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Old Fire Hall sold to Deer Creek Junk art studio

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—East Jordan City Council accepted a bid for the Old Fire Hall and signed the Michigan Waterways Grant Agreement in spite of sinking water levels at the November 20 meeting.

A bid of \$50,000 for the property at 320 State Street from an architectural furniture and salvaged art studio called Deer Creek Junk, presently located in Traverse City. The old fire hall will be turned into a workshop and warehouse with a small retail outlet in the front of the building. "We have been looking for warehouse and workshop space, the retail won't be the main part of it but certainly, having a public presence won't hurt," said Karen Brennan, co-owner of DCJ and a South Arm Township resident.

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Holiday Festivities This Weekend

Enjoy "Christmas in Atwood" this Saturday

By Jim Akans

A "Christmas in Atwood" celebration will be held this coming Saturday, December 1st, with several area businesses offering huge savings, drawings, free refreshments, a chance for the kids to visit with Santa, and more. This one-day celebration of the holiday season in and around Atwood will be taking place at the following locations:

- Christmas at Royal Farms - From 9 am until 6 pm there will be free hayrides, free wine samplings and festive foods, and Royal Farms will be matching apple purchases with an equal donation to a local food pantry
- Friske's Farm Market - A celebration for 9 am to 5 pm will feature 25-percent storewide saving in the Country House, complimentary beverages and refreshments, live classical guitar holiday music, S'more roasting by the fire from 11 am until 2 pm, cookie decorating with "Idril" the Friske Elf from 11 am to 2 pm, and "Stranger in the Woods" story time with Grandpa D. by the fire at 1 pm.
- Atwood Hardware and Building Cen-

See *Christmas in Atwood*—12A

A Day of Holiday Fun in Charlevoix

Annual Holiday Open House and Flurry Fest this Saturday

Indeed, Santa Claus is coming to town, and there's going to be a day-long celebration this Saturday, December 1st in Charlevoix to commemorate the occasion. It's time for the annual Holiday Open House and 6th annual Flurry Fest, and from 2:30 to 6 pm, downtown Charlevoix will truly be a flurry of activity.

Cast your vote for Charlevoix's "Best Hot Chocolate" provided by local restaurants, build a delicious s'more, pet live reindeer, and experience the joy of the season under the tent. The Charlevoix Merchant Open House is the perfect place for inspiration and shopping of all your holiday needs. On Saturday, December 1st merchants will be armed with samples, refreshments, special sales and more at participating stores.

It will be a day filled of activity not only in stores but also in the streets! At 12 pm Santa will arrive downtown on a fire truck to spread some holiday cheer. Santa will be downtown from noon to 1 pm. At 1 pm children are invited to watch a free full-length holiday movie (with a donation of a canned good for the Food Pantry) at Charlevoix Cinema compliments of Charlevoix State Bank. While children enjoy the movie, parents are able

See *Flurry Fest*—12A

Crafters needed to create memorial benches in Ellsworth

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH—Banks Township Board members are sending out a call for help from local crafters to create memorial benches that will be placed somewhere in Ellsworth, and moved closer to a plan to revamp the Essex Curve and discussed revisions to the RV ordinance.

In 1982 a tree was planted in front of the Banks Township Hall in memory of Gerald Kunde who died one month before Ellsworth's second annual Pig Roast. "He was a huge promoter of the Pig Roast and the restoration of the Township Hall," said Donna Heeres, Township Clerk.

The Pig Roast Committee planted the tree in honor of his memory. This fall the tree was removed because it had grown too large and was causing problems with underground pipes. Trustee Mark DeKorne volunteered to hewn the wood free of charge and has the lumber ready.

"We're hoping that somebody might agree to make us some memorial benches out of it," said Heeres. The two inch thick boards are drying and are intended to be turned into benches to be placed somewhere in the community to continue honoring Kunde's contributions.

The Township has been working with the Conservation District and the Antrim County Road Commission for some needed improvements to the Essex Road corner. They are in the process of developing a plan to improve the safety of the curve, which will include installing some culverts. Conservation Officer, Heide Schaffer has been instrumental in assisting with the assessing of drainage needs in the area.

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Margaret Mary Greyerbiehl, 82



(NOV. 1, 1930 - NOV. 20, 2012)

Margaret Mary Greyerbiehl, (nee Elliot) 82, of Charlevoix, died Tuesday November 20, 2012 at Georgia House in Charlevoix surrounded by her family and the loving and generous care of the Georgia House staff.

A Rite of Christian Burial was held Saturday, November 24th at St. Mary's Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend Matthew Wigton officiated. Burial at St. Mary's Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Margaret was born November 1, 1930 in Ubyly, MI to Jack and Katherine (Zulauf) Elliot. She graduated from Ubyly High School in 1949 and worked as a book-keeper for WXYZ Radio in Detroit for several years. She also held various positions in banking and accounting during her career. She was a member of St. Mary's Church in Charlevoix and the Holy Rosary Society.

On September 3, 1949 she married Don H. Greyerbiehl in Ubyly. They raised their family in Hartland and Royal Oak, MI. Following Don's retirement, they made their home in several places, settling in East Jordan from 1997 until 2005 and then moving to Charlevoix. Don preceded Margaret in death on February 12, 2012.

Margaret is survived by her sons, Mark (Vicky) of Charlevoix, Scott (Diane) of Birmingham (MI), Paul of Highland; daughters, Donna Greyerbiehl of Ann Arbor, Erin (Joshua) Leach of Fowlerville; daughter-in-law, Shelly Greyerbiehl of Petoskey; grandchildren, Katie, Troy, Michael, Kevin, Danielle, Kelly, Dalton, Cody, Lacey, and Sara. Margaret's son Eric preceded her in death in 2005. She was also preceded in death by her brother, Walter Scott and sister, Marlene McNutt. Don and Margaret also fostered thirteen children.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the St. Mary's Church for the new Adoration Chapel c/o 1003 Bridge St., Charlevoix, MI 49720 or to St. Jude Children's Hospital c/o St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Please sign Margaret's guest-book at www.winchesterfuneral-home.com

Marjorie R. Kroeger, 86

Marjorie R. Kroeger of Indianapolis and Walloon Lake passed away on Friday, Nov. 23, 2012.

She is survived by her niece, Judith Mainland (Ernest), of Petoskey; her nephew, Frederick "Kreg" Gamble (Carol), of Tucson, Ariz., great-nieces and nephews Ken Mainland (Megan), Elaine Murphy (Arnold) and John Gamble; and several great-great-nieces and -nephews.

Miss Kroeger was a graduate of Tudor Hall, the class of 1944, and of Mount Holyoke College, class of 1948.

Over the years she was active in the Junior League of Indianapolis, Christamore House, Park Tudor Alumni Association, Indianapolis Symphony group and the Walloon Lake Yacht Club. She was a member of Woodstock Country Club in Indianapolis and of the Walloon Lake Country Club on Walloon Lake, where she summured for more than 60

years.

Miss Kroeger was preceded in death by both of her parents, Frederick and Edith Kroeger; as well as her sister, Barbara K. Gamble.

A private family service will take place at a later date with interment at Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Memorial gifts should be directed either to Christamore House, 502 North Tremont St., Indianapolis, Ind. 46222; or The Guardian Fund of the Walloon Lake Conservancy, 616 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich. 49770; or to the charity of choice.

Linda I. O'Halloran, 60

(AUG. 26, 1952 - NOV. 23, 2012)

Linda I. O'Halloran of East Jordan, Mich., died Friday, Nov. 23, 2012, at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, Mich.

She was born on Aug. 26, 1952, in Coldwater, Mich., the daughter of Ernest H. and Virginia (Hart) Parshall. She grew up in Coldwater and graduated from Coldwater High School in 1970.

On Jan. 4, 1974, in Coldwater, she married John O'Halloran. Linda served as a caregiver for many folks throughout her life. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She enjoyed fishing, crocheting, crafts and cooking.

She is survived by her husband, John O'Halloran, of East Jordan; three children, John Jr. (Ketrina) O'Halloran, Jen (Kirk) Raymond and Justin (Robin) O'Halloran, all of East Jordan; six grandchildren; three brothers, William (Gloria) Parshall of East Jordan, Edward (Jeanette) Parshall of Coldwater and Jack Parshall of Coldwater; and one brother-in-law, Dan Ringler of Three Rivers. Linda was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Cynthia Ringler in 1984.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Memorials may be given to Cancer Treatment Centers of America (C.T.C.A.), 2520 Elisha Ave, Zion, Ill. 60099.

The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

Timothy J Hoffman

(NOV. 16, 1935 - NOV. 23, 2012)

Timothy J. Hoffman of Echo Township died Friday, Nov. 23, 2012, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

He was born Nov. 16, 1935, in Dennison, Ohio, the son of Richard and Catherine (Mather) Hoffman.

On July 6, 1961, he married Myra James in Charlevoix. They made their home in Detroit, moving to East Jordan in 1966 and to Echo Township in 2011. Tim served in the U.S. Air Force in Korea.

He worked as a deputy for the Charlevoix County Sheriff Department and later the East Jordan Police Department. He later worked at Dura in East Jordan until his retirement.

He enjoyed fishing, motorcycling, cars and repairing bikes for needy kids. He loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Myra; children, Timothy (Marcia) Hoffman and Richard (Debbie) Hoffman, all of Ellsworth, Roxanne (Lee) Folsom and John Hoffman, all of East Jordan; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded by a sister, Mary Ann Warden, and brother, Richard Hoffman.

The funeral service was Nov. 25 at the Ellsworth Wesleyan Church with the Rev. Chris Wallace officiating. Burial in Southern Cemetery in Central Lake.

For those wishing to make memorial contributions, the family suggests the East Jordan Ambulance. Visit www.hastingsfuneral.com to sign the guest book.

Marvin Groenink, 90



Marvin Groenink of Zeeland, formerly of Ellsworth, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2012, at The Inn at Freedom Village Mission Point.

The funeral service took place on Friday, Nov. 23, at Lakeshore Memorial Services, 11939 James Street, in Holland with the Rev. Celia M. Hastings officiating. Burial was Saturday, Nov. 24, in Atwood Cemetery.

The family was served by Lakeshore Memorial Services of Holland and locally by Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth.

Visit www.lakeshorememorial.com to leave a message or memory for the Groenink family.

Marguerite Stokes, 103

(OCT. 1, 1909 - NOV. 22, 2012)

Marguerite Stokes of East Jordan, died Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 22, 2012, at her home, the same address where she was born.

She was born Oct. 1, 1909, in South Arm Township, the daughter of Samuel E. and Maggie Ann (Waggoner) Rogers. She graduated from East Jordan High School in 1926. She took two years of college at Central State Teachers College in Mount Pleasant for a teaching certificate. She had skipped some grades in school and got her first paycheck before she was 19. She received her bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University in the early 1950s. Then in 1964, she obtained her Master of Arts degree from Michigan State University.

On June 22, 1935, she and Donald Stokes eloped to Indiana to be married. They made their last home in Flint, before moving back to the Rogers' family homestead outside of East Jordan in 1945. Donald died in 1979.

Marguerite taught school in Elk Rapids, Lansing, Jackson, and 28 years in East Jordan. She was a member of the East Jordan United Methodist Church.

She enjoyed bird watching and reading. In her 100th year, she completed a history of the Rogers homestead called "Sam's Homestead" which can be found at www.lulu.com by typing in "Sam's Homestead Stokes."

Surviving are her daughter, Carolyn Ashley, of East Jordan and son, Roger (Mary) Stokes, of St. John, Ind.; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and her brother, Forrest Samuel (Phyllis) Rogers of Morganton, N.C. Besides her husband, Don, she was preceded in death by a grandson, David Stokes, and four siblings, Lemuel, Rodney, Keith and Marvel.

The family plans services in the springtime of 2013. For those wishing to make memorial contributions, the family suggests any charity of choice.

Doris Lake, 63

Doris Lake of Boyne City passed away suddenly in her home on Nov. 19, 2012.

She is survived by her husband, Howard; son, Larry (Andrea) Ward, of Petoskey; four sisters, Joyce Maurer of Ovid, Sally (Don) Puroll of Elmira, Margy (Michael) Anenberg-Day of Arizona and Mary (Steve) Wingo of Kingston, Tenn.; two brothers, Jim Day of Boyne City and Dan (Debbie) Day of Washington state; five grandchildren,

Alanah, Madison, Damaris, Mikaylynn and Lyam.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clarence and Ursula Day; and brothers, David and Tim.

Private services are planned for family and close friends. Arrangements are being handled by Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Doris are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Susan Ballard Boal, 96

Susan Ballard Boal of Charlevoix, died Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2012, at the Georgia House in Charlevoix.

Arrangements are pending at the Winchester Funeral Home Charlevoix.

Donna Louise Clancy, 69

(NOV. 27, 1942 - NOV. 19, 2012)

Donna Louise Clancy of Indian River passed away Nov. 19, 2012, at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey and "went to see Jesus."

She was born Nov. 27, 1942, in Petoskey, to Faye E. and Irene (Smith) Clancy. She grew up in Harbor Springs and Bay View and graduated from Petoskey High School in 1954.

Donna married Dorman Clancy in Petoskey, where the couple made their home until settling in Indian River.

Donna enjoyed sewing, cooking, computers and other gadgets. She was best known for her sense of humor and making people laugh. She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary of Indian River and the Petoskey Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Donna is survived by her daughters, Dawn Huesing (Hank) of Charlevoix, Marcia Renae Page of Indian River and Patricia Simonson (Ricky) of Florida. Also surviving are her grandchildren, Desiree, David, Jerri, Dylan, Haleigh, and a great-granddaughter, Kyla; her sisters, Barbara Shorter (Jim), Lynne Ingalls (Dave); and many nieces and nephews. Donna was preceded in death by her husband, Lt. Col. Dorman Clancy, Ret.; her parents; brother Ronald; sister, Shirley; and granddaughter, Heather Huesing.

A memorial service took place Friday, Nov. 23, at the VFW hall in Indian River. Schiller Funeral Home of Harbor Springs is assisting the family.

Online remembrances and condolences may be made at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

William T. Russell, 96

(FEB. 22, 1916 - NOV. 18, 2012)

William T. Russell formerly of East Jordan and Boyne City died Sunday, Nov. 18, 2012, at Sunnybank Assisted Living in Charlevoix.

He was born on Feb. 22, 1916, in Torch Lake Township, Antrim County, Michigan, the son of Thomas and Hattie (Drogt) Russell. William graduated from East Jordan High School in 1935.

He served in the United States Army during World War II. He worked at Fisher Body in Grand Blanc and retired in 1975.

William moved to East Jordan in 1975, and then Boyne City in 1991.

He is survived by four children, Judith Wright of Port Orange, Fla., Thomas (Barbara) Russell of Mount Pleasant, N.C., Theodore "Ted" Russell of Flint and Molly (Greg) Murphy of Keystone Heights, Fla.; daughter-in-law, Julia Russell of Charlevoix; stepdaughter, Betty (Don) Daugherty of Bellaire; 11 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; twin brother, Thomas William Russell of Cadillac; and sister-in-law, Irene Russell of East Jordan.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Russell in 1993; one son, Guy Russell in 2009; and

two brothers, Guy "Spike" Russell in 2011 and David Bussler.

A graveside service was Wednesday, Nov. 21, at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan. The Rev. Rap Posnik of the East Jordan United Methodist Church officiated with military services.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to be directed to the Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 W. Garfield, Charlevoix, Mich. 49720; (231) 547-7659, info@hospicenwm.org.

Arrangements were handled by the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

John Louis Sevenski Sr., 57

(AUG. 15, 1955 - NOV. 16, 2012)



John Louis Sevenski Sr. of Elmira passed away peacefully Friday, Nov. 16, 2012, at home with his sons by his side.

John was born Aug. 15, 1955, in Gaylord, to Jack and LulaBell Sevenski. He graduated from Boyne Falls High School in 1975. He worked at Dura in East Jordan for 27 years and many years at the Northern Michigan Speedway.

John loved the outdoors, fishing, camping, playing poker, mushroom hunting, with deer hunting being his favorite. He also loved to garden and had one of the best gardens around. Everyone enjoyed his homemade canned goods that he generously passed around. He was also a great cook; his specialty was anything on the grill. John taught his sons a lot about life and how to survive off the land.

He is survived by his sons, John Sevenski Jr. and Nick Sevenski; his father, Jack Sevenski; brothers, Roger (Lori) Sevenski, Don (Laura) Sevenski and Lewis Sevenski; his sisters, Norma (Mike) Dvorak, Sue (Cliff) Baker and Karen Sevenski; many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and a lot of great friends. He also leaves behind his greatest friend of all, his precious dog, Taffy.

He was preceded in death by his loving mother, LulaBell Sevenski. John was the greatest father, son, brother, uncle and friend anyone could ask for. His family meant everything to him.

The funeral service was Wednesday, Nov. 21, at St. Thomas Church in Elmira, with the Rev. James Bearss officiating.

His sons would like to thank the people who stood by them in their time of need, including those who came to visit, generously brought food and spent time with them and their dad during the last days of his life. They would especially like to thank Marie Johnson for the loving care she gave their father and for sharing in the great meals John prepared for her and his boys. A special thank you to Kathy, Tammy and Bob from Hospice/Home Health Care for the compassionate care they gave their father during his time of need.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to John's sons, through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, Mich. 49734.



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Introducing Nona Jadwin!



Hello, I am Nona Jadwin and I am the new coordinator for the Charlevoix Senior Center. I live in Charlevoix with my husband Charles. We have three children; Daniel who lives in Los Angeles, Elizabeth who currently resides in Milwaukee, and Rebecca who is a student at Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

I was born and raised in Burton, MI (near Flint). I attended Michigan State University for my Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work and earned my Master of Social Work degree from the University of Michigan.

I have lived in Charlevoix for the

past 15 1/2 years. I recently retired from the State of Michigan after 34 years of service. I had been employed as an Adult Services Worker for the Charlevoix-Emmet Dept of Human Services. Prior to that, I worked at Genesee County Department of Social Services.

I love animals and have a Yorkshire Terrier named Lola and a big, fluffy, white cat named Delilah. I enjoy nature, walking, reading, sudoku, and vegetable gardening.

I am very much looking forward to working with and serving the seniors at the Charlevoix Senior Center.

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 29 1p Pinochle	Friday, Nov. 30 9:30a Craft Class 1:00p Rummy	Monday, Dec. 3 10am Sit & Be Fit 1p Woodcarving 1p Pinochle 7p Bible Study	Tuesday, Dec. 4 1pm RUMMY 1p Paint class Raffle	Wednesday, Dec. 5 11am—3:30pm ODAWA CASINO TRIP! Cash Bingo	Thursday, Dec. 6 1p Pinochle	Friday, Dec. 7 9:30a Craft Class 10am Sit & Be Fit
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BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 29 11-12 Don Judd Wii Bowling	Friday, Nov. 30 BIRTHDAY DAY! 11-12 Roger on Keyboard Bake Raffle	Monday, Dec. 3 Bingo	Tuesday, Dec. 4 9:30am—2:30pm Veteran's Help 10am BASC Advisory Mtg 11am Craft Class	Wednesday, Dec. 5 11am Line Dance Brown Bag Bingo	Thursday, Dec. 6 Wii Bowling	Friday, Dec. 7 11am MUSIC: The Cousins *Bake Raffle
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 29 Game Day: Uno/Wii Fun Pool Table	Friday, Nov. 30 11:AM BACKWOODS MAESTROS Bingo /gift raffle	Monday, Dec. 3 8-1pm: walking M-F	Tuesday, Dec. 4 11am line dancing 12:30 bingo 1pm Paint class	Wednesday, Dec. 5 1pm Movie & Popcorn	Thursday, Dec. 6 Game Day: Uno/Wii Fun Pool Table CARDS	Friday, Dec. 7 BIRTHDAY DAY! 11am MUSIC Bingo /Gift raffle
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Thursday, Nov. 29 LIVER & ONION OR CHICKEN	Friday, Nov. 30 MEATLOAF	Monday, Dec. 3 POTATO CRUNCH COD	Tuesday, Dec. 4 LEMON CHICKEN SOUP & SALAD BAR	Wednesday, Dec. 5 SALISBURY STEAK	Thursday, Dec. 6 BREAKFAST CASSEROLE	Friday, Dec. 7 BAKED PENNE & HAM
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Mancelona Food Pantry & Resale Shop is a win-win organization

By Jim Akans

It's truly a win-win organization. The Mancelona Food Pantry & Resale Shop is both an excellent spot to find quality, used items of virtually any kind, and the proceeds from sales at the Resale Shop help to support the ongoing mission of the Mancelona Food Pantry in providing food for area families in need.

"The Food Pantry serves families throughout Antrim County," states Edith Plumb, a volunteer at the establishment and Secretary of the Board. "It was founded about 10 years ago and is run by a very dedicated group of volunteers. We serve approximately 200 families in assisting with the food needs each month, which translates into approximately 700 individuals."

Proceeds from sales at the Resale Shop greatly assist in serving those family's needs. Highlights of the donated items available include just about every type of household article; including furniture, nick knacks, dishes and tools. Shoppers will also find a wide selection of toys, yard equipment such as lawn mowers, grills and even snow shovels. These goods are donated by local individuals, businesses and those from downstate who have sum-



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mer residences in the area.

The facility is a large three-story building that was once a church. Inside, customers will find two levels devoted to resale displays, and one floor level for the food pantry and fellowship hall.

"It is a very nice environment," relates Edith Plumb. "Our mission is getting more and more important all the time as more people are in need of assistance with the food needs. We are part of the Northwest Michigan Action Agency Food Coalition, with

is a group of about 40 food pantry's in the area that cooperate with each other in staying informed about the issues affecting us."

The Mancelona Food Pantry & Resale Shop is located at 201 N. Maple Street in Mancelona. The Resale Shop is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 am until 4 pm, and Saturday from 9 am until 2 pm. The Food Pantry is open Tuesday through Thursday from 9 am until 4 pm. For additional information, please call (231) 587-9606.

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East Jordan City Council Meeting

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waiting on pins and needles for grant funds to work through the paperwork process so that a retaining wall at the mouth of the Jordan River can be built. They finally received and signed the final agreement necessary to complete that process at the November 20 meeting. The wall is intended to keep sand from drifting into the marina allowing the City to utilize it to its full potential.

Although city officials got word in September that the \$26,000 50/50 Michigan Waterways Grant was approved, the agreement just arrived, preventing construction on

the wall from beginning until next spring. The constant expense of dredging the marina and low water levels brought discussion and concern about investing even more money into the failing marina.

Councilman Thomas Breakey gave a brief history lesson on past water levels of the lake showing that in 1934 and then again in the 1950-60's the lake was at the level it is now. "It isn't the fact that the water level is down so much it's that it's full of sand and that sand belongs to the state," said Councilman Thomas Breakey.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 4 at 7 P.M.

Charlevoix Area Humane Society needs your support

Submitted by Jodie Adams, Executive Director, CAHS

As a 501(c)3 the Charlevoix Area Humane Society is run by the same "game plans" by which larger non profits such as Red Cross, Doctors Without Borders and UNICEF operate. Each nonprofit is governed by a board of directors whose primary responsibility is holding the CEO accountable and ensuring there is sufficient capital for operational and program expenditures.

Successful nonprofits deliver services that generally help those in need of food, shelter or some other essential life sustaining service or degree of preservation. These services can be for the benefit of humans, animals and even environmental ele-

ments. Any mission can only be delivered upon if there is extraordinary passion and there are sufficient funds available to make it happen.

For some organizations it is an easy sell – everyone sees the need to feed starving children, provide medical care to victims in disaster situations or a country riddled with poverty. Other organizations have missions that service a smaller sector but are no less important to the communities they serve.

Local humane societies such as ours serve not only their communities in attempting to manage the overflow of unwanted pets but also a higher ideal of humane treatment of animals that cannot fend for themselves. Passion for the mission is a must, regardless of the cause. Those who

care deeply about pets and animal welfare are the individuals that can help "move mountains" when it comes to supplying the needs of homeless animals or pet owners in need of help.

All nonprofits struggle from time to time maintaining the right mix of board members whose passion, business expertise and community connections serve the mission in a manner that assures continued success, sustainability and growth. CAHS is not immune from this dilemma.

In the last two years we have been alluding to changes that would better serve the community that Charlevoix County encompasses. Plans have been drawn up, both facility and business plans. These plans show a facility that would serve the

needs of this community for many years to come with space for education, training classes, long term housing of adoptable pets and boarding and day care. A full service pet facility that would serve the homeless pets and the pet owning public in ways that have been non-existent or in short supply in Charlevoix County.

There is a catch to all of our planning – we need you. The success or failure of any nonprofit can be directly tied to the passion and dedication to its mission by the staff, board of directors and volunteers. Their leadership helps to tell the "story" and explain the reason for the existence of a nonprofit organization.

We need you to help tell the story, get the word out, donate and serve this cause. If you are

passionate about the welfare of animals or just care what happens to those pets left homeless by circumstances beyond their control – and you can offer some particular expertise, financial assistance or just some good old elbow grease – we, and the animals we save, can use your help.

How about it? Can you throw yourself behind the cause? Contact us today and see about joining us as a board member, advisor, volunteer or donor. The animals will be forever grateful.

The Charlevoix Area Humane Society is located at 614 Beardsley Street in Boyne City. For additional information, please call (231) 582-6774 or visit www.charlevoixhumane.org

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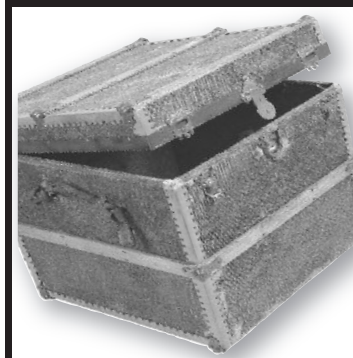
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Boyne City Public Schools Receives Pottery Equipment Grant

This fall of 2012, the Boyne City Public Schools (BCPS) was the recipient of a grant from the Charlevoix County Community

Foundation (CCCF) to repair pottery equipment and purchase several electric potters' wheels. The newly purchased equipment

helped bolster the pottery and sculpture program at Boyne City High School. The project is two-fold, as it financed the repair of a

failing kiln and replaced an un-repairable potters' wheel with two new quality wheels. This grant will bring the total number

of potters' wheels to seven, enabling more students to work at one time. Students previously had to wait days or weeks in between opportunities on the wheel in order to create pottery. Typically, there are 17 to 21 students per term in the classes.

The refurbishing of the pottery kiln required about 16 hours of labor (provided by school staff) and the replacement of parts to bring the kiln back to life. Worn-out elements, wire harnesses, and old thermocouple from the kiln was removed and replaced. The kilns are once again successfully firing full loads of pottery, according to BCPS Fine Arts Teacher Jim Beckering.

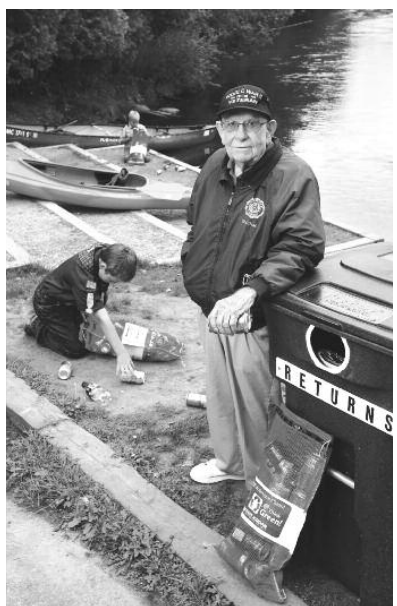
During the school year, work in clay is an important aspect of multiple classes at the high school. It is anticipated that over 2,300 pounds of clay projects will be fired this school year alone. A refurbished kiln will fire student pottery projects for multiple years to come.

The grant was proudly awarded by clay artist Bonnie Staffel, from her donor advised fund at the community foundation, as well as the Louanne Davis Family Fund. The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all citizens of Charlevoix County by building permanent endowment, addressing needs through grant making, and providing leadership resources to serve the community. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.

The BCPS student pottery artists are (left to right) Noah Lounsbury, Jazmine Bennett, Devin Hickerty, and Jordan Wilmot, with artist Bonnie Staffel in the right front, and Maureen Radke, Program Officer for the CCCF in the background.



Charlevoix County Community Foundation Reports on Past Years' Accomplishments



Sherm Thomas of East Jordan is featured in the current Annual Report from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, "Deeply Rooted, Growing Stronger." Thomas is part of the Jordan River Action Group, which developed a Jordan River clean-up project that was sponsored in part by a recent grant from the community foundation. This and many other stories are presented in the foundation's 2012 Annual Report.

(PHOTO BY ARAN KESSLER)

East Jordan - The Charlevoix County Community Foundation recently released its 2012 annual report, which documents not only the foundation's recent accomplishments, but offers a look at some of the accomplishments of the organization's past 20 years as well. The report, titled "Deeply Rooted, Growing Stronger," presents stories from the foundation's early years as well as financial and grant information and articles highlighting current donors and grantees.

Since its beginning in 1992, more than 7,000 people have supported the foundation, making contributions totaling over \$34.5 million, while building an asset base of more than \$24 million. "We live in a generous community," says Chip Hansen, foundation president. "We're so grateful to everyone who has helped to make Charlevoix County such a special place."

Even in a time when economic uncertainty threatens the stability of many organizations throughout the U.S. and in Michigan, Charlevoix County residents continue to give. Gifts to the foundation reached the \$2 million mark this year, allowing the foun-

datation to distribute over \$1 million in grants and scholarships, pushing the cumulative total of grants and scholarships over the \$13.4 million mark. "Donors, large and small, see the value of the foundation's endowed funds," says Hansen, adding, "making gifts that will continue to give forever." Every year, earnings from the endowment are used to make grants supporting a wide variety of programs in the arts, education, environmental stewardship, health and wellness, economic development, civic improvement, recreation, and more.

Youth initiatives are also a major focus of the foundation's grant making, as the Youth Advisory Committee oversees the distribution of the million-dollar Youth Fund. This year, the committee distributed \$29,000 in grants to programs that encourage and support the young people of Charlevoix County. That amount, combined with previous years' grants, totals more than \$700,000 in funding for area youth.

2012 was also a time of renewing the organizational focus and looking toward the future. The board of trustees spent consider-

able time reviewing the organization's key statements of purpose. "We wanted to take the time to think intentionally about those things that we believe in collectively as an organization," said Hansen. Through an interactive process, the board refined the mission statement, created a new vision statement, and developed value statements centering on the values of integrity, stewardship, excellence, respect, and leadership. All statements are published on the organization's website as well as in the annual report. "Our beliefs should reflect our commitment and be at the center of all that we do," said Hansen.

The foundation continued to seek opportunities for community collaboration among non-profit organizations, businesses, local governments, schools, and individuals, hosting roundtable discussions and meeting with key leaders in an ongoing effort to engage with others throughout the county. The organization continues to be accredited by the Council on Foundations' National Standards process, a designation that signifies that the Charlevoix County Community

Foundation meets or exceeds a rigorous set of expectations designed specifically to measure the quality of the organization.

"We've had an excellent year," comments Hansen. "Contributions increased when compared to a year ago and the extra support allowed us to distribute hundreds of thousands of dollars to support important local causes." Hansen concluded by praising the foundation's founders. "When the foundation started 20 years ago, it must have been difficult to imagine where the path would lead," Hansen said. "Today, we can celebrate and appreciate the work of our founders. Their leadership and diligence made all the difference in the world. They showed us the way," he noted, "and their good work, combined with the efforts of our current team of trustees, staff, donors, and volunteers encompasses the idea of being deeply rooted and growing stronger."

To get your own copy of the "Deeply Rooted, Growing Stronger" annual report, contact the foundation office at 231/536-2440, or access it online at www.c3f.org.



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BOYNE CITY

Parents & iPads

Boyer City Schools will host a discussion for parents and iPads on Nov. 29, 6:30 - 7:30pm. The discussion is for parents of children K-12. We will discuss tools for using iPads such as: Homework Tips, Internet Safety, Home Use, iPad Shortcuts. Question and Answers from Parents/Staff

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2. What should NOT be on your child's iPad.
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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

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CHARLEVOIX

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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.charemunitedway.org/united-we-read and click on the "take the pledge" link and fill out our volunteer survey. For questions please contact education@charemunitedway.org or call us at 231-487-1006.

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Looking for project

The Leadership Class at East Jordan High School is interested in volunteer opportunities. If you have a need for volunteers please contact the Leadership Class teacher, Mr. Nachazel at pnachazel@ejps.org

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Yoga

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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.

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Volunteers Needed

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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 <http://www.charemunitedway.org/united-we-read> and click on the "take the pledge" link and fill out our volunteer survey. For questions please contact education@charemunitedway.org or call us at 231-487-1006. You can also find volunteer opportunities on our Volunteer Connection's site at www.tinyurl.com/volunteerconnections. Just search for "Literacy Corps"!

CHARLEVOIX AND EMMET COUNTY

Food and Shelter grants available

Charlevoix County has been awarded \$14,539 and Emmet County has been awarded \$22,398 in Federal funds under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program. These funds will be distributed by a Local Board and are used to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in these counties through March 31, 2013. Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 5) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply. Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Martha Lancaster, Char-Em United Way, P.O. Box 1701, Petoskey MI 49770; phone 231-487-1006; email info@charemunitedway.org for an application. The deadline for applications to be received is 5pm Friday, November 30.

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.

CHARLEVOIX

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

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) 347-0067.

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.

CHARLEVOIX

Flurryfest

Charlevoix's Flurry Fest & Open House is just around the corner on Saturday, December 1st.

EAST JORDAN

Pet photos with Santa

It's time to polish up the pets and get them ready for their Annual Photo with Santa Claus Saturday, December 1st from Noon - 2:00 PM at the East Jordan Bandshell in Memorial Park. Dogs, cats, hamsters, ferrets, etc. are welcome to come and give their holiday wishes to Santa as well as have their pictures taken. This event is a fundraiser for the East Jordan Freedom Festival. For more information contact Shannon Fender at 231-536-7351

BOYNE CITY

Holiday show

Holiday hobby/craft show will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Boyne City High School. Admission is free and refreshments are available for this 34th annual event that raises funds for the Boyne City Booster Foundation. For booth information, contact Colleen Calo at 231.582-6156 or ccalo@boyne.com.

BOYNE CITY

Jolly Gingerbread

The library will be "under construction" on Saturday, Dec. 1 during the Jolly Gingerbread program. Children of all ages will have the opportunity to build their own unique gingerbread houses. There are two sessions at 1 and 3 p.m., and registration is required. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. The finished gingerbread houses will be displayed at the library and at downtown businesses through the holidays. Supplies were generously donated by Glen's Markets. To register, call 231-582-7861

BOYNE CITY

German Market

SOBO, the South Boyne arts district presents its third annual Old-Fashioned European Christmas Market Dec. 1 from 10am - 6pm with art, gifts, food, music and fun - something for everyone at the German Weihnachtsmarkt-style market. Other SOBO and community businesses will also be participating.

CHARLEVOIX

Homemade soup & sale

The Charlevoix United Methodist Church is hosting

an all you can eat soup & sale this Saturday, Dec. 1 from 10am - 2pm. Come on in and warm up with many varieties of yummy homemade soups while enjoying Charlevoix's Flurry Fest. Also included are gently used Christmas items, crafts and baked goodies sale. \$5 for All You Can Eat Soup. Proceeds go to local outreach and mission projects. Church is located at 104 State St, Charlevoix.

BOYNE CITY

Food pantry benefit

Red Mesa Grill will host the 15th Annual Judy Kuheana Memorial Breakfast Buffet benefiting Boyne Area food pantries from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1. Judy Kuheana was the founder of the 7th Day Adventist Food Pantry. She passed away in 1996. Admission (\$9 adults, \$5 children 12 and under) will be collected at the door with all sales going to Boyne area food pantries through the Manna Food Project. There is also an angel auction that begins Nov. 25 and concludes Dec. 3 at the breakfast. The event has now raised over \$19,000 to benefit Boyne area charities.

CHARLEVOIX

Holiday crafts

The Charlevoix Public Library is hosting their annual Drop-in December Holiday Crafts. Stop by during regular library hours to make one of the fun crafts. The craft changes each week in December, the week of December 1 - Holiday Tree, December 8 - Little Angel, December 15 - Holiday Card, December 22 - CD Ornament. Kids of all ages will have the opportunity to create one of these fun crafts from the smorgasbord of crafting materials at the library. All ages welcome to drop in anytime during the event. For more information about this or other kids programs at the library, call 231-237-7350 or visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

BOYNE CITY

Senior Center anniversary celebration

The Boyne Area Senior Center invites everyone to help us celebrate the 7th anniversary of our new building on Sunday, December 2. The Senior Center is located at 411 E. Division St. Enjoy a homemade meatloaf dinner with all the trimmings. Serving 11:30am - 1:30pm. Donation of \$3.00, \$6.00 under 60. Entertainment by Ernie Mendel. Sponsored by the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging.

CHARLEVOIX

Historical society Christmas dinner

The Charlevoix Historical Society invites all members of the community to its annual Christmas dinner at the Grey Gables Restaurant, 308 Belvedere Avenue on Tuesday, December 4 at 6pm. Social hour and cash bar from 6 to 7, dinner at 7. Call 547-0373 Tuesday-Saturday between 11 and 4 for menu selections and price.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Fox for Tots Toy Wagon

Fox Charlevoix Toy Wagon will make appearances around Northern Michigan collecting toys for the Toys for Tots program. Scheduled appearances are: Friday, November 30th from 4p - 6p - Cheboygan Wal-Mart with Lite 96.3's Tim Nixon on-site

Saturday, December 1st from 1p - 3p - Petoskey's Kmart with Lite 96.3's Tim Nixon on-site

Friday, December 7th from 6p - 9p - Downtown Petoskey's Holiday Open House with Lite 96.3's Tim Nixon on-site

Saturday, December 8th - Fox Charlevoix's Fox for Tots Party with host Tim Nixon from Lite 96.3, Fox Grand Traverse Fox for Tots Party with hosts, Josh and Heather from the KHQ Morning Show

The toy wagon has also made appearances in Petoskey, Charlevoix and Gaylord.

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BOYNE CITY

Lights of Love

Lights of Love is a benefit for Hospice of Northwest Michigan sponsored by the Boyne City Eta Nu Women's Club. Purchase a tree light or Hearts of Love Ornament to support Hospice. The event is Wednesday, Dec. 5, starting with caroling and a tree-lighting ceremony at the Boyne River Inn at 6 p.m. Dinner follows for \$14.50 per person. For additional information contact Mary Whitlock at 231-582-9798. Make checks (for lights, hearts and dinner), payable to Eta Nu Charities and mail to P.O. Box 133, Boyne City, Mi. 49712. Lights are priced at \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20, and \$25, with Hearts of Lover ornaments for \$35. Donation forms are available at the Boyne Area Chamber, Boyne Senior Center and various local merchants.

EAST JORDAN

Tourist Park holiday displays

Let's fill the Tourist Park with Holiday Displays. If you haven't reserved your space yet with the East Jordan Lions Club for a spot at the Tourist Park do so today! Let's fill the park with holiday displays. This is a one-of-a-kind event in our area and we are so fortunate to have such a beautiful park setting to do this in. Thank you to the EJ Lions Club for creating and sponsoring this venue. Contact Jeff Argetsinger at 231-582-2770

EAST JORDAN

Holiday light parade

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!

EAST JORDAN

Community Night

December 6th is community night in East Jordan. Local businesses will be offering gift certificates, drawings, giveaways, samples and refreshments. Let these local merchants help you select the perfect gift.

CHARLEVOIX

Fox for Tots toy drive

From now until December 8th, the public is encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy to the Fox Grand Traverse dealership on US 31 south in Traverse City or Fox Motors of Charlevoix dealerships on US 31 South in Charlevoix. In appreciation, anyone donating a toy will receive 2 free water park passes from The Great Wolf Lodge. The toy drive will be topped off with a monumental party at Fox Grand Traverse and Fox Charlevoix on Saturday, December 8th. Everyone is invited to come take part in this free event. There will be free snacks and hot dogs, children's games, drawings and giveaways and of course Santa Claus and his Reindeer! All donated

toys collected at Fox Motors will be given to Toys for Tots who distribute to children in need through area family service agencies.

EAST JORDAN

Christmas Tree Sale

The East Jordan Lions Club is holding its annual Christmas Tree Sale at the EJ True Value Hardware now through Dec. 24. This year we are offering Balsam Firs, Scotch Pines, White Pines, Blue Spruce, and Fraser Firs. Prices run from \$25.00 to \$45.00. All proceeds from the sale remain in the community and support the local Lions Club programs and projects.

CHARLEVOIX

Winter Youth Craft Show

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to announce its Winter Youth Craft Show, 11am - 1pm, Saturday, Dec. 8. The kids have to make their own wares, plan and set-up their own booth, and then sell their gifts during the show. To make the show a success, shoppers are needed! Stop by that afternoon to enjoy the wonderful kids' crafts and bring your small bills and change - you're sure to find that perfect gift! Stop by the youth department at the library for more information or a registration form. Call 231.237.7350 for further information.

BOYNE FALLS

Snowmobile training class

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's dept is hosting a snowmobile training class Dec. 8, 9am - 3pm at the Boyne Falls Fire Dept. building. State law requires those who do not have a valid Michigan driver's license to complete and pass this training program. Register at the sheriff's dept, 1000 Grant St, Charlevoix.

ELLSWORTH

History preservation holiday program

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society will hold its Annual Holiday Dinner & Program, "A Matter of Taste" at Tapawingo, located at 9502 Lake Street in Ellsworth on Monday, December 10. The festivities begin at 5:30 PM with a Cocktail Hour (Cash bar) and Dinner at 6:30 PM. Reservations will be accepted until November 30th. For more information go to www.cchps.info, or call Jane (582-6202) or Georganna (582-5326).

BOYNE CITY

Business after hours

will be held at Re/Max Resort Properties, 111 S. Lake St., Boyne City from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13. Co-sponsoring the Chamber's holiday networking event is Fierro HVAC Heating, Cooling and Refrigeration. There is no charge for admission or refreshments.

CHARLEVOIX

Food drive

Rotary Club of Charlevoix Can Food Drive. Please bring your nonperishable food items to the Olesons parking lot on Saturday, December 15th between 9am and 2pm. We will also be accepting empty returnables (cans and bottles) as donations. All food and money collected will benefit the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry.

BUSINESS NEWS

East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Business Spotlight: The EJ Shoppe

By Jim Akans

The Ambassadors of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce are proud to announce that The EJ Shoppe has been selected as the Business Spotlight of the Month. Established in 1958 by Dorothy Gibard, the EJ Shoppe has been a staple retail destination in downtown East Jordan for over a half of a century.

Mary Faculak, owner of The EJ Shoppe since 1988, states, "Dorothy achieved the honor of becoming the number one Levi's retailer in the region, and added high end boutique style women's clothing to the stores offerings. She ran the store for 17 years and her daughter Carol took over the store for then next 13 years. After I began operating the store, we did continue to carry men's clothing for a while, but as times changed, we moved our focus to women's apparel."

The EJ Shoppe, along with their second location; Mary's of Boyne, have now earned the distinction of becoming the number one Tribal Sportswear retailer in the state of Michigan. Among the other highly regarded clothing lines offered at The EJ Shoppe are Lana Lee, Splendor and Parsley and Sage.

"We have carried forward the tradition of offering quality clothing at moderate prices," states Faculak. "The clothing we carry are pieces that someone will be able to wear over and over again and the apparel will continue to look good. We believe that someone's wardrobe is an investment in themselves. The way a person is dressed when they walk out the door in the morning is the first impression people will have of them throughout the day."

The EJ Shoppe (and Mary's of Boyne), offer both contemporary and classic clothing lines with a wide selection geared to those of every age. They also carry a full assortment of accessories, including costume jewelry, scarves, purses, capes, ponchos and more.

Faculak points out, "We are a full service store, offering services such as alteration, lay-away, personal shopping, and even after hours shopping parties. We also keep track of our client's purchases so we can help them when making fu-



The Ambassadors of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce are proud to announce that The EJ Shoppe has been selected as the Business Spotlight of the Month. Shown here, The EJ Shoppe owner Mary H. Faculak displays a Tribal Sportswear ensemble. The EJ Shoppe, and sister store; Mary's of Boyne, have the largest selection of the line in the state. COURTESY PHOTO

ture clothing selections. Our team members are extremely dedicated to customer service. We listen to our client's suggestions for lines or niches they would like us to carry. We are here for them."

In addition to owning and operating The EJ Shoppe and Mary's of Boyne, Mary Faculak has served as Executive Director for the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce for the past 23 years. She and her team members are regularly involved with community events, area schools, and fundraisers for local organizations.

"We enjoy being part of this community," she affirms. "As a downtown retailer, we would like to see other businesses locate in our town. There are so many great opportunities here in East Jordan!"

Congratulations to The EJ Shoppe for being selected as the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Business Spotlight. The EJ Shoppe is located at 122 Main Street in East Jordan, are open Tuesday through Friday from 11 am to 5 pm, and Saturday from 10 am until 4 pm.

New Physician Assistant at Boyne Area Medical

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—The Boyne Area Medical Center has hired their first Physician Assistant (PA) and is expecting that the addition will increase the community's access to care. Kaili Walker will be able to care for those patients who need to be seen quickly providing a cost effective way for the clinic to continue to provide quality health care.

Originally from Gladstone, Michigan, Walker received her degrees from Grand Valley University. "My heart has always been in family practice and I love getting to know the patients, taking care of their whole health and their whole family and seeing people at every stage of life," she said.

Because of the volume of patients, demand for health care and few physicians at Boyne Area Medical, it has been difficult for current patients to get an appointment when they need to. PA Kaili Walker fills that physician/client gap. Those patients who need to be seen more quickly can see Walker, leaving more time for the physicians to care for their current appointments and the more difficult encounters. "My position at Boyne Area Medical as a PA is to work as a team with the physicians and increase the community's access to care," said Walker.

Physician Assistants were created in the late 1960's to help balance a physician shortage and they support that same role today. They are trained in a rigorous, shortened version of medical school, and are required to continue their education throughout their careers so

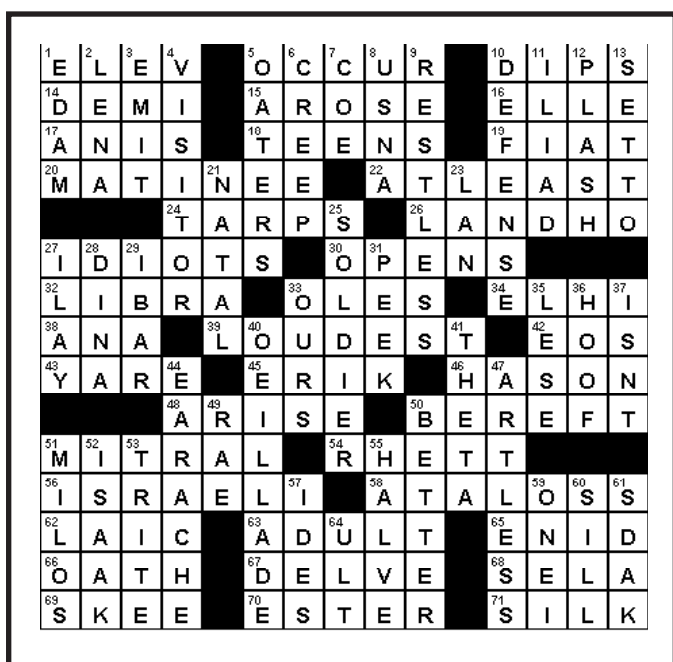


New Physician Assistant Kaili Walker has joined the staff at the Boyne Area Medical Center in Boyne City. Her presence is expected to further a collaborative team-based approach to patient care at the center.

that a heightened standard of expertise is available to patients. "Hopefully, Charlevoix Area Hospital will continue to include Physician Assistants as part of their health care team, when they see the benefit that we can have financially and with patient care," said Walker.

The addition of PAs at the Boyne Area Center is expected to be

cost effective, improve patient access to the clinic with more immediate appointments available, as well as providing the best care possible. "Not only does hiring someone like me help the hospital financially, but more importantly, it will help to provide more focus on patient's care in a collaborative, team-based approach," said Walker.



News

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Student of the Week Boyne City High School Dominic Frechette



GRADE: 11
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:
Jazz & Concert Bans, Tennis, Student Council, Pride Team
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:
Music, Literature, Politics, Pottery, Dance, Making Smart Comments.”

FUTURE PLANS/GOALS

“Hopefully become a doctor or something in the field of medicine.”

STAFF COMMENTS

“Dominic is an exceptional academic leader in our school. He is always attentive, involved, helpful, and productive. Dominic should be commended for his consistent effort.” - (Mr. Fritzsche, English Teacher)

“Dominic is a talented, hard-working young man, particularly in Jazz Band. He is becoming a leader of the band and is a fun person to be around.” - (Mr. Ivie, Band Teacher)

“Dominic challenges himself academically being both in College Prep Physics and FST/Pre-Calc. He works to meet his own pre-set goals. Congratulations Dominic!” - (Mrs. Clausen, Math Teacher)

Boyne Falls Public School Jared Hausler



GRADE: 8
PARENTS:
Eric and Yvonne Hausler
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:
Junior High Basketball, J.V. Basketball Waterboy
HOBBIES :
Fishing in my dad's pond, four wheeling and horseback riding

FAVORITE BOOKS:
Fable Haven by Brandon Mull

FUTURE PLANS:
Landscape Architecture

STAFF COMMENTS

“Jared is a pleasure to have in the classroom. He always works hard to accomplish his goals and is more than willing to help others reach theirs. Jared is polite, respectful, caring and trustworthy. Jared represents Boyne Falls Public School well and I'm proud of him. Congratulations!” - (Heidi Held-Hinkley)

Students of the Month East Jordan Public School Drue Dailey • Ellen Brandel

STAFF COMMENTS:

DRUE DAILEY

“Drue shows all of the positive qualities that we at East Jordan Elementary find important in all of our students. Drue is a good friend who cares about others and truly knows what it means to be kind and respectful to both adults and her peers. She cares about her classmates even in situations where others may not be as caring. Drue is also a very responsible student. She is consistent about getting her work in on time and always strives for the highest quality in all that she does. Drue is a true Red Devil. We have a banner in our 5th grade hall that reads: “EJ, a great place to learn! Do your best...be AMAZING!” Drue lives by this saying and she IS amazing! Drue, by being a positive role model for others, makes our school a better place and it is with great EJ pride that we congratulate Drue on being our student of the month.”

ELLEN BRANDEL

“Ellen is enrolled in my Leadership Class at the high school and serves as the Student Council Vice President. Every day she comes to class with great ideas and, more importantly, a positive attitude. I have never seen her in a bad mood. Her positive – creative ideas are infectious. I feel that I become a better person and teacher by being around her. You can see a similar effect on her peers. Their faces brighten up when she walks into the room. I could spend more time describing Ellen's positive traits. She is mature, honest and has a great sense of humor. Ellen is one of the finest people I have been around in my 19 years of teacher. She is a tremendous asset for our school. She is an incredible student and has a tremendous work ethic, and a strong sense of what is right and wrong.” - (Mr. Nachazel, HS Math/Science Teacher)



ACCIDENTS

Jaws of Life used to free woman from car

On Saturday November 24, 2012 at 12:15 p.m. the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, along with the Michigan State Police, Boyne City Police, Boyne Valley Fire and EMS, and Hudson Township Fire and First Responders, were called to a report of a single vehicle roll-over crash. The driver was reported to be injured and trapped inside the vehicle. The driver, 34 year old Aimee Blackford of Elmira, was traveling Westbound on Camp Ten Road when she lost control of her vehicle. She entered the ditch sideways and struck a tree. The car came to rest partially up the tree, preventing the doors from opening. The Jaws of

Life had to be used to remove her from the vehicle. She was transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey for treatment of head and back pain. Winter road conditions and speeds too fast for those conditions are the main contributors of the crash. This incident remains under investigation.

Minor injuries in Rollover accident

Sheriff W.D. Schneider reports on Monday, November 26, 2012, at 9:36pm the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a one vehicle rollover traffic crash on Boyne Mountain Pass Rd. four tenths of a mile west of Creekside Dr. Fifty-one

year old Thomas James Maidens, of Charlevoix, was traveling westbound on Mountain Pass Rd. in a 2003 Chevrolet Trailblazer. Maidens lost control on the icy/snowy roadway and the vehicle left the road to the right and rolled down an embankment. The vehicle came to rest on its' side against a tree. Maidens complained of minor pain in his right hand and refused EMS. The front seat passenger, 34 year old Robert William Reiter, of Charlevoix, complained of a soreness in his back and refused EMS. The rear passenger side passenger, 42 year old Karl Gene Balch, also of Charlevoix, complained of pain in his left shoulder and he also refused EMS. The Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by Boyne Mountain Security.

CHX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

November 19-25

911 Hang Up Call	15
Abandoned Vehicle	2
Abuse	1
Alarm	1
Animal Complaint	18
Annoyance	2
Assault	0
Assist Citizen	4
Assist Motorist	1
Assist Other Agency	16
Attempt to Locate	5
Attempted Suicide	0
Bank Alarm	0
Boating Accident	0
Boating Violation	0
Breaking & Entering	0
Car/Deer Accident	19
Citations Issued	12
Civil Complaint	2
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Death	0
Disorderly Person	0
Disturbance	2
DNR Complaint	2
Domestic Dispute	2
Driving Complaint	3
Fireworks Complaint	0
Found Property	0
Fraud	1
Health & Safety	1
Hit & Run	1
Intoxicated Person	0
Juvenile	0
Larceny	2
Lockout	3
Lost Property	0
Malicious Destruction of Property	2
Mental Subject	0
Minor In Possession	0
Miscellaneous Criminal	1
Missing Person	0
Noise Complaint	1
Operating Under the Influence	0
Paper Service	10
Parking Violation	0
Personal Injury Accident	3
Personal Protection Order	0
Private Property Accident	4
Property Check	2

Property Damage Accident	10
Prowler	0
Road Hazard	10
Stalking	0
Suspicious Situation	9
Threat	1
Traffic Stop	29
Trespassing	1
Unknown Accident	0
Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile	1
Vehicle in the Ditch	6
Violation of Controlled Substance Act	0

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, November 12

8:28am Open door in the 600 block of N Lake St
11:01am Request for welfare check in the 900 block of N Lake St
1:30pm Forgery of license plate
1:47pm Civil Citation issued for failing to yield to pedestrian at crosswalk at Park and Water
4:00pm Salvage Vehicle inspection
6:47pm 911 hang up from the 200 block of E Main St
7:25pm Assisted Sheriff Department on Springvale Rd

Tuesday, November 13

2:19am Assist Sheriff Department with accident on Pleasant Valley Rd
4:29am Assist Sheriff Department with alarm on M-75 S
9:28am Subject complaining about Facebook harassment
11:24am Welfare check requested in the 800 block of N Lake St
12:35am Civil standby in the 500 block of N Lake St
1:42pm Car crowd accident

reported on State St
3:42pm Larceny reported from the 400 block of Hannah St
6:10pm Report of suspicious subject in the 400 block of N Lake St
8:16pm Disturbance in the 1000 block of Second St
11:10pm Assist Sheriff Department in the 300 block of Fall Park Rd

Wednesday, November 14

10:38am Unlock vehicle in the 900 block of Pleasant Av
2:48pm Report of subject soliciting in the 400 block of N Lake St. Was warned for trespassing
5:08pm Subject in with child custody issues
8:50pm Suspicious situation in the 400 block of State St
9:40pm Car deer accident on Groveland near Ottawa St
9:44pm Car deer accident on Boyne City Charlevoix Rd near W Michigan

Thursday, November 15

12:41am Citation issued for no trailer lights at Lake St near Lincoln
2:21am Arrested subject for DWLS in the 300 block of Front St
8:02am Juvenile complaint in the 900 block of Brockway
11:20am Assist subject with family concerns in the 300 block of Bailey St
12:10pm Harassment complaint received from Front St
12:38pm 911 hang up call from the 1000 block of Boyne Av
2:35pm Assist to the Sheriff Department in the 300 block of N Lake St
6:36pm Citation issued for disregarding a steady yel-

low light at Lake and Water Streets

Friday, November 16

8:30am Driving complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
11:34am 2 vehicle property damage accident Park and Franklin
2:42pm Unlock vehicle in the 300 block of E Division St
5:37pm Mailbox hit in the 700 block of Groveland St
5:57pm Assist motorist at Park and Collings
11:45pm Noise complaint from the 300 block of E Division St.

Saturday, November 17

12:48am Arrested subject for operating without security and citation issued for expired plate
9:29am Citation issued for speed on Cherry St near West
11:14am Unlock vehicle in the 700 block of Vogel St
11:49am Suspicious situation in the 800 block of State St
11:50am Gasoline drive off from the 1300 block of Boyne Av
12:41pm Assault complaint received from Lake St and W Michigan

Sunday, November 18

1:19am Motorist assist at Lake and Vogel
2:59am Assisted Conservation Officer on Dam Rd
4:00pm Suspicious dead turkey found on Spring St
5:36pm Unlock vehicle in the 300 block of E Court St
8:39pm Assist Sheriff Department with suicidal subject on Wildwood Harbor Rd

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BOYNE CITY COUNCIL

Changes For Douglas Street Considered

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—Possible changes to the Douglas Street Storm Sewer Project were discussed, an update on the Kirkland Pellet Plant noise reduction efforts was given, and a permit for the installation of fiber optic lines and an access cabinet was granted at the November 27 meeting of the Boyne City Council.

City Manager Michael Cain gave report that some changes are being considered for the Douglas Street Storm Sewer Project. The possibility of adding a sidewalk on the west side of the street, adding rain gardens, storm water filter separators (like those on John St) and possibly closing a segment of the street off permanently for an expansion of a green area, are all being considered for the street. "We are seriously considering blocking off the street for the winter to see how it works, we can take the barriers down

and open it up anytime if it isn't a good idea," said Cain.

Planning/Zoning Administrator, Scott McPherson gave an update on the Planning Commission's responses concerning progress Kirkland Products is making to quell the low frequency sound the factory emits. The issue came before the Planning Commission at the November 19 meeting with a great deal of discussion. "They reviewed data regarding noise measurements through the night and while the decibels are within the Traverse City noise ordinance guidelines (they decided) it doesn't apply to this circumstance," he said. McPherson stated that the planning commission then looked over the original agreement with Kirkland and found that all equipment with noise levels over 40 decibels were to be placed inside the building and that several pieces of equipment that fall under those specifications were outside. Kirkland is reaching out to consultants for

more economic solutions to this problem. The factory will be operating this week Wednesday thru Friday.

A permit to run overhead fiber optic lines on existing poles along the city's right of ways and place an access box on the corner of Jefferson and North Streets just south of the ball field was approved. "I'm not aware of a way to prohibit them or at this point any reason to," said Cain concerning the permit request which seemed to leave no opening for the city to deny if they wished to. The cabinet will be the only new visible indicator of their presence. Cain suggested the possibility of creating an ordinance that would force future conduit companies to place the lines underground.

A joint board meeting and City Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 4 at 6 P.M.

The next regular City Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11 at 7 P.M.

Matched Savings Program: What is it?

Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA) offers Individual Development Accounts (IDA) – Matched Savings program. The program, called Michigan Saves, offers people the opportunity to save towards the purchase of their first home, for starting or expanding a small business, or to pay for college or vocational school. Enrollees make a minimum monthly deposit of \$20.00 per month into a savings account set up jointly between the participant and the local program office. The minimum participation time to be enrolled in the IDA program is six months. Each dollar the participant saves is matched at a 3:1 ratio for homeownership or at a 2:1 ratio for small business, farming or higher education. The maximum that can be matched is \$1,000.00.

Michigan Saves is an Individual Development Account (IDA) program. The program has been very successful according to Karen Emerson, who is the Financial Management Services Manager for NMCAA. "We have assisted 139 families in reaching their goals since the program started in 2001. Each enrollee made a commitment to attend fi-

nanacial management classes, participate in individual budget/credit counseling, as well as make monthly deposits into their savings account."

NMCAA has funding for this program through a grant from the Assets for Independence Act (AFIA) Demonstration Program.

The funding source determines the eligibility requirements for the program. To be eligible, an applicant must have income within 200% of the poverty guideline or below. For example, the income limit for a family of four is \$46,100 per year. Participants must have a source of earned income.

NMCAA has partnered with Fifth Third Bank and the program is strengthened by partnerships with other community agencies. The collaborative effort brings with it a level of experience that offers insight into the challenges that account holders will face in achieving their goals. Call NMCAA at (231) 947-3780 or (800) 632-7334 to obtain a potential IDA application for the Michigan Saves IDA Program. NMCAA is located at 3963 Three Mile Road, Traverse City, MI 49686 and has offices in Cadillac and Petoskey, too.

Banks Township

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"We need to kind of reconfigure that intersection so it's safer and that's going to affect the drainage," said Heeres. The board is expecting a proposal from Burt Thompson of the County Road Commission next month.

The Township Planning Commission has finally approved the much debated RV ordinance revisions "The final revisions

are extremely lenient compared with the first proposal. They have worked hard trying to reach a compromise," said Heeres.

The revision allows for property owners who have less than one acre to have an RV parked and occupied for up to 60 days and there can be up to four RV's parked on parcels greater than one acre for up to fifteen days. The revisions have



New Banks Township Trustee Tom Cooper was sworn in by Township Clerk, Donna Heeres at the November 12 board meeting. New Trustee David Rasmussen was unable to attend his first meeting because of illness but will be sworn in at the December 17 meeting.

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Former Banks Township Trustees Marvin Rubingh and Mark DeKorne were presented with plaques to commemorate their years of service to the community. Rubingh served twelve years on the board and DeKorne, seven.

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been sent to the county Planning Commission for review and will be sent back to the Township Board to be considered for approval at the next

meeting. New Ellsworth Post Office hours beginning January 1 were discussed. The new hours are Monday- Friday

8:15 to 4:15 with a two-hour lunch from 11:30-1:30 and Saturday hours will stay the same, 9:30-11:30 A.M. Ellsworth Community

Tree Lighting Wednesday, December 12, 6 PM. The next Banks Township meeting will be held December 17 at 7:30 P.M.

Weekly Crossword

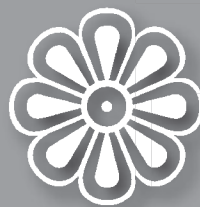
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1- Hgt.; 5- Happen; 10- Immerses; 14- Actress Moore; 15- "_____ by any other name..."; 16- Fashion mag; 17- Black cuckoos; 18- Ages between 13 and 19; 19- Decree; 20- Afternoon performance; 22- In any case; 24- Diamond protectors; 26- Crow's-nest cry; 27- Foolish persons; 30- Goes into business; 32- Seventh sign of the zodiac; 33- Corrida cheers; 34- K-12; 38- Actress Alicia; 39- Noisiest; 42- Dawn goddess; 43- Dextrous, lively; 45- Actor Estrada; 46- Is wearing; 48- Spring up; 50- Deprived; 51- Resembling a miter; 54- Role for Clark; 56- Sharon, e.g.; 58- Puzzled; 62- Not of the cloth; 63- Mature; 65- Children's author Blyton; 66- Sworn thing; 67- Research deeply; 68- Actress Ward; 69- ___-Ball; 70- Fragrant compound; 71- Worm fiber;

Down

1- Yellow cheese coated with red wax; 2- Singer Horne; 3- Expel gas or odor; 4- Person who visits; 5- Westerns; 6- Crawl; 7- Cedar Rapids college; 8- Annapolis inst.; 9- Uneasy; 10- Protection; 11- Greek epic poem; 12- Gentle water sound; 13- Rhubarb; 21- Pertaining to birth; 23- PC linkup; 25- Military person; 27- Now ___ me down...; 28- Actress Merrill; 29- Support beam; 31- Spy; 33- Belonging to us; 35- ___ majeste; 36- Foot of a horse; 37- "___ She Lovely?"; 40- An amorous glance; 41- 8th letter of the Greek alphabet; 44- Otagia; 47- Without affect; 49- ___ Dawn Chong; 50- Superior; 51- "Amadeus" director Forman; 52- Singer Chris; 53- Hackneyed; 55- Cleave in two; 57- Mid-month times; 59- Dedicated to the ___ Love; 60- Window ledge; 61- Minn. neighbor; 64- Last: Abbr.;



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The Charlevoix United Methodist Church is hosting an "ALL YOU CAN EAT SOUP & SALE" this Saturday, Dec. 1 from 10 AM – 2PM. Come on in and warm up with many varieties of yummy homemade soups while enjoying Charlevoix's "Flurry Fest". Also included are gently used Christmas items, crafts and baked goodies sale. \$5.00 for "All You Can Eat Soup". Proceeds go to local outreach and mission projects. Church is located at 104 State St, Charlevoix.

Alternative Gift Fair Benefits Local Non-Profits

Petoskey - The annual Alternative Gift Fair is in its 7th year of simplifying shopping and raising funds for local community organizations dedicated to providing essential health and human services in this region. This year, the event takes place on Saturday, December 1 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Petoskey United Methodist Church. Tough economic times, shrinking human services budgets and the generosity of community members have made this a defining holiday event over the years. The Alternative Gift Fair is a joyous event that helps individuals simplify shopping, avoid crowds and parking hassles, while also providing long lasting philanthropic gifts to the community.

This year's Alternative Gift Fair shopping list includes gifts

from the following non-profits: Harbor Springs Community Food Pantry, Great Start Preschool Scholarships, Community Free Clinic, Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency, The Manna Food Project, The Nehemiah Project, Kids Hope USA, Planned Parenthood of West and Northern Michigan, Project Connect, Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan, and the Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity. Those who purchase gift cards will be helping these agencies meet critical community needs in the areas of food, life essentials, education and healthcare. Locally based organizations with community outreach stretching across the globe will also be on hand including SAME-South African Medical Expedition, Friendship with Cambodia and South American

Women Weaving Cooperative.

During the event, shoppers visit with non-profit representatives and select gifts to purchase and donate in honor of those on their shopping list: friends, family, employees and teachers. The non-profits provide each donor with a card describing the gift that has been purchased to present to gift recipients. Holiday greeting cards to enclose the gift cards are offered as a complimentary service, as well as calligraphy of gift card enclosures. Shoppers may also purchase lunch items offered by Julieanne Tomatoes.

Those unable to attend this year's Alternative Gift Fair may visit www.agfpetoskey.org to view the shopping list and participate by mail. For more information, contact Kathy Hart at 231-347-8852.

Fox for Tots Toy Wagon Collects for area Children

Fox Charlevoix Toy Wagon will make appearances around Northern Michigan collecting toys for the Toys for Tots program. Scheduled appearances are:

Friday, November 30th from 4p – 6p – Cheboygan Wal-Mart with Lite 96.3's Tim Nixon on-site

Saturday, December 1st from 1p – 3p – Petoskey's Kmart with Lite 96.3's Tim Nixon on-site

Friday, December 7th from 6p – 9p – Downtown Petoskey's Holiday Open House with Lite 96.3's Tim Nixon on-site

Saturday, December 8th – Fox Charlevoix's Fox for Tots Party with host Tim Nixon from Lite 96.3, Fox Grand Traverse's Fox for Tots Party with hosts, Josh and Heather from the KHQ Morning Show

The toy wagon has also made appearances in Petoskey, Charlevoix and Gaylord.



Atwood Christmas

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ter – There will be hot chocolate and cookies, plus a chance to win an emergency winter car kit and a \$25 gift certificate.

- Mike's Auto Care – Stop by on Saturday to register for a chance to win a free oil change.

- Work 'n Play – Cookies and hot chocolate will be offered throughout the day, and bring the kids to see Santa between 10 am and 2 pm. This is Santa's first appearance ever at Work 'n Play!

- Atwood Christian Reformed Church – There will be kids games and ornament making, plus a Christmas Movie between 11 am and 2 pm.

Enjoy these special sales, refreshments and activities for the whole family at the "Christmas in Atwood" celebration this Saturday.

ChristmasinAtwoodPhoto; Royal Farms will be among the many area businesses offering special sales, refreshments and activities for the whole family at the "Christmas in Atwood" celebration this Saturday, December 1st. Courtesy photo

Flurry Fest

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to shop and sample without interruption!

So make a list, check it twice and head to the Charlevoix Merchant Open House!

Additional details about Flurry Fest and the annual Merchant Open House can be obtained by calling the Charlevoix Chamber at (231) 547-2101 or visiting www.charlevoix.org

"Heart for Art" event at Mary's of Boyne held last Saturday

On Saturday, November 24th, Tribal Sportswear partnered with the Mary's of Boyne for their signature charity event; "Heart for Art". Mary's of Boyne selected Jim Beckering, of Boyne City High School. Jim is a creative and dedicated art teacher who continually motivates his students to produce and tap into their creative spirits.

Mr. Beckering was awarded on November 24th with a plaque and \$250 gift card to purchase art supplies. Mary's of Boyne of-

fered food and refreshments all day for guests, a gift with purchase "Heart for Art" signature t-shirt, and raffle of a Tribal outfit to any customer who made a purchase.

Tribal Sportswear launched the "Heart for Art" initiative in 2012 to support art programs in middle schools. Heart for Art was created to engage our retail partners and the local communities by supporting and strengthening creativity in the visual and performing art department. Over the past several years,

many Americans, primarily students, have been feeling the effects of the economic recession. With the shrinking rate of state and local education budgets the fine art programs are vulnerable to cuts partly due because children are not tested in music or art under the "No Child Left Behind Law". On average teachers donate \$500 annually of their own money to purchase classroom supplies.

Tribal believes that an interest in fashion design is inspired from creativity in school. This is

what drives "Heart for Art" founders to share their message and help school programs in need. Starting in 2012, Tribal will roll out a series of events with select retail partners. Tribal and the retail store will select a local school to award funding and allow the school to nominate the appropriate teacher. At each event Tribal and the retail partner will honor and invite the local community to celebrate.

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Arts, Dining & Events

Make reservations now for Charlevoix Historical Society's "A Matter of Taste" holiday dinner

The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society will hold its Annual Holiday Dinner & Program, "A Matter of Taste" at Tapawingo, located at 9502 Lake Street in Ellsworth on Monday, December 10th, and reservations for those attending are being accepted through November 30th.

The festivities will begin at 5:30 pm with a Cocktail Hour (Cash bar) and Dinner at 6:30 pm. Appetizers will be served during the cocktail hour, followed by the dinner, which begins with Lake Michigan Salad, a recipe from the Henry Ford

family. A choice of one of three entrées is offered: -Northwest Michigan Chicken Breast (with morel and shitake mushrooms in white wine sauce) and wild rice and jasmine rice pilaf, or - Parmesan Encrusted Whitefish and roasted new potatoes with lemon dill butter, or -Honey Maple Glazed Pork Loin with apple cider sauce and roasted new potatoes with lemon butter.

Accompanying each entrée will be thinly sliced zucchini, squash and asparagus (lightly steamed and topped with parmesan) and as well as a side dish of handmade pasta (tossed with

light garlic sauce and julienne vegetables) to be concluded with a Dessert of apple crisp with ice cream. The evening will conclude with a program on the history of Tapawingo.

The cost is only \$30.00 and includes tax & gratuity. Reservations will be accepted until November 30th. For more information go to www.cchps.info, or call Jane (582-6202) or Georganna (582-5326). Send check payable to CCHPS, 946 N. Advance Rd., Boyne City, MI 49712. Please include name, entrée selection, and contact information for each reservation.



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Holiday haircuts at Hair Quarters help others in community



Stylists Mikki Travers, Barb McGlinch and Vickie Resch are giving ten dollar haircuts with donations of four nonperishable food items for the month of December. All proceeds go to the Charlevoix food pantry. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELUS

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Holiday spending can take a bite out of even the most fluid of budgets. Extra expenditures besides the gifts, like special foods and travel to see relatives normally unseen can take a significant chunk out of the Holiday Fund.

Hair Quarters in the Edgewater Complex is trying to shear away some of the strain of the Holidays while helping those in our community that have even less to spend.

Bring four nonperishable food items to be donated to Charlevoix's food pantries and save eight dollars with a Holiday Haircut for only ten dollars.

"We want to show support for our community and contribute back as much as possible," said Barb McGlinch, Owner of the upscale salon.

Hair Quarters is an Aveda concepts salon whose vision is to connect beauty, environment and well being. The Aveda products sold at

Hair Quarters share the salons philosophy of caring for the world through the products they make and sell to the ways they give back to society. McGlinch and her team of stylists have been conscientious supporters of what she calls "the wellness of our earth" and now wants to reach out even further so that everyone in Charlevoix will have a happy holiday season.

Call 231-547-0113 for more information and an appointment.

December Events at the Charlevoix Public Library

All events are at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St., 231-237-7340.

Saturday Stories, 10:30 a.m., December 1: Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger plays, and spend time with friends and family. Call for information: 231-237-7350.

Gifts with a Purpose: An Alternative Gift Fair, 10:00 - 2:00 p.m., December 1: Come shop for some truly unique gifts and help the local area at the same time. Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W Clinton St., 231-237-7340.

Holiday Swag Workshop, 6:30 p.m., December 4: Join in the fun and make a holiday swag (Use it on your door, mantel or as a centerpiece.) with Lori Mitchell from Charlevoix Floral. Due to the popularity of this event, it is open to only Charlevoix Public Library card holders. Please register online or call: 237-7340. Winter Youth Craft Show, 11:00 - 1:00 p.m., December 8: Kids make and sell their own holiday crafts. A great holiday shopping opportunity for the whole family.

JATL: Jazz @ the Library, 7:00 p.m., December 12: Live jazz concert featuring holiday classics and instrumental favorites with Claudia Schmidt, Bill Sears and the JATL Trio.

Genealogy Interest Group, 6:00 p.m., December 13: Enjoy the opportunity to discuss new advances in genealogy and to bring information on new research techniques.

LEGO Club: 3:45 - 5:00 p.m., December 10: Drop in for this monthly session of

fun with LEGOs.

Quilters and Friends, 10:00 a.m., December 20: Join quilters and other fiber art enthusiasts for a morning work group. Bring your project and equipment.

Artists in Action: Candy Land Village, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m., December 13: Stop by the lobby to watch Jack McCreadie create his infamous Candy Land Village.

BookTalkers Discussion, 6:00 p.m., December 17: Join the Charlevoix Library BookTalkers for a discussion of The Bells, by Richard Harvell.

Loose Threads: Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 12:00 p.m., December 19: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS: Drop In Holiday Crafts: Holiday crafts available for kids and adults in the youth department. The craft changes each week: Holiday Tree, Little Angel, Holiday Card, and Ornament.

MUG: Mac Users Group, 5:00 p.m., every Monday: This group will gather to share tips and problem solving using Macs.

Story Hour w/ Ms. Laura, 10:30 a.m., Every Thursday: Play "Ms. Laura Says," listen to stories and music, learn finger plays, and spend time with friends and family. Call for information: 231-237-7350.

Writers Group, 6:00 p.m., Thursdays: All writers welcome - published, unpublished and novices - for support and gather new ideas with other writers.

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