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The Retail Committee of the Charlevoix Chamber hopes to spruce up the town this holiday season by hanging fresh cut garland and wreaths on the light posts along Bridge Street in the central shopping district. The live greens would replace the outdated, plastic wreaths that have hung from the lights over the past several seasons.

Please help make this possible by becoming a sponsor. For just \$50, your family, business or organization can sponsor an individual lamp-post.

The goal is to decorate 40 lights with beautiful, fresh garland and wreaths to help make Charlevoix extra festive and beautiful this holiday season. But we can't do it alone. Sponsorship dollars will help offset the cost of this initiative.

Contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce to become a sponsor today! For more information call 231.547.2101 or email ferguson@charlevoix.org.

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East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Director, Mary Faculak, East Jordan city Administrator, Chris Yonker, Andy Hayes of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, State Representative Greg MacMaster, Charlevoix County Commission Chairman Joel Evans, and East Jordan High School Principal Tammy Jackson were guest speakers at the East Jordan State of the Community Luncheon.

East Jordan State of the Community Stable

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—Leaders from every dimension of the East Jordan community gathered Tuesday, November 13 to hear what each had to say about the issues the city faces in the future and the hurdles it has overcome in the recent past. New East Jordan City Administrator Chris Yonker proclaimed the state of the community is "Stable with growing enthusiasm and optimism!"

Yonker spoke to the crowd of eighty-four including sixteen senior Red Devils, about his six areas of concentration for East Jordan. He talked first about new leadership in the City that has led to a new opportunity for building new relationships with the schools.

He talked about our continued need for collaborative thinking and how city staff have been working on a master plan for the city that not only encompasses the city but the entire community. "We're all part of the East Jordan community," he said.

His third area of concentration is the fiscal responsibility that he

and the city staff have embraced in spite of the difficulties caused by dropping property tax values and fewer state sharing revenues. "The good news is we did balance the budget," he said.

His fourth point was the city's need to make investments in the long term infrastructure of the city. "We need to get a little better handle as to what our infrastructure is," he said. "We have to take care of what we have and make that a priority."

Yonker stated transparency as his fifth area of concentration for the city and plans to make that a reality through the use of an easily maneuvered website.

Finally, clearly his favorite topic, Yonker talked about 'Place-making and Sustainability' which are efforts to make East Jordan a great place by using the concept of the 'Power of Ten' and by creating an easy to get to, safe, clean, attractive place that is full of fun activities. He summed up his speech with a quote from Abraham Lincoln, "The best way to predict your future is to create it."

High School Principal Tammy Jackson began her address by



Charlevoix County Commission Chairman, Joel Evans challenged East Jordan High School seniors to "Get Involved" and "Think on Good Things" at the State of the Community Luncheon, Tuesday.

praising the efforts and accomplishments of new School Superintendent Jon Hoover and asking that his vision be embraced. "So

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Ellsworth Future Farmers Address Village Board

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH—Newly elected village council member Karla Kamerer joined the board for the first time at the November 12 meeting and Ellsworth High School Future Farmers of America gave an update on the status of the community garden.

Justin Potter, Troy Vandenberg, Sierra Merrifield and Pable Oviedo addressed the board on the Ellsworth chapter of the Future Farmers of America's first harvest from the plot of land donated to them by the village and a generous resident. "We found out the good and bad of it," said Oviedo, Ellsworth FFA President. The students explained that water and weeds were an issue this last growing season but that they had diagnosed the weeds and were expecting a better garden next spring.

"We had some problems with soil conditions and weeds but we think we've solved that problem," said Powers. The students asked the board many questions including permission to place a chicken coop on the parcel. The coop would be built on a trailer so it would be mobile and constructed in the high school parking lot. Questions like whether there was a village ordinance preventing the placement of a chicken coop or mandating its size showed that the students were taking into consideration issues they had not been considering when the project first began. Issues like no power source at the site are now being addressed with the students working on a solar power solution. Village President, Hugh Campbell, did inform the students who plan to house 40 layers at the site, that there is a village ordinance against roosters. "Roosters crow," he said in explanation.

The Ellsworth/East Jordan Road is being more closely watched by the Sheriff's patrol. After many complaints about speeding vehicles the Sheriff's department placed the speed sign on the stretch of Lake Street east of town as a reminder during the late summer. When the sign was removed they had an officer sit and give warnings but complaints of ridiculously fast moving vehicles are still coming in. "You hate to give tickets but I don't know how else to get people's attention," said Sheriff Dan

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HIGH: Upper 40's
LOW: Mid 30's

FRIDAY



HIGH: Mid 40's
LOW: Mid 30's

SATURDAY



HIGH: Upper 40's
LOW: Mid 30's

SUNDAY



HIGH: Upper 40's
LOW: Mid 30's

MONDAY



HIGH: Upper 40's
LOW: Mid 30's

TUESDAY



HIGH: Low 40's
LOW: Mid 30's

record temps

Day.....	Avg. High.....	Avg. Low.....	Record High.....	Record Low.....
15.....	46°F.....	30°F.....	65°F (1990).....	2°F (1996)
16.....	46°F.....	30°F.....	64°F (1990).....	10°F (2002)
17.....	45°F.....	30°F.....	69°F (1953).....	9°F (1959)
18.....	45°F.....	29°F.....	68°F (1958).....	9°F (1989)
19.....	44°F.....	29°F.....	70°F (1953).....	9°F (1951)
20.....	44°F.....	29°F.....	65°F (1953).....	14°F (1951)
21.....	43°F.....	29°F.....	63°F (1953).....	14°F (1964)

State of the Community

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often the vision of our future had been road blocked by the philosophy that it just can't happen," she explained. "The plan isn't to get smaller, our plan is to get better." Jackson then outlined several programs being initiated and improved upon at the schools. Including the one on one initiative, where every student has daily access to technology, the changes in the food service department and the concept of becoming an international bachelorette school are a few of the initiatives in the preliminary implementation process.

Charlevoix County Commission Chairman, Joel Evans concentrated the bulk of his speech toward the students present challenging them to "Get Involved" and "Think on Good Things." He emboldened them to "step up" in an area that interests them, "You may not like politics, it depends on your area of interest but get involved," he said. He then read Proverbs 23:7 "As a man thinketh

so is he," "You must be careful to not let others shatter your dreams, think on good things," he said. Evans gave an overview of the county and encouraged people to take the time to become familiar with it sharing that many people don't seem to know that Beaver Island is part of the county and that the county has fifteen townships.

Andy Hayes of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, spoke to the crowd about what the organization does and how they have and will continue to assist East Jordan. "To grow an economy it takes a business and the support of the community, you have to do both," he said. "I guess I'm here to tell you, have a positive outlook."

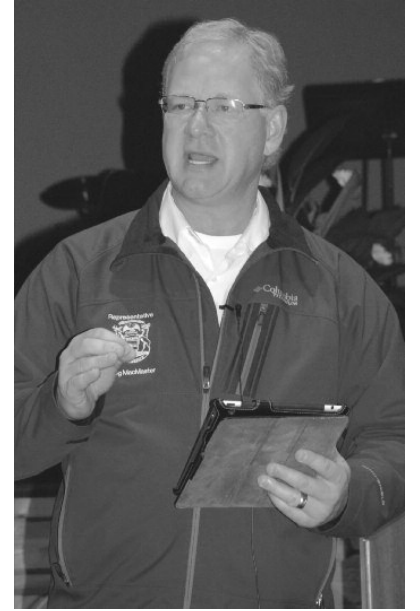
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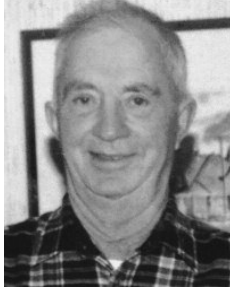
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the areas of Obama Care, employment, education and the future. "In spite of what's happening on the federal level we (state level)

will continue to excel in job growth, lower taxes, and environmental responsibility with a customer service mentality."

Burr C. Blanchard, 98

(OCT. 5, 1914 - NOV. 8, 2012)
Burr C. Blanchard of Charlevoix, passed away Thursday, November 8, 2012, at his son's home surrounded by family. He was born October 5, 1914, in Charlevoix, the son of Clinton and Lois(Decker) Blanchard. Burr attended the Phelps School.



Burr served in the US Navy from January 22, 1941 to February 18, 1947, as Chief Machinist Mate in the Pacific Theater aboard the USS Chandler among other ships.

On May 7, 1949, he married Florence Sokoloski in Shamokin, Penn., and then returned to Charlevoix where Burr worked on his father's farm and raised his family. He later purchased "THE FARM" and ran it until around 1990. Burr was an outdoorsman who also had a great joy in photography.

He was a member of the VFW Post 1153, Charlevoix, MMPA (Michigan Milk Producer Association), and The Charlevoix School Board.

Burr is survived by his sons, Ross (Lauri) Blanchard of Seal Beach, Ca., Scott (Debra) Blanchard of Charlevoix, Mark Blanchard of Walloon Lake, and Owen Blanchard of Charlevoix; eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, sisters, Marie

Alm of Petoskey, Ruth Blanchard of East Jordan; sisters-in-law Joan Blanchard of Charlevoix, Kate Miller of East Jordan; former daughters-in-law, Margaret Blanchard-Cuss of Lebec, Ca., Karen Blanchard of East Jordan; also to many others who knew him as "Grandpa Burr". He was preceded in death by his sisters Bernice Warner and Merle Payberg; brothers Rex, Mick, and step brother Harold Miller.

No Services are planned. Interment will be in Barnard Cemetery in Marion Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Northwest Michigan Hospice, 220 W. Garfield, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

Clifford McGeorge, 89

(NOV. 6, 1923 - NOV. 10, 2012)

Clifford McGeorge of Boyne City, died at his home on Nov. 10, 2012, surrounded by his family.

Clifford was born on Nov. 6, 1923, in Boyne City, the son of Chester and Myrtle (Barber) McGeorge. Clifford grew up in Boyne City and graduated from Boyne City High School.

He worked for Consumers Power for 37 years. Clifford enjoyed gardening, being in the woods and helping out at the Korhase Brothers' Sugar Bush. He enjoyed living and fishing on Lake Charlevoix.

Clifford is survived by his wife of 68 years, Helen (Friend) McGeorge. He is also survived by his son, Thomas (Sandy) McGeorge and daughter, Linda McGeorge;

three grandsons, Michael (Nancy), Paul (Jodi) and Josh (Becky) McGeorge; four great-grandchildren, Parker, Alex, Troy and Tori; brothers, Claude (Marilyn) McGeorge and Norman McGeorge; sisters, Ruth (Eugene) Hayden and Lois (John) Lewis; sisters-in-law, Carol McGeorge and Eloise McGeorge; and many nieces and nephews.

Clifford is preceded in death by his sister, Ramona McGeorge, and brothers, John McGeorge and Robert McGeorge; brothers and sisters-in-law, Sally McGeorge, Carol Dawn McGeorge, Anna and Jack Bowman, and Dorothy and Ed Flezser.

Visitation will take place an hour before the memorial service at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Boyne City Free Methodist Church with the Rev. Doug McGeorge officiating.

Memorial donations may be directed to Heavenly Helpers Home Health Care, 05191 M-66 North, Charlevoix, Mich.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Gary J. Nelson, 77

(JAN. 20, 1935 - NOV. 8, 2012)

Gary J. Nelson of East Jordan and New Port Richey, Fla., passed away Nov. 8, 2012.

He was born Jan. 20, 1935 in Boyne City.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Joanne Nelson; children, Gary "Buddy" Nelson of Traverse City, Kay Oleanez of

Mancelona, Debra Brewer of Charlevoix, Lori Decker of East Jordan, Ronda (David) Gallagher of Sarasota, Fla., Jonathan (Shannon) Nelson of East Jordan, Rebecca Nelson of New Port Richey, Fla.; 18 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; brother, Lenny Nelson, of Boyne City; and sister, Cathy Moore, of Boyne City.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Hospice of New Port Richey, Fla.

Mary Wilma Watrous Yettaw, 91

(JAN. 27, 1921 - NOV. 8, 2012)

Mary Wilma Watrous Yettaw passed away Nov. 8, 2012, at the age of 91.

Wilma was born Jan. 27, 1921, in Alden, the daughter of Lois and Floyd Slocum.

She resided in Antrim County for most of her life. Wilma was born into a family that helped settle Antrim County in the 1800s.

At the age of 13, Wilma met her future husband at a grange hall dance. She married Harry Watrous at the age of 16 and raised four children in the next 40 years. Her home was always full of her children and their friends. There was always room at the table for one more.

After Harry's death in 1976, Wilma married Thale Yettaw of Ellsworth whom she also met at a

dance. They were married for 26 years, until his death in 2003. They owned the family resort, Yettaws Cottages in Ellsworth.

Wilma was most proud of her role as homemaker, wife and mother.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary Smith and Sandra Blake, and a daughter-in-law, Sally Watrous, all of Bellaire; sister, Arlene Rosenburg, of Kalkaska; her friend and companion, Larry Wynsma, of East Jordan; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Wilma was preceded in death by her two sons, Daryl and Donald Watrous; grandson, Cory Smith; brother, Wayne Slocum; and son-in-law, Bill Blake.

Her last four years were spent at Eastport Village Care Home. Her family would like to thank their entire dedicated staff for the excellent care she had received.

A celebration of Wilma's life will take place at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Bellaire Senior Center.

Memorial donations in her memory can be made to any Antrim County Food Pantry. We trust she is now dancing in Heaven!

Arrangements have been handled by the Bellaire Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign her online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

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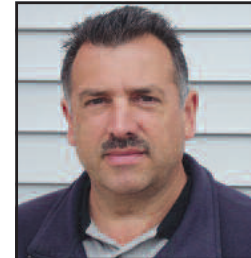
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Be "Earlier Than The Bird" for great holiday shopping deals in Boyne City this Saturday

By Jim Akans

Beat the day after Thanksgiving shopping madness by joining the "Earlier Than The Bird" shopping spree this coming Saturday, November 17th. Nearly 30 Boyne City area businesses will be participating in this annual event from 7 to 11 a.m. and it's an excellent way to kick off the holiday shopping season with fantastic shopping deals. Several shops will also be offering morning snacks and beverages, making this a delicious and fun way to get started on that holiday shopping.

It's not even necessary to change out of those pajamas for the event, because it's okay, and even encouraged, for shoppers to enjoy making holiday purchases while donning their nighttime wear. In fact, shoppers wearing pajamas will receive a souvenir "Earlier Than The Bird" coffee mug just by stopping by the Boyne City Chamber. Be advised that sweats and workout clothes do not qualify as pajamas for receiving a gift.

As of press time, this year's participating merchants include:

THE BIRDS NEST - 112 Water St. 20% off Peach Hobo Bags, Boyne Girl Shirt, ladies Snap on Bling Bracelet, Bling iPod/iPhone lanyards.

BOYNE AREA CHAMBER, 28 S. Lake St. - Join the Chamber from 7 to 11 a.m. and receive a free \$30 ticket to our Annual Meeting. "Boyne Bucks" city-wide gift certificates now available for the holidays, good at 44 local businesses.

BOYNE ARTS COLLECTIVE - 210 S. Lake St. Open at 7 a.m. serving homemade coffee cake. The works of more than 27 artists are on display in the gallery and we have just hung a new "Winter in Boyne" show in our south gallery. Open every weekend until Christmas.

BOYNE'S BEYOND BORDERS, 120 Water St. Free wrap snake bracelet from 7 to 10 a.m. with purchase of \$10 or more - \$28 value, while supplies last. Refreshments while they last.

BOYNE CITY ACE HARDWARE - 200 Water St. Free Salted Nut Roll from 7-8 a.m.

BOYNE CITY GAZETTE, 5 W. Main St. Water Street Center - Decorative gift subscription postcards available for \$50.

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BOYNE INK, 5 W. Main St. Water Street Center - Cool item giveaway, 20% discount



Pajama clad shoppers enjoying the 2011 Earlier Than The Bird event. The 2012 "Earlier Than The Bird" shopping spree will take place this coming Saturday, November 17th, from 7 to 11 a.m. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE BOYNE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

on banners.

BOYNE TRADING CO. - 109 Water St. 25-30% off many regular-priced items, 15% off "Life is Good," Clearance Rack at 40% off. Spend \$50 to enter a drawing for one of two \$25 gift certificates towards a future purchase. Hot cider and donuts for all.

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CAFE SANTE - One Water Street. Wear pajamas (not sweats or work out clothes) 8 to 11 a.m. and get 30% off your breakfast/lunch bill. Everyone: \$100 = \$120. For every \$100 worth of Magnum Hospitality gift certificates, receive an additional \$20 bonus certificate. (not to be redeemed the day of the purchase)

CINDIFRANCO'S COOL STUFF - 309 S. Lake St. Free oatmeal with fixings bar plus:

7-8 a.m. - 50% off linens.

8-9 a.m. - 50% off men's gift items.

9-10 a.m. - 40% off puzzles.

10-11 a.m. - 40% off silver serveware.

COUNTRY NOW & THEN / UP THE LAZY RIVER, 211 E. Water St. The Early Bird gets the specials: If you're wearing your pajamas... 7 to 8 a.m. 30% off most items; enter for a chance to win a \$30 gift

certificate; 8 to 9 a.m. 25% off most items; enter for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate; 9 to 10 a.m. 20% off most items; enter for a chance to win a \$20 gift certificate; 10 to 11 a.m. 15% off most items; enter for a chance to win a \$15 gift certificate. We will be serving beverages and breakfast treats. While shopping take the time to fill out your Christmas Wish List.

INSPIRED LIVING - 119 Water St. 7 to 8 a.m. 30% off everything in the store, 8 to 9 a.m. 25% off, 9 to 10 a.m. 20% off, 10 to 12 noon 15% off. First 25 customers who show up with their HIP bag get 50% off any single item in the store.

JOHAN'S BREADBOX BAKERY, 110 S. Lake St. Cup of coffee and a pastry for \$2.

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MARY'S OF BOYNE - 108 S. Lake St. All regular-priced apparel 25% off from 7-11

a.m. Spend \$50 or more to enter our drawing for wonderful door prizes. After 11 a.m. all regular-priced fashions will be 20% off for the remainder of Saturday and Sunday. As always, great accessories - jewelry, scarves, gloves, ponchos and purses. Layaway and free gift wrapping always available.

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This is the 4th annual Earlier Than The Bird holiday shopping event in Boyne City, and it is being sponsored by the Boyne Main Street Program / DDA and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce.

Organizers of the event relate: "Jump out of bed early, grab your family and friends, and come to Boyne City to see all that it has to offer this holiday season."


For additional details, please contact the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at (231) 582-6222.



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Arts & Events

Community Thanksgiving Dinner



Everyone is Welcome at the sixth annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner in Charlevoix

Charlevoix - The Charlevoix Ministerial Association and volunteers from the community of Charlevoix is hosting its sixth annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner. The dinner is coordinated by community volunteers on Thanksgiving day. This is for families and Individ-

uals who may not have a place to share Thanksgiving or simply desire to share the spirit of thankfulness and thanksgiving with others in the community.

This year the meal is being served at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church located at 104 State Street. Serv-

ing time is from 12-3, Thanksgiving Day November 22.

All are welcome and the meal is provided at no charge. Rides are available to and from the dinner.

For more information or to volunteer please call Joy at 231-547-4813

Holiday Parade Entry Forms Being Accepted

Show your holiday spirit and community cheer by entering Charlevoix's 2nd Annual Holiday Parade. The parade will be held on Friday, November 23rd at 5:30pm on Bridge Street in downtown.

The parade is a welcome addition to Charlevoix's Annual Community Tree Lighting Celebration which runs the same day from 3:00 to 6:00pm. Tree Lighting activities include ornament making and free photos with Santa at the North Pole (located at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts), cookies, cocoa, and yuletide cheer.

The theme of this year's parade is "A Christmas Wonderland". The deadline to enter is November 19th. Registration forms are available at the Chamber office or at www.charlevoix.org.

All are invited to join the parade! Children are welcome to bring their favorite furry friend and march in the teddy bear parade portion of the procession. Does your dog play well with others and have a holiday themed costume? If so, you may enter your companion in the canine costume parade. To participate, please bring a canned-good to benefit the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

Let's make the Community Parade a cherished tradition that will continue for years to come. Contact the Chamber today at 231.547.2101 or ferguson@charlevoix.org for further details.

Get those Holly Daze reservations in soon!

The deadline is fast approaching for getting your reservations in for the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation's Holly Daze Dinner, Silent and Live Auction fundraiser. This year's theme is Renaissance celebrating a Christmas Wassail, Saturday, December 1st at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. A cocktail, hors d'oeuvres social time and silent auction will begin at 5:30 PM with a themed dinner and live auction to follow at 7:30 PM. The live auction will feature many "memory" - one-of-a-kind items that auctioneer Scott MacKenzie will sell to the highest bidders.

Holly Daze is one of the area's major kick-off events for the holiday season. To make your reservation; contact the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation office at 231-547-8501. Funds raised from this year's event will be used to support the purchase of special surgical equipment for the minimally invasive spinal surgery now being offered at Charlevoix Area Hospital.



Tina Foltz and Faye Parrish employees of Charlevoix Area Hospital get ready for Holly Daze. COURTESY PHOTO

Volunteers needed for the 2013 East Jordan Freedom Festival



Volunteers are needed to help with the 2013 East Jordan Freedom Festival, scheduled to take place next June. To volunteer, please contact the EJ Freedom Festival president, Shannon Fender. COURTESY PHOTO

Planning is well underway for the 2013 East Jordan Freedom Festival, which is scheduled for June 19 - 24, and volunteers are needed in many areas. The festival has now expanded into five days with a number of new events being added.

A returning feature will be the Information Kiosk where festival buttons, schedules, tickets etc. will be available. The kiosk will be located downtown and volunteers are needed to staff the shifts from Friday Noon through Saturday Evening

at 8:00 PM. Margaret Thomson and Mary Ann Roberts are spearheading the return and scheduling of the Information Kiosk. The custom made kiosk was graciously donated by Andre Poineau of East Jordan several years ago and will be returning to the festival after a hiatus. To volunteer your time please contact Mary Ann Roberts at 536-0703. To get involved with the East Jordan Freedom Festival on any other activities please contact President Shannon Fender at (231) 536-7351.

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BOYNE CITY

Business after hours

Lake Street Market and Cindifranco's Cool Stuff are co-hosting the Chamber's next Business After Hours networking event from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15. The two stores are located across the street from each other at 306 and 309 S. Lake St. in the SOBO District of Boyne City. Admission, refreshments and hors d'oeuvres are complimentary. The public is welcome to attend.

BOYNE CITY

Buck Pole Contest

Boyne Co-op True Value will be holding its second annual Buck Pole Contest Nov. 15 and 16. Register by 5:30 p.m. Nov. 14, at the Co-op, 113 S. Park St., Boyne City. The registration fee is \$20, and there will be more than \$3,000 in prizes for the top scores for men, women, youth and overall score. Three should mounts valued at \$500 are being donated by Lasting Memories, Northwoods Taxidermy and Ultimate Wildlife Taxidermy. Judging will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Nov. 15 and 16. The Co-op is donating 25% of the proceeds to local charities. Free hot dogs and beverages will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. on Nov. 15 and 16. Call (231) 582-9971 for more information or to become a sponsor by donating prizes, advertising, food, beverages or monetary donations. They are also looking for volunteers to assist on Nov. 15 and 16.

NORWOOD

Hunter's lunch

Norwood Area Historical Society and the Norwood Methodist Church invite you to the annual Hunters Lunch at the Old Schoolhouse in the village of Norwood. Thursday, November 15 from 11:00-2:00. Homemade chili, soup, bread and pies, and beverages will be served. Fee is \$8.

BOYNE CITY

Boyer Meets Broadway

The Boyne City High School Drama Department will present its annual dinner theater variety show, Boyer Meets Broadway, on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 16 and 17 at the Boyne City High School Performing Arts Center. Enjoy appetizers, dinner and dessert catered by the school's hospitality program while students from the jazz band set the mood in the commons with their smooth sounds. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. sharp. After dinner, sit back, relax and enjoy as the Drama Department presents this year's rendition of its well-known fall variety show filled with song and dance inspired by Broadway, the big screen and more. Tickets are \$25 per person and may be purchased from any cast member or at Local Flavor, 125 Water St.

EAST JORDAN

Baked Potato Bar

Friday, November 16th at the St. Joseph's Social Hall. Potatoes with lot's of add on's plus Kraut/pork, soup, dessert and beverage. Take-out is available Call 536-3105 (by Donation)

BOYNE CITY

Rummage sale

Indoor rummage sale at Boyne City Senior Center, 411 Division, Saturday, Nov. 17,

10am - 2pm. No clothing but lots of tools, household, furniture, crafts and more.

BOYNE CITY

Business of the Year

Classic Instruments of Boyne is proud to announce that the company received the 2012 Business of the Year Award at the Hot Rod Industry Alliance Banquet during the Special Equipment Market Association Show in Las Vegas (photo above). The HRIA recognized Classic Instruments as providing exceptional service, integrity, and business ethics throughout the past year. Classic owner John McLeod commented, "We are pleased to be recognized for our efforts and involvement with the automotive community. Classic Instruments is very humbled by this award and it is greatly appreciated. We look forward to continuing to serve the industry for many years to come." In addition to the HRIA Business of the year award, Classic Instruments received Global Media Awards from Switzerland, the U.K. and Russia.

BOYNE CITY

Earlier Than the Bird - shop in your pajamas on Nov. 17

The third annual Boyne City "Earlier than the Bird" holiday shopping event is being planned for Saturday, Nov. 17, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. The event is created for those who want to kick off the season with friends and family, coffee and pastries, and holiday shopping specials - all while in the comfort of their pajamas. By holding the event the Saturday before Thanksgiving, Boyne City merchants are inviting customers to come and get an "early bird" preview of all the great holiday shopping available. Merchants will be offering special deals along with refreshments. In addition, those shoppers wearing their pajamas will receive a special gift of a Boyne City coffee mug. (Sorry, sweats and workout clothes are not eligible as pajamas). The event is sponsored by the Main Street Program and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information contact the chamber at 582-6222.

BOYNE CITY

Water Street Cafe

Val & Larry will be closing for a couple of weeks for renovations and software updates from through Nov. 23, reopening Saturday, Nov. 24. Special orders for their popular Thanksgiving desserts and pies are welcome during this time; orders should be placed by Nov. 18. Call 231-582-9929.

BOYNE CITY

Indoor farmers market

The Boyne City Farmers Market moves indoors for the winter and spring on Saturday at the Red Barn next to the Boyne District Library on Park Street. The indoor market will continue every Saturday through April from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be Holiday Basket Drawings for Thanksgiving and Christmas - don't miss out on the opportunity to have turkey and all the fixings. The market has announced that it will also be open Wednesday, Nov. 21, for a special pre-Thanksgiving shopping day. "Market Money" is available for holiday gift-giving. You can purchase Holiday

Gift Certificates and share the gift of local healthy food. Boyne Bucks from the Chamber are also now honored at the market. Bridge Cards are also welcome all year at the Market.

EAST JORDAN

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Thursday, November 22. 1pm Social Hour and Dinner served at 2pm. Don't be alone on Thanksgiving. Come and break bread with others. Table games for children and adults will be available.

BOYNE CITY

Community Thanksgiving dinner

The Boyne City Eagles will host their annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner on from noon to 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Eagles Hall, 106 N. Lake St. The dinner is open to the public, and there is no charge. Dinner includes turkey, stuffing, potatoes and gravy, vegetable and desserts. Anyone who needs a ride or would like to volunteer or donate food is asked to call the Eagles at 231-582-6904.

CHARLEVOIX

Turkey Trot

Charlevoix Area Hospital is encouraging the community to exercise with family and friends before sitting down to that big meal while helping out local food pantries. Come to the annual CAH Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk on Thursday, November 22. Registration begins at 7:30 am at Charlevoix Area Hospital, 14700 Lake Shore Drive with the race starting promptly at 8:30 am. There will be a \$10 individual and a \$25 early registration fee per family. Price will be \$5 more the day of event. Please bring a non-perishable food item to be distributed to the local food pantry. All participants will receive a commemorative Turkey Trot shirt. Please visit Charlevoix Area Hospital's web-site to register on-line www.cah.org

BOYNE CITY

Turkey Trot

The Kiwanis Club of Boyne City is organizing Boyne City's second annual Turkey Trot 5K race and 1-mile fun run/walk to be held at 9 a.m. Thanksgiving morning, Nov. 22. The race will begin and end at Veterans Park. Entry fee, including a T-shirt is \$15 by Nov. 11 or \$20 after. Family entry fee is \$30 in advance or \$35 after, including two T-shirts. A T-shirt is guaranteed if entry form is received by Nov. 11. There will be special awards for best dressed turkey, youngest turkey, oldest turkey and farthest-traveled turkey. For further information contact Ruth Skop at 582-3416. Entrants are asked to bring a canned good or non-perishable food item that will be donated to the Boyne area food pantries.

BOYNE CITY

Holiday open house and parade

Downtown Boyne City will transform itself into a holiday winter wonderland when it hosts the annual Holiday Open House and Santa Parade on Nov. 23, the Friday after Thanksgiving, from 5 to 9 p.m. The streets of downtown Boyne City will be filled with the sounds, sights and smells

of the Christmas season for the parade and open house. Downtown businesses will be offering great shopping, refreshments and hospitality during the festivities. The evening will begin at 5 p.m. with business open houses and the Community Christmas Tree Lighting by the Boyne Area Girl Scouts at the west end of One Water Street, near Sunset Park. Following the tree lighting the Girl Scouts will lead holiday revelers in singing Christmas carols. The parade will begin at 6 p.m. and all community churches, organizations, schools and businesses are encouraged to participate. The evening's special guest will be the Jolly Old Man from the North. Santa will arrive on his sleigh, joined by his elves and live reindeer. Those participating in the parade will line-up on East Main Street between Park and Lake Streets starting at 5:30 p.m. The parade route will follow Lake Street to Water Street and through the heart of downtown. After the parade Santa will meet with children at the gazebo in Old City Park. Hayrides through downtown will also be available during the evening at the intersection of Water and Park streets in front of Parkside Grill and Treats. For more information, contact the Boyne City Main Street office at 582-900 or the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222.

CHARLEVOIX

Gifts with a Purpose: An Alternative Giving Event

December 1, 10am - 2pm at the Charlevoix Public Library. This fair affords members of our community the opportunity to, instead of buying a traditional gift for a recipient, make a donation to a charitable organization in the recipient's name, and the organization provides an "alternative or virtual" gift, usually in the form of a certificate or card, which is presented to the recipient. By making a donation in your recipient's name, you double your giving! This is a unique alternative to buying gifts for people who "have it all". You can change the lives of people you will never meet.

CHARLEVOIX

Join the Holiday Parade

Show your holiday spirit and community cheer by entering Charlevoix's 2nd Annual Holiday Parade. The parade will be held on Friday, November 23rd at 5:30pm on Bridge Street in downtown. The parade is a welcome addition to Charlevoix's annual Community Tree Lighting festivities which run the same day from 3:00 to 6:00pm. Tree Lighting activities include ornament making and free photos with Santa at the North Pole (located at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts), cookies, cocoa, and more yuletide cheer than you can shake a stick at.

EAST JORDAN

Empty Bowls

2nd Annual "Empty Bowls" fills empty stomachs. Sunday, November 25th from Noon to 3pm at the St. Joseph's Hall, 207 Nicholls St. 100% of all proceeds go to East Jordan Care & Share and Good Samaritans Pantries. There will also be a silent auction. Receive lunch & a bowl (created by EJ students) Cost is by donation and lunch includes Soup, bread and dessert. All food, drinks, bowls and auction items donated by area community members, businesses and groups. For more information contact Jean Pardee 231-544-6988.

ELLSWORTH

Business after hours

Holiday Business After Hours - Thursday, November 29 at A Matter of Taste at Tapawingo 5-7 PM Sponsored by E.J. Charlevoix State Bank and A Matter of Taste. Entry by donation. Donations will be given to East Jordan Care and Share Food Pantry.

ELLSWORTH

Roots & Wings

Herbs Holiday Greens Workshops Friday, November 30 at 10am in Ellsworth, Saturday, December 1 at 1pm at Pine Hill Nursery in Kewadin.

Creating a wreath, swag, kissing ball or arrangement with natural materials is an enjoyable way to kick off the holiday season. Even if you've never attempted this before, you'll be amazed at what you create; it's easier than you think! Bring your own grapevine wreath form if making a wreath. \$25 fee includes greens and embellishments beyond the ordinary and instruction. Presented by Alana Haley of Roots and Wings Herbs. Call Alana to register at 231-360-0676; limited space available.

CHARLEVOIX

Volunteers needed for tax program

NMCAA offers free tax preparation at its office in Petoskey and Michigan Department of Human Services offices in Bellaire, Kalkaska, Roscommon and West Branch. Volunteers are needed at all locations including Boyne City and Charlevoix libraries. Tax preparation experience is preferred. NMCAA will provide training on tax preparation of low income returns and TaxWise software. After passing a basic IRS tax preparation test, you can choose to do tax preparation at times and a location that fit your schedule. Become a volunteer tax preparer by contacting Laitia Garthe-Shiner at 231-947-3780 or 800-632-7334. He can also be reached via email at lgshiner@nmcaa.net.

CHARLEVOIX

Clay Sculpture class

An exciting Holiday Clay Sculpture class is being offered at Charlevoix Circle of Arts with Mekissa Zelenek Dec. 1 & 8 from 10am - Noon. Cost is \$40 for two sessions for ages 8-12. Limit of 10 per class. Supplies are provided but participants should wear an old shirt or cover up. Call the Circle to register at 231-547-3554 or on-line at www.charlevoixcircle.org.

EAST JORDAN

Volunteers Needed

Char-Em United Way is recruiting volunteers for the Literacy Corps: A dedicated group of volunteers who will read to, mentor, and tutor youth ranging from Pre-School to High School. Volunteers will spend their time in schools, libraries, day cares, and other educational organizations. Training will be provided on November 30th put on by the Char-Em ISD and Char-Em United Way. A location is still to be determined. If you are interested in joining the Literacy Corps to help students reach the educational support they need, go to www.charemunit-edway.org/united-we-read and click on the "take the pledge" link and fill out our volunteer survey. For questions please contact education@charemunit-edway.org or call us at 231-487-1006.

BOYNE CITY

Starting a business

Class scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 20 in Boyne City. 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

Looking for project

The Leadership Class at East Jordan High School is interested in volunteer opportu-

nities. If you have a need for volunteers please contact the Leadership Class teacher, Mr. Nachazel at pnachazel@ejps.org

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.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Volunteers needed for tax program

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BOYNE CITY

Senior center lunch

Boyer 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.

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 final 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.

BOYNE CITY

Starting a business

Fundamentals of Starting a Business classes are held monthly, with the next one scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 20 in Boyne City. 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 their website for Business Assistance resources for new and existing businesses.

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Wanted: Girl Scout Volunteers

The Charlevoix Area Service Unit is putting out a call for adults who would like to make a difference in the lives of area girls who are anxiously awaiting a troop experience. The number one resource for the girls in Girl Scouting is the leader. We are also seeking a School organizer, a Product manager, Assistant Leaders and an Event Coordinator. The first steps in becoming a new volunteer is to apply! Please contact Amy Hanchin, 231-544-2714 or amyhanchin@yahoo.com

CHARLEVOIX

Winter Farmers Market

The market is from 9am-1pm at the community room in the Charlevoix Public Library. The market will continue every Thursday (except Thanksgiving) until the last Thursday in May.

EAST JORDAN

Become a Lioness

We do many other good things too numerous to mention. We work as a team and always put the community first, which is a big part of being a good Lioness. Please come and join our team if you feel motivated to serve our community. If interested, please call Lioness Brenda Chanda at 231-536-2774 home or 231-330-9924 cell.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Free counseling

The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) provides free counseling and support services to victims of crime including victims of sexual assault, domestic abuse, child abuse, child sexual assault and adults molested when they were children. Services also provided to victims of elder abuse, hate crimes, economic abuse/fraud, robbery, DUI/DWI crashes, and survivors of a homicide victim. Support services include crisis counseling, individual counseling, support groups, trauma therapy (EMDR), play therapy for children, safety planning, advocacy on behalf of survivors and resources/referrals. The WRCNM can assist in filing victim compensation claims with the Michigan Department of Community Health. If you or someone you care about has been a victim of crime, contact the WRCNM administrative office at (231)

EAST JORDAN

Holiday community night

All businesses, organizations, and community members are invited and encouraged to place an entry in the 2012 Holiday Light Parade. Enter to promote your organization or business, or just place an entry to show your community support for this memorable event. The possibilities are endless. Decorate anything and everything with holiday lights and help make this night magical. The parade will take place Thursday, December 6th at 6pm. This event is in conjunction with the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony that will take place immediately following the parade. Start making plans now!



Dr. John Kempton just moments after being announced East Jordan's 2012 Citizen of the Year at the Chamber's Annual Meeting/Dinner/Auction at Castle Farms. From Left to Right: State Representative Greg MacMaster, Tammy Jackson – EJ Chamber Board Member, Mark Penzien – 2011 Citizen of the Year, Mary Faculak – East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director. COURTESY PHOTO

East Jordan "Citizen of the Year" nominations are now being accepted

It's that time of the year to nominate the people in East Jordan who are making a difference in the community by entering their name for consideration for the Citizen of the Year honor. Nomination forms are now available at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Office or on the Chamber's website www.ejchamber.org.

Nominators are asked to describe the nominee's outstanding community involvement (both past and present), civic contributions, special community contributions and any other pertinent information. A committee comprised of community representatives reviews the nominations and vote by secret ballot. The Citizen of the Year is announced annually at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting/Dinner/Auction. The 2013 Annual meeting will be held Saturday, January 26 at Castle Farms. For more information contact the East Jordan Area Chamber Office at 231-536-7351.

Student of the Week Boyne City High School Christian Kniat



GRADE: 10

PARENTS: Steve Kniat and Kim Meyer

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Golf, Band, Quiz Bowl

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Hunting, Camping, Racing

FUTURE PLANS/GOALS

Aerospace Engineer. To travel around the world
Make a solid income. Achieve a doctorate in Engineering

STAFF COMMENTS

"Christian shows great insight in Geometry and a super memory for process in Biology. He's mature beyond his years and a model student in both classes. Congratulations, Christian." - (Mr. Thomason, Biology and Geometry Teacher)

"Christian is a reliable student. He's a fun person to be around and is always striving to better himself." - (Mr. Ivie, Band Teacher)

"Christian is a very smart student and loves to push himself to new challenges." - (Mr. Ringle, Quiz Bowl Advisor)

Former Charlevoix Mayor Celebrates 90th Birthday



Ken Staley, former mayor of Charlevoix recently celebrated his 90th birthday with family and friends. A dinner in his honor, hosted by his three daughters was held at A Matter of Taste, former Tapawingo Restaurant, on Lake St. Clair. Ken, his wife Arlene, and several members of his family attended this celebration, accompanied by many guests from around the state. His daughters who hosted the event were Donna (Dave) Heeres of Ellsworth, Marian VanKoeving of Fremont, MI, and Martha Staley from Charlotte, NC. Grandchildren honoring him included Scott (Kristen) Heeres of Denver, CO, and Carrie (Dan) Elzinga of Grand Rapids, MI. Great grandchildren also attending were, Aiden, Eliana, and Emilia Heeres of CO, and Henry Elzinga from Grand Rapids. Several other family members and friends were there to share memories and toast Ken's

ninety years of productive life. Staley served as mayor of Charlevoix in the 1980's during the time the new city charter was drawn up and when a city manager was hired for the first time in Charlevoix. He also served many years as Charlevoix County Commissioner. Currently Ken serves on the city's Zoning Board of Appeals and the county's Veteran's Trust Fund Board. Ken and his wife Arlene also owned and operated Staley's Neighborhood Grocery for thirty-five years. Having served our country in the Marine Corps, he is still very active in the Toys for Tots program at Christmas time. This year he shared his birthday with the Charlevoix, Emmet county Marine Corps League as its oldest member by cutting the cake at their annual Birthday Ball, November 10, in Petoskey. Happy Birthday Ken Staley!

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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NOVEMBER 13 BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Fifty More trees for Boyne City

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—Two resolutions, one to approve the purchase of fifty trees and one to begin engineering for marina improvements were passed at the November 13 Boyne City Commission meeting.

A resolution to purchase a minimum of fifty trees to be planted in city right of ways was passed after discussion on a bid received from Robinson's Landscape and Nursery of Boyne City in the amount of \$11,070. "If we have \$15,000 to spend on trees, I can think of many other areas that look bare and would be fitting to place a tree," said Commissioner Laura Sansom. The resolution to purchase twenty-one Red Maples, seven Green Mountain Sugar Maples, two Northern Red Oaks and twenty Crimson King Maples was amended to add the ability of city staff to purchase up to the \$15,000 budgeted for the trees. The trees were bid at \$20 cheaper than those purchased last year with the Maples running \$230 and the Oaks \$265. Forty trees were requested by residents.

Both piers in the city marina have exceeded their twenty-five year life expectancy. "The marina is starting to look tired, show it's age," said Barb

Brooks, executive Assistant Harbor Master. The cost of maintenance is starting to rise almost to the same cost as replacing the piers. A Michigan Waterways commission Grant has already been secured by the city to extend the Shoppers Dock and make repairs to the Fixed Pier and it needs to be used by June of 2014. A resolution that grants permission for city staff to work with Abonmarche Engineering Firm to begin renovation processes needed at the marina and secure the DEQ permit needed to begin using the Waterways Grant on the Shoppers Dock and Fixed Pier. "I am real excited to move forward on this," said Brooks.

City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The façade projects on the Boyne Country Provisions and Radio Shack buildings will be going on for the next two weeks.

There will be a public information meeting to discuss the Douglas Street design project on Tuesday, November 20 at 5:30 P.M.

The next regular City commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 27 at Noon.

Ellsworth School Honors Veterans

Ellsworth Community School held its annual tribute program for area veterans. Randy Nagel's 2nd and 3rd grade class led the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem was performed by sophomores Larissa Fisher, Hannah Heard and Katelyn Sowers. The eighth grade class shared a choral reading and the high school band, under the direction of Sarah Phinney, performed. Pastor Chris Wallace was the featured speaker.



LEFT PHOTO: Larry Wynsma, 90 years old, was the oldest veteran in attendance.



Your Local Red Cross Urgently Needs Volunteers

Petoskey - The work the Red Cross has done over the past week in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy is nothing short of amazing. Thousands of volunteers have been working around the clock to provide people with a safe place to sleep, food to eat, supplies to help with cleanup, and offering comfort with a kind word, and a smile.

But more is needed in the weeks and months to come. We need additional volunteers to help now with Superstorm Sandy. But we also need volunteers to help with future local and national disasters, as well.

If you have an interest in helping others, won't you consider becoming a Red Cross volunteer? Sheltering, feeding, client casework, health and mental health services as well as clerical staff are just a few of the activities that play a major role in assisting those in need following a disaster.

Call the Northern Lower Michigan Chapter in Petoskey at 231-348-7666 to begin your Red Cross career today. Register to volunteer then attend free classes beginning Friday, November 16, 2:00 PM-5:00 PM that will allow you to join other volunteers in sheltering, feeding and supporting the victims of Superstorm Sandy and other disasters.

This could be that life-changing moment. Quite possibly - yours!

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or join our blog at http://blog.redcross.org.

NOTICE EARLY DEADLINE

Next Week's papers will be distributed a day early. The Weekly Choice and Charlevoix County News will come out on Wednesday, November 21

Deadline for our Thanksgiving week papers is 5pm, Friday, November 16. All Articles, Display advertising and Classified advertising must be submitted by November 16. Thank You.

County Millage

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Bean. Elections are over but there is still an opening on the village board for one more trustee. Anyone living within the village limits and a registered voter who is interested in having a voice in the future of Ellsworth can contact the village clerk at 588-7411.

Woodenshoe Holiday fest will be held Wednesday, December 12 at 6 P.M.

The next Ellsworth Village meeting will be held on Monday, December 10 at 7 P.M.

East Jordan Lions Club Gun Raffle a Big Success

East Jordan Lions Club reports that the Fall Gun Raffle was a big success. All available tickets were sold. This annual raffle is an important fund raiser that supports the services the Lions Club provides in East Jordan. We would like to thank the people of East Jordan and the surrounding communities for their strong support.

This year's winners are: First Place - Debra Reid who won

a Remington 770 30.06 rifle with scope
Second Place - Mark Wuerth who won a Stoeger Condor 12ga O/U shotgun
Third Place - Ray Fisher who won a Crosman Optimus .177 Air Rifle
The East Jordan Lions Club would like to offer special thanks to the following two retailers for their support: East Jordan True Value and Glen's Market of East Jordan.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters and opinions may be submitted by e-mail to office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com.

29th Annual Charlevoix County CROP Walk

To the Editor:

On September 29 over 140 walkers and helpers participated in the 29th Annual CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Walk. Charlevoix County raised more than \$24,300 for hunger relief agencies at home and around the

globe.

Thank you to Castle Farms, Charlevoix Cab Co., Friske Orchards, Elm Pointe, Michelle Nowka, At Your Service, Good Samaritan for helping with the walk and Charlevoix Kiwanis Club for providing lunch in Ironton. Special thanks to the William E.

and Mary Glenna Malpass Fund and an Anonymous donor for their continued support through the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.

The 30th Charlevoix Crop Walk will be held Saturday, September 28, 2013.

- Marge Teske, East Jordan

Weekly Crossword

Grid for the weekly crossword puzzle with numbers 1 through 70.

- Across
1- Bric-a-brac; 5- Waterlogged soil; 10- "His and hers"; 14- Apiece; 15- Central Florida city; 16- Siouan speaker; 17- Turkish title; 18- Beer mug; 19- Stringed instrument; 20- Unemployed person?; 22- Flattered; 24- Negative vote; 25- Hosp. section; 26- Slightest; 29- Swelled head; 32- Musical drama; 36- ___ breve; 37- Apathy; 39- Debus subject; 40- In spite of; 43- Ecol. watchdog; 44- Abrading tool; 45- Words to Brutus; 46- Open a tennis match; 48- Tacit assent; 49- Pool stroke; 50- Polished off; 52- Conducted; 53- Curved sword; 57- Absence of sound; 61- Bibliography abbr.; 62- Drawing room; 64- Neet rival; 65- Appoint; 66- Clear the board; 67- Cube maker Rubik; 68- So ___ say; 69- Agnew's old boss; 70- Stains;

- Down
1- Wall Street pessimist; 2- Fury; 3- Zwei cubed; 4- Portable power saw; 5- Saunter; 6- Entr'acte; 7- ___ Dawn Chong; 8- Split; 9- Capital of Vietnam; 10- Robbery at gunpoint; 11- Sewing case; 12- Routine; 13- Tournament favorite; 21- Rodent, betrayer; 23- Squirrel stash; 26- Back streets; 27- Get hitched quick; 28- Communion table; 29- Actor Hawke; 30- Enthusiasm; 31- Made a choice; 33- Gives off; 34- Leases; 35- Bicker; 37- Orch. section; 38- Boat propeller; 41- ___ Kick Out of You; 42- Numbered; 47- Depression between hills; 49- Actor Gibson; 51- Ruhr city; 52- Fabric woven from flax yarns; 53- Red coin?; 54- Mormon state of western USA; 55- Domesticated; 56- Delhi dress; 57- Indifferent; 58- ___ a soul; 59- Movie theater; 60- Archer of myth; 63- Loose;

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Something for Everyone at Charlevoix's Community Pool



Danny Ryosa, Charlevoix Community Pool lifeguard

COURTESY PHOTO

By Izzy Lyman

The Charlevoix Area Community Pool (CACP) reached a milestone anniversary this year - "celebrating fifteen years of making a splash in your community," as the pool management team puts it.

The four-lane, 20 yard indoor pool, conveniently located on US 31 North, offers a wide array of opportunities to enjoy the water in a family-friendly environment.

For fall 2012, the programs include lap swim, aqua boot camp, lifeguard training, water fitness, Special Olympics and Stingrays swim teams. There's even a giant inflatable polar bear named Snorkel to bounce on during open swim time.

Danny Ryosa, a lifeguard and certified personal trainer, describes what very well may be

the pool's most important public service: "We offer swim lessons, because when you live by the Great Lakes, it's important for kids to learn to swim."

To that end, there's swim school for all folks, from babes in diapers all the way to adults who want to master the art of flip turns.

CACP wouldn't exist without the generous benefactors who financially support the well-maintained facility. During the 23rd Annual Auction - whose theme was Tour de France - \$35,000 was raised. Area businesses, like Kilwins of Charlevoix and Greenwood Custom Builders, are among those who sponsor swim lanes. For the holiday season, the Charlevoix Area Community Pool is one of the non-profits that will accept donations through the "Gifts with a Purpose" event. The alternative gift-giving fair

will take place at the Charlevoix Public Library on December 1st.

If you haven't done so, consider getting wet at the pool and engaging in an aquatic-oriented social safari - it might do the body and psyche good to stave off those cold weather blues with a low-impact workout. Besides, if you get chilly, there's always the 101-degree spa to jump into, and go "aaaah."

Or, as Ryosa puts it, "We promote a healthy lifestyle in a positive, respectful atmosphere, and it has a good impact on the community."

For further information about programming, pass cards, hours of operation, promotions, and rates, visit charlevoixpool.org, or contact Al Gooch, director, at 231.547.0982.

Izzy Lyman can be reached at izzylyme@aol.com.

Ribbon Cutting held at Focus Tattooing in East Jordan



Focus Tattooing, located at 124 Main Street, Suite #2, in downtown East Jordan held a Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening recently. Owner Jay Miller hosted a daylong opening event on Saturday, October 20th in conjunction with East Jordan's Pumpkin Festival. The East Jordan Area Chamber of Com-

merce staff and ambassadors welcomed the new business to the downtown district.

PICTURED ABOVE FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: David Schweer - Chamber Ambassador, Mary Faculak - EJ Chamber Executive Director, Denise Brown-Pajtas - Chamber Ambassador, Zach Pajtas -

Chamber Ambassador, Zack Thorman - Focus Tattooing, Eva Brill, Jay Miller - Owner: Focus Tattooing, Debbie Chapuis - Sunny Side Up Tanning, Beth Peterson - EJ Shoppe, Charla Telegenhof - Chello's Salon & Day Spa, Courtney Fender - Chamber Ambassador, Heather Jackson - Chamber Board. COURTESY PHOTO



Mary Frame of Charlevoix

COURTESY PHOTO

13th Annual Roots & Wings Herbs Holiday Greens Workshops

Friday, November 30 at 10:00am in Ellsworth.

Saturday, December 1 at 1:00pm at Pine Hill Nursery in Kewadin.

Creating a wreath, swag, kissing ball or arrangement with natural materials is an enjoyable way to kick off the holiday season. Even if you've never attempted this before, you'll be amazed at what you create; it's easier than you think! Bring your own grapevine wreath form if making a wreath. \$25 fee includes greens and embellishments beyond the ordinary and instruction. Presented by Alana Haley of Roots and Wings Herbs. Call Alana to register at 231-360-0676; limited space available.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, November 5, 2012

10:16am 911 hang up from the 200 block of E Main St
 10:35am Report of threatening phone call from the 600 block of Boyne City-Charlevoix Rd
 12:48pm Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St
 11:30am Vehicle unlock in the 600 block of Front St
 5:09pm Property damage accident reported from the area of Park and Main
 5:38pm Vehicle unlock in the 600 block of E Main St
 7:09pm Citation issued for no proof of insurance Boyne Av and Beardsley St

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

7:35am Attempted vehicle unlock in the 300 block of Ann St
 8:05am Citizen Assist in the 200 block of N Lake St
 8:45am Report of missing dog from Pine St
 9:46am B&E reported in the 700 block of N Lake St
 3:45pm Suspicious situation reported from the 100 block of E

Water St
 4:25pm Report of stolen bike from the 500 block of E Division St
 8:26pm Arrested subject for DWLS
 8:37pm Arrested subject for DWLS
 10:25pm Disturbance reported in the 300 block of E Division St
 11:36pm 911 hang up call from the 400 block of Front St

Wednesday, November 7, 2012

1:30am Assist Sheriff Dept with car deer accident
 2:37am Assist EMS in the 800 block of S Park St
 11:30am Met subject at shelter to house stray black lab
 1:43pm Assist broken down vehicle on Division St near Hull St.
 2:08pm Vehicle versus sign property damage accident on Division St near Pleasant
 7:04pm Harassment complaint received from the 500 block of Jersey St
 7:25pm Subject arrested on warrant
 7:35pm Domestic dispute in the 100 block of N East St
 9:43pm Domestic dispute in the 500 block of S East St

Thursday, November 8, 2012

2:50am Subject arrested on 4 warrants

POLICE BEAT

8:42am ..Report of lost check-book
 10:37am 2 vehicle property damage accident in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
 3:48pm Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of Boice St
 3:44pm Citation issued for TIP violation and no proof of insurance at Division and Front St
 4:43pm Subject arrested on parole violation
 5:48pm Civil complaint stemming from the 500 block of Jersey St
 6:53pm 2 vehicle private property accident in the 800 block of S Lake St
 7:57pm Subject arrested in domestic dispute in the 500 block of N Lake St
 8:48pm Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of Silver St

Friday, November 9, 2012

7:27pm Citation issued for disregarding stop sign at North and Park Streets
 7:40am Welfare check in the 300 block of E Pine St
 11:22amReport of lost wallet
 12:28pm 911 hang up call from the 200 block of E Main St
 2:09pm Report of disturbance in the 300 block of W Division St
 3:26pm Received fraud com-

plaint from the Industrial Park
 4:35pm Intoxicated subject reported in the 600 block of Beardsley St
 5:31pm Vehicle unlock at Lake and Water Streets
 7:40pm Responded to possible suicidal subject in the 300 block of W Division St
 8:00pm Gasoline drive off from the 200 block of S Lake St
 8:00pm Report of road hazard at on State St near Call St

Saturday, November 10, 2012

3:03am False alarm in the 400 block of Elm St
 4:16am domestic dispute in the 1000 block of First St
 11:12am Civil standby in the 400 block of N Lake St
 11:55am Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of E Water St
 12:26pm Vehicle unlock in the 600 block of Beardsley St
 12:50pm Request for civil standby in the 500 block of N Lake St
 1:15pm Incurability complaint in the 700 block of S Lake St
 2:45pm Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of Hemlock
 6:56pm Suspicious subject in the 400 block of N Lake St

Sunday, November 11, 2012

9:37am Citation issued for

speed at Charlevoix St and Ridge Rd

10:00am Citation issued for speed at Lake and Pine Streets
 10:45am Citation issued for No Proof of Insurance at State and Hannah
 11:46am Citation issued for speed at Charlevoix St and Ridge Rd
 1:57pm Citation issued for speed at Charlevoix St and the city limits
 2:30pm MDOP in the 400 block of Elm St
 2:55pm Trespassing complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
 4:11pm Report of suspicious subject in woods by river
 5:02pm Reports of kids trying to cling onto cars as they drive by in the 400 block of N Lake St
 6:19pm Health and safety complaint in the 400 block of S Park St
 7:01pm False alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St
 7:47pm Road hazard complaint from Marshall Rd
 8:43pm Vehicle unlock in the 1400 block of Pleasant Av
 9:22pm Road hazard complaint received in the 200 block of S Lake St

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Shopping? Pay special attention to your Receipts!

This story is making it's way around the country via email. It is an important thing to know to protect yourself from cashiers and their friends who have found a new way to scam people out of their money. Please read and heed the message!!!!!!

"I bought a bunch of stuff, over \$150, & I glanced at my receipt as the cashier was handing me the bags. I saw a cash-back of \$40. I told her I didn't request a cash back & to delete it. She said I'd have to take the \$40 because she couldn't delete it. I told her to call a supervisor.

Supervisor came & said I'd have to take it! I said NO! Taking the \$40 would be a cash advance against my Discover & I wasn't paying interest on a cash advance!!!! If they couldn't delete it then they would have to delete the whole order. So the supervisor had the cashier delete the whole order & re-scan everything!

The second time I looked at the electronic pad before I signed & a cash-back of \$20 popped up. At that point I told the cashier & she deleted it. The total came out right. The cashier agreed that the electronic pad must be defective. (yeah, right!) Obviously the cashier knew the



electronic pad wasn't defective because she NEVER offered me the \$40 at the beginning.

Can you imagine how many people went through before me & at the end of her shift how much money she pocketed?"

Another friend was at another big box store and had the following happen to her:

She had her items rung up by the cashier. The cashier hurried her along and didn't give her a receipt. She asked the cashier for a receipt and the cashier was annoyed and gave it to her.

My coworker didn't look at her receipt until later that night. The receipt showed that she asked for \$20 cash back. SHE DID NOT ASK FOR CASH BACK!

My coworker called Wal-Mart who investigated but could not see the cashier pocket the money. She then called her niece who works for the bank and her niece told her This is a new scam. The cashier will key in that you asked for cash back and then hand it to her friend who is the next person in line.

Please, please, please check your receipts right away when using credit or debit cards! This is an early warning before the holidays when we are all in a hurry and not paying as close attention as we might normally. By checking the receipt before you leave the counter, you can fix the problem. If you leave the counter and walk away or get home before you check, there is nothing the store will do for you and you are out the cash and being charged for a cash advance on your credit card.

Be warned and beware while shopping!

Medicare Drug Plan Sign up in Boyne City

Certified Medicare counselors from the Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) at the Area Agency on Aging will be assisting individuals in reviewing and signing up for 2013 Medicare Drug Plans at the Boyne Area Senior Center Wednesday, November 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Medicare drug plans make changes every year and should be reviewed annually to make sure the customer's needs are still being met in the coming year.

REGISTRATION IS required since slots are limited. Please contact Terri at the Boyne Area Senior Center at 582-6682 for an appointment.

The Boyne Area Senior Center is located at 411 E. Division St. in Boyne City. Participants should bring a list of their prescriptions, including dosages (or pill bottles) and their Medicare Card.

The Medicare Medicaid Assistance program (MMAP) is the state-wide program which provides free health benefits coun-

seling to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers. MMAP is funded by a grant from the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging through funding received from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Individuals with questions about Medicare may contact MMAP for assistance at their local Commission on Aging office or regional office at the Area Agency on Aging 1-800-803-7174.

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 15 BACK PORCH MUSIC SERIES Foot Clinic 1p Pinochle	Friday, Nov. 16 9:30a Craft Class 1:00p Rummy	Monday, Nov. 19 1p Woodcarving 1p Pinochle 7p Bible Study	Tuesday, Nov. 20 1p Paint class 5p Rummy Raffle	Wednesday, Nov. 21 Cash Bingo	Thursday, Nov. 22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! CLOSED	Friday, Nov. 23 CLOSED
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BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 15 Wii Bowling	Friday, Nov. 16 Thanksgiving Dinner! *Costume Judging *Basket Raffle *Prizes!	Monday, Nov. 19 Bingo	Tuesday, Nov. 20 Wii Practice	Wednesday, Nov. 21 11-12 Line Dance Brown Bag Bingo	Thursday, Nov. 22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! CLOSED	Friday, Nov. 23 CLOSED
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 15 Game Day: Uno/ Wii Fun Pool Table!	Friday, Nov. 16 11am Cousins Bingo/ Gift Raffle	Monday, Nov. 19 NAIL POLISHING 8-1pm: walking M-F	Tuesday, Nov. 20 11am line dancing 12:30 bingo 1pm Paint class	Wednesday, Nov. 21 1pm Movie& Popcorn	Thursday, Nov. 22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! CLOSED	Friday, Nov. 23 BLACK FRIDAY CLOSED
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

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Winter Safety Tips

As winter weather approaches, following are some timely safety tips courtesy of the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness.

At home:

- Keep handy a battery-powered flashlight, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio and portable radio, extra food (canned or dried food is best), can opener, and bottled water (at least 3 gallons per person).
- Make sure each member of the household has a warm coat, gloves, hat and water-resistant boots. Ensure extra blankets and heavy clothes are available.
- Keep on hand items for infant, elderly or disabled family members.
- Keep on hand items for your pets. Animals feel the effects of wind chill. Be sure to have suitable shelter with food and water.
- Be aware of potential fire and carbon monoxide hazards if you plan to use an emergency heating source such as a fireplace, wood stove or space heater. (See Heat Sources Safety page later in this packet for more information.)

Outside:

- Avoid overexertion, such as shoveling heavy snow, pushing a car, or walking in deep snow. Sweating could lead to chill and hypothermia, and abnormally low body temperatures. Cold weather also puts extra strain on the heart, so the elderly and those with heart conditions should be especially cautious when out in the cold.
- Walk carefully on snowy, icy sidewalks.
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight warm clothing in layers, with a waterproof outer layer. Wear a wool hat and mittens.
- Keep your clothes dry. Change wet socks and clothing quickly to prevent loss of body heat.
- Understand the hazards of wind chill. As wind speed increases, heat is carried away from a person's body more rapidly which could lead to severe hypothermia.

Automotive preparedness:

- Be sure the vehicle is winterized by late fall. This includes having the proper mix of antifreeze and water in the cooling system, topping off the windshield washing solution, and checking the tire treads. Have a mechanic check the belts, hoses, tires, battery, and coolant.
- Keep the fuel tank near full, as low fuel levels can cause condensation to form, degrading fuel quality and possibly causing the fuel line to freeze. Additionally, gas stations may be closed during a severe winter storm, so it is wise to fill up if storm warnings are being broadcasted.
- Your car should always be equipped with emergency supplies. Keep the following items stored in a portable container:
 - A small battery powered radio (AM is sufficient) and extra batteries
 - Flashlight with extra batteries
 - Cellular phone
 - Windshield scraper
 - Jumper cables
 - Fire extinguisher
 - Maps
 - Shovel
 - Blanket and extra clothes
 - Flares
 - Bottled water and non-perishable, high energy foods (granola bars, canned nuts, raisins, hard candy, trail mix, peanut butter and crackers)
 - First aid kit
 - Tire repair kit and pump
 - Tow chain or rope
 - Phone book and phone list
 - De-icer and extra antifreeze
 - "Call Police" or other "Help" sign

For additional Severe Weather information and tips, visit the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness website at www.mcswa.com



Aerial view of Bay Harbor shoreline when the effects of CKD leachate were visible. COURTESY PHOTO

Health Department lifts final Bay Harbor health advisories

BAY HARBOR – Dangerous pH levels – similar to those of a strong bleach solution – first prompted the Health Department of Northwest Michigan to issue a public health advisory when the problem was detected in waters along the Bay Harbor shoreline in 2004. In subsequent years, five more health advisories were issued for areas at East Park and the Bay Harbor development. But this fall, following eight years of intensive clean-up and monitoring, the Health Department has lifted Bay Harbor's last remaining health advisory.

"Our removal of the final advisory is a major milestone in a long, difficult journey," said Scott Kendzierski, the Health Department's Director of Environmental Health.

The high alkaline levels were the result of leachate from Cement Kiln Dust (CKD), left behind when the former Penn Dixie cement plant

ceased operations at the site in the late 1980s. CMS Land Company, a subsidiary of CMS Energy and a partner in the redevelopment of the old plant site in the 1990s, accepted responsibility for the environmental clean-up. The company has been working with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) ever since a pre-treatment plant failure caused leachate to enter Little Traverse Bay in 2004.

Though the final advisory has been lifted, Kendzierski added that the CKD leachate continues to be collected, and that other engineering controls have been installed to prevent leachate venting into Little Traverse Bay. "Ongoing monitoring is critical to assuring the effectiveness of capture, and the safety of public waters," he explained.

"I'm very pleased that monitored pH values in Bay Harbor continue

to remain safe for human exposure," said Dr. Linda Dykema, toxicologist for the Michigan Department of Community Health. "The Michigan Department of Community Health supports the decision of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan to lift the remaining public health advisory for Bay Harbor."

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. For more information on Bay Harbor advisories and related documents, visit the Programs and Services page of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan's Web site, www.nwhealth.org.

Mitchell Hill Farm Producing Unpasteurized Apple Cider under Unsanitary Conditions

ANTRIM COUNTY – The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is warning the public to avoid unpasteurized apple cider provided by Mitchell Hill Farm or its proprietor, Jim Ruster. Last week, health officials obtained a search warrant to inspect Mitchell Hill Farm, located on Toad Lake Road in Ellsworth. They found evidence that Ruster had been producing adulterated food, or food prepared under unsanitary conditions that fails to meet health and safety standards as a result.

Anyone who believes they may be in possession of cider from this source should dispose of it immedi-

ately, according to Joshua Meyerson, M.D., Medical Director for the Health Department. Dr. Meyerson adds that anyone who has consumed the cider should consult a physician immediately if they experience health problems, such as abdominal pain, vomiting and diarrhea.

"What we know is that Mr. Ruster produced unpasteurized apple cider without a license, in an unsanitary facility," Meyerson said. "People should avoid any cider he has produced." He added that consumers should be suspicious of apple cider that is unlabeled.

The Health Department of North-

west Michigan will continue to collaborate with The Michigan Departments of Agriculture and Rural Development and Community Health in ongoing investigation of Mitchell Hill Farm and any products that may have been distributed to the public.

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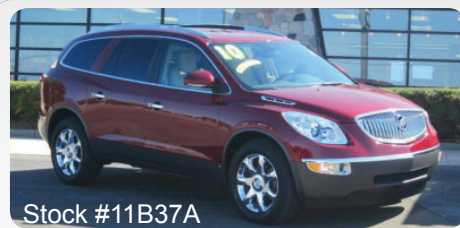
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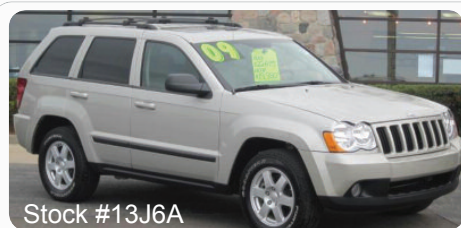
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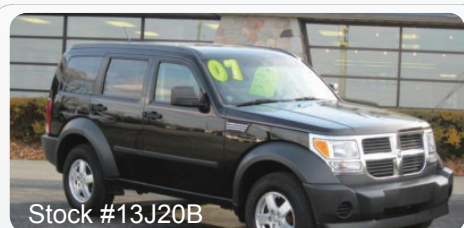
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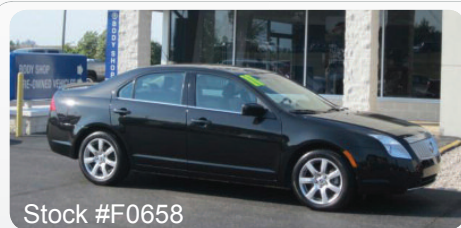
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