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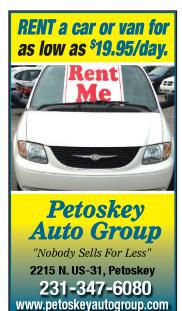
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Boyne City senior Nick Vellis (32) goes up strong over East Jordan senior Joe Manville (14). (PHOTO BY CINDA SHU-



line Boss (32) get a hand in on this rebound. (PHOTO BY SCOTT **RICHARDS)**





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The antique, vintage and classic snowmobile show at the East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club is one of the many highlights of the upcoming Sno-Blast Festival. COURTESY PHOTO

East Jordan "Sno-Blast" festival arrives this weekend!

By Jim Akans

For the past 32 years, East Jordan's annual "Sno-Blast" winter festival has brought a weekend of fun and excitement to the northern Lower Michigan area in mid January. It doesn't even matter if there is snow on the ground; Sno-Blast is guaranteed to bring home the adventure in celebrating and embracing the winter season.

The 32nd Annual Sno-Blast will begin this Friday, January 11th, and continue through Sunday the 13th, with plenty of fun both indoors and out for those of every age. So grab your coat and hat, friends and family, and head to the East Jordan area for memorable weekend celebration in the

The schedule of events for the 32nd annual Sno-Blast is:

FRIDAY—MAIN STREET AND AROUND TOWN

4:30PM CHILI SUPPER Senior Center Till 7:00pm. Enjoy chili, salad, dessert and

beverages. \$8 adults, \$7 seniors and \$5 children. Sponsored by East Jordan Rotary

5:00PM FRIDAY NIGHT ON MAIN! Main Street Till 7:00pm.



Be sure to check out the snow sculptures around town during Sno-Blast, created by businesses, organizations and individuals. The 32nd annual Sno-Blast winter celebration will take place in the East Jordan area this weekend, January 11th through the 13th. COURTESY PHOTO

Come by car or sled; plenty of free parking. Twister Joe and numerous activities inside and out. Sponsored by our Businesses & Organizations.

6:00PM GRAND PARADE Main Street-Enjoy a frosty parade. Grand Marshal: Erv Prevo.

6:15PM CROWNING CERE-MONIES Community Center. The new Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight will be crowned directly following the parade.

7:00 PM LANTERN LIFT Buy a lantern from the Freedom Festival for \$3.00, and write an 'in memory of' or a wish, light them and let them go into the sky.

See East Jordan Sno-Blast - 11A

East Jordan City Commission **Taking Action to** Save Marina

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—The East Jordan City Commission's first meeting of the new year focused primarily on economic development. Finding answers to save a struggling marina and the prospect of a hotel built in town were the only business on the agenda.

Commissioner Paul Timmons has written a letter to the Michigan Waterways Commission begging them to take notice of the dilemma the constant influx of sand into the marina has brought the city. Letting the Waterways Commission know how the sand filled marina impacts the city's economy is the intention behind a full-scale effort on behalf of the commissioners to get a copy of the letter into the hands of every business in the area affected by the marina. Each business will be visited by a commissioner and asked to sign a copy of the letter and possibly place a petition in their businesses to gather support from residents reinforcing the need for some action. One of the commissioners will return to collect the paperwork so it can be mailed to Lansing before the Waterway's February meeting.

"We would like to have a real good showing from the

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weather



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

FRIDAY



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



HIGH: Mid 40's LOW: Upper 20's

SUNDAY

HIGH: Low 30's LOW: Mid 20's

snowfall

	Amt	2012-13	Amt	2011-12
Atlanta	19.9	1/7/2012.	5.5	1/9/2012.
Charlevoix	16.3	1/7/2012.	6.3	1/9/2012.
East Jordan	21.7	1/7/2012.	16.9	1/9/2012.
Gaylord	38.4.	1/7/2012.	35.5	1/9/2012.
Mio	16.4.	1/7/2012.	7.7	1/9/2012.
Onaway	25.5	1/7/2012.	8.9	1/9/2012.
Petoskey	37.3.	1/7/2012.	19.1	1/9/2012.

record temps

Day	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Record High	Record Low
10	30°F	14°F	48°F (2002)	15°F (1982)
11	30°F	14°F	50°F (1975)	23°F (1981)
12	30°F	14°F	48°F (2006)	20°F (1964)
13	30°F	14°F	48°F (2005)	16°F (1964)
14	30°F	14°F	46°F (1987)	20°F (1982)
15	30°F	13°F	49°F (1953)	27°F (1965)
16	30°F	13°F	50°F (1949)	19°F (1966)

Gerald K. Barnett, 90

Gerald K. Barnett of East Jordan died Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013, at McLaren Northern Michigan in Petoskey.

Arrangements are pending at the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

Daniel L. Barron, 83

Daniel L. Barron of Charlevoix died Saturday, Jan. 5, 2013, at the Georgia House in Charlevoix.

The funeral service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, at Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Interment will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Howard Edwin Crozier, 87

(FEB. 22, 1925 – JAN. 3, 2013)

Howard Edwin Crozier, age 87, of Boyne City died Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Howard was born on Feb. 22, 1925, in Muskegon, the son of Harvey and Emma (Dietz) Crozier. At the age of 9, he moved to Boyne City and later graduated from Boyne City High School in 1943. Howard was then drafted into the United States Army during World War II and fought at the Battle of the Bulge and was wounded in Germany when he received his Purple Heart.

In March of 1948, he married Lou Ann "Peg" Erickson in Boyne City.

In 1953, he began to work for Consumers Power Company as a lineman until he retired in 1985. Howard was a member of the Boyne City United Methodist Church and a lifetime member of the Boyne City American Legion. He also served his community as a volunteer fireman for more than 20 years.

Howard enjoyed hunting, bowling, snowmobiling, golfing, gardening, annual fishing trips to Canada with his friends and traveling with his wife. Howard especially loved spending time with his grandchildren. The family will miss him greatly and he will be remem-

bered for living a full life. Howard is survived by his wife of 64 years, Lou Ann "Peg" Crozier; children, Patricia (Bob) Tanis, Howard (Phyllis) Crozier, Ronald (Patti) Crozier and Brenda (Terry) Urman; many grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; sister, Beverly Paquette; brother, Harvey (Shirley) Crozier Jr.; brothers-in-law, Lavern (Gwen) Erickson, Michael (Becky) Griffin and Tom (Cheryl) Griffin; sister in-law, Leath Anne Anderson; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Norman Crozier; and brother-in-law, David Paquette.

The funeral service was Tuesday, Jan. 8, at the Boyne City United Methodist Church. Pastors Wayne McKenney and David Behling officiated. Burial at Maple Lawn Cemetery where military honors provided by the Boyne City American Legion.

The family requests memorial donations to be directed to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay or Veterans Memorial Park, in care of Citizens Bank, Boyne

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

Ronald F. Hochstein, 84

Ronald F. Hochstein of Charlevoix died Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013, at Bortz Health Care of Petoskey.

Arrangements are pending at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Jennifer Lynne Bearss, 38

(MAY 11, 1974 - DECEMBER 31, 2012) Jennifer Lynne Bearss of

Petoskey died unexpectedly Monday, Dec. 31, 2012.

Jennifer's life began on May 11, 1974,



in 2005. She worked as a registered nurse for both Northern Michigan Hospital and most recently for Otsego Memorial Hospital in the med-surg department.

Michigan College, graduating

Jennifer's family and close friends will remember a free spirit who in many ways would have been very comfortable in the 1960's. She had an amazing smile that was a window to her soul, an incredible sense of humor and a keen intelligence, all attributes and qualities that helped her become a great nurse. She was a loving mother, daughter, sister and partner whose presence will be missed in the lives of her family and many friends.

Jennifer is survived by her mother, Trudy (Tom Breakey) Green, of East Jordan, and by her father, Milton Pelosi, of Rhode Island and her life partner, Kelly Huyck, of Petoskey. Jennifer is also survived by her three children, Emmaly, Jayna and Ryker Bearss, of Petoskey. Her siblings include Scott Gerard of Missoula, Mont., Matthew Pelosi of Duluth, Minn., Raymond Pelosi of Rhode Island and Lisa (Lorena Pankotai) Gerard of Riverview, Fla.; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, cousins. Preceding Jennifer in death were her grandmothers, Josephine Pelosi and Margretta Green, and by her aunt, Marty Snyder.

Jennifer's life was celebrated during a memorial service on Monday, Jan. 7, at Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey. Pastor David Behling officiated.

Those wishing to honor Jennifer's memory with a charitable contribution are asked to make donations in care of her mother, Trudy Green, 716

Maple St., East Jordan, Mich. 49727; donations will be used to establish a scholarship fund for Jennifer's children.

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Family and friends are also welcome to share memories or offer condolences online at

www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com

Jacqueline Ann Staley, 80 (NOV. 22, 1932 - DEC. 31, 2012)

Jacqueline Ann Staley died on Monday, Dec. 31, 2012, at her home in Charlevoix.

She was born on Nov. 22, 1932, in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Canada, the daughter of Allan and Rachael Matthews.

Jacqueline was manager of J. Phillips, a women's boutique, in downtown Charlevoix for 20

years. She was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix where she had been very active in the altar society and prayer chain. She was a loving wife, mother, grand-

mother and sister.

She is survived by her husband, Leonard S. Staley, of Charlevoix; four daughters, Patrice Staley-Stieglitz of Charlevoix, Lisa Warren of Lake Orion, Marybeth (Garrett) Morelock of Rochester and Jami (David) Scharrer of Rochester; 11 grandchildren, Miranda Stieglitz and Chase Stieglitz, both of Charlevoix, Jacob Warren of Lake Orion, Rachael Warren of Traverse City, Madison Warren of Lake Orion, Courtney Morelock, Lily Morelock, Taylor Morelock, Garrett "Deuce" Morelock, David "Tripp" Scharrer and Tillie Scharrer, all of Rochester; and one brother, Allan (Barbara) Matthews, of Sault Ste. Marie. Ontario. Canada. She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Daphne Brooks and

Katherine Wigmore. A memorial Mass will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 19, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix. The Rev. Matthew Wigton will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1003 Bridge St., Charlevoix, Mich. 49720, or the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Ave., 7th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10001.

Arrangements were handled by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Arloa L. Ferguson, 89

(SEPT. 11, 1923 - JAN. 3, 2013) Arloa L. Ferguson of Charlevoix, passed away Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan, where she resided for three and a half years.

Arloa was born Sept. 11, 1923, in Charlevoix, to Edward and Lena Swanson. She was married to Robert Ferguson in 1947, who preceded her in death in 1980.

She is survived by son, John (Glenda) Ferguson; daughters, Dana Ward, Robin Ferguson and Lisa (George) Kleiber; grandchildren, Sean (Irene) Ferguson, Shelly Ferguson, Ruby (Matt) Smith, Natashia and Alex Kleiber; great-grandchildren, Vladimir, Sophia,

Abagail, Hayden and Colby; and sisters, Thelma and Rosemary.

She was preceded in death by brothers, Ed, Lawrence, Ronald and John Swanson. Arloa was a member of the Charlevoix Church of the Nazarene.

There will be no funeral services at this time. A graveside service will take place in the spring.

Memorial donations may be made to the Grandvue Medical Care Facility. Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Sue Alice Brill, 82

Sue Alice Brill of Boyne City died Saturday, Dec. 29, 2012, at her daughter's home surrounded by her loving family.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, at Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City.

The family is being served by Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City.

Sharon Ellsworth Crego, 87

(JULY 18, 1925 - DECEMBER 31, 2012) Sharon Ellsworth Crego of

Hudson Township died at his home surrounded by his loving family on Monday, Dec. 31, 2012.



Sharon was born the son of James and Laura (Kempf) Crego in Grand Ledge on July 18, 1925. He moved to Chandler Hill in 1932. On May 7, 1954, he married Shirley Jackson. Sharon was a World War II

veteran serving as a sergeant aboard the "Wishbone," a B-17 Bomber assigned to the 526th Bomb Squadron of the 379th Bomb Group, 8th Air Corps as an armored gunner.

Following the war, Sharon worked as a rural mail carrier for Bovne Falls for 35 years. He served as a president of the Boyne Falls School Board, Hudson Township supervisor, and a member of the Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers Club. He received his honorary high school diploma from Boyne Falls School in 2002.

Sharon enjoyed telling stories and visiting with family and friends, working on engines and keeping up with his grandchildren's activities.

Sharon is survived by his children, Leanna (Kirby) Brown-Dorius of Elmira, Timothy Crego of Elmira, Mark (Rhonda) Crego of Elmira, James (Cori) Crego of Elmira, Mathew Crego of Elmira and Claudine (Joe Jaworski) Crego of Houston, Texas; 15 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; siblings, Theron Crego, Reveinna Harnes, James Crego, Pereeza Davis and Pauline Harnes.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley; parents, James and Laura; and his sister, Iva Lapp.

The funeral service was Fri-

day, Jan. 4, at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. Burial at Boyne Valley Township Cemetery.

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

Joseph H. Gasco, 57

(DEC. 9, 1955 - DEC. 29, 2012)

Joseph H. Gasco, of Pellston and formerly of Harbor Springs and Boyne Falls, passed away Dec. 29, 2012, at McLaren Northern Michigan at the age of 57.

Heaven now has another Angel.

He was born on Dec. 9, 1955. in Petoskey, the son of John and Irene (McCary) Gasco Sr. He grew up primarily in Harbor Springs and Boyne Falls and was a graduate of Boyne Falls High School, class of 1974.

Joseph's mother and siblings will forever remember a brother who cared deeply for his family. "He was the type of person who always wore a smile on his face; he possessed a wonderful warm and generous heart and gave of his love unconditionally." Family came before all things in Joseph's life; he was a wonderful caregiver to his mother, Irene, and his stepfather, Roland Petoskey. While he was never blessed with children of his own, he established remarkably close and loving relationships with his many nieces and nephews. He was taken far too soon and he will be deeply missed.

Joseph is survived by his parents, Irene and Roland Petoskey, and by his siblings and they include, John Gasco of Levering, Marcia (Tom) Sutton of Boyne Falls, Harry Gasco of Vancouver, Wash., Allen (Judy) Gasco of Boyne Falls, Deleta Smith of Pellston, Regina Bentley of Boyne City, Bart (Jody) Gasco of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Stephen Gasco of Boyne City. He is also survived by his 24 nieces and nephews and numerous great-nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, John Gasco Sr., and by sister and brotherin-law. Norma and Dwight Kolodgy, and by sister, Alicia Carson, and brother-in-law, Patrick Smith.

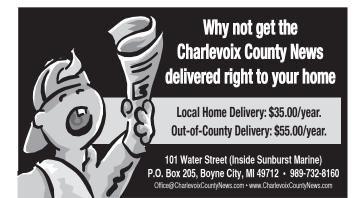
Joseph's life was celebrated with a funeral service on Thursday, Jan. 3, at Stone Funeral Home. The Rev. David Behling officiated. Joseph will be interred in the spring within Holy Childhood Cemetery in Harbor Springs.

Friends wishing to remember Joseph with a charitable contribution are asked to consider the Lupus Foundation of America at www.lupus.org.

Family and friends are also welcome to share memories or offer condolences online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com

Mary Lou Sheppard, 79

Mary Lou Sheppard died Saturday, Dec. 29, 2012, at her home in Charlevoix. No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are by Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.







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News

Finding A Fresh Start for the New Year

By Jamie Woodall

In certain seasons, do you ever think more about the big picture of life and ask the hard questions? It's a New Year and I'm on the brink of age 40. Lately I've once again asked questions like, where am I really at in life? Is this the place I'd like to be? Am I doing what I was made to do? In other words do my gifts and abilities line up with my action? Is this who I'd like to be? Am I healthy spiritually, emotionally, physically? Are things going in a good direction? What things would I like to be different?

I then begin to separate the things I can control from the things I can't. Now at this point we can be staring with a heap of desired changes that seem

insurmountable. Or we could begin to gain hope as we find clarity in seeing the direction we'd like to go. I've learned that if my goal is perfection then I will become hopeless. But if my goal is improvement then I feel hopeful.

At certain times, in order to find a fresh start and gain momentum in life I usually evaluate four basic

Family/Relationships: The big question in this category is; how are my closest relationships going? Am I finding intimacy with my wife? Am I creatively dating her and planning margins for recapping the day? Are my four kids drawn to me as I'm caring and spending time with them? Am I training them in critical ways? Am I investing well in other key friendships?

Many times I realize that it's time to make adjustments. Maybe it's less media time in order to have more family communication or fun before bedtime. Other times I need to create one-on-one fun or talk time. Family time and growing trust in these relationships is key to finding health.



Pastor Jamie Woodall

We might need to ask: What is one person I would like to invest in this year for mutual encouragement and how will I do it?

Exercise and Diet: What habit do I need to create or get back to that will keep my body healthy? Physical health affects every other area. There are obvious steps anyone can take depending on what level of healthy you are currently at. For some it's choosing to walk the neighborhood and eat smaller portions of food. For others it maybe starting a weekly workout plan or choosing oatmeal in the

The key is to create a simple plan and stick with it. This is where friends who might join us in our goals can really help us stick to it.

Spiritual: Am I walking closely with God? Next steps are different for everyone depending on where you are at on your spiritual journey. If you're new to exploring a personal relationship with God then maybe this is the year for you to begin reading the Bible, exploring who Jesus really is, or possibly try out a more comfortable church

that clearly and practically teaches from the Bible.

For others it may be beginning a daily Scripture reading time and praying. Some may opt for memorizing verses or journaling.

The key is to create a habit that will help you grow closer to the One who created us and loves us. He desires to help us succeed in life as we learn to walk with Him. Proverbs chapter sixteen verse three communicates to "Commit to the Lord everything you do, then your plans will succeed."

Rest: What am I doing to ensure that I get the rest I need? If we don't cool the engine then sooner or later it will overheat and can even explode. Adequate sleep hours are certainly a crucial part of rest, and it's important to create habits that protect these hours.

However rest also encompasses anything outside of what we would consider work. Do you take a day to recharge the batteries? God's idea for this is a twenty-four hour period of time to rest from work. So what can I plan into this day-off that I really enjoy? Maybe it's biking, hiking, reading, a home project, hunting, golf, a movie, or time with a friend.

The key is to find something that will help us recharge for the next six days.

The band, Switchfoot, created one of my favorite songs. It's called This is your life. Over and over again it makes the statement "This is your life..." and then asks the powerful question "Are you who you want to be?'

Today is our opportunity for a fresh start. In this New Year I am choosing to take it, and I hope you will join me.

Jamie Woodall is the pastor of Genesis Church in Boyne City that meets 11am Sundays at the Boyne **City Elementary School** cafeteria. Genesis Petoskey meets at NCMC at 9:30am.

Fireplace Subcommittee Positions Remain Firm

ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—The first meeting of the controversial Fireplace subcommittee held Wednesday, January 2 clarified the purpose and intent of the subcommittee and explored the receptance of several suggested options with very little promise of a compromising attitude.

The meeting opened with a review of the subcommittee's agenda and purpose. That purpose being to determine reasonable alternatives for the future of the fireplace, alternatives that include modifying it in some way, moving it or both. According to John Winn who sits on the committee as a representative for the donor of the four-sided fireplace, "Someone asked if we could just tear it down and do nothing and Mark (Buday, the architect who has volunteered his time to help the city solve the problem) told them that's up to city council, he's an architect and his charge is to look at the design," said

The three main alter-

natives discussed were the possibility of shortening it, moving it to the Christmas tree corner and eliminating it all together, which raised the question of recovering the \$14,000 already in-

vested in the project. "One participant didn't want anything to do with the fireplace, she doesn't want it to exist," he said. "Another participant likes it as it is and another asked many good questions," said Winn.

Buday left the meeting with the intention of bringing in some fresh ideas to the next. Three public hearings and newspaper coverage preceded the construction of the eighteen foot tall fireplace which was halted as soon as citizen objection was heard by the city council. "I don't want to be negative," said Winn, "but I think those who are in favor will continue to be and those who are not won't ever be, I don't think this is going to change anything."

The next subcommittee meeting will be held on January 29, 6 P.M. at City Hall.



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Health

Emerging Drug Use Trends in **Charlevoix County**

Scott Kelley, Executive Director, B.A.S.E.S. Teen Center will review emerging drug use trends in Charlevoix County, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 15, at the Charlevoix Public Library. He will present updated information and will share how the trends impact our area. Mr. Kelly will focus on what the most effective response is, at all levels, including personal, within schools, and the community. This program is geared towards parents, grandparents, community members. Community leaders and decision makers are urged to attend.

D. Scott Kelly, Executive Director and co-founder of B.A.S.E.S., is a native of Charlevoix and graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1982. He attended Ferris State University where he also played baseball for four years. Two days after his first year of college, Scott voluntarily checked himself into an alcoholism treatment program at age 18. When he finished college at Ferris three years later, he earned a bachelor's degree in social work, graduated with honors, and was named Male Athlete of the Year in 1986 and Conference Baseball Player of the Year. He has worked as a substance abuse counselor in a longterm residential program, a prevention specialist and a student assistance coordinator.

In organizing B.A.S.E.S., Scott combined his passions of substance abuse counseling and baseball to come up with the name in hopes of filling the gaps in services for young people. Scott completed his master's degree in counseling at Central Michigan University in 1997. He is a certified relapse prevention specialist, a certified advanced addictions counselor and has been clean and sober since 1984. Scott and his wife, Celia, live in Charlevoix; have three children and one grandchild.

For more information about this or other events at the library, visit www.charlevoixlibrarv.org or call 231-237-7340.

Eliminate a silent killer during **National Radon Action Month**

Exposure to a dangerous, odorless, invisible gas - radon ranks as the number one inhome hazard for Americans, according to a recent Harvard University study. Radon is a naturally-occurring, radioactive gas that disperses in open air, but can become a serious threat when trapped in a home or other building. Hazardous radon levels are detected in one out of 15 American homes, and radon is the leading cause of lung cancer for non-smokers.

January is Radon Action Month. The Health Department of Northwest Michigan offers radon test kits at a cost of \$15 to help families check for and eliminate this silent killer from their homes. Test kits can be picked up during regular business hours at Health Department offices in Bellaire, Charlevoix, Petoskey/Harbor Springs and Gaylord. A Property Tax ID number is required at the time of purchase, to help map radon levels in the four-county Health District. Radon maps can be found at www.nwhealth.org under Pro-

January is NATIONAL RADON ACTION MONTH

grams and Services > Environmental Health Services > Radon.

According to Scott Kendzierski, the Health Department's Director of Environmental Health Services, testing is the only way to know if you and your family are being exposed to dangerous levels of radon.

"Fortunately, testing for radon is easy and inexpensive," he said. "If you discover that your home does have a problem, the Health Department can provide free consultation and, if needed, help you find a contractor to correct the problem.'

Kendzierski says radon mitigation systems are readily available through local contractors and are widely used, with excellent results that can decrease the presence of radon in a home by as much as 99 percent. Depending on the size and type of home, systems can range from a few hundred dollars up to about \$2,500.

"It's peace of mind to know your home doesn't have a radon hazard," he added. "And if it does, then fixing the problem now is essential, even if you plan to sell your home in the future."

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. For additional information about radon or radon testing, telephone Scott Johnston, Environmental Health Sanitarian, at (989) 732-1794 or visit www.nwhealth.org.

Pharmaceutical Program a Northern Michigan Success story

Petoskey – In 2008, a coalition of entities and organizations throughout the community came together in an effort to address improper disposal of pharmaceuticals in Northern Michigan. Three years later, the Prescription and Over-the Counter Drug Drop Off (POD) Program has become a success story. Through community collection events and permanent drop boxes at local law enforcement offices, almost 5,000 pounds of unused and unwanted medicines and personal care products have been collected since the inception of the pro-

The public was long advised to flush old medications to avoid misuse of the substances. In the U.S., prescription drugs have become the number one substance of abuse among teens ages 12 – 17 and much of their supply is coming from medicine cabinets inside their own homes or from grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends.

and other family members. As well, scientists begin to see alarming trends of an increasing multitude of pharmaceuticals found in the water. These contaminants are a steady source of chemical exposure for aquatic species, and affect the quality of the waters we rely upon for drinking and look to for recreation.

Without the option of "flush" or "trash," residents were left with few options for disposing of old medications. The POD program filled the void providing a convenient and environmentally sounds way of disposing of old and unwanted medications. The the POD program by the public has been overwhelming. In 2012 alone, over 2,000 pounds of medicines were collected and disposed of properly. Seven hundred pounds of medicines were collected at community events and 1,620 pounds were collected in the POD Boxes.

"We are delighted that the POD

Program has been so popular with the citizens of Northern Michigan and that with each pound collected, we are providing greater protection to our water resources as well as the public health and safety of our residents and visitors," said Jennifer McKay, policy specialist at Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council.

'We are extremely proud of the accomplishments the POD Program has achieved. It is essential to thank the considerable funders and partners that make the POD Program truly a success story for the Northern Michigan commu-

For more information about the Pharmaceutical and Over-the-Counter Drug Disposal Program, please visit www.watershedcouncil.org or call 231-347-1181

POD Boxes are located at the following law enforcement offices throughout Northern Michigan: Antrim County Sheriff's Office Boyne City Police Department

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A new Northwest Michigan Works! computer kiosk at the Boyne District Library in Boyne City will give people an easy way to access job search information without having to travel to a Michigan Works! Service Center. COURTESY PHOTO

Northwest Michigan Works! partners with Boyne City Library to expand access to job seeker services

gan Works! computer kiosk at the Bovne District Library in Boyne City will give people an easy way to access job search information without having to travel to a Michigan Works! Service Center. The kiosk is the first of its kind in northern Michigan and is part of an effort to improve access to Michigan Works! information in counties that do not have Service

"Many job seekers do not have easy access to a home computer," said Elaine Wood, CEO of the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments. "The new kiosk gives people a free and easy way to connect to Northwest Michigan Works! information close to where they

The kiosk is available during the library's regular business hours and provides direct links to tools and information related to job search, career research and Michigan Works! workshops. There is also a link to the Michigan Talent Connect web-

"We are pleased to partner with Michigan Works! and provide this service to our community," said library director Cliff Carey. services NWMCOG offers "Assisting people with job searching, resumes, and other skills is a high priority for us."

Boyne District Library is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and

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A new Northwest Michi- from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. While the kiosk at the Boyne District Library is the first one to open, others are planned for Antrim, Benzie, Leelanau and Benzie counties.

If the kiosks do not provide the information needed, people are encouraged to visit their nearest Northwest Michigan Works! Service Center for assistance. Northwest Michigan Works! is a program of the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments and has Service Centers in Cadillac, Kalkaska, Manistee, Petoskey, and Traverse

Founded in 1974, the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments (NWMCOG) facilitates and manages various programs and services for the 10 county region. These programs include Northwest Michigan Works, YouthBuild, Small Business & Technology Development Center, **Procurement Technical** Assistance Center, various business services, and many different regional planning initiatives in response to our communities' requests and needs. You will see the broad spectrum of workforce, business and community if you visit our web site, nwm.org

NWMCOG's member counties are: Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford.

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Lake Superior State University 2013 List of Banished Words

FISCAL CLIFF

As one might expect, this phrase received the most nominations this year. If Congress acts to keep the country from tumbling over the cliff, LSSU believes this banishment should get some of the credit.

- "You can't turn on the news without hearing this. I'm equally worried about the River of Debt and Mountain of Despair."Christopher Loiselle, Midland, Mich.

"(We've) lost sight of the metaphor and started to think it's a real place, like with the headline, 'Obama, Boehner meeting on fiscal cliff'." Barry Cochran, Portland, Ore.

- "Tends to be used however the speaker wishes to use it, as in falling off the fiscal cliff, climbing the fiscal cliff, challenged by the fiscal cliff, etc. Just once. I would like to hear it referred to as a financial crisis." Barbara CLIFF, Johnstown, Penn.

- "Continually referred to as 'the so-called fiscal cliff,' followed by a definition. How many times do we need to hear 'fiscal cliff,' let alone its definition? Please let this phrase fall off of a real cliff!" Randal Baker, Seabeck, Wash.

- "Fiscal cliff, fiscal update, fiscal austerity...whatever happened to 'economic' updates? Fiscal has to go." Dawn Farrell-Taylor, Ont.

- "Makes me want to throw someone over a real cliff," Donna, Johnstown, NY

- "If only those who utter these words would take a giant leap off of it." Joann Eschenburg, Clinton Twp., Mich.

KICK THE CAN DOWN THE ROAD

- "Usually used in politics, this typically means that someone or some group is neglecting its responsibilities. This was seized upon during the current administration and is used as a cliché by all parties...Republicans, Democrats, Independents, Libertarians, Tories, Whigs, Socialists, Communists, Fashionistas..." Mike Cloran, Cincinnati, Ohio "I'm surprised it wasn't on your 2012 list were you just kicking the, um, phrase down the road to 2013?" T. Jones, Ann Arbor, Mich.

- "I thought that perhaps you weren't ready to deal with it. You just kicked that can down the road." Rebecca Martz, Houston, Tex.

- "I would definitely like to kick some cans of the human variety every time I hear politicians use this phrase to describe a circumstance that hasn't gone their way." Christine Tomassini, Livonia, Mich.

- "Much the same as 'put on the back burner,' these two phrases still have heat and are still in the road. Kick this latest phrase down the road." Michael F. Raczko, Swanton, Ohio

- "I can't turn on the TV any more without being informed that cankicking has occurred. What's wrong with the word 'postpone'?" Kathryn, West Chester. Ohio

DOUBLE DOWN

- "This blackjack term is now used as a verb in place of 'repeat' or 'reaffirm' or 'reiterate.' Yet, it adds nothing. It's not even colorful. Hit me!" Allan Ryan, Boston, Mass.

- "The next time I see or hear the phrase, I am going to double over." Tony Reed, Holland, Mich.

- "Over-used within the last year or so in politics." John Gates, Cumberland, Maine "Better nip this in the bud - it's already morphed into

'quadruple down.'" Marc Ponto, Milwaukee, Wisc.

JOB CREATORS/CREATION - "It implies supernatural powers

— such as the ability to change the weather or levitate. Most new jobs pay less than the lost jobs to ensure stratospheric CEO compensation and nice returns on investments. I respectfully propose a replacement term that is more accurate — job depleters." Mark Dobias, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

- "One of the most overplayed buzz terms of the 2012 presidential campaign. Apparently 'lowering unemployment' doesn't have the same impact." Dennis Ittner, Torrance,

"Since jobs are only created by demand, consumers are the real job creators." Scott Biggerstaff, Redlands, Calif.

- "It's been over-used and pigeonholed into political arguments left, right, and center to the point that I don't believe it has any real meaning." Adam Myers, Cumming, Ga. "To belong to this tax-proof club, you don't have to create a single job. All you need to do is be rich. In fact, many people who call themselves 'job creators' make their money by laying off people." S. Lieberman, Seattle, Wash.

- "Uttered by every politician who wants to give big tax breaks to rich people and rich businesses..." Jack Kolars, North Mankato, Minn. "If these guys are capitalists, as claimed, they are focused on reducing expenses and maximizing profit. Jobs are a large part of expenses. So, if anything at all, they minimize employment to maximize profits. Up is down, black is white. Job creators are really employment minimizers." Bob Fandrich, Fredericksburg, Va.

PASSION/PASSIONATE

- "Diabetes is not just Big Pharma's business, it's their passion! This or that actor is passionate! about some issue somewhere. A DC lobbyist is passionate! about passing (or blocking) some proposed law. My passion! is simple: Banish this phony-baloney word." George Alexander, Studio City, Calif.

- "As in 'that's my passion.' Please, let's hope you mean 'enthusiasm.' 'Passion' connotes 'unbridled,' unmediated by reason and sound judgment. Passion is the stuff of Ahab, Hitler, and chauvinists of every stripe, and terrorists." Michael T. Smith, Salem, Ore.

- "Seared tuna will taste like dust swept from a station platform - until it's cooked passionately. Apparently, it's insufficient to do it ably, with skill, commitment or finesse. Passionate, begone!" Andrew Foyle, Bristol, UK

- "My passion is (insert favorite snack food here). I'm passionate about how much I hate the words 'passion' and 'passionate.' Don't wait for next year's list!" David Greaney, Bedford, NH

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Where We

Accident...

Meet By

- "Stands for 'You Only Live Once" and used by wannabe Twitter philosophers who think they've uncovered a deep secret of life. Also used as an excuse to do really stupid things, such as streaking at a baseball game with YOLO printed on one's chest. I only live once, so I'd prefer to be able to do it without ever seeing YOLO again." Brendan Cotter, Grosse Pte. Park, Mich.

- "Used by teens everywhere to describe an action that is risky or unconventional, yet acceptable because 'you only live once.' Who lives more than once?" P.P., Los Angeles, Calif.

- "Just gives people, especially teens, a reason to do stupid things. I find it annoying and I'm pretty sure I'm not alone here." Daniel, Hickory,

- "Only a real yoyo would use the term 'yolo.'" Sandra McGlew, White Lake, Mich.

SPOILER ALERT

- "What was once a polite warning has turned into a declarative statement: I have just spoiled something for you. When news outlets print articles with headlines such as, 'Huge upset in men's Olympic swimming.' with a diminutive 'spoiler alert' on the link to the rest of the article, I think it's safe to say we've forgotten the meaning of the word 'alert." Afton, Portland, Ore.

- "Used as an obnoxious way to show one has trivial information and is about to use it, no matter what.' Joseph Joly, Fremont, Calif.

BUCKET LIST

- "The expression makes me cringe every time I hear it — and we've been hearing it for several years. I'm surprised it isn't already in your master list. Let's emphasize life and what we do during it. It's such a grim way of looking at 'what I want to do,' and often it is in selfish terms." Shea Hoffmitz, Hamilton, Ont.

- "Getting this phrase on the Banished Word List is on my bucket list!" Frederick Fish, Georgia

TRENDING

- "A trend is something temporary, thank goodness; however, it is not a verb, and I'm tired of news stations telling me what trite 'news' is 'trending." Kyle Melton, White Lake,

- "I'm sick of chirpy entertainment commentators constantly informing us of what 'is trending right now.' I used to like a good trend until this." Nancy, Victoria, BC.

"Trending leaves me wondering 'in what direction?' It seems to mean 'increasing in attention received' or 'frequency in which it is referenced." John Hannon, Springfield,

SUPERFOOD

- "It's food. It's either healthful or it's not. There is no 'super' involved." Jason Hansen, Frederic, Mich.

BONELESS WINGS

- "Can we just call them chicken (pieces)?" John McNamara, Lansing, Mich.

GURU

- "Unless you're teaching transcendental meditation, Hinduism or Buddhism, please don't call yourself a guru just because you think you're an expert at something. It's silly and pretentious. Let other people call you that, if they must." Mitch Devine, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. A Word Banishment salute to John

Prokop of Oakland, Calif., who sent us a list of nearly four dozen words, phrases and acronyms that "bug the heck" out of him. Most of those that he mentioned are on this list or have been on previous lists.



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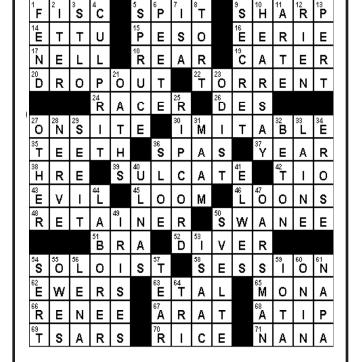
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News Briefs

ELLSWORTH

Ellebration volunteers

Ellebration wants you! Planning for Ellebration 2013 is underway and we could use your help. The Ellebration Committee is seeking new members or non-profit groups and teams looking for a fundraising opportunity to help plan and present our annual celebration of Food, Family and Fun. Interested in making Ellebration happen? Contact Alana at 231-360-0676 or come to our next meeting: Wednesday, January 9 at 7:00pm. It's the most fun you'll have serving your community!

EAST JORDAN

Winter Farmer's Market

East Jordan Civic Center. Many of the same great vendors as the summer market. Jan 10, 9am - 1pm.

BOYNE CITY

Strategic plan

Library invites public to hear strategic plan on Jan. 10. The results of a community-wide visioning and planning process for Bovne District Library will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, in the library's community room. The public is invited to attend. Consultants from Hartzell-Mika Consulting, who facilitated the process, will present the Strategic Plan for Boyne District Library, followed by a question and answer session. The impetus for the planning process came from the library's receipt of a gift of \$250,000 from the Mary Peabody Foundation in 2011. The foundation specified the purpose of the gift is "to provide support for special capital improvement projects of the Boyne District Library." The planning process, begun in September, relied heavily on local involvement through a community survey, focus group sessions, and interviews with community leaders. For more information, contact library director Cliff Carey at 231-582-7861.

EAST JORDAN

Thank You

The East Jordan Lions Club would like to thank the





25 businesses, organizations and churches that created illuminated displays for the first Community Christmas Village at the East Jordan Tourist Park. The 4 week long display drew several hundred visitors, and the Lions Club looks forward to sponsoring the Christmas Village next year with even more participants.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Funding Applications
Char-Em United Way's 2013 Community Investment Allocation process has begun. Non-profit agencies which provide programs and services meeting the health and human service needs of Charlevoix and Emmet Counties are encouraged to submit a Letter of Intent to apply for funding. Letter of Intent applications can be requested by contacting Char-Em United Way at 231-487-1006. All first time applicants are encouraged to call first and discuss their program. Applications can also be downloaded from Way's United website www.charemunitedway.org under Allocations/Apply for Funding. Letters of Intent are due by January 11. The submissions will be reviewed by the United Way Allocation Committee, and agencies which meet United Way's funding criteria and priorities will be invited to submit a complete applica-

EAST JORDAN **2ND Annual Sno-Blast Winter Festival**

Family fun in the snow. Contests, Races, Winter Knight and Belle of the Blizzard and much more. For information call the Chamber 231-536-7351. Jan. 11 - 13

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Rotary Chili Supper

Jan. 11, 4:30pm at East Jordan Community Center (Senior Center) Chili Supper. Enjoy Chili, salad, dessert and a beverage. \$8 adults, \$7 seniors and \$5 children.

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Sno-Blast Ceremonies

In front of the Community Center. Part of the Sno-Blast Free Movie Festival Jan. 11, 6:15pm.

EAST JORDAN

Wish Lantern Lift

Jan. 11, 7pm. Purchase a Chinese Wish Lantern from the East Jordan Freedom Festival during the Chili Supper and meet down at the waters edge to let them all go into the night sky.

EAST JORDAN

Glow in the Dark Extrav-

A Family Show presented by the EJ Drama Class. Jan. 11, 7:30pm. The East Jordan Drama Class will present "Glow in the Dark Extravaganza" in the Community Auditorium.

EAST JORDAN

Frozen Pancake Toss Jan. 12, 11am. Sno-Mo-

bile Club House, four age categories. Longest toss wins a Snow Lovers Break-

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Softball in the snow Get your softball teams to-

gether for the "Softball in the

Blast Festival. The event is sponsored by Essence Hair Salon. Call Debbie to register your team 536-3400. Don't have a team...just call Debbie and let her know you would like to play and she will set you up with a team. The more teams we have the more fun it will be. Sno-Blast schedules are now available. 2013 Sno-Blast dates are January 11 - 13th. EAST JORDAN

Snow" game that will be

held on Saturday, January

12 at 2pm during the 32nd

Annual East Jordan Sno-

Snowmobile Races & Antique Snowmobile Show

The East Jordan Sno-Mobilers welcome everyone the Sno-Mobile Club House on Mt. Bliss Rd. for a day of fast pace snowmobile drag racing and an Antique Snowmobile Show. There will be concessions available. Jan. 12. Racing Registration at 9:00 AM, Radar Runs start at 9:00 AM, Drags at 11:00

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Teen Snow Ball Dance Sponsored by S.A.F.E. &

EJ Learning Alliance Snow Ball Dance for teens sponsored by the EJ Learning Alliance and S.A.F.E. held at the East Jordan Civic Center. All area teens welcome. Jan. 12 at Middle School: 5:00 - 7:30 PM, High School: 8:00 -

11:00 PM \$3 admission with

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a SAFE wrist band

Art show

Kiersten Clavier Scholarship Art Show & Sale. Sunday, January 13 from noon to 4PM the art of Kiersten Clavier will be on display and will be for sale. All proceeds from the show will go to the Kiersten Clavier Scholarship Fund.

EAST JORDAN

Snow Lovers Breakfast

East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club House. Jan. 13, 7am -Noon. Come by sled or by car - right on the snowmo-bile trail, Mt. Bliss Rd.

EAST JORDAN

Free Movie in the Jordan Valley Library Community Room sponsored by Jordan Valley Library Friends. "Big Miracle" a movie for all ages. Jan. 13, 1:30pm.

CHARLEVOIX

Fiddlers & Pickers Jamboree

The Charlevoix Knights of Columbus invites you to a day of fun music Jan. 12 at the VFW Hall, 12735 US 31 North. The 10th annual Music Fest featuring area violinists, fiddlers, guitarists and other string instruments are invited. A musical hoedown for fun and laughs. Dancing and sing alongs encouraged. Food and beverages available. Proceeds fund area youth music scholarships. Great fun for all ages. 3-10pm. Admission by donation.

PETOSKEY

White Ribbon Campaign

A White Ribbon Campaign event will take place during a basketball game between Petoskey and Charlevoix at Petoskey High School gymnasium at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January

15. The event is being organized by the Violence Prevention Team with support from the 100 Men Campaign to encourage local men to get involved in helping end violence against women and girls.

CHARLEVOIX

Business after hours Join the Chamber and

your colleagues at Business After Hours (BAH) hosted the third Wednesday of each month from 5 to 7pm. It is a fact that companies who do not network are missing out on an opportunity to maintain their business relationships as well as an opportunity to tap into a rich stream of new contacts that can make them more successful! Admission is free for chamber members and \$10 for not-yet members. January 16 sponsored and hosted by Fox Motors in Charlevoix

CHARLEVOIX

Knitting Group

The Charlevoix Public Library is interested in beginning a knitting group. The Knitting Group will gather on a regular basis for support, to learn new techniques, and get answers to problems. The group will be designed for all ages and abilities. There will be an organizational meeting 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 16 at in the Trustees Conference Room at the library. The meeting goals include setting the meeting time and structure. All ideas and skill levels welcome. For more information about this or other groups at the library, Davonne contact 231.547.2651.

BAY HARBOR

Ice & Spice Festival

Join Bay Harbor Jan. 18 -19 for this grand winter celebration. There will be ice carving competitions and a wide variety of winter activities, and fireworks display to please the whole family. The Ice and Spice Cook-Off will be a part of the festival on January 19th.

CHARLEVOIX

Free throw contest

The Knights of Columbus invite area youth to participate in the K of C free throw contest Jan. 26. It was previously scheduled for Jan. 19. Registration at 10am. Shooting at 10:30am. Contest at Charlevoix Middle School, 108 Garfield. Winners may advance to reand gional state competition. Registration slips at all area schools.

BOYNE CITY

Celtic music Celtic music session is held at Freshwater Art Gallery on the first and third Sunday of every month (next class Jan. 20) from 1 to 3 p.m. Organizer Gaeyle Gerrie-Boss suggests that participants bring family, friends, a tune or two or three, and a stool or chair. It is open to the public and there is no charge. Freshwater is located at 217 S. Lake St. in the SOBO District of Boyne City. For information, contact Gerrie-Boss

Sparky@SynergySong.com or (231) 883-7664.

BOYNE CITY

Class looking for project Chris Adkison, a math and literacy coach at Boyne City Middle School and High School, is teaching an afterschool Community Service class and she is looking for project ideas where volunteers may be needed. The class is a small group of students ranging in age from 10 to 14. Anyone with ideas or needs is invited to contact Adkison at 231-439-8134. ext. 8229 or by email at cadkison@boyne.k12.mi.us.

CHARLEVOIX

Let It Snow! Exhibit

Let It Snow is a juried all media exhibit. "Let It Snow!" will open to the public through January 21. "Let it Snow!" highlights the beauty of Winter in Northern Michigan. Michael Todoroff is our featured Artist. Born and raised in Michigan, artist Michael Todoroff has been drawing and painting the natural world since childhood. An avid birder and naturalist, Todoroff's passion for nature often takes him to Michigan's more pristine and wild areas in search of subjects to paint, including Isle Royale, Whitefish Point, and out of state locations in Alaska, Montana Wyoming.

EAST JORDAN

Wassail! A Potluck and Winter Celebration

January 21, Potluck 6 PM. Wassail & Sledding 7 PM Wassailing is an ancient rural tradition of toasting to the health of an orchard in hopes that a bountiful crop will ensue the following year. A community celebration, Wassailing is done on a January night beginning with a feast and libations, followed by a short procession to the orchard where toasts are made and torches lit. For more information call 231-536-0333

CHARLEVOIX

State of the Community The Charlevoix Chamber

of Commerce will be hosting the 3rd Annual State of the Community Address on Friday, January 25th, from 7am-9am at Castle Farms. This year five speakers will recap the accomplishments and challenges that the community faced in 2012 and will take a look at future plans for 2013. Admission is \$25 per person or \$175 for a table of eight, and everyone is welcome to attend. Tickets also include a catered breakfast, and a community organizational booklet, with over 40 reports from different community sectors that have an impact in Charlevoix. If you are interested in attending this event, please contact Bethany at the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce by calling 231-547-2101, or e-mail pearson@charlevoix.org. Tickets are sold on a first come first serve basis. Last year's event was sold out so make sure to reserve your seat today!

CHARLEVOIX

Snowmobile Club Annual Ride-In

Come join the Charlevoix Snowmobile Club for their Annual Ride-In winter time picnic in the park. January 26, 11AM-3PM at Ferry Beach pavilion #2.

BOYNE CITY

Winterfest

Includes cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, an expanded ice sculpture contest, kids games, chili cook-off, wine tasting, indoor sidewalk sales, star gazing, a Freshwater concert and more on Saturday, Jan. 26

EAST JORDAN

Snow Lovers Breakfast East Jordan Sno-Mobilers

Club House. Jan. 27, 7am -Noon. Come by sled or by car - right on the snowmobile trail, Mt. Bliss Rd.

BOYNE FALLS

New nature preserve

The Little Traverse Conservancy has announced the creation of the new Wisser-Saworski Nature Preserve located just outside of Boyne Falls. The 36acre preserve was left to the organization in the estate of Saworski, longtime

Boyne Falls resident and business owner. Art built his retirement home on a nice parcel of land just south of Boyne Falls. He planted thousands of trees and developed an elaborate trail system that he used for skiing, hiking, mountain biking. and driving his electric golf cart. In the early 1970s, Art's mother, Hedwig Wisser Saworski, moved from Germany to the U.S. to live with her son until her death in 1989. In 2011, LTC was notified that Art's land had been left to the Conservancy in his will. In addition, he left behind an endowment that would provide for the property's future care. This fall, a parking area was completed and, while staff will continue to work on trail improvements, the preserve is now open and available to the public. The 36-acre Wisser-Saworski Preserve is located across from school ball fields, making it an especially ideal location for community enjoyment.

CHARLEVOIX

Farmers market

The Charlevoix Farmers Market will be held indoors at the Charlevoix Public Library the every Thursday from 9am-1pm, November through May.

BOYNE CITY

Avalanche Park

For a true winter experience, Avalanche Park has it all with its large ice rink, famous sledding hill, and ski and snowshoe trails. The City of Boyne City hopes the Avalanche ice rink will be in full operation before Christmas with an attendant, free skate and sled loaners, warming house and restrooms.

EAST JORDAN

Website classes

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce presents a series of fun and informative seminars. Sign up now and get yourself and your business connected with the community and potential customer! Classes will be taught by Karen Walker, creator of an international award winning web site and Nelson Ogden, formerly of Ogden's Computer Service. Class fee: Cham-\$25 for all four, \$20 each or \$50 for all four classes for not-yet-members. Register by calling the Chamber Office at 231-536-7351 or email mailto:info@ejchamber.org. Registration forms available on the Chamber web site http://www.ejchamber.org or pick one up outside the Chamber Office and mail it to P.O.Box 137, East Jordan, MI 49727. Create a Business Website - January 31, 5:30 - 6:30 PM, Facebook for Business - February 7, 5:30 - 6:30 PM, Create a Business Web Site - February 21, 5:30 - 6:30 PM, Brush-up Your Web Site - February 28, 5:30 - 6:30

BOYNE CITY

Winter Wildlife Tracking

Saturday, February 16th, 10-Noon at the Hill Preserve, Charlevoix County. Have you ever wondered how animals survive, stay warm, and find food in the winter? Get a glimpse into the winter habits and lives of northern Michigan creatures while exploring the wooded landscape of The Hill Preserve. We will attempt to identify and follow tracks while making some great tracks of our own. Meet at the new parking lot on Clute Road.

CHARLEVOIX

Moonlight Snowshoe/Ski and Bonfire

Saturday, February 23, 5-10pm at Nathan Barry Driggers Preserve, Charlevoix County. Join Conservancy staff for an evening of moonlight, snow and a warm bonfire. The 1.5 miles of trails at this wonderful 75-acre preserve offer wooded pathways and open meadow star gazing. Ski or snowshoe the trails on your own or with a LTC guide to the top of the hill for a moonlit view of Lake Charlevoix. Hot drinks and snacks will be awaiting you at the bonfire.

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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING JAN. 8, 2013



Erika Van Dam of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan present Boyne City Mayor, Ron Grunch with the Active Community

Boyne City Named Active Community

By Dave Baragrey

Boyne City – The Boyne City Commission met Tuesday night for the first meeting of the year. The meeting began with a moment of silence recognizing the passing of Howard Crozier, longtime resident and retired volunteer fireman for the city.

City Manager, Michael Cain reported that the city's ice rink and Avalanche Park have been popular attractions during the Christmas break. He also expressed concern over the State of Michigan's attempt to eliminate the personal property tax from businesses. This may result in a \$200,000 loss of annual revenue for the city.

Erika Van Dam, Family and Community Health Supervisor for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, presented the city with a plaque recognizing Boyne City as the bronze award winner for their leadership and encouraging a healthy quality of life for its citizens.

Boyne City was one of 20 Michigan communities to earn the award though the 2012 Promoting Active Communities (PAC) program. They were recognized for encouraging a healthy quality of life by designing places and spaces that support active living for people of all ages and abilities. The PAC as-

sessment addresses issues such as community planning, recreation and bicycle facilities, strategies schools and worksites use to encourage physical activity, public transportation and downtown planning and design.

Police Chief, Jeff Gaither showed off the new Police Bicycle the department just acquired. The high tech bike will be used by officers all around the city when weather permits and during special events in the city. The purchase of the bicycle was funded by a local fundraising effort spearheaded by Classic Instruments owner, John McLeod. Bo Mayfield of North Country Cycle Sport helped stretch the dollar further by securing the two-wheel police vehicle at a lower cost. This allowed the funds that were raised to help fund officer training.

Planning Administrator, Scott McPherson gave an update on the progress at Kirtland Products plant. They met with Kirtland management Monday and may include RSG in designing an enclosure for the production machines at the plant to help reduce the noise. Kirtland Products is currently operating on a 3-

The next meeting of the Boyne City Commission will be January 22nd at

Northwestern Bank Donates to **Charlevoix Community Food Pantry**

Charlevoix - For the past six years, Northwestern Bank has made yearend donations of checks to local food pantries and other charities instead of purchasing holiday gifts for their employees. This year, the bank made a total of \$5,500 in donations including a donation to the Charlevoix Community Food Pantry.

The Charlevoix Community Food Pantry is located at 100 W. Hurlbut in Charlevoix. Hours are Mondays 10:00 a.m. to noon and 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Thursdays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The service the Food Pantry provides is so important to some area

families." said Steve Weber, vice president at Northwestern Bank. 'We're happy to support them."

Northwestern Bank also made donations to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwest Michigan, the Little Traverse Bay Humane Society in Emmet County, the Northwest Michigan Food Coalition and nine other charitable organizations serving northwest Michigan.

Northwestern Bank was chartered in 1955 and is now the largest independent community bank in northern Michigan. A growing financial institution with more than \$850 million in assets, the bank is

one of the leading mortgage, consumer, and commercial lenders in the region. Based in Traverse City, Northwestern Bank offers complete banking, investment and trust, and employee benefit services from 28 offices throughout northern Lower Michigan. Northwestern is known for its "I can do that!" approach to service, which empowers employees to make decisions on the spot to meet customer needs and exceed their expectations.

For bank information, call 547-6561 or e-mail sweber@nwbank.com.

"Doing the Most Good" — Gaylord Salvation Army Family Store offers shopping and community value

By Jim Akans

The Salvation Army Family Store and Donation Center in Gaylord is a win-win for both area shoppers and for the local community. The shop, one of six being rolled out in the organization's Eastern Michigan division between 2012 and 2014, opened on October 26th of last year, and is operated under the direction of Tim Schroeder, Thrift Store Manager and and Maria Alsobrooks, Assistant Store Manager.

"The inventory we carry comes from community donations," Schroeder explains, "and we rotate that inventory consistently to keep it fresh for our customers. Our revenue, after expenses, is utilized to help fund the work the Salvation Army does in this community for those in need.'

Brian Pearson, Business Manager for Salvation Army in Otsego County, notes, "In Otsego County, much of the funding we receive is used to help residents in need of assistance for paying utility bills. We work in cooperation with First Call for Help and the Otsego Housing & Homeless Coalition and other community service organizations in assisting individuals and families in need. We also provide disaster assistance for shelter and food, and on a more limited basis, we offer help for paying for prescriptions and gas vouchers."

Revenue from the Gaylord Salva. tion Army Family Store is critical in supporting the Salvation Army's mission of "Doing the Most Good." The store also provides employment



The Salvation Army Family Store and Donation Center in Gaylord is a win-win for both area shoppers and for the local community. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

for 20 people. Shoppers are impressed with the stores clean, well lit and organized atmosphere, as well as the outstanding values that can be found among the huge variety of items ranging from mens, womens and childrens clothing, books, DVD's, household and kitchen ware, toys, and even large items such as furniture, televisions and appliances.

Schroeder points out, "Our assistant manager, Maria Alsobrooks, has many years of retail experience. She has done and excellent job arranging the items in our store and regularly reorganizes that inventory so shoppers find something new when they visit. We also offer a 15-percent discount for Senior shoppers every weanesday, and a15-percent discount for those serving or who have served in the military on Thursdays."

Shoppers will also find half-off

specials each week, and the store offers pick-up service for donated items. In keeping with the organizations mission of "Doing the Most Good," clothing items that aren't sold are baled and sent to 3rd world countries

"Many people don't realize that the Salvation Army is a church," states Schroeder. "We are Christian mission and a Christ-center organization. We are about helping others."

The Salvation Army Family Store is located at 919 S. Otsego Avenue in Gaylord, and is open Monday through Saturday from 10 am until 7 pm. For those wishing to drop off items for donation (this is especially welcome during the slower first few months of the year), they can stop by between 9 am and 7 pm Monday through Saturday.

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Arts & Events



While the Boyne Arts Collective is closed for the season, BAC art pieces, such as this Winter Scene by BAC Artist, June Storm, can be viewed at Café Sante' and the Made in Michigan Shop in Boyne Mountain Village. COURTESY PHOTO

Boyne Arts Collective Winter Art

Our Boyne Arts Collective (BAC) Gallery is closed for the season. Current winter art pieces have been relocated to Cafe Santé at One Water Street in Boyne City and the Made in Michigan Shop at Boyne Mountain Village across from the

Ticket Office in the Boyne Falls ski resort. Winter hours for the Made in Michigan Shop are daily from 11AM to 8PM while Café Sante' is open daily from 8AM to 10PM.

The BAC Gallery in Boyne City will re-open in the Spring. The

Spring opening date

will be published in the media and announced in the gallery windows at 210 S Lake Street, Boyne City. For more

information, visit www.boynearts.o

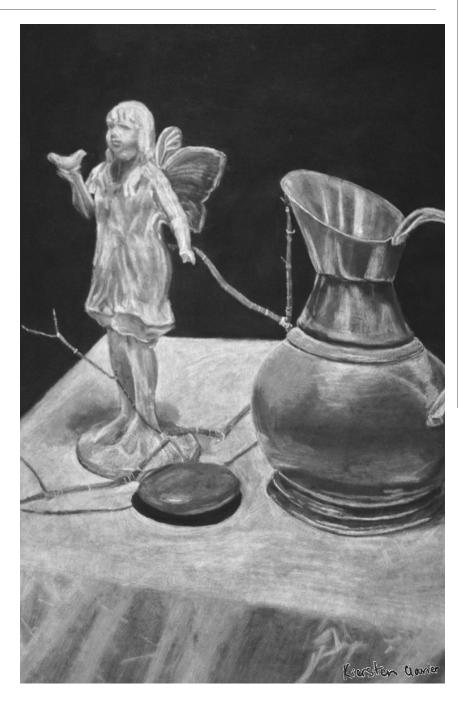
Scholarship **Fundraiser** at Art Center

East Jordan - The Jordan River Arts Council will host a scholarship fund raiser to honor Kiersten Clavier Sunday, January 13 from 12 — 4 p.m. at the Jordan River Art Center. Kiersten passed away last summer. She was a student at East Jordan High School, with art instructor, Pat Tinney as her mentor. Her passions were in art and veterinary medicine, and was the recipient of the JRAC scholarship in May 2012. Some original works as well as prints of her work will be available for sale to support the Kiersten Marie Clavier Scholarship fund.

All art patrons of the arts and friends are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served by the Jordan River Arts Board of Direc-

The Center is located at 301 Main St., East Jordan. For further information contact Lisa Clavier, phone 231-675-5047.

RIGHT: Award winning art work by Kiersten Clavier. COURTESY PHOTO



Fiddlers Hoedown Charlevoix VFW Hall

Fiddlers Hoedown! is scheduled at the VFW Hall on Saturday, January 12th, 2013 from 3:00pm to 10:00pm. If you need to improve your blood circulation and get some exercise, put on your dancing shoes, bring your partner and enjoy a few hours of FUN! If you play a fiddle, or other musical instruments, come on and sit in for a session. Admission is by donation and the Knights run the Kitchen. The proceeds from the night go to a Fund which provides musical scholarships for kids.

Saturday, January 12, 3pm - 10pm







Fiddlers Hoedown! Saturday, January 12

Students of the Week

Boyne Falls Public Schools

Brendon Matelski



Grade: 11 **PARENTS:** Rick Matelski and Beth Rafter

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, Cross Country, and National Honor Society

HOBBIES & INTERESTS Basketball

FUTURE PLANS: Attend College

FAVORITE BOOK(S): Hoop City

STAFF COMMENTS

"Brendon is a wonderful student who is always polite, helpful, and is a pleasure to have in class. He is an athlete, school leader, and a positive role model for other students. He will have a very promising future ahead of him." (Alecia Angerer)

Jennifer Jenkins



GRADE: 3

PARENTS: Jessica Jenkins

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Snowshoeing in the 21st CCLC afterschool program and playing basketball.

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Playing dodge ball, soccer, swimming and any outside activity.

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?: A Teacher

FAVORITE BOOK(s): Any type of "Arthur" books.

STAFF COMMENTS

"Jennifer is a hard working, smart young lady, who can do anything if she puts her mind to it. She's pleasant and helpful to staff members. It's a joy to see her smiling face every morning! " (Deanna Avery)

Boyne City Public Schools Ci'onna Wyman



GRADE: 10

STAFF COMMENTS

"Ci'onna has been being coach the middle school cheer team for the past 6 weeks, and has been a tremendous help!" (Mrs. Place, Cheer Coach)

"Ci'onna is a student who is consisbiltent, responsible and conscientious. Her positive attitude is an asset to the classroom culture." (Ms. Heath, English Teacher)



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News

Raven Hill Receives Funding for FREE

(Families Reaching for Educational Excellence)

For the fourth year in a row, it's a familv affair at Raven Hill Discovery Center every second Saturday in 2013. Thanks to the generosity of a local community member, the Center will continue to offer free admission for families on the second Saturday of each month from noon to 4 pm, starting January 12th. Bring the whole family "team" OR make it a special event for parent and child. There are fun problem-solving activities to fit various ages, abilities and interests. A Raven Hill volunteer puts it this way, "It's just plain fun to see families exploring and playing together and learning.

Previously sponsored by the Charlevoix **County Community** Foundation, the Petoskey Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation and the Charlevoix Lions Club, 3364 visitors have taken advantage of the free second Saturday admis-

sion opportunities at Raven Hill Discovery Center, since 2010. Again this year, family groups will be able to strengthen creative & critical thinking skills by exploring the handson exhibits and displays each month, plus enjoy the animals and all the outdoor exhibits.

Raven Hill Discovery Center is the only place in northern Lower Michigan where children and adults can link science, history & the arts with hands-on activities and explorations both indoors and outdoors. Connections emerge through classes, exhibits and facilities that provide opportunities for all ages to learn, create, grow and play. Raven Hill Discovery Center is located between East Jordan & Boyne City, just off C-48 at Pearsall Road. For more information or questions or for winter road conditions, please call 231.536.3369.

33RD CIRCUIT COURT

Bethenie Ramsey, 28, of Gaylord; larceny, \$1,000-\$20,000; serve 270 days in jail with credit for one day served with 210 days to be served immediately and the balance to be held in abevance; 36 months probation; pay \$6,666.56 in fines, costs and restitution

Steven Daniel Cole, 21, of Charlevoix; fourth degree fleeing and eluding police; serve 180 days in jail with credit for 45 days served, 180 days to be served immediately with the balance held in abeyance; pay \$548 in fines and costs

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, December 17

10:38amTree down in the 500 block of Bay St

12:52pmSuspicious subject in the 300 block of S

1:27pmMDOP to trailer in the 300 block of S Park St 4:00pmDriving complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av 10:25pmCitation issued for speed at Lake and Vogel

Tuesday, December 18

Streets

12:34amAssist citizen in the 300 block of E Division St Wednesday, December 19

8:20amBond violation in the 300 block of N Lake St

1:38pmAssist Fire Department in Industrial Park...... 4:35pm2 vehicle injury accident at Lake and Ray

Streets 9:35pmVehicle unlock in the Industrial Park

Thursday, December 20

1:22pmReport of subject attempting to pass counterfeit bill in the 1300 block of Boyne Av

1:45pmDamage to satellite

dish in the 100 block of Trent St 2:05pmHarassment com-

plaint from the Industrial

3:23pm2 vehicle property damage accident at Michigan Av and Charlevoix St 4:22pmSuspicious situation in the 400 block of S

5:05pmThreatening text messages being received on

Friday, December 21

Timber Ln

2:51amTrees blocking Wildwood Harbor near Park St

8:50amSubject warned for riding ORV without helmet 9:13amMotorist assist in

the 100 block of E Pine St 1:03pm2 vehicle property damage accident at Pleasant Av and the city limits 2:31pmTree down with power lines blocking the

road at Michigan Av near

John St 7:00pmDisturbance in the 200 block of S Lake St 8:26pmAssist Sheriff Department on M-75 S 8:58pmReport of earlier

disturbance in the 1300 block of Boyne Av 10:10pmLodged dog in

the shelter Saturday, December 22

12:49amAssist Sheriff Dept and MSP at domestic at Boyne Mountain

3:40amNoise complaint from the 300 block of E Divi-

9:21amAssist Sheriff Dept on Clute Rd

11:28amArrested subject

on Warrant 1:12pmAssist EMS with unattended death on State St 10:36pmAssist Sheriff

Dept on Springvale Rd Sunday, December 23 1:28amCitation issued for

no proof of insurance 5:30amSingle vehicle property damage accident on Pleasant near Prospect. Driver left scene.

9:25amVehicle unlock in the 100 block of S Lake St 12:29pmRoad hazard re-

ported in the on Deer Run Ct 2:15pmReport of lost cell phone. Was later found

Monday, December 24 2:43pmAssist EMS in the

400 block of N Lake St 10:01pmAssist motorist in the 200 block of S Lake St

11:40pmAssist Sheriff Dept at Boyne Mountain Tuesday, December 25

12:15pmReport of 2 dogs running at large in the area of Vogel and Jersey Streets

12:45pmSecond report of 2 dogs running at large in the area of Vogel and Jersey Streets.

8:51pmVehicle unlock in the 500 block of N Lake St Wednesday, December 26

1:31amReport of possible attempt suicide in the 300 block of E Division St 8:59amFalse alarm in the

200 block of S Lake St

10:05amCable line down on Robinson St between Silver and W Michigan

10:10amHit and run to mailbox on Michigan Av 12:17pmAbandoned vehicle reported in the 300 block card

of N East St. Unable to locate owner.

Vehicle tagged for removal. 12:25pmSuspicious situation reported in the 1200 block of Pleasant Av

11:47pmNoise complaint from the 300 block of E Division St

Thursday, December 27 12:30amNoise complaint

from the 300 block of E Divi-9:38amVehicle unlock in

the 600 block of S Park St 3:52pmCivil dispute in the 400 block of N Lake St

3:53pmReport of large cloud of smoke coming from area of Advance.

5:32pm911 check in the 600 block of Jersey St 5:52pmReport of line down on State St.

8:20pmReport of domestic assault that in the 100 block of N Park St

9:02pmReport of disturbance in the 1100 block of Boyne Av

Friday, December 28

12:40amSuspicious activity reported on Knollwood 6:01amDomestic dispute reported in the 700 block of Wenonah

1:46pmNSF check complaint

4:01pmCivil standby in the 100 block of N Park St

4:10pmWelfare check 4:31pmCivil standby in the 100 block of N Park St

6:03pmLarceny reported in the 600 block of N East St 7:45pmLodged cat at shelter

8:54pmReport of dog running at large in the 400 block of E Lincoln

11:53pmNoise complaint from the 300 block of E Division St

Saturday, December 29 1:58amSubject arrested

for OWI and Open Intox 10:40amFound license

10:50amReport of fraudulent magazine orders

1:55pmReport of possible MIP at Avalanche.

5:25pmVehicle unlock in the 400 block of S Lake St 5:28pmReport of lost debit

7:27pmFalse alarm in the 300 block of N Lake St 8:04pmReport of possible

OWI on Water St 9:35pmFalse alarm in the

400 block of N Lake St Sunday, December 30

12:26amDisturbance in the 500 block of N Lake St 10:05amWarrant arrest at

the PD 11:55amCivil dispute in

the 100 block of N Park St 1:15pmVehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St 4:38pmArrested subject

on warrant 6:06pmSnowmobiles reported on sidewalk at Park and State Streets

6:50pmWallet stolen from vehicle at Lake and Main Streets

8:24pmLodged puppy at

10:51pmAssist Sheriff Dept at Boyne Mt

CHX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

Two Car accident on 131

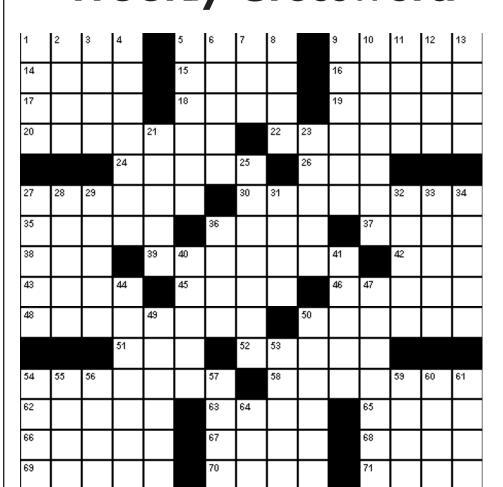
On January 6, 2013 at approximately 5:37 a.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a twocar personal injury accident on US 131 near Walloon Lake Junction in Melrose Township.

Justin Derosier, age 30 from Boyne Falls, was traveling North on US 131 when a Southbound vehicle driven by Roan Exelby, age 34 of South Africa, struck him head on. This accident occurred in the three lane portion of the highway where there were two Northbound lanes and one Southbound lane. The collision took place on the inside lane, Northbound side.

Exelby was transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital by Allied EMS where he underwent surgery for his injuries. Derosier was not injured and refused treatment on

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was assisted on scene by the Boyne City Police Department, Allied EMS, and the Melrose Township Fire Department.

Weekly Crossword



1- Money-related: Abbr.; 5- Roasting rod; 9- Acute; 14- Words to Brutus; 15- 100 centavos; 16- So spooky as to be frightening; 17- 1994 Jodie Foster film; 18- The back end of something; 19- Provide food; 20- Student who withdraws; 22- Deluge; 24- One on track?; 26- ___ Moines; 27- Like some inspections; 30- Capable of being imitated; 35- Molars, e.g.; 36- Pampering places; 37- Age unit; 38- Charlemagne's realm: Abbr.; 39- Having long, narrow grooves; 42- Juan's uncle; 43-Wicked; 45- Apparatus for weaving; 46- Birds on Canadian coins; 48- Dental device; 50- River of song; 51- Breast-supporting undergarment; 52- Underwater worker; 54- One playing alone; 58- Official sitting; 62- Pitchers; 63- Footnote abbr.; 65- ___ Lisa; 66- Actress Taylor; 67- I smell ___!; 68- Take ___ from me; 69- Former Russian rulers; 70- Starchy food grain; 71- Granny;

1- Ward (off); 2- Anatomical passage; 3- WWII battle site; 4- Guilty person; 5- Coniferous tree; 6- Golfer Calvin; 7- This ____ stickup!; 8- Legal wrong; 9- Concealed; 10-Rumor; 11- Commedia dell'___; 12- Nothing, in Nice; 13- Chipper; 21- Vows; 23-Writer of lyric poetry; 25- It opens your parachute; 27- Alternate; 28- Audacity; 29-Now you ____...; 31- Polite address; 32- Back at the track; 33- "Mule Train" singer; 34- Uneven; 36- Gin flavorer; 40- Arm bones; 41- Cary of "The Princess Bride"; 44-Worker; 47- Person who rows; 49- Van Gogh masterpiece; 50- Slender; 53- Sir Newton was an English mathematician; 54- Spanish muralist; 55- Is indebted; 56-Musical Horne; 57- Rip; 59- Bit; 60- Getting ____ years; 61- California wine region; 64- Part of TNT;

East Jordan Rotary Club

presents...



Friday, January 11

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WHERE: Downtown East Jordan at the Senior Center

WHEN: Friday, January 11, 4:30-7PM TICKETS: \$8-Adult, \$7 Senior, \$5 Child

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SAVING THE MARINA

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city to try and prosper this town. East Jordan has a lot going for it right now we just need people to come on board and help us," said **Commissioner Thomas** Breaky. "We thought if we approached the business people to help us get support from the Waterways Commission it would give a whole city bolstered response. We need their support to do the wall and the dredging."

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Cannon will then attend the Waterways Commission's February 29 meeting as a representative of the city. "If people felt inclined to be there for support during his presentation, it would be beneficial," said Mayor

Commissioner Tony Cutler asked the commission to approve moving forward

with updating a hotel feasibility study that was conducted prior to the recent economic downturn. Investors interested in building a hotel that would help draw visitors to the community have stepped forward for a second time now that the economy is on the mend. They are rediscovering an abandoned idea to build a hotel next to BC Pizza on Water Street.

"We do have the market," said Commissioner Mark Penzien. "This isn't an investment made in hopes people will get interested. This is an investment in a project where people are already interested."

The commission passed a resolution to pay up to \$8,000 on the update - providing doing so would be within legal parameters and would own the study so it would be available for others interested in investing in the community in similar ways.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City commission will be held on January 15 at 7 P.M. at City Hall.

EAST JORDAN SNO-BLAST

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7:30 PM GLOW IN THE DARK EXTRAVAGANZA Community Auditorium

The East Jordan Drama Class will present "Glow in the Dark Extravaganza' This is a family show in the Community Auditorium. 9:00PM MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Jordan Inn Hip-Hop. Sponsored by Ill Vision SATURDAY — EJ SNO-MOBILERS CLUB

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12:00 PM SNOWMOBILE DRAGS Till 3:00. Saturday only. Drivers must be 18 or older. Trophy presentation at the end of the Races. 11:00AM FROZEN PAN-CAKE TOSS 25 cents per toss or 5 for \$1. Longest toss

wins The Works: a free Snomobiler's SATURDAY - AROUND

TOWN 5:00 TEEN S.A.F.E

DANCE Civic Center All area teens welcome! Middle School 5:00-7:30pm \$4 High School 8-11pm \$4 (\$3 with SAFE wrist band)

ALL DAY SNOWSHOE OR XC SKI The Mallard Golf Course Trails are open. Bring your own equipment. Snowshoes available for rent at Jordan Valley Outfitter on M-66.

12:00PM ROLLER SKAT-ING Harvest Barn Church on M-66 Till 3:00pm. Outdoor sports not your thing? Join us indoors for just \$5 per person. Includes skate rental, or bring your own.

2:00 PM SOFTBALL IN THE SNOW Murphy Field Put a team together and play ball! Contact Debbie at 231-536-3400 to register your team. Sponsored by Essence Hair Salon.

9:00PM LIVE MUSIC The Jordan Inn Blues Night. Information 536-9906

SUNDAY VENUES AROUND TOWN

7:00AM SNO-LOVERS BREAKFAST East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club Till noon. Pancakes, bacon, sausage, potatoes, and eggs: The Works! \$6 Adults \$3 Kids 5 to 10. Under 4 free.

1:30PM FREE FAMILY MOVIE Jordan Valley District Library Community

Big Miracle. For more information and a complete schedule, contact the East Jordan Chamber at 231-536-7351 or visit ejchamber.org.





LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

Redefining what it means to tell a guy to "man up!"

Man up.

One hears this exhortation a lot these days, from friends, fellow gym rats, pro athletes and beer commercials. Heck, I use it fairly regularly myself. It sounds cool, masculine, authoritative, right? It provides a terse set of instructions on how to be and act like men. Two words conveying so much meaning: don't be a sissy, stop being a complete and utter wuss, be daring, quit whining, get tough.

Through my involvement with the Women's Resource Center's Violence Prevention Team over the last several years, I have been challenged to examine these instructions on a deeper level, to consider broader definitions of what it means to "man up." Consider the mission statement for the new global initiative, The Man Up Campaign, which engages youth to stop gender-based violence: "Our call to action challenges each of us to 'man up' and declare that violence against women and girls must end." These words resonate with other definitions I found for "man up": be a stand-up guy, do the right thing, be a leader.

And it is so critical for us to stand up and actively oppose violence against women. A recent national

Editor,

I would like to recognize two very honest men from the Boyne City area who made my Christmas a whole lot brighter.

I stopped at the Boyne City Shell station after the early Christmas Eve Mass to pick up a couple items, the young man behind the counter, Chris Grose, was very friendly and helpful. Upon finishing my purchase he bid me the usual "have a nice evening" and I was off to my home. While getting into my car I

Jordan River Sand Dear Editor,

Once there was a lake at the estuary of the Jordan River and Lake Charlevoix South Arm. Old photographs feature as many as 18 large boats, schooner and steam, moored in that harbor, a one-time swing bridge the avenue for wheeled and pedestrian traffic across the converging waters. The river still flows as always. The lake south of the permanent bridge is gone. Recently the harbor has closed in with sand dunes, the boat launch a dry dock, the marina filling fast. It has been noted that the river has divided at the outlet on the north side of the bridge separated by sand dunes which in turn brings more sand and silt into both boat launch and marina while bolstering the newly ex-

istent dry land. Fifty years ago this was not so. The lake extended far to the south of the bridge, deep water at that time though not as deep as yesteryear of cargo docking when lumber and milled products, commodities and such were handled during the open water season. 50 years ago the boats were long gone but the water was high, prompting the want of a marina for local and tourism usage and promotion. Bars and restaurants catered to the boat clientele, one creating in the 1980s a dining deck overlooking marina and lake (Sam's, later Anstead's then Murray's).

Naturally ambience changes over time and cities and towns experienced the downturn that progress always brings: the ebb

survey by the Centers for Disease Control revealed that one in five women had been raped in their lifetime and one in four had been the victim of severe physical violence by an intimate partner. Last year, the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan handled 1,001 calls to their 24-hour crisis line and provided emergency shelter for 139 domestic abuse survivors and their children. The agency also provided support, counseling and advocacy for an additional 876 domestic abuse and sexual assault survivors that were not in residence at the Safe Home. As a father of two daughters, these statistics frighten and anger me – they also motivate me to do my part to "man up" and join the work to end violence against women and girls.

In response to the Montreal Massacre – a deadly shooting of 14 women at Montreal's Écolé Polytechnique in 1989 - a group of Canadian men "manned up" and started the White Ribbon Campaign as a symbol of men's opposition to violence against women, asking men to wear white ribbons as a pledge to never commit, condone or remain silent about violence against women and girls. The White Ribbon Cam-

paign has since spread to over 60 countries, becoming the world's largest movement of men and boys working to end violence against women and girls and promote gender equity, healthy relationships, and a new vision of masculinity.

The White Ribbon Campaign has arrived in Northern Michigan. On January 15, 2013, the Petoskey boys basketball teams will be "manning up" and wearing white ribbons to show their commitment to never commit, condone or remain silent about violence against women and girls. Members of the Women's Resource Center's 100 Men Campaign will be on hand to lend their support and distribute white ribbons to all men and boys attending the game who will make the same commitment. I invite the men and boys of our community to join us for this game and in our commitment to work toward ending violence against women of all ages. What do you say?

Man up.

Bill Wilson, Petoskey **Member of Violence Prevention Team** and local White Ribbon Campaign Committee

Thankful for honesty

dropped my wallet in the snow - but did not realize it until I received a phone call a couple hours later.

A gentleman by the name of Joe Froats found my wallet immediately took it into the Shell Station and he and Chris discovered who the owner was. There was both cash and lottery tickets in this wallet, it could have been so easy to take a different route here and no one would have known any different except eventually me!

But instead, these two men were honest and forthright. It is so reassuring in our troubled world to know we still have people who do the right thing. I would like to publicly thank these two men for their honesty and ethics. I would also like to thank the management at the Shell Station for employing such a nice & honest young man. Only in Boyne City, thanks Chris & Joe.

Gratefully, **Lynda Christensen Boyne City**

Jordan River Sand

and flow of industry, commerce, real estate speculation, tourism, boating and fishing and so on. It was looking good throughout the 1980s into the 90s when the East Jordan Marina was expanded and boat slips were filled every summer. The boat launch parking lot was filled with trucks and trailers every day. Now a small fishing boat can't launch. It's filled in with canoe can't launch there.

Formerly there were boat slips at the Tourist Park further along the west side of South Arm Lake Charlevoix, now long filled in with sand dunes and rotting timbers in lieu of the new marina which is in direct line with the river flow into the estuary. A four-year Michigan State University study culminated in a presentation of findings recently. The resolve, though well-attended, was inconclusive. The estuary was said to be "not a delta" as in the Mississippi Delta sense, but in fact an "estuary". Four years of study. Issues such as runoff were addressed but not elucidated by the spokesman from MSU who concluded in answer to a questioner that "the sand has always been there". The logical retort would seem to be, if it has always been there, why didn't it stay there where it came from? Namely, what caused the salt and silt to wash downstream? No answer.

Local residents have offered some observations not included in studies. One such note is that irrigation water drawn from the river upstream for farming caused visible sand plumes to flow downstream

from Graves Crossing, while the upstream water remained clear. Apparently, one would extrapolate the stirring up of river water in extraction loosened sand from the riverbed which the current would wash downstream. That sets up a scenario of both stirring the riverbed and thence compounded by recreational activities possibly adding to the sediment via boating, fishing, navigating and partying in

Of course recreational activities have been going on for more than a century on the Jordan River but the frequency is obviously greater in these latter decades. A combination of symptoms is the most likely cause in aggregate. The MSU study tended more toward river activities than irrigation. One lifelong resident commented that the point of emanation of the river at the foot of Dead Man's Hill was clear water in his youth as was the outlet at the estuary. Thus the damage has been done in a lifetime, the culprit being man, not Mother Nature, though she reacted as natural processes will. Water is the most inexorable force known to man. And God too we might add recalling the Great Flood.

What to do? The Parks & Recreation Department indeed has a problem - what to do? Looking from below, keep on dredging; looking from above, embrace sand flats as the new ambience. Only boating and nostalgia find sadness. Inevitability always comes tardily.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan





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January Notes on Medicare

Medicare Advantage Plan Disenrollment Period

Medicare Advantage Plans are one of the coverage options that Medicare beneficiaries may chose to provide their Medicare services. Also called "Part C" or Medicare Health Plans these policies are HMOs, PPOs, and Private Free-for-Service (PFFS) Plans. Benefits offered by Medicare Advantage Plans may include coverage for prescription drugs, vision, hearing, dental and health / wellness programs. In some cases enhancements to these benefits may be added as a rider to the plan for an additional premium amount. Beneficiaries generally experi-ence a co pay for ANY service that they receive when enrolled on an Advantage plan.

If the plan in which you were enrolled in 2012 didn't renew for 2013, or if you picked a plan that doesn't meet your needs, CHANGES CAN BE MADE between January 1 and February 14. This is the Medicare Advantage Plan Disenrollment Period. Individuals in a Medicare Advantage Plan have the option of going back to coverage through Original Medi-care and picking a Medicare Drug plan to replace prescription coverage they have in the Ad-vantage Plan.

Changes in Medicare Premiums and Deductibles for 2013

Deductible amounts for Medicare Part A (Hospital coverage) and Part B (Medical Cov-erage) have changed

for 2013. The deductible for Part A is \$1184 for the first 60 days of hos-pital care. The deductible for Part B is \$147 for outpatient services. The premium for Part B – which is generally deducted from Social Security - is \$104.90 for 2013. In addition, beneficiaries who are enrolled in a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan will pay 47.5% of the full cost of their brand name medication and 79% of the cost of their generic medications if they experi-ence the "coverage gap" (inching gradually down from 100% in 2010).

The Medicare Medicaid Assistance program (MMAP) is the statewide program which provides free health benefits counseling to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers. Individuals with questions about Medicare may contact MMAP for assis-tance at their local Commission on Aging office or regional office at the

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32nd ANNUAL SNO-BLAST **WINTER FESTIVAL**

Family fun in the snow! Contests, Races, Winter Knight and Belle of the Blizzard and much more. For information call the Chamber 231-536-7351

FRIDAY, 1/11

Rotary Chili Supper 4:30pm East Jordan Community Center (Senior Center) Chili Supper. Enjoy Chili, salad, dessert and a beverage. \$8 adults, \$7 seniors and \$5 children.

Wish Lantern Lift 7pm Purchase a Chinese Wish Lantern from the East Jordan Freedom Festival during the Chili Supper and meet down at the water's edge to let them all

go into the night sky! SATURDAY, 1/12

Frozen Pancake Toss 11am Sno-Mobile Club House, four age categories. Longest toss wins a Snow-Lovers Breakfast!

Snowmobile Races & Antique Show

East Jordan Sno-Mobilers welcome everyone to the Sno-Mobile Club House on Mt. Bliss Rd. for a day of fast-paced snowmobile drag racing and an Antique Snowmobile Show. Concessions available. Racing Registration at 9am. Radar Runs start at 9am. Drags at 11am. Softball in the Snow 2pm

Get your friends, co-workers and family together and play ball in the snow. If you don't want to play, just bundle up and come down to watch this funny game. Contact Debbie at 231-536-3400 to register your team. Sponsored by Essence Hair Salon.

SUNDAY, 1/13

Free Movie - 1:30pm Jordan Valley Library Community Room. "Big Miracle" a movie for all ages. Sponsored by Jordan Valley Library Friends.

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 10 11am Roger Hartson 1pm Pinochle

Friday, January 11 9:30a Craft Class 10am Sit & Be Fit

Monday, January 14 10:30am Sit & Be Fit 1 pm Pinochle 1 pm Wood Carving 7p Bible Study

1pm Paint Class 1 pm Rummy

1pm Bingo

Tuesday, January 15 Wednesday, January 16 | Thursday, January 17 1pm Pinochle

Friday, January 18 9:30 am Craft Class 10 am Sit and Be Fit I p**m** Kummy

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 10 Wii Bowling

Friday, January 11 11am MUSIC: Don Judd Raffle

Monday, January 14 Bingo

Tuesday, January 15 Craft Class

Line Dance Brown-Bag Bingo

Wednesday, January 16 | Thursday, January 17 Wii Bowling

Friday, January 18 11am MUSIC: Tag-A-Longs Raffle

EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 10 Game Day: Uno/Wii Fun Pool Table

Friday, January 11 10:30 AVB.meeting 11am MUSIC: Tag-A-Longs Bingo/Bake Raffle

Monday, January 14 8-1pm: walking M-F FOOT CLINIC & B/P

Tuesday, January 15 11am line dancing 12:30 bingo 1pm Paint class

Wednesday, January 16 Thursday, January 17 1pm Movie& Popcorn

Game Day: Uno, Wii Fun, **Pool Table**

Friday, January 18 11am MUSIC: Cousins Bingo/BakedRaffle

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

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Friday, January 11 MEAT LOAF

Monday, January 14 **BEEF POT PIE**

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