Families initiative, more than 30 states are shifting policy, funding and training to help programs working with children and families build protective factors. Many states are also using the Strengthening Families approach to integrate state prevention strategies, strengthen families in the child welfare system and engage parents and communities in building protective factors.

According to Maureen Hollocker, Director of the Great Start Collaborative of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties, Great Start will create a community-wide picture of our Strengthening Families framework as well as assist individual programs in developing action plans that focus on strengths as well as areas needing improvement to successfully implement the Strengthening Families model.

"This work will be ongoing throughout the next year with a strategic plan being developed outlining objectives and strategies to support the efforts of the development of our Strengthening Families community," she said.

For more information on our local Strengthening Families efforts please contact Hollocker at the Boyne City ISD office, 582.8070, or greatstartforkids@gmail.com.

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## Northwest Academy Receives Technology Boost from Bay Winds FCU Members

Northwest Academy heads into their 16th new school year with some added resources as they received a donation of 44 Dell Computers from Bay Winds Federal Credit Union to help local students improve their education through technology.

Bay Winds Federal Credit Union recently replaced their computer work stations in all six branches with new computers freeing up 44 PC's for donation to Northwest Academy in Charlevoix. David Leusink, Bay Winds CEO said that true to the Credit Union's philosophy of "people helping people", we see this gift to the Northwest Academy as an important addition to the learning environment for today's students.

Northwest Academy seeks to provide a top-notch educational program that will meet or exceed the State standards while working with each student to develop his or her strengths. Matt Saunders, School Leader, has set the goal for the academy to instill our students with the confidence they need to succeed in today's world. With a focus on technology and the arts Northwest Academy is dedicated to provide a quality education to every student regardless of previous learning experiences from home school to public school.

NWA was chartered in 1996 by Saginaw Valley State University, with a vision to provide students with an exemplary education by engaging students in the educational process. Partnering with other Charter Schools, Northwest Academy was a pioneer in building a learning model that earned a "Seat Time Waiver" from the Michigan Department of Education allowing students to learn from home online in NWA's Online Academy.

In addition to the classroom learning,



Standing from left to right: Chris Martin, Matt Saunders, John Witherspoon, Tyler Halbert, Daniel Scott, Parker Ebert. Sitting: Jacob Swanson, Sarah Dhaseleer, Trevor VanNorman.

some of the computers donated by Bay Winds will be used the Northwest Online Academy to rotate older equipment out of student's homes that need to have updated equipment for increased speed and capabilities. The Academy has a capacity for 75 On-

line Classroom students and has a few openings still available for this fall semester, see Northwest Academy's website for more information. (www.nwa.edu)

## College Night at NCMC

North Central Michigan College invites high school juniors and seniors and their parents to College Night, Wednesday, September 26. The event will be held on the Petoskey campus in the Student and Community Resource Center from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

High school students and parents can meet with representatives from more than 50 public and private colleges and universities from throughout the Midwest about higher education options, admission requirements, programs of study, costs of college, campus activities and residence life. Armed Forces representatives will also be available. A North Central financial aid advisor will be present to answer questions about federal financial aid for college.

The program is offered to the community by North Central as a free service for college-bound students and families, and is supported by the Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers.

North Central Michigan College is an open-door community college based in Petoskey. Through its University Center partnerships, students can take courses leading to certificates, bachelor's and master's degrees from participating universities. North Central's Corporate and Community Education offers workforce training, professional development seminars, and personal interest workshops. In addition to its main campus in Petoskey, North Central offers classes, academic advising, testing and other services in Cheboygan and Gaylord.

## State of the Community

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gether. "Where it will end I don't know but what I do know is that when it came down to it we went above and beyond as a community to solve the problems (between Kirtland and the surrounding community)," he said. This forward looking togetherness he referred to as the "Boyne difference" and went on to announce that the State of Boyne City is strong, stable and sustained."



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## Boyer District Library offers free Genealogy program Sept. 22

Boyer District library will host "Getting Started: Researching Your Family's Heritage" on September 22 at 1 p.m. in the community room. Kris Rzepczynski, an archivist at the Archives of Michigan in Lansing, will present the program. "With so much available online and at the library, getting started on



Kris Rzepczynski

your family history has never been easier," said Rzepczynski. "This program will explore key resources, including census records and newspapers, online tools and databases to assist you in your research, and successful strategies for finding your elusive ancestors." Formerly the Michigan/Genealogy Coordinator at the Library of Michigan, Rzepczynski holds a Masters in Library and Information Science from Wayne State University, a Master of Arts in History from Western Michigan University,

and a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Michigan. He has presented at national, state, and local conferences, including the National Genealogical Society, Federation of Genealogical Societies, Ohio Genealogical Society, Public Library Association, Historical Society of Michigan, Michigan Library Association, and for dozens of local genealogical societies. Following Rzepczynski's presentation, members of the Charlevoix County Genealogical Society will

be available to provide one-on-one assistance with research and answer questions on locally available resources. The Genealogical Society meets regularly at the library to promote genealogical activities and to encourage members in their own research. The genealogical society's collection of reference materials is housed in the library and is available to the public for in-library research. The library has local birth and death records, cemetery records, newspapers, and historic

telephone books. In addition to online genealogical resources available through the statewide MeL databases, the library has a subscription to Ancestry Library Edition, available only in the library. The program is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 231-582-7861 or visit [www.boynelibrary.org](http://www.boynelibrary.org).

EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, SEPT. 18, 2012

## East Jordan City Councilman Resigns

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—Councilman Lee Symonds surprised members of the East Jordan City Commission and city staff by relinquishing his seat and the new City Administrator presented a list of ten goals he established for the city at the September 18 meeting.

When Mayor Peck asked the customary question about conflicts of interest Symonds announced that although it is not a conflict of interest since the last meeting he has moved out of the city limits and verbally submitted his resignation. "That's quite a surprise sir," said Peck. The council reluctantly passed a motion to accept the resignation. The city clerk will be advertising for a replacement for Symonds. Applications will be accepted and if a replacement cannot be found within 30 days the seat will be up for grabs at the next election. However, it is too late to get on the November ballot except as a write in.

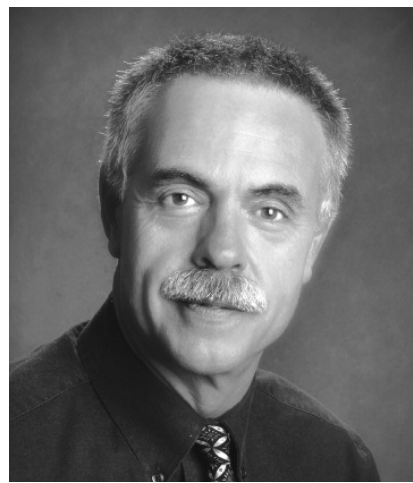
New City Administrator, Chris Yonker, presented a list of the top ten projects he planned to work on throughout this fiscal year cautioning council members that these were the items he felt deemed priority based on his review of past agendas and visiting city facilities. "None of these are cast in stone. I wanted to give you some fertilizer that would at least get your mind open and thinking about what the most important things we should concentrate on over the next year and after," he said. Yonker explained that he knew everything on the list could not be completed or maybe not even started within the remaining three-quarters of this fiscal year but he is hoping to get feedback on what council deems important and prioritize.

Yonkers top ten projects for East Jordan are:

1. Prepare an enhanced budget document that will include more financial analysis and a critical analysis of the City's capital infrastructure and equipment needs and financing options.
2. Rekindle and re-energize the "Team EJ" approach to local economic development by establishing regular networking and better communications amongst key EJ stakeholders.
3. Further review the Mainstreet program.
4. Work on the creation of a new Master Plan.
5. Continue the investigation of options for organization and long-term financing of the EMS Department.
6. Complete the modifications necessary at the City Marina to address the continued sediment deposition from the Jordan River.
7. Consider and evaluate the long-term viability of the current boat launch facility and whether it should be relocated to the Tourist Park area.
8. Evaluate the development of a more organized urban forestry effort toward tree care possibly seeking the "Tree City, USA" designation.



City Administrator, Chris Yonker, presented a list of the top ten projects he planned to work on this year.



East Jordan City Commissioner, Lee Symonds announced his resignation for the city commission at Tuesday night's meeting

nation.

9. Evaluate the City's current property maintenance standards, regulation and enforcement efforts in order to improve on the public image and perceptions of pride in the community.

10. Explore the process for preparing a City Energy Conservation Plan to address energy improvements, retrofits, equipment, financing for City facilities, vehicle fleet, building and exterior lighting, water/sewer systems and maintenance equipment methods.

The council didn't add any goals to the list at this time. "Each of these ten could be touched on this year. You're not going to complete them but you can touch on them," said Councilman Mark Penzien. Both Penzien and Councilman Paul Timmons felt that addressing the Master Plan, Team EJ and Mainstreet was a step in preparing the City for better financial days. Overall the board felt the goals demonstrated a good balance between strategic planning and long term "sleeper" goals.

The Freedom Festival dates have been moved to June 19-22.

Mayor Peck gave a public thank you to the Middle School Shoe Club that was responsible for painting the playground at Mill and Maple streets. "It looks great, really brightens that area up," said Peck.

The next scheduled City council meeting will be held on October 2 at 7 P.M. at City Hall.

## Real People Media Receives Community Foundation Grant



Maureen Radke of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation presents the grant to Real People Media treasurer, Phil Crooks and members of the RPM board. Pictured from left to right: Ann Henricksen, Rebecca Glotfelty, Molly Tate, Sean Twomey, Maureen Radke, Phil Crooks and Raechel Wright.

Real People Media, a non-profit organization helping people tell the stories of their lives and of life in their communities through video and audio productions, has received a \$1,520 grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation to purchase two laptop computers and video editing software.

The laptops are used in Real People Media's video production classes, by RPM student interns who shoot and edit video of community events, and are part of RPM's video equipment lending library.

Videos made with RPM's equipment are viewable on Charter Cable's Public Access

channel through UpNorth Media and stream on-demand via their website and Real People Media's Youtube channel: [rpmcommunityvideo.com](http://rpmcommunityvideo.com). RPM is based in Charlevoix and offers services to people of all ages in northern Lower Michigan and the eastern UP.

## Decision Postponed on East Park Fireplace

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—A standing room only crowd attended a special joint meeting of the Charlevoix City Council and the Planning Commission Wednesday September 12, to be sent home with no more direction on the fate of the 20-foot, four-sided, memorial fireplace that is proposed to be built in East Park than they had when they arrived.

Mayor Norman Carlson opened the meeting by informing the public that whatever decision was made would not please everyone, stating "our goal is to render a decision that will be liked by most," he said. He then informed the audience of the council's options concerning the fireplace outlining three paths; reverse and revoke the decision the board made in August concerning

the fireplace, continue on as is with no modifications to the plans already approved or take some time to look at options to modify the style, height, location or any combination of those.

Carlson asked John Winn, spokesman for the fireplace benefactor, if the donor was willing to accept changes to the fireplace and Winn informed him that the donor was willing to stay with the project until next spring but that if the city ultimately decided not to complete the project he would want the \$19,400 he has already invested returned.

At that time Winn informed the City Council and the public that he met with Mark Buday, one of the architects responsible for East Park, and that Buday would be willing to "take a look at all aspects of the project and come

back with some recommendations," said Winn. Because he has other work to do, Buday asked for 60 days to review the project. Winn suggested tabling the decision and gathering again when Buday had some options available to discuss.

"Obviously we could have public comment but I don't know what we would talk about," said Carlson. The public still commented for another hour before the council was able to make a motion to postpone a decision on any modification to the current fireplace.

A link to news and meetings related to the fireplace has been placed on the home page of the city website at [www.cityofcharlevoix.org](http://www.cityofcharlevoix.org) and the fireplace will be placed on the agenda as soon as modification plans are available.

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## A Tribute to Gordon Lightfoot at the Charlevoix Public Library Sept. 24

Rainy day people, fans of Great Lakes lore and hearts who have lost a love are invited to gather for an evening of “up north” folk music when the Charlevoix Public Library presents “The Gordon Lightfoot Tribute” at 6:30 p.m., Monday, September 24 as the closing concert in their SummerFolk series.

Five years ago Mackinaw City guitarist Mike Fornes began expressing “up north” culture in a salute to Canadian balladeer Gordon Lightfoot. The effort has developed into a stunning theatre show that replicates

the Lightfoot concert experience. “It’s been a lot of fun,” Fornes said, “this is music from our culture, our way of life.” Fornes promises that his audience will hear the best known tunes from Lightfoot’s catalogue, and other songs typical of a Lightfoot concert. The play-list includes such standards as If You Could Read My Mind, Sundown, Rainy Day People, and of course, The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald. “I think audiences really connect with Lightfoot’s music,” he noted, “especially the shipwreck song.” When hearing The Wreck of

the Edmund Fitzgerald many people identify it with storms they have seen on the lakes and what happened to the sailors that horrible night. That and other surprises will create a night to remember.

Fornes will accompany himself on rhythm six-string and 12-string guitars, authentic to the models used by Lightfoot on stage. For more information about this or other library events, visit them at [www.charlevoixlibrary.org](http://www.charlevoixlibrary.org) or call 231-237-7340.



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## 29th Annual Charlevoix County Walk takes place next Saturday, September 29th

By Jim Akans

The 29th Annual Charlevoix County CROP Walk will take place next Saturday, September 29th, commencing from three Charlevoix County locations at 9 am for this year’s 6-mile walk. The walk is held each year to raise awareness of and provide food and monetary donations to the Church World Service, with twenty-five percent of all funds raised being distributed to The Good Samaritan of Ellsworth, Care and Share in East Jordan, the Charlevoix Food Pantry, the Seventh Day Adventist Church and the Trinity Pentecostal Church of God in Boyne City.

The goal this year is to recruit 100 walkers to raise \$20,000 in donations in support of their participation. Organizers state that an anonymous donor has pledged to contribute \$20 for each new walker participating in this year’s event. Last year, over 90 walkers and volunteers raise more than \$20,000 for the CROP walk, and \$5,000 of those donations were distributed to local food pantries.

The Annual CROP Hunger Walk is a community-oriented event sponsored by the Church World Service, a ministry comprised of 36 Christian denominations and communions joined



to do their part in eradicating hunger and poverty. The remaining funds contributed during local CROP Walks are utilized to fight hunger and provide better sanitation in communities throughout the United States and across the globe. It’s about neighbors, families and friends walking together to take a stand against world hunger.

- Some interesting facts;
- \$150 can provide three farm families with everything they need to make succulent, nutritious and marketable honey, including training, hives and equipment.
  - \$500 can provide 4,000 pounds of food for a local food bank or provide up to 400 meals in a soup kitchen.
  - \$1,000 can provide more than a dozen displaced families with emergency food packages; each containing enough to feed a family of five for a

month.

- \$5,000 can provide a well that reaches deep into the aquifer, allowing a village access to clean, safe water. When periods of drought hit, communities with deep-water wells can continue to grow gardens, lessening the drought’s impact on local food supplies.

There are three walk departure locations for the Charlevoix County CROP Walk this year. Those in the East Jordan area will gather at Elm Pointe, Boyne City area walkers will meet at Whiting Park, and Charlevoix area walkers will assemble at the Charlevoix Middle School. Each of these 6-mile CROP Walks will end at the Congregational Church in Iron-ton.

All area churches and individuals are invited to participate in the Annual Charlevoix County CROP Walk next Saturday starting at 9 am. For further information, 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 on-line information or to make a donation, visit [www.cropwalkonline/charlevoixmi](http://www.cropwalkonline/charlevoixmi)

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## Enjoy a "Bushel of Family Fun" at Friske's Harvest Festival this Saturday

By Jim Akans

Fall is in the air! It's time to celebrate the bounty of the autumn season at the 2012 Harvest Festival taking place at Friske's Farm Market in Ellsworth this coming Saturday, September 22nd. Bring the family and a big appetite for food and fun, as there are many exciting events and food tastings planned throughout the day from 8 am until 4 pm.

Among the many highlights of the Harvest Festival will be tractor-drawn wagon tours through Friske Orchards during the apple harvest. Wagon rides leave every half hour, giving live informative presentations about our orchards while attendees soak in the sweet, intoxicating aromas and colors of fresh apples.

The event schedule for the day (rain or shine) will include:

- Scrumptious Pumpkin Pancake Breakfast
- Wagon Ride Orchard Harvest Tours (tractor-drawn)
- Pick-Your-Own Apples - Voted #1 U-Pick Farm by Traverse (Northern Michigan's Magazine)
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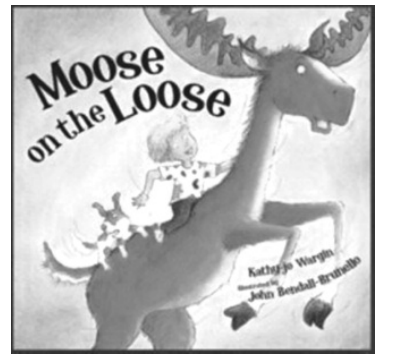
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- Favorite "Cherry Blossom Ramblers"
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## A "Moose on the Loose" at the Boyne District Library and Jordan Valley Library

There is a "Moose on the Loose" at Boyne District Library and Jordan Valley Library! Each library is participating in Michigan Reads!, a state-wide early literacy program. Each year the Library of Michigan selects a book for Michigan Reads!, and for 2012, it is



"Moose on the Loose" by Michigan author Kathy-jo Wargin, illustrated by John Bendall-Brunello.

"Children are invited to come to the children's room and look for the moose hiding among the books," said Monica Kroondyk, children's librarian at Boyne District Library. "When you find one, you'll get a "Moose on the Loose" sticker, and you can hide the moose for the next child."

The "Michigan Reads!" program is modeled after the "One Book, One Community" concept and is designed to emphasize the importance of shared reading practices with babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and young school-age children. These practices set the stage for fluent reading achievement in children as they enter school.

"Moose on the Loose" is full of movement and activity as a little boy meets up with a moose. Using cause-and-effect prose, the reader travels with the moose through the catchy, rhyming text, anticipating the moose's next moves as the boy tries to keep up with this outdoor animal on the run. The story, the language, the rhythm of the questions, and the wonderful illustrations all work together to make "Moose on the Loose" a read-aloud that both children and older readers will want to experience again and again.

Author Kathy-jo Wargin said "I am thrilled and honored to be part of the Michigan Reads program, which recognizes the importance of reading and sharing books with children. Children who experience an early, positive introduction to the joy of reading are receiving the building blocks of success in school and life."

Early literacy is also the key element in the Boyne District Library's weekly Story Time, which started up again for the fall on Sept. 18. Preschool age children and their siblings are invited to Story Time on Tuesday mornings from 10-10:45 for stories and simple crafts.

At the Jordan Valley District Library, the book will be read on October 2nd during the library's story time, which is held on Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. for children 0 - 4 years old in the library's community room. No registration is required. It will also be read on October 3rd during Parent Education and Community Play Group, which is now being held on Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. for 0 - 5 year olds in the library's community room. This is a free service in partnership with the Women's Resource Center and the Library offering activities such as crafts, games and music for children. Parents and caregivers will have an opportunity to network with other parents and learn of other resources that are available.

A program of the Library of Michigan in partnership with the Library of Michigan Foundation, the "Michigan Reads!" program recognizes the importance early literacy and value of libraries in providing quality books, programs and services to children and families in Michigan. These books and services provide a foundation for literacy, enabling future school success.

For more information about the Boyne District Library program, contact Monica at 231-582-7861 or visit [www.boynelibrary.org](http://www.boynelibrary.org). The Jordan Valley District Library Director, Dawn Pringle, can be contacted at (231) 536-7131 extension 222.

More information about "Michigan Reads!" including dates and locations of author visits and materials for parents, teachers and caregivers is available at [www.michigan.gov/michiganreads](http://www.michigan.gov/michiganreads).

## "Saving the South Fox Island Light Station" subject of Charlevoix County Historical Society presentation

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society will be presenting its September 2012 History Speaker Series Event: "FILA MISSION: SAVING THE SOUTH FOX ISLAND LIGHT STATION" with guest speaker Catherine F. Allchin on Monday, September 24, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Charlevoix Depot Museum at 307 Chicago Ave., Charlevoix.

Please join us to learn how with no funds, no boat, and not exactly knowing how or what to do, the Fox Island Lighthouse Association (FILA) has grown from a small group to an increasing number of like-minded persons unified in preserving this historic part of Great Lakes maritime history. They began with singular desire: to save the light station. That vision has grown and there is a plan for the future. Ms. Allchin will discuss the organization's initial goal to rekindle the efforts of former groups for rescuing the South Fox Island light station, the challenges they face, the work that has been accomplished, and the future plans for this 115 acres of maritime history.

In the summer of 2006, the 1867 lighthouse was surrounded with heavy overgrowth, the lantern room exposed to the elements, roofs leaked and it was endangered by dead trees and moss. Thanks to FILA, formed in 2004, in just a few short years much progress has been made. By early summer 2012, overgrowth and dead trees were removed, walkways dug out, the lantern room protected, metal structures painted



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after rust removal, the damaged roof on the 1867 lighthouse has been capped and protected in addition to rebuilding the 1895 boathouse and repairs to the 1897 work shop. They have completed a Historic Structures Report for the station and are working on becoming listed on the National Registry of Historic Places.

Guest Speaker Catherine F. Allchin of Suttons Bay, MI is Vice President of FILA and has been active with South Fox Light Station since 2002. Her educational background includes degrees in marketing and graphic design. She is a yacht broker, member of Maritime Heritage Alliance, past board member of Traverse Area Community Sailing and recipient of both the Robert Allor award in 2002 and Working Mother of the Year in 2000. Her current position is Ambassador of Fun at the Great Wolf

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