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Charlevoix senior guard, Tanner Catt (5) draws contact on his way to the hoop against Traverse City St. Francis.
(PHOTO BY SCOTT RICHARDS)

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Rambler sophomore, Corey Redman (2) elevates for this easy basket against Elk Rapids. Redman would score 27 in the loss.
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WINTERFEST CELEBRATION

...next Saturday in Boyne City

By Jim Akans

After an early January warm up, winter has returned to the north, and Boyne City will once again celebrate the season with their annual Winterfest event next Saturday, January 26th. This free, family-oriented outdoor and indoor event will include all day sidewalk sales, an all day snow sculpting contest at Sunset Park, and all day sledding, ice skating and cross country skiing at Avalanche Preserve. Pick up some great goods at the Farmers Market, in the red barn next to the library, from 9 to 1 pm next Saturday as well.

There will be plenty of fun and unusual games for the kids, such as a frozen fish toss, frozen turkey bowling, all held in Old City Park. There will also be hot chocolate and doughnuts available, courtesy of Glen's Market. The Hill Nature Preserve Park will also offer a cross-country ski tour next Saturday starting in the new parking lot on Clute Road.

Those preferring a little warmth when celebrating Winterfest should check out, or perhaps partake in the Chili Cook-Off held at Country Now & Then starting at 3 pm. There will also be a Wine Tasting at the Wine Emporium from 4 to 7 pm
Next Saturday at 5 pm will bring



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the announcement of the Ice Sculpture and Snowman Contest winners at Sunset Park. There is still a little time left to enter a snowman in the residential or commercial category as long as you register your entry at the Boyne Chamber (582-6222) or email jim@boynechamber.com by Friday, January 25th.

Winterfest next Saturday evening will wrap up with a Star Gazing event with Bryan Shumaker of the Northern Michigan Astron-

omy Club (weather permitting). There will be plenty of live music to enjoy, with Minneapolis based rock band The Pines at Freshwater Art Gallery starting at 8 pm, folk singer Sean Ryan at Café Sante starting at 8 pm, and cover band One Hot Robot at the Thirsty Goat beginning at 9 pm.

For additional information and schedule updates, visit www.boynechamber.com.

Krystal L. Birgy joins Charlevoix County News editorial staff

By Jim Akans

East Jordan resident, Krystal Birgy has joined the editorial staff at the Charlevoix County News. She will be covering East Jordan Council meetings as well as other East Jordan area topics.

"I'm thrilled to be joining the staff at Charlevoix County News," notes Birgy, "as I'm an East Jordan local who grew up enjoying such newspapers as The Jordan Journal and The Citizen. I'm excited to be a part of a paper that highlights stories concerning the smaller communities in our area that

might otherwise get overlooked."

Birgy is Michigan State University graduate, earning a Bachelor of Arts in English with a Creative Writing Option in 2007. While studying in East Lansing, she served as a Submissions Board Member and was a photographer for The Offbeat, a student ran creative arts journal.

She was also a photography intern for the Red Cedar Log in East Lansing, the nation's largest yearbook with a circulation of over 21,000, and copy editor for the Ned S. Hubbell chapter of the Public Relations Student

Society of America. During summers while attending MSU, Birgy worked at the Boyne Mountain's Solace Spa, and as a camp counselor at the East Jordan Public Schools Camp EJ.

Recently, Birgy has worked with the East Jordan Public Schools as a program activity leader at the 21st Century Community Learning Center, as a summer school teacher, and continues to be a substitute teacher for the EJ Schools.

We welcome Krystal Birgy to the editorial staff at the Charlevoix County News.



East Jordan resident, Krystal Birgy has joined the editorial staff at the Charlevoix County News. COURTESY PHOTO

East Jordan City Commission seeks community support in obtaining marina dredging grant

By Jim Akans

The East Jordan City Commission is seeking support from local citizens, area visitors and the business community in their efforts to secure grants funds for dredging the marina. Support can come in the form of a letter to the Michigan State Waterways Commission, which can be dropped off to the City Clerk, or by signing a petition available at City Hall, the Chamber of Commerce, Jordan Valley District Library as well as several area businesses.

Sedimentation from the Jordan River where it enters Lake Charlevoix deposited in the marina area and harbor has severely diminished the usability of the marina, and the unusually low lake levels have compounded the problem. The situation has become so critical, the public boat launch had to be closed late last summer. In a community that relies heavily on tourism and the attraction of boating on Lake Charlevoix, revitalizing the marina and harbor area is crucial to the local economy.

The City Commission has drafted a sample letter that residents, tourists and business owner can use as a template. Of course, the letter can be modified to reflect the writer's personal situation and can be printed on personal or business letterhead. The letters should be addressed to the Chair and Members of the MI State Waterways Commission.

The Commission asks that anyone wishing to submit a letter of support do so by delivering them to the East Jordan City Clerk, Cheltzi Wilson no later than Friday, January 18th. Letters will be forwarded, along with the City's letter, and copies of petitions that are circulating throughout town, to the MWC during the week of January 21st. If

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Charlevoix Chamber names Royal Farms, Inc. as January "Business of the Month"

By Jim Akans

The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected Royal Farms, Inc. as the January Business of the Month, recognizing the organizations longstanding commitment in helping to make the Charlevoix area an outstanding community in which to live, work and play. Royal Farms was established in 1996, and employs up to 20 people during the peak season.

Sara McGuire, who owns and operated Royal Farms with her husband, Patrick, states, "We strive to give our customers the "royal treatment" when it comes to service. Selling high quality products is key and making the visit to our farm market fun, easy, and memorable."

She adds, "I love creating special things for people. For example; if someone stops in for a bouquet of flowers I run right out to the garden and cut them fresh, or some customers bring their planters to us and I plant them with a unique design or to match their design goals. We also help customers daily with creating very special gifts from making a

bag of cookies look cute all the way up to a deluxe gift basket wrapped with cellophane and a bow."

Royal Farms vast selection of delicious, and healthy, cherry products are locally made, though the facility ships all across the country via their on-line store. Offerings include dried cherries, cherry salsa and cherry sauces, baked goods, cherry coffees, cherry chai tea, dark cherry and almond candy bars and much more.

The company and its employees are also highly involved in the Charlevoix area community. McGuire notes, "While we certainly support as many causes as possible through advertising and donations, we feel the best way for us to give back to the community is by sharing food that we grow with those in need. We have been donating approximately 15,000lbs/year of fruit to a couple of local food pantries for the last several years. This year with the severe crop loss was no exception, we committed that we still wanted to give to those who were counting on us."

McGuire points out that living and doing business in northern



The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected the team at the Royal Farms, Inc. as the January Business of the Month. COURTESY PHOTO

Lower Michigan community is a rewarding and extraordinary experience. She states, "We are blessed to be in a part of the world that is so rich with natural beauty and earth that provides us the opportunity to grow delicious and healthy foods. People are drawn here from all over the

world to visit. We meet amazing people and have created wonderful friendships with our employees and our customers."

Royal Farms, Inc. is located at 10445 N. US 31 in Ellsworth. While the facility is currently closed, spring hours (starting in May) are Sunday 10am-5pm. Mon- Sat

9am-6pm. Summer Hours (from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend) are: Sunday 8am-6pm, Mon- Sat 8am-7pm. Royal Farms also offers fall and early winter hours.

For additional information, visit their website at www.royalfarmsinc.com

SANCTITY OF LIFE

2013 Sanctity of Life Day observance and 40th annual March for Life

By Jim Akans

The 2013 observance of National Sanctity of Life Day will be this Sunday, January 20th, and the 40th annual March for Life, hosted by the March for Life Education and Defense Fund, will be next Friday, January 25th. The commemoration of this event began in early January of 1984, with a proclamation by then President Ronald Reagan designating the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day as January 22nd of that year. The date was not selected at random; rather, it marked the 11th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court case at that time.

Reagan issued the proclamation each year of his presidency, designating Sanctity of Human Life Day to be the third Sunday in January. President George H. W. Bush, continued the annual proclamation throughout his presidency as well. After the practice was discontinued during President Bill Clinton's administration, George W. Bush, resumed the proclamation, and did so every year of his presidency.

In observance of Sanctity of Life Day, hundreds of thousands participate in a march and rally held in Washington D.C. to protest the Roe v. Wade decision. The 2013 occasion of this March for Life will be held on January 25th. Over the years, the number of participants in this march has grown dramatically, rising from approximately 20,000 marchers in 1974 to over 200,000 today.

The March for Life organization has created several Life Principles in support of their position as a Pro-life movement. These Life Principles serve as the basis for pro-life moral and legal theory by which the American people can overturn Roe



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v. Wade.

Those Life Principals are:

- We hold these truths to be self-evident: That all human beings are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, among which is the right to life, and therefore

- The right to life of each human being shall be preserved and protected by every human being in the society and by the society as a whole, and

- The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from that human being's biological beginning when the Father's sperm fertilizes the

Mother's ovum, and

- The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from the biological beginning throughout the natural continuum of that human being's life by all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts, and

- The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected at each stage of the life continuum to the same extent as at each and every other stage regardless of state of health or condition of dependency, and

- The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected to the same extent as the life of each and every other human

being regardless of state of health or condition of dependency, and

- When there is any doubt that there exists a human being's life to preserve and protect, such doubt shall be resolved in favor of the existence of a human being, and

- When two or more human beings are in a situation in which their lives are mutually endangered, all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts shall be used to preserve and protect the life of each and every human being so endangered.

WHEREFORE, Pursuant To

These Principles, we recommend and urge the adoption of a Mandatory HUMAN LIFE AMENDMENT to the Constitution of the United States of America.

Several Northern Michigan area Pro-life groups, including Gaylord Right to Life participants, will be traveling to Washington D.C. for next Friday's march.

For additional information, please visit the March for Life website at www.marchforlife.org

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weather	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	HIGH: Mid 10's	HIGH: Low 30's	HIGH: Low 30's	HIGH: Mid 10's
	LOW: Mid 10's	LOW: Upper 20's	LOW: Low 10's	LOW: Low 10's

snowfall		record temps	
2011-12	Amt	2012-13	Amt
1/16/2012	13.4	1/14/2013	19.9
1/16/2012	10.3	1/14/2013	18.3
1/16/2012	25	1/14/2013	23
1/16/2012	43.7	1/14/2013	41.2
1/16/2012	13.1	1/14/2013	16.4
1/16/2012	16.6	1/14/2013	28.5
1/16/2012	25.3	1/14/2013	40

Day	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Record High	Record Low
17	30°F	13°F	48°F (1986)	-23°F (1978)
18	30°F	13°F	55°F (1996)	-23°F (1978)
19	30°F	13°F	53°F (1996)	-21°F (1982)
20	30°F	13°F	45°F (1999)	-11°F (2009)
21	30°F	13°F	43°F (1957)	-28°F (1970)
22	30°F	13°F	51°F (2002)	-17°F (2005)
23	30°F	13°F	50°F (1969)	-20°F (2005)

OBITUARIES

Nancy Northup, 71

Nancy Northup of Boyne City, died Jan. 10, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care in East Jordan.

A memorial service will take place at a later date.

Cleyo William Penfold, 88

(JULY 21, 1924 - JANUARY 11, 2013)

Cleyo William Penfold was escorted by his guardian angels into the arms of Jesus in the early morning hours of Jan. 11, 2013, at his home in Chandler Township at 88 years of age.

Cleyo was born to George and Gustie Penfold (Kennedy) on July 21, 1924, on his grandparents' homestead in Chandler Township. Cleyo attended school in Chandler Township and Boyne Falls.

He married Phyllis Mann on March 2, 1950, at the Baptist Church in Harbor Springs.

Cleyo worked for a short time as a school bus driver for Chandler Township School before being hired at the Petoskey Kroger Store in 1956. He was a well-known cashier there for 23 years and stayed on after the store was sold to Hamady.

He was a member of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union and the Northern Michigan Livestock Association. After Hamady, he enjoyed working part time at Toski-Sands Market.

Cleyo is survived by his wife, Phyllis, and their 10 children: John; Bernard (Connie) and their chil-

dren, Dulcinea (Steve) Wood, Miranda (Jerry) Petrowski, Abram, Adriana, Tabitha and Geneva; George (Jeanne) and their daughter, Eva; Becky (Jan) Bruin-Slot and their sons, Zachary (Dawn), Nathaniel (Danielle) and Timothy; Annabelle (Dave) Matz and their children, Charles (Kristina), Kristina (Pete) Metzger, Catherine (Raymond) Palmer and Mark; Eva (David) Siegrist and their daughters, Jolene (Erik) Hagstrom and Kelly; Calvin (Linda) and their children, Kali (Kyle) Smith, Tia (fiancé Dylan Fettig) and Joseph; Tracy and his daughters, Danielle, Kathleen (David) Rauch and Kelsey; Kristina (Steve) Drost and their sons Jacob, Kainoa and Zander; Brent (Shannon) and their children, Lauren, Jordan, Adam, Liam, Olivia, Madison and Abigail; and Cleyo and Phyllis' adopted daughter, Nancy Sando; Cleyo's great-grandchildren, Andrew, Nicholas, Ashleigh, Joseph, Dylan, Gabriella, Keagan, Cameron, Jake, Jack, David, Evie, Corbin, Hailey and Tyler. He is also survived by brother-in-law, George Mann (Rosada), and many much loved nieces and nephews.

Cleyo was preceded in death by his parents, George and Gustie Penfold, and by his sisters, Georgia (Gus) Matz and Esther (Harold) Umlor; and two grandchildren, Benjamin in 1977, and Micah in 2012.

Cleyo had a lifelong love of farming, raising cattle, gardening and raising kids. He was

adamant about his children receiving a good education. A workday at the Kroger store was followed at home by fence-fixing, gardening, cutting firewood and tending to the cattle. Then it was time to help bathe the children and get them ready for bed, followed by a few hours of sleep. When he married he found his calling — working hard to provide for his growing family. He was a devoted husband and a wonderful father and will be deeply missed.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at Walloon Lake Community Church with Pastor Jeff Ellis officiating.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, Walloon Lake Community Church, or Friends Helping Neighbors of Chandler Township, c/o Kim Matz 6912 Matz Road, Boyne Falls, Mich. 49713.

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

Marcella Jane DeGraeve, 88

(FEB. 27, 1924 - JAN. 10, 2013)

Marcella Jane DeGraeve of Charlevoix, passed away Thursday, Jan. 10, 2013, at Birchwood Tendercare in Traverse City.

She was born on Feb. 27, 1924, in Wichita, Kan., the daughter of Earl and Opal (Baker) Brooks.

In 1943, she married George DeGraeve in Garden City, Kan. They made their home in the Detroit area, where she worked hard to provide a comfortable and healthy home environment for her family, which was a great source of pride for her.

She enjoyed gardening, feeding/watching birds, genealogical research, cooking, and sewing; she made many of her daughters' clothes, including a wedding dress. She also enjoyed traveling with George, including to international destinations (Japan, Argentina, Europe and Puerto Rico).

George and Marcella moved to their Susan Lake home in 1994. They were members of Greensky Hill United Methodist Church. Marcella was also a member of the Mayflower Society and the Daughters of the American Revolution; she took great pride in being one of the descendents of a Mayflower pilgrim.

She is survived by her son, Mick (Barb) DeGraeve, of Traverse City; daughters, Susan Smith of Knoxville, Tenn., and Patricia DeGraeve of Lipan, Texas and Charlevoix; four grandchildren, Jesse and Amanda DeGraeve, Kristin and Kevin Igielski, and one great-grand-

son, Van DeGraeve-Sheridan.

The funeral service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 18, at Greensky Hill United Methodist Church in Charlevoix, with the Rev. Timothy Wright officiating. Marcella will be buried at Greensky Hill Cemetery in Charlevoix.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 W. Garfield, Charlevoix, Mich. 49720; info@hospicenwm.org

Arrangements were handled by Winchester Funeral Home, Charlevoix.

Florence Elizabeth 'Flo' Burns, 85

(JAN. 27, 1927 - JAN. 7, 2013)

Florence Elizabeth "Flo" Burns of Boyne City, passed away Monday, Jan. 7, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Florence was born on Jan. 27, 1927, in Fremont, Ohio, the daughter of Daniel and Florence (Eirforth) Washburn. She enjoyed spending time with her family, her collection of hats and watching the hummingbirds enjoy her flowers.

Florence is survived by her children, Jim (Teri) Baker, Dan (Marilyn) Baker, Tim (Carolyn) Baker, Joe (Cindy) Burns, Mary (Jeff) Miller, Rose (Mike) McCaig, Robin (Mike) Richards, Bonnie (Jerry) Newman, Vera (Norman) Baker and Sue (Roger) Nichols; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren whom she loved very much; brothers, Harvey Washburn, Joe Washburn, Raymond Washburn and Guy Washburn.

She will be missed by her family and friends who will forever hold the memories of her in their hearts.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert; stepson, Bobby Burns; infant twin brothers, infant sister; brothers and sisters, Margaret, Bonnie, Loretta, Bob, Albert, Vera, Leroy, John, Norman and Charlie.

A memorial service was Thursday, Jan. 10, at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. Pastor David Behling officiated. Burial will take place at a later date at Evangeline Township Cemetery.

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

Daniel L. Barron, 83

(FEB. 17, 1929 - JAN. 5, 2013)

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

He was born on Feb. 17, 1929, in Monroe, Mich., the son of Orion P. and Nora (Tremblay) Barron.

Dan served in the United States Air Force

during the Korean War. He also served as a Detroit police officer in the 1950s, and as a Sterling Heights city councilman during the 1970s. Dan was a dedicated school teacher, and also served as a school principal for 17 years with the Utica Community Schools. Dan enjoyed keeping up on current events and loved his God, family and food.

He is survived by two sons, Daniel B. (Paula Merritt) Barron and John R. Barron, all of Charlevoix; two granddaughters, Danielle Merritt Barron of Charlevoix and Ashley Merritt Ager of Hoboken, N.J.; one sister, Nancy (Buck) Burkman, of Tallahassee, Fla.; an additional brother-in-law, Vic Morris, of Belleville, Ill.; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Claire, James and Jack Barron; and two sisters, Betty Morris and Kathleen Aduci.

The funeral service was Thursday, Jan. 10, with at Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Pastor Chip Sauer of the Community Reformed Church in Charlevoix officiated. Interment will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Memorials may be directed to the Salvation Army.

Sue Alice (Griffith) Brill, 82

(DEC. 18, 1930 - DEC. 29, 2012)

Sue Alice (Griffith) Brill of Boyne City, passed away Dec. 29, 2012, surrounded by her family.

She was born at her grandparents' home in Auglaize County, Ohio, on Dec. 18, 1930, to Goldie and Paul Griffith. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Jean Ann; and husband of 42 years, Kenneth H. Brill.

Sue was the matriarch of the Brill family, who lovingly called her "the great Pooba." She was many things to many people: Mother, coach's wife, grandma, grandma-great and friend.

Sue had many occupations, but working as a florist was one of her most rewarding. When she and Ken moved to Michigan they managed the Price Brother's Lodge on Pickerel Lake. Sue was later the director of the East Jordan Senior Center, where she created memories for seniors for years.

Moving to Boyne City, Sue became president of Beginning Experience, a grief support group. She joined Christ Lutheran Church and chaired the fellowship and care giving committee. Her favorite Psalm was "This is the Day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Her greatest joy was her family. She is survived by her four children, Becky (Steven) Voice, Bob (Debbie) Brill, Bonnie (Jerry) Saylor, Beth (Barry) Gilmer; 14 grandchildren; and 13

great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Sue's smile lit up the room and our "keeper of the angels" will be greatly missed.

A celebration of Sue's life will take place Saturday, Jan. 19, at Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City, with Pastor Ken Bernthal officiating. Visitation with family will be at 2 p.m., her memorial service will be at 3 p.m., and a remembrance and fellowship dinner will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Christ Lutheran Church Kinder Klostet.

Patrick Moon" Mullins, 58

(MARCH 16, 1954 - JANUARY 8, 2013)

Patrick L. "Moon" Mullins

Mullins of Petoskey, passed away peacefully on Jan. 8, 2013, at the Highland Cottage of Hospice of Little Traverse Bay in Petoskey.

Pat was born on March 16, 1954, in Chillicothe, Ohio, the son of Kenneth Harold and Rita Viola (Gootee) Mullins. He was raised in Kentucky and Garden City, Mich., graduating from Garden City West High School and then graduated from Lake Superior State University with a degree in conservation.

On Nov. 14, 1994, Pat married Kathleen M. (Kowalski) Matelski in Charlevoix, and together they made their home in Petoskey.

Pat went to work for the Mitchell Street Pub as a bartender, and continued to work there for 18 years, being voted Bartender of the Year, many times. Pat was a faithful employee to Jerry and Diane Elman and Larry and Elaine Rochon.

Pat was a well known and well liked individual. He worked on the Horton Bay Parade Committee for 10 years, as well as at the Mushroom Festival in Boyne City and the Winter Fun in Horton Bay. He was a dedicated husband and father and was considered to be a true "Kentucky Gentleman."

Pat is survived by his wife, Kathleen Mullins, of Petoskey; stepchildren, Nicki Matelski and Nathan (Molly) Matelski; grandchildren, Lily and Mitch Matelski; siblings, Alan Jackson Mullins, Kenneth Michael Mullins, David Winston (Diane) Mullins, Rita Fay (Elmer) George and Billie Carol (Den) Berry; 12 nieces and nephews; and eight great-nieces.

A memorial service was Sunday, Jan. 13, at the Stone Funeral Home with the Rev. David Behling officiating.



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East Jordan Moves Forward with Marina Silt Wall

East Jordan City Commission meeting - January 15, 2013

By Krystal Birgy

EAST JORDAN—The East Jordan City Commission met Tuesday evening for a meeting heavily focused on finding solutions for a marina being overrun by sand and silt from the Jordan River. City commissioners were forced to begin making tough decisions concerning the deposited sediment, as time and Mother Nature are not on their side.

The city has sought engineering assistance to improve the current sediment diversion wall in hopes of preventing a large amount of sediment from entering the marina. With concerns as to the high cost of the construction project, Parks Director Tom Cannon argued, "If we don't build a wall, there's no point in doing any more dredging." As without improvements on the wall, the sediment will continue to fill the marina, ultimately making it unusable. The commission elected to move forward

with plans to improve the wall, with construction planned this spring.

Dredging of the marina has been postponed to discuss at a future meeting, though commissioners brought many ideas to the table. Unsure of the likelihood that East Jordan will receive any grant money for dredging, commissioners will have to decide if it will be within the city's budget to dredge the marina for the upcoming summer season.

The East Jordan EMS department was also highlighted at Tuesday's meeting with the recent sale of the former EMS building on State Street. Initially \$10,000 had been donated to fund the building project. Upon the sale of the building, commissioners have agreed to deposit a portion of the proceeds back into the EMS Department Trust Fund. City Administrator, Chris Yonker stated that the remainder would be used to offset the department's current operating deficit.

The next meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for February 5 at 7pm.



East Jordan City Parks Director, Tom Cannon spoke with the city commission at length Tuesday night about the cost and need for a silt wall and dredging for the city marina. FILE PHOTO

BUSINESS NEWS

Jim Jeffreys Promoted to General Manager of Fox Charlevoix



CHARLEVOIX - Fox Motors announced today that Jim Jeffreys has been promoted to General Manager of Fox Charlevoix and Fox Charlevoix Ford as of January 1, 2013.

Jeffreys has 30 years of experience and is a 2012 graduate of the Fox Motors General Manager Mentor Program. He joined Fox Motors in October of 2010 as a Sales Consultant and quickly advanced to General Sales

Manager in January 2011. He will report directly to Division Director, John Cueter. "Jim has shown great passion when it comes to our Fox Motors values and creating remarkable experiences for both our customers and community," said Cueter. "I know that he will continue to take our dealerships to the next level in Charlevoix."

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Grant applications to support arts and culture, education, the environment, community and economic development, health and human services, recreation and youth are available by calling your respective community foundation office. All applicants must call to discuss their proposals in advance. Eligible nonprofit organizations must serve residents of Charlevoix County or Emmet County and work to enrich or improve life for local residents. The deadline for submission is Friday, March 1, 2013. Applications will be reviewed by community members and the youth advisory committee members and recommendations will be reviewed by the respective Boards of Trustees.

Nonprofit partners serving Emmet County are invited to attend a brief breakfast presentation on updates to the grant making program at the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 from 8:30 - 9:30 at Stafford's Perry Hotel. Please contact Sara Ward regarding attendance.

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To apply for a grant or for more information, call/email your local community foundation program officer. In Charlevoix County, contact Maureen Radke at 231-536-2440, maureen@c3f.org In Emmet County, contact Sara Ward at 231-348-5820, www.phsacf.org

People Fund Grant Applications Due By February 1

The Great Lakes Energy People Fund is accepting grant applications from non-profit organizations throughout its local service area. The upcoming grant application deadline is Feb. 1.

The People Fund is supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members who allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dollar. Since 1999 more than \$2.3 million in grants have been awarded to charitable and community organizations throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26-county service area, which stretches from Kalamazoo to the Mackinac Straits.

Non-profit organizations can read program details and request a grant application online at www.gtlakes.com or by calling Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-485-2537, ext. 1313. Non-profit organizations that serve communities located in the Great Lakes Energy service area are eligible to apply.

Organizations that are unable to apply by Feb. 1 will have another opportunity to apply later this year.

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Young Soldier Home for Now, but Plans future Return to Afghanistan

East Jordan Amends Dog Law

By S.J. Getty

EAST JORDAN—When grabbing the leash to take Fido for a walk in the city of East Jordan, dog walkers are advised to grab a leash bag, as well. An ordinance was passed at the city commission meeting on Aug. 13 to amend Section 6.36 of the Code of Ordinances, Section 6.36 addresses the leash bag. It says dog owners are to carry a leash bag with them when walking their dog on property other than their own. The ordinance also states that the leash bag must be used to carry the leash and any other items that are needed for the dog walk.

By S.J. Getty

Setting across from the 27-year-old building at the Charlevoix Library on a sunny day, the scene was quiet. The building was quiet, but the atmosphere was anything but. The building was quiet, but the atmosphere was anything but. The building was quiet, but the atmosphere was anything but.

By S.J. Getty

Antique Auto Show & Flea Market
37th Annual Boyne City Event Takes Place This Weekend

By S.J. Getty

Boyne City is certain to be a destination for anyone who loves cars and vintage items this weekend as the 37th Annual Antique Auto Show and Flea Market takes place in Veterans Memorial Park from 9 am to 4 pm Saturday and Sunday. This is a free event for attendees, offering a once in a year opportunity to see some of the finest vintage vehicles and shop for interesting and unique items.

By S.J. Getty

Boys City Public Marina Ranks High

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BOYNE CITY—What a summer for boating and fishing in the beautiful public marina has done the boating crowd and brought in a lot of money for the city. The marina has done the boating crowd and brought in a lot of money for the city. The marina has done the boating crowd and brought in a lot of money for the city.



Photo by S.J. Getty. The 27-year-old soldier is home for now, but plans to return to Afghanistan. He is home for now and recently did some work and talked about his experiences and how the experience led him to appreciate the United States more than ever.

"I feel blessed to be in the U.S. where I don't have to worry about someone taking a family member away."

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Community Foundation Accepting Scholarship Applications from Child Care Providers

The Community Foundation is currently accepting scholarship applications from child care providers seeking professional development or continuing education.

Scholarship funds are available from the newly established Child Care Connections (formerly 4C) Fund, which was created to continue to promote and strengthen quality child care in the 10 county regions of Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford counties.

The Child Care Connections (4C) Fund will continue to support the mission of the Child Care Connections agency and is a way for the agency to leave a lasting legacy for the community through an Endowment that will positively impact child care in the region, forever.

Funding is for private home-based daycares and private and tuition-based child care centers in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee and Wexford

counties. Priority will be given to providers that do not have other means of funding available to them.

Providers (including child care centers) or individuals may apply and awards of up to \$2,000 per individual will be considered. Funding will be disbursed directly to the nonprofit, educational, or governmental organizations providing the training.

Scholarship applications are accepted on an ongoing basis and will be reviewed at least quarterly. For more information, complete application information, and to apply, visit www.4good4ever.org.

The Community Foundation serves Antrim, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska and Leelanau Counties and is committed to improving the quality of life of our region by partnering with generous donors to build permanent resources, by striving to award meaningful grants for community projects and programs, and by engaging in community leadership. Find out more at www.4good4ever.org.



Great values and a “bit of everything” at Seconds on Center

By Jim Akans

Area shoppers will find great values and a “bit of everything” among the huge variety of resale items at Seconds on Center, located, appropriately, on North Center Avenue in Gaylord. The clean, well-organized shop is a wonder to browse, featuring all kinds of inventory that includes clothing, toys, sporting goods, tools, furniture, appliances, household knickknacks, jewelry, entertainment equipment, as well as several vintage treasures such as rare Edison record cylinders and other antiques.

Owner, Paul Andreski of Vanderbilt opened Seconds on Center this past November, having previously operated the Roll N Go tobacco shop at the location. In fact, the store still offers a selection of tobacco supplies, though the real treat is perusing the wonderful, value priced resale goods throughout the 1,500 square foot facility.

“People comment that they like the cleanliness of our shop,” relates Andreski, “and that it isn’t crowded so everything is easy to see. We have a little bit of everything here, and we try to go to auctions and storage unit sales around the state weekly, so the inventory is always changing. We research the items we find to make sure they are priced fairly.” Andreski co-owns Seconds on Cen-



ter with his mother, Sue, and Pat Compeau is the assistant manager at the store. The shop, located at 501 N. Center Avenue in Gaylord, is open Monday’s through Fridays from 9 am until 5 pm, and from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturdays.

“We encourage people to stop in and check us out,” states Andreski. “You never know what you are going to find at Seconds on Center!”

For additional information, call (989) 448-2170

Correction!

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In the January 10th edition of the Charlevoix County News, Salvation Army Business Manager Brian Jergenson was incorrectly identified as Brian Pearson in our Hidden Treasure feature profile. The correct names, (from left) in the photo

above are; Tim Schroeder, Salvation Army Family Store Manager, Maria Al-sobrooks, Assistant Store Manager, and Brian Jergenson, Business Manager for Salvation Army in Otsego County. We apologize for the error.

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Due to high demand, appointments strongly encouraged for Health Department flu shot clinics

Due to the tremendous public interest in obtaining flu shots during the Health Department of Northwest Michigan's upcoming immunization clinics, Health Department officials strongly recommend that those wanting to receive flu shots and other vaccines should schedule their appointments in advance.

Pat Fralick, Director of Fam-

ily and Community Health, said it is much easier for Health Department staff to provide excellent client service when they have some idea of how many people will be coming in, and when.

"It's important to let us know if you and any family members are planning to come to one of our flu shot clinics," Fralick ex-

plained. "We dispatch nursing staff, vaccines and other resources based on how many people we think we will need to serve on that day, in that location. When appointments are scheduled in advance, there's less waiting, and less risk of being turned away if we run short on time or supplies."

Cost for flu vaccination is \$25.

Medicaid and Medicare are accepted, as well as private insurance, or clients may pay by cash or check. Call the Health Department at (800) 432-4121 to schedule an appointment. You can also visit www.nwhealth.org or www.facebook.com/nwhealthdepartment for details on flu clinics.

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.

Attaining and Maintaining a Healthy Weight

By Deb Hagen-Foley
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So, you made a resolution to lose weight. Congratulations on making an important decision to improve your health. You are not alone in this decision. Estimates are that more than 45 million Americans begin a diet every year, and for good reasons. Overweight is linked to numerous negative health outcomes.

Michigan has the fifth highest rate of obesity in the United States with nearly one-third (31.3%) of residents having a body mass index (BMI) of 30% or greater. Adults of normal weight have BMIs of 18.5 to 24.9 and a BMI of 25.0 to 29.9 is considered overweight. Attaining and maintaining a healthy body weight is the second best thing you can do to improve your health outcomes. Smoking cessation is the most important. A visit to your physician before beginning your weight-loss program can verify if you are medically ready to start losing weight.

Now that you have made the decision, you will first want to determine a healthy weight range, in consideration of your gender, height, and age. Use the BMI estimator at the CDC website to find your healthy weight range (www.cdc.gov/healthyweight). Be realistic in setting your goal. Knowing how much weight you need to lose to achieve a healthy BMI, you might be tempted to find a "quick-fix" - weight loss supplements (or surgery) or a fad diet.

Among the popular fad diets of 2012 were: Acai Berry Diet, Cabbage Soup Diet and the Apple Cider Vinegar diet. Low fat, low carb, high protein - how do you choose the best diet for you? Simply put, restrictive diets don't work and fad diets, which highly restrict

the number of calories consumed or the type of food you can eat, are not sustainable long-term. You might lose weight quickly for a short time, but will regain the weight and more when you stop following the plan. About 95% of people who lost weight will regain it. If you over-restrict your calorie intake, your body becomes more efficient at using the fewer calories you provide, slowing your metabolism and making it even harder to lose weight the next time. The secret to long-term weight loss is: consuming fewer calories than you need on most days.

It is an easy formula: calories out greater than calories in to lose weight; calories out equal to calories in to maintain weight. In order to lose one pound, you need to burn 3500 calories more than you consume. For long-term weight loss, aim to lose not more than two pounds per week, on average. A two-pound weight loss translates to a weekly calorie deficit of 7000 calories. You can get an estimate of how many calories you need daily to maintain your weight considering your gender, age and activity level at: www.healthyweightforum.org/eng/calculators/calories-required/.

A rough estimate of how many daily calories you need is to multiply your current weight by 14. A 150-pound person would require approximately 2100 calories per day to maintain that weight (this assumes the person is sedentary more than active and exercises moderately three to five times per week). In order to lose one pound per week, they would need to burn an extra 500 calories per day (3500/7) or reduce their intake by 500 calories per day - or a combination of the two. Eat less and move more and you will lose weight.

What does this mean on a daily basis? There are numerous web-

sites that are helpful in developing meal plans. Contact me by e-mail for more information on these. The main idea is to eat a balanced diet. We have all heard it many times before. A balanced diet consists of protein, carbohydrates, fats, whole grains, and fruits and vegetables. Aim to include each of these in your daily diet. Don't consider certain foods "off limits." Allow yourself to eat your favorite foods in moderation, just remember that the calories count toward your daily goal and will slow your weight loss.

Eat regularly, at least three times a day, including breakfast. Don't let too much time lapse between meals or you are likely to overeat and make poor food choices at your next meal. Planning your meals will help keep you on track.

Equally important for weight loss and maintaining a healthy weight: Get moving. You don't need a gym membership and you don't need hours of intense physical activity to lose weight. Moderate activity for thirty minutes on most days is enough for most people to achieve weight loss. That could be as simple as a thirty-minute walk. You can split that into two fifteen-minute daily walks if that works better for your schedule.

Losing and maintaining a healthy weight is a long-term prospect. There will be times in your weight-loss journey that you become discouraged with the speed of your weight loss and want to give up. Now, while your motivation is high, write down your reasons for wanting to lose weight while your motivation is high. Then, when you are considering giving up on your goal, review your list. I offer personal exercise and nutritional coaching at no cost. For more tips and motivation, contact me by e-mail.

Widespread flu virus kills 4 Michigan children;

Health Department adds immunization clinics

The recent deaths of four children in central and southwest Michigan underscore the importance of getting flu shots for the entire family, according to Joshua Meyerson, M.D., Medical Director for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. To help meet community demand, the Health Department has scheduled four additional immunization clinics: on January 15th from 10am-7pm at its Petoskey/Harbor Springs location, and on January 18th from 8am-12pm at the Mancelona Family Resource Center, 1pm-5pm in Gaylord, and 8am-3pm in Charlevoix. Walk-ins are welcome during these clinics, but appointments can also be made for other dates and times by calling (800) 432-4121.

"Every child and adult should receive the flu vaccine as soon as possible," Meyerson emphasizes. "Those who are not vaccinated are risking their own health, and the health of their families. By carrying the illness, they pose a threat to others - especially young children and the elderly - who are at much higher risk for life-threatening complications arising from the illness."

According to the Michigan Department of Community Health, three of the four children killed by the flu virus had not been vaccinated, and the fourth had received the vaccine too

young. As of the end of December, statewide hospitalization rates and emergency room visits were reported to have increased significantly.

"Quite simply, influenza vaccinations are the best protection," Meyerson added. "If you can't make it to one of the Health Department's upcoming immunization clinics, talk to your physician or visit a local pharmacy offering the flu vaccine. There's really no excuse not to get vaccinated."

The Health Department offers appointments for flu shots and many other immunizations at its offices in Bellaire, Mancelona, Charlevoix, Petoskey/Harbor Springs and Gaylord. The cost for seasonal flu vaccination is \$25. Medicaid and Medicare are accepted, as well as private insurance, or clients may pay by cash or check. Call the Health Department at (800) 432-4121 to schedule an appointment.

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Hot Tips for preventing cold weather damage from roof ice dams

Ice dams occur in climates with freezing temperatures. When the temperature in the attic is above freezing, snow on the roof melts and runs down the sloping roof. When the snowmelt runs down the roof and reaches the colder eaves (overhang) and gutters, it refreezes.

After several days of melting-freezing cycles, the freezing snowmelt builds up and forms a dam of ice, behind which water ponds. The ponding water can back up under the roof shingles until water enters the attic and eventually does damage to the interior ceilings, walls, and contents along the exterior walls.

Research has shown sun exposure in the winter has little effect on attic air temperature. Warm air from living spaces below penetrating into the attic

is usually the culprit in the formation of roof ice dams. The presence of significant icicles along the gutter or eaves may be an indication of roof ice damming.

There's no way to guarantee an ice dam will not damage your home, but you can reduce the likelihood of an ice dam forming in the first place:

- Thoroughly clean all leaves, sticks, and other debris from rain gutters and down spouts. This allows melting roof snow to flow into gutters and through down spouts.

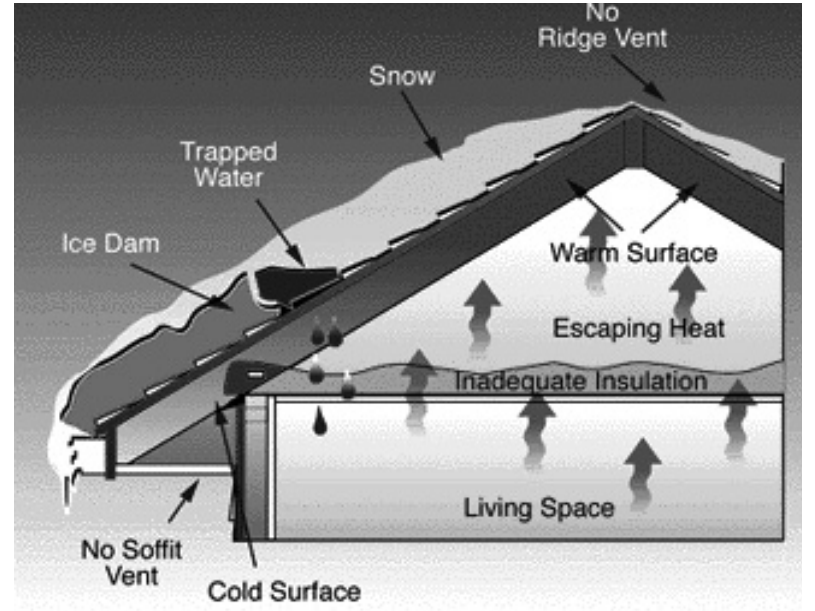
- Strive to keep snow on your roof to a minimum. Long-handled devices called "roof rakes" let you stand on the ground and pull the snow off the roof. Keeping heavy snow loads off your roof reduces the chances for both ice dam formation and roof

failure due to the weight.

- Keep gutters and down spouts clear of snow and icicles all winter.

- Evaluate the insulation and ventilation in your attic. Most experts agree attic insulation should have an R-value of at least R-30 (R-38 is preferable in northern climates). In addition, good airflow from under the eaves or soffit area along the underside of the roof and out through the roof vents is essential. The insulation prevents heat loss from the interior of the home. The venting allows the attic air to stay cold enough to prevent or minimize the freeze/thaw cycle on the roof. Consult a reputable roofing and/or insulation contractor about these improvements.

For more information visit www.mcswa.com



When the temperature in the attic is above freezing, snow on the roof melts and runs down the sloping roof. When the snowmelt runs down the roof and reaches the colder eaves (overhang) and gutters, it refreezes, forming ice dams. COURTESY PHOTO

New Police Bike presented at January 8th Boyne City Commission Meeting

By Jim Akans

After the January 8th Boyne City Commission meeting began with a moment of silence honoring Howard Crozier, former Boyne City Volunteer Firemen who recently passed, City Manager Michael Cain reported that the city had received a potential "lump of coal" in the mail over the holidays in the form of a letter from the state government announcing major changes in revenues municipalities will be receiving from personal property taxes.

"We are still trying to decipher what all these changes mean," Cain told the commissioners, "and how they will impact our budget. When it does take effect, it looks like we can at least anticipate tens of thousands of dollars in cuts."

A new Police Department patrol bicycle was also presented at the January 8th meeting, and local businessmen; John McLeod of Classic Instruments and Bo Mayfield of North Country Cycle Sport received certificates of appreciation for their efforts in helping to secure the new addition to the Boyne City Police force.

Boyne City Police Chief, Jeff Gaither noted, "John was instrumental in helping us pay for this patrol bicycle through a fundraiser he held. (Bo Mayfield) was able to get us such a great deal we were able to use some of the money from John's fundraiser to buy equipment for the bike and fund officer training."

Cain added, "People ask what makes Boyne City special...what's our secret? I think you can see a little bit of that tonight. Businesses go out of their way to do something for the benefit of our community."

Bike patrols officers will attend a training to learn about maneuvers, safety and other operational aspects unique to bike patrol applications. The bike will be used to patrol downtown and other Boyne City areas, and the unit offers virtually silent operation and the ability to access areas motorized patrol vehicles cannot.

It was also revealed at the January 8th meeting that the State Historical Preservation Office had announced several areas in downtown Boyne City had been placed on the National Register for Historical Places, and Cain noted this "could lead to new opportunities for our city and businesses."

Erica VanDam of the Health Department of NW Michigan presented a Bronze Award to Boyne City for promoting the active community program supporting physical fitness, a new backhoe that was previously approved by the City Commission has been received, and Scott McPherson reported on the latest updates for the ongoing Kirtland Products noise issue.

"At the last planning commission meeting," McPherson said, "Kirtland representatives presented three different proposals to resolve the noise issue at the plant. Two proposals concerned doing addi-

tional noise studies, and another proposed starting immediately with the enclosing of three pieces of equipment. The planning commission wasn't totally comfortable with any of these options."

He related that the planning commission directed staff to continue to work with Kirtland representatives and that a good next step would be to speak with RSG to see if they can do an analysis regarding the effects of the proposed enclosing of the three pieces of equipment.

The commission set the agenda for preparing the new budget, and unanimously approved a special March 19th session for working on the budget. Other items toward the close of the meeting included the announcement that the holiday lighting schedule has now gone from 24/7 to nighttime only, and there was a discussion regarding how low lake levels would potentially affect marina boat slip leasing in the coming season.

"With the drop in lake levels we have had," Cain observed, "Barb Brooks (harbormaster) has looking at our options and for the possible need and ability to do dredging. We are looking at all of our options."

Cain added that Lake Charlevoix levels are currently at a 1964 low point.

Next regular City Commission meeting is set for Tuesday, January 22nd at noon.

Baffling Bill at the Library

Baffling Bill the Magician will be entertaining the whole family 5:30 p.m., Friday, January 18 at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton Street. Baffling Bill provides 45 minutes of astounding magic with audience participation, balloon sculptures, live animals, and non-stop fun. Kids of all ages will enjoy the show. Gus the Bunny will be making his infamous appearance during the show.

"We love Baffling Bill. He's entertaining, engaging and definitely a favorite of all the Boyne City families," says Monica Kroondyk, Children's Librarian

at the Boyne District Library. Baffling Bill's interest in magic began at age five after a classmate performed a magic trick for show and tell. He began requesting magic sets for his birthdays, attending magic camp, and certainly checked out many magic books from the library. His lovely wife, Diane is the one that encouraged Baffling Bill to go into magic as a full-time career. He now performs close to 500 shows a year!

For more information about the events at the library, visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Charlevoix Chamber hosts State of the Community Address - A Year in Review and a Glimpse to the Future of our Community

Do you want to be the first to hear pertinent information about our community? Are you interested to hear what your tax dollars and donations are being spent on? Do you want to know the plan of action for our community in 2013? If so, join us at the third annual State of the Community Address.

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the third annual State of the Community Address on Friday, January 25th from 7am-9am at Castle Farms.

This year will feature five speakers recapping the accomplishments and challenges that the community faced in 2012 and will take a look at future plans for 2013. Speakers at the Community Address include: Erin Bemis, President of the Charlevoix Chamber; Boogie Carlson, Mayor of Charlevoix; Robert Gendron, Superintendent for Charlevoix Public Schools; Chip Hansen, President of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation; and

Frank Shaler, maintenance director for Charlevoix County.

"This is a great event for anybody who wants to learn more about our community," said event coordinator Bethany Pearson. "It's exciting to see how much we can accomplish in a single year and how we can work together to make our community a better place."

Admission is \$25 per person or \$175 for a table of eight. The general public is encouraged to attend. Tickets include a catered gourmet breakfast by Pig's Eatin' Ribs, 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!

DREDGING

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people wish to only sign the petition in lieu of a letter, they are available at City Hall, the Chamber of Commerce, Jordan Valley District Library and numerous other local businesses.

Following is a sample letter: As a business in the East Jordan area, we feel it is very important for you to realize and understand the challenges facing our community. East Jordan is at the mouth of the Jordan River, Michigan's first designated Natural River. The area where the river and the south arm of Lake Charlevoix meet is an economic hub for us.

It brings industry, tourism and our economy together. We rely heavily on tourism for our business and community to survive.

Since our community's founding, the area has been a thriving location through both high and low lake and river water levels. Even though there were times when the water level was as it is today, there remained sufficient depth for activities such as boating, fishing and the use of our harbor.

The harbor and marina located here were constructed and updated with the blessing of all levels of local and state government. The water level in the marina was never a problem before; now most of the marina is unusable due to the deposition of sand and silt that enters the marina from the Jordan River. The sedimentation severely diminishes the usability of both the marina/harbor and actually resulted in the closing of the nearby public boat launch late last summer.

Our City Commission has been

and still is very concerned about this issue. In the past few years, our community has made numerous financial sacrifices and commitments to keep this area open for active use. The City just dredged the marina last spring and now must do so again this coming spring in order for the marina to have any chance of opening; the City has and continues to struggle to keep the marina useable. It is vital to our business and the greater East Jordan area to have this facility and the public boat launch open.

The City made application for and was approved for a grant from the State Waterways Commission under the Waterways Grant-In-Aid for Infrastructure Improvements to modify the existing sediment diversion wall along the west side of the marina. These modifications would have prevented most of the

sand that continues to wash down the Jordan River from being deposited in our marina. This grant was tentatively approved; however, it is our understanding that the Waterways Commission has decided to withdraw its approval with the intent of using all of the grants to fund emergency dredging throughout the state.

The City Commission, realizing the critical role our marina/harbor plays in our local economy, is looking to move ahead on its own with local tax funds to design and construct the modifications to the sediment wall early this spring. These are funds that were intended for other important purposes. The City will be requesting that the Waterways Commission convert the original sediment wall grant into an emergency dredging grant, so that once the wall project is complete, the marina can be dredged to

allow it to open.

The State's Jordan River continues to wash and deposit sand at its mouth, which is our marina and harbor. Expenses have reached the point where slip rental fees, as regulated by the State, do not allow for recovering the exorbitant expenses needed to keep this area open for use.

FOR BUSINESS OWNERS: Our business relies heavily on the tourism brought to our area by users of such facilities as the marina & boat launch. We estimate that tourism based on our area's natural amenities generates approximately ____% (fill in applicable percentage) of our annual business receipts. It is critical to our business that the marina & launch are allowed to reopen.

Sincerely,
(Name, title, business name and location)

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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.

BOYNE CITY

Spaghetti dinner

The Boyne City Child Study Club is hosting its annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18 in the Boyne City High School Commons. The club is inviting area residents to join them for dinner before the basketball game against Grayling. The dinner is prepared by the high school Hospitality Program; admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and homemade desserts are included, and take-out is available. The Child Study Club has been helping local children since 1945 by making monetary donations to numerous programs and organizations. New members are always welcome. Call President Kathy Anderson at 231-582-7930 or visit them on Facebook for more information.

CHARLEVOIX

Free throw contest – DATE CHANGE

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 regional and 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 Gaelye 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 Dis-

trict of Boyne City. For information, contact Gerrie-Boss at Sparky@SynergySong.com or (231) 883-7664.

EAST JORDAN

Snow Lovers Breakfast

East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club House. Jan. 20, 7am - Noon. Come by sled or by car - right on the snowmobile trail, Mt. Bliss Rd.

BOYNE CITY

Class looking for project

Chris Adkison, a math and literacy coach at Boyne City Middle School and High School, is teaching an after-school 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 and 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

Girl Scout recruitment night

Girl Scouts of Charlevoix are hosting a recruitment night for girls and volunteers at Charlevoix Public Library on Thursday, January 24th from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Please contact School Organizer, Amy Hanchin for more information, at amyhanchin@yahoo.com or 231-544-2714.

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 at bpearson@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.

PETOSKEY

Torchlight Snowshoe Outing

Experience the solitude of the wilderness as you snowshoe by torchlight at Camp Daggett from Saturday, January 26 and February 23, 5pm - 9pm. Afterward, come in from the cold for a cup of hot chocolate, freshly baked cookies and to warm-up by the crackling fire in camp's beautiful main lodge. This event is sponsored by Bearcub Outfitters to promote all that Camp Daggett offers children and the community. Buy raffle tickets for great Bearcub products with all proceeds going to Camp Daggett. Admission is free, donations are encouraged, and snowshoes are available for all ages!

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

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CHARLEVOIX

Photo Contest

The Chamber will be hosting a photo contest starting today and continuing through January 31st. To enter, submit your high resolution photo electronically

via e-mail to pearson@charlevoix.org with the subject line being "photo contest". Please include your name, phone number and the title of the photograph. Photos must be taken within Charlevoix County with an emphasis on the city of Charlevoix and surrounding area. The photo does not need to be taken during the submission period, it could have been taken in the past. The Chamber staff will pick the top 25 photos, which will then be posted to the Chamber Facebook page to be voted on. The top five photos will be printed on postcards and be available for sale in the Chamber office with the photographers photo credit. The winners will also receive a free one night, off season stay at the Weathervane Inn and Suites, a beautiful picturesque lodging establishment is downtown Charlevoix. When photos are submitted all rights will be released to the Chamber for printing and reproduction purposes.

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 36-acre preserve was left to the organization in the estate of Art 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.

BOYNE CITY

Indoor farmers market

The Boyne City Farmers Market moves indoors for the winter and spring on Saturday at the Red Barn next to the Boyne District Library on Park Street. The indoor market will continue every Saturday through April from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. You can purchase Holiday Gift Certificates and share the gift of local healthy food. Boyne Bucks from the Chamber are also now honored at the market. Bridge Cards are also welcome all year at the Market.

CHARLEVOIX

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.

BOYNE CITY

Computer classes

Free computer classes are held at the Boyne District Library at 10am every Friday. Classes are tailored to your skill level, beginner to advanced. Help is available for iPads and the new Windows 8. For information, call the Library 582-7861.

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: Chamber Members - \$10 each or \$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 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 PM

CHARLEVOIX

Maudrie Family Benefit Party

February 9th at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge, 4 p.m. To benefit the Kathy Maudrie (Gillespie) family of Beaver Island who totally lost their home due to a fire and unfortunately have no insurance. Island Music, Raffles, 50-50, Cash Bar, Food & LOTS of fun! You may visit www.facebook.com/events/512521255455414/ for further information.

CHARLEVOIX

Senior Class Fundraiser

The fundraiser is a Comedian/Hypnotist Show (Senior Class Fundraiser), taking place February 9th at the Charlevoix High School Auditorium. Tickets are on sale at all Charlevoix Public Schools and the Charlevoix Chamber. A contact number for more information is 231-330-5810.

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.

EAST JORDAN

Make up date

The East Jordan Sno-Mobilers have set February 16 as the make-up date for the Radar Runs and Snowmobile Drag Races.

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.

PETOSKEY

Father and Son Weekend

Fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers or big brothers are invited to bring their sons (ages 7-14) Friday-Sunday, March 8-10 for a fun filled Father/Son weekend, March 8-10, at Camp Daggett. Cost is \$150 for father/son, plus \$50 for each additional son. Space is limited and registration is on a first come first served basis. Participants can expect a weekend of fun and adventure as they try their hands at various outdoor activities and enjoy wild game lunches and dinners in front of the lodge fireplace. From 6p.m. Friday to 10 a.m. Sunday. For additional information or to register, please contact Ed Leverenz at Camp Daggett, 231-347-9742 ext 112.

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Planning begins for Project Connect

Local human service agencies are once again joining forces. Planning for the sixth annual Charlevoix-Emmet Project Connect has begun. This year the event will be held on Wednesday, March 20 from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Community Building at the Emmet County Fairgrounds in Petoskey. Project Connect connects people in need with a range of health and human services needed to improve their lives. Individuals or businesses interested in donating items might consider conducting a drive at their business, school, or faith community. Lists of specific food, personal care, household, or other items that are most needed are listed on the United Way website www.charemunitedway.org, under Find a Donation Drive. Project Connect also requires a large crew of volunteers. These opportunities will be posted on the United Way's Volunteer Connections website in early February. Search on the keywords Project Connect.

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County schedules joint meeting to discuss Beaver Island facility

CHARLEVOIX – The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners wants to talk with the other parties that could be potential partners in a joint \$1.5-million facility on Beaver Island.

Commissioners scheduled a joint meeting with the Charlevoix County Transit System and the Charlevoix County Road Commission at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6, to discuss the concept, which would have three entities possibly sharing a building.

This comes after commissioners unanimously voted, 6-0, at their regular meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 9, to agree to “agree in principle only” with the idea of moving forward with such a project, understanding the estimated cost would be around \$1.5 million.

Discussion of the project, however, got off to a somewhat rocky start. The board’s legal counsel, Bryan Graham, first voiced his concerns on why the county board is getting involved in the project, when the planning for the potential building is already being done on behalf of the county road commission.

“Who’s going to own this building?” Graham asked. “There needs to be some clear decisions made on who’ll own the land.

“Right now, I see a hybrid situation.”

District No. 3 Commissioner Ronald Reinhardt said the county could build the facility and retain ownership, then suggesting space be rented to the CCTS and CCRC for \$1.

“This type of project, the county has the funds and the wherewithal to do it,” he said, adding the building is “something this county needs desperately.”

But, Graham said there are (state) constitutional issues with renting out the facility for just \$1. There legally has to be merit to such a proposal.

“I don’t want to give false impressions that you can do things for \$1 and give away taxpayers’ dollars,” he said.

District No. 2 Commissioner Chris Christensen also voiced concerns, primarily focusing on, if the county was the sole owner of the building, it likely would also be paying most or all of the bill for its construction and maintenance.

“First, my question is, how do we pay for this?,” Christensen said. “At some point, we’re the only entity with skin in the game.

“That’s my concern,” he added. “This has to be a joint, collaborative effort.”

Christensen said the county’s only real duty is to make sure the needs Charlevoix County Sheriff Department are appropriately address, encouraging the CCSD to come up with its own requirements for a stand-alone building on Beaver Island.

Then, he said, the county could compare the cost of that to the cost of a joint project.

“I’m not questioning the need,” he said. “I’m not opposed to the building. I’m opposed to the process.”

But, Reinhardt said the cost overall should be cheaper to have a building to house offices for all three agencies together.

District No. 4 Commissioner Joel Evans said the Feb. 6 meeting would give all the parties involved a chance to discuss the issues involved in such a project, though he agreed the CCSD should outline its requirements for office and jail space on the island.

“As Bryan suggested, we need to sit down with the road commission and transit,” Evans said. “We need to have (the meeting) and get some decisions.”

Graham added that by holding a joint board meeting, rather than a committee meeting, each board could take action at the Feb. 6 summit.

“You get all three bodies in one room and share the same information,” he said. “A decision can then be made. That’s the process I see.

“You want to be able to make decisions. Every board would be legally able to make decisions.”

And, while the board in its motion on Jan. 9 vote agreed with the idea of moving forward with the project, Graham said the board not legally bound to it.

“Just to be clear, we’re not allocating fund and no financial commitment,” Christensen said, before voting. “There are a lot of other evaluations to be made here.”

—Report by Buckland Media.

DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

Make decisions together

Dear Dave,
My husband doesn’t like dealing with money. For years, I’ve handled everything from paying the bills to making the decisions, and he just does whatever I tell him. This makes things really hard on me, but he says financial issues cause him stress. Do you have any suggestions?

Carol Lee
Dear Carol Lee,
The plain truth is you need your husband to step up and be a man. I’m sure he’s a nice guy, but it’s unfair for you alone to carry the weight of all financial and household decisions. It would be unfair, too, if he were the one carrying it all. This isn’t a gender issue.

My wife and I are involved in all the decisions in our home, and that’s especially true when it comes to money. We do a budget, and we decide together where the money’s going. It’s not a situation where she’s a little girl, and her daddy named Dave takes care of her and everything else. That’s the kind of thing you’ve got going on now. You feel like his mom rather than his wife, and that’s not what a healthy marriage is about.

You need to sit down with him and explain why this is so important to you and how it makes you feel. You’re not asking him to be a number cruncher, but he has to grow up and become part of the team. You can play the role of CFO and write all the checks. But you and he together are the board of directors. You just need 15 to 20 minutes of his time each week, so you guys can discuss what’s going on and how to handle things—together!

—Dave

Responsible after death?

Dear Dave,
My daughter died. She was 32 years old and single, and she had lived with me for the last few years because she was recently disabled. I did not support her financially, and when she died she had no assets and no will. Is it my responsibility to pay the student loans and medical bills she left behind?

Jim
Dear Jim,
I’m so sorry you’re experiencing this kind of grief. Losing a child is a heart-breaking experience, no matter their age.

The short answer is this: If you didn’t sign for it, you’re not liable. If a friend were to move in with you, that doesn’t make you responsible for their debts. The fact that it was an adult family member doesn’t matter either. She was a legal adult who signed her name on the debts in question.

If I were in your shoes, I’d try to find any papers attached to these debts and make copies of them.

Then, I’d write up a form letter stating the total debt amount and the fact that she died with no assets. By doing this you’re notifying them that she passed away, and they’re not going to be paid. There’s no will or estate to be probated, so they can close the accounts.

Doing this will make creditors aware of the situation, and it should also protect you from getting hammered with collection calls. But the creditors get nothing in this kind of situation.

God bless you, Jim.
—Dave

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David Rushlow



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HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Power sports such as motorcycling, mudding, and trail riding on ATVs. I also snowboard and wakeboard. I love my metal working machine class.

FUTURE PLANS/GOALS:

Attending Michigan Technological University for a 4 year mechanical engineering degree. I hope to eventually obtain a masters degree in Aerospace Engineering.

STAFF COMMENTS

"David is always engaging!" (Mrs. Johnson, Yearbook Advisor)

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1- A pitcher may take one; 5- Purina competitor; 9- ___ worse than death; 14- Assist, often in a criminal act; 15- Exploded; 16- Attack; 17- ___ Lisa; 18- Mown grass; 19- Factory; 20- Sleeping chamber; 22- Refuge; 24- Frog sound; 26- Brian of Roxy Music; 27- Hymn; 30- Malarkey; 35- I'm outta here!; 36- Wall Street pessimist; 37- Room in a casa; 38- ___ Quentin; 39- Severe; 42- Comparative suffix; 43- At the apex of; 45- Pianist Myra; 46- Heron; 48- Give a sermon; 50- Circular band of flowers; 51- Jockey Turcotte; 52- Attempts; 54- Stopping place; 58- Place in position; 62- Sharp end; 63- Golf club which can be numbered 1 to 9; 65- Pulitzer winner James; 66- Up ___ (trapped); 67- Veinlike deposit; 68- Exactly; 69- ___ is human; 70- Watchful one; 71- Breaks off;

Down
1- Gyro meat; 2- It's blown among the reeds; 3- Dispatch; 4- Stiff and formal; 5- Flowering; 6- Alpaca's cousin; 7- Church perch; 8- Possesses; 9- Quaking trees; 10- Wooden wheel rims; 11- Rat-___; 12- Sound quality; 13- ___'acte (intermission); 21- Mountain nymph of Greek mythology; 23- Artist Matisse; 25- Parliament of Israel; 27- Indian state; 28- Peachy!; 29- Andrea Bocelli, for one; 31- Cereal grain; 32- Currency unit in Nigeria; 33- Driving hazard; 34- Between Venus and Mars; 36- Folk singer Joan; 40- Thick-skinned charger; 41- Waxy membrane at the base of a parrot's beak; 44- Associate; 47- Develop slowly; 49- Linger aimlessly; 50- Victor; 53- ___ Janeiro; 54- Disagreement; 55- Baum barker; 56- Leeds's river; 57- The world's longest river; 59- Stravinsky ballet; 60- Be in front; 61- Permits; 64- Siegfried's partner;

Kirtland Community College announces President's, Dean's lists Honorees

ROSCOMMON – Officials at Kirtland Community College recently recognized students for their academic achievements during the 2012-13 fall semester which earned them placement on the college's dean's and president's lists.

To qualify for the president's list, candidates must be full-time students who earn a grade-point average between 3.8 and 4.0. Dean's list candidates must have a grade-point average of 3.4 to 3.799.

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completed from home.

President's List

Cory Walter, East Jordan

Dean's List

Daniel Plumstead, Elmira

Part Time Student Honorees

Curtis Morgan, Mancelona
Abigail Puckett, Elmira
Jeffrey Symonds, Mancelona

LAW ENFORCEMENT

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, December 31

10:49am Civil standby in the 100 block of N Park St
11:25am Civil standby in the 100 block of N Park St
3:55pm Report of harassing text messages
6:15pm Report of harassing text messages
5:24pm Assist Sheriff Dept in Boyne Falls
5:48pm Parking complaint from the 300 block of E Division St. Referred to management
7:45pm Citation issued for expired registration
9:20pm Arrested subject for DWLS
9:52pm Report of juveniles trying to get someone to buy them alcohol downtown

Tuesday, January 1

12:46am Noise complaint received from the 300 block of E Division St
1:38am Assist Sheriff Department on traffic stop with MIP's
3:15am Assault reported in the 300 block of E Division St
4:00am Civil dispute in the 300 block of E Division St. Turned into probation violation.
6:30am False alarm in the 100 block of River St
10:27am Assist EMS in the 100 block of W Michigan
12:52pm Assist Fire Department on alarm in the Industrial Park
2:33pm Parking complaint received from the 400 block of Harris St
3:20pm Vehicle unlock in the 800 block of State St
6:34pm Car deer accident on

State St near Rotary Park

Wednesday, January 2

11:12am Illegal dumping complaint from the 500 block of N Lake St
11:18am Report of possible fraud complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
11:21am Civil complaint reported in the 800 block of Front St
4:45pm Fraud complaint involving iPod account reported

Thursday, January 3

6:16am Citation issued for expired plate on Boyne Av near the Industrial Park
6:50am Assist motorist Alice and E Lincoln
6:59am Assist motorist W Division and Front St
10:20am 2 citations issued at Park and Vogel. The first for no seat belt, expired plate, no proof of insurance, defective brake light, and defective turn signal. The second for no seat belt.
10:26am Arrested subject for MIP tobacco in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
11:01am Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St
11:51am 2 vehicle property damage accident at Second and Ann St
1:42pm 2 vehicle property damage accident in the 300 block of E Water St
2:35pm Rosary reported stolen from vehicle while parked in the 100 block of River St
7:15pm Civil complaint from the 100 block of S Lake St
7:22pm Welfare check requested on subject in the 300 block of W Division St
Friday, January 4
1:53am Assisted Sheriff Department with property damage accident on Old State Rd
9:45am Abandoned vehicle re-

ported in the 800 block of State St

11:30am Funeral escort
3:05pm 2 vehicle property damage accident in the Industrial Park
9:04pm Citation issued for no proof of insurance at W Michigan and Charlevoix St

Saturday, January 5

12:51am Noise complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
2:06pm Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St
2:25pm Breaking and entering and MDOP in the 500 block of Front St
9:08pm Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of E Division St

Sunday, January 6

12:34am Noise complaint in the 300 block of E Main St
2:51am Assist Sheriff Department with motorist assist on Boyne City Rd
5:42am Assist Sheriff Department with injury accident on US-131
2:00pm Civil custody dispute and damaged cell phone in the 400 block of Vogel St
3:00pm Lodged dog at shelter
10:02pm Report of suspicious subject on North St. Gone on arrival.

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Alarm.....5
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Annoyance.....0
Assault.....2
Assist Citizen.....2
Assist Motorist.....0
Assist Other Agency.....8
Attempt to Locate.....1

Attempted Suicide.....1
Bank Alarm.....0
Boating Accident.....0
Boating Violation.....0
Breaking & Entering.....1
Car/Deer Accident.....14
Citations Issued.....13
Civil Complaint.....5
Criminal Sexual Conduct.....1
Death.....0
Disorderly Person.....0
Disturbance.....4
DNR Complaint.....0
Domestic Dispute.....1
Driving Complaint.....3
Fireworks Complaint.....0
Found Property.....0
Fraud.....2
Health & Safety.....0
Hit & Run.....1
Intoxicated Person.....0
Juvenile.....1
Larceny.....5
Lockout.....4
Lost Property.....0
Malicious Destruction of Property.....0
Mental Subject.....0
Minor In Possession.....0
Miscellaneous Criminal.....1
Missing Person.....0
Noise Complaint.....2
Operating Under the Influence.....1
Paper Service.....21
Parking Violation.....0
Personal Injury Accident.....1
Personal Protection Order.....1
Private Property Accident.....1
Property Check.....0
Property Damage Accident.....6
Prowler.....0
Road Hazard.....3
Snowmobile Violation.....1
Stalking.....0
Suspicious Situation.....9
Threat.....2
Traffic Stop.....112
Trespassing.....0
Unknown Accident.....0
Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile.....0
Vehicle in the Ditch.....0
Violation of Controlled Substance Act.....0

COURTS NEWS

Charlevoix County's 90th District Court.

• Margaret Marie Gregware, 35, of Boyne City; larceny, less than \$200 and embezzlement from a vulnerable adult, \$200-\$1,000; serve 365 days in jail with credit for one day served, 20 days community service work in lieu of jail time and 299 days held in abeyance; write a letter of apology; 12 months probation; pay \$1,500 in fines and

costs and \$374.14 in restitution

• Jeremy Allan Kline, 33, of Boyne City; driving without a license on person; pay \$200 in fines and costs

• Amanda Kay Baker, 28, of Indian River; open intoxicants in a motor vehicle; pay \$350 in fines and costs

• Duane Lester Tripp, 50, of Charlevoix; domestic violence; second offense; serve

204 days in jail with credit for 24 days served; pay \$675 in fines and costs

Charlevoix County's 33rd Circuit Court.

• Mitchell Daniel Chipman, 22, of Boyne City; probation violation on underlying charges of larceny, \$200-\$1,00 and larceny of a firearm; serve 365 days in jail with credit for 254 days served.

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Bay Harbor holds "Ice & Spice Festival" this weekend, January 18th and 19th

By Jim Akans

Ice never looked so nice. This weekend, January 18th and 19th, professional and amateur ice sculptors will gather in Bay Harbor to compete in an event sanctioned by the National Ice Carving Association (NICA), crafting creations from blocks of ice are truly astounding to behold. Bay Harbor is one of 14 stops on the National Tour of Champions sponsored by the NICA, and the 2012 National Champion in the professional division, Aaron Costic, will be among the talent carvers at this year's event. The total purse for the 2013 event will be \$12,500 in cash prizes!

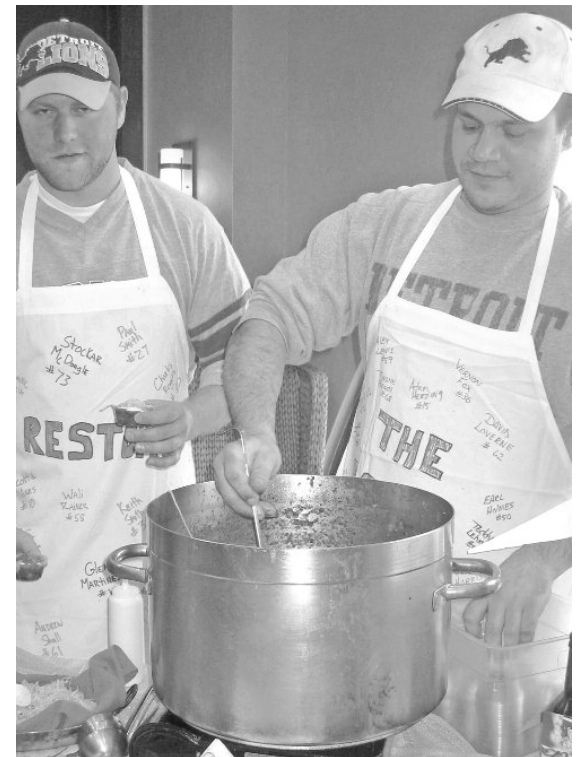
While the stunning art carvings are reason enough to stop by and enjoy the Bay Harbor Ice and Spice Festival, there is much more to experience at the event this Friday and Saturday. A schedule of this weekend's events will be:

Friday, January 18:

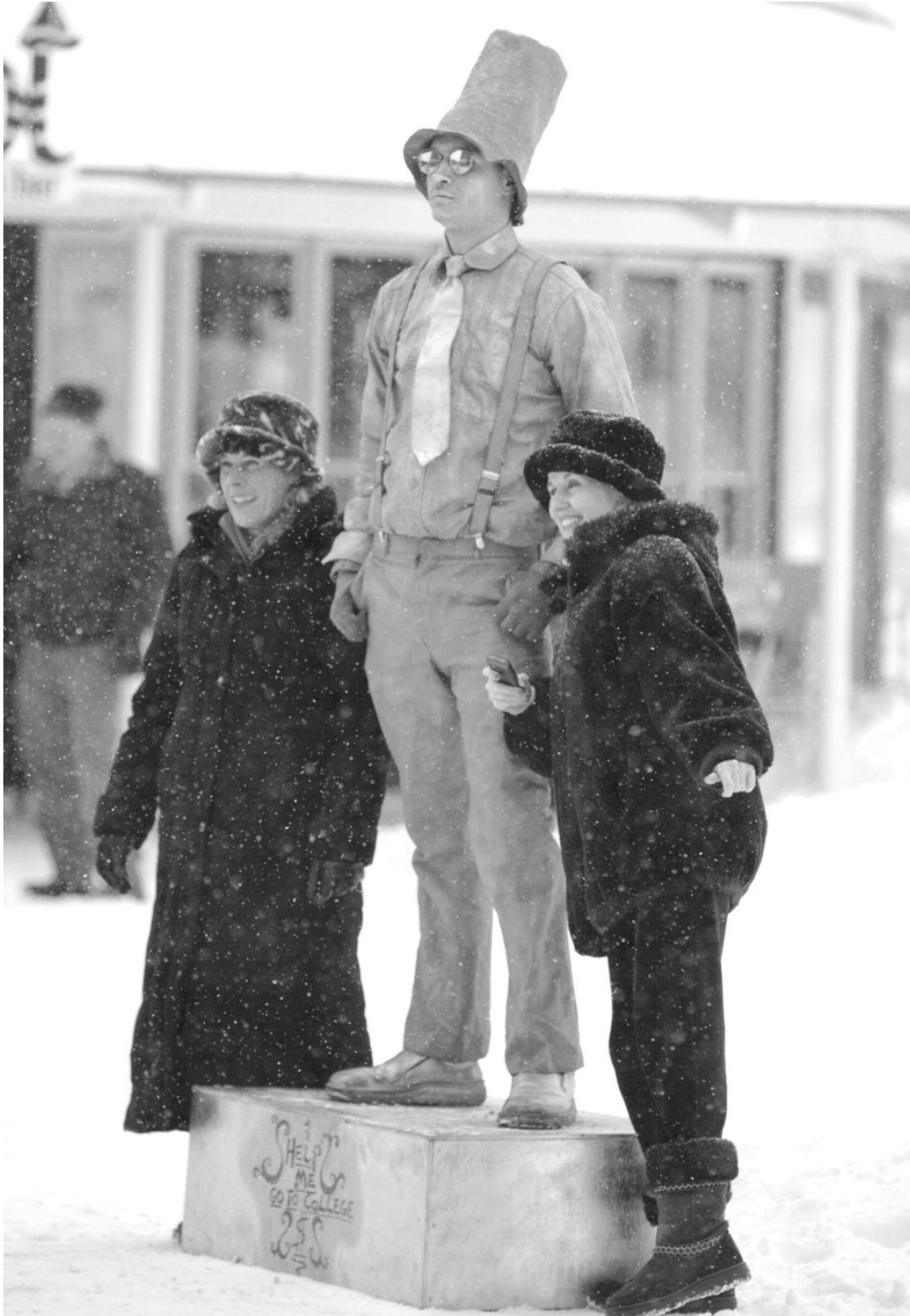
- Professional Carver Competition featuring 10-block sculpture - Main Street; 4pm - 10pm
- Fire Performance - Village Lawn Panel: 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 19:

- Professional Carving Resumes - Main Street: 9am - 4pm
- Find "Frosty" Contest for kids K-12 - 10am - 5pm
- 1st Prize - Ipad Mini, 2nd Prize - Ipad Nano, 3rd Prize - Ipad Shuffle
- Winners announced at KNOT...Just a Bar at 6pm
- Pro-Am Chili Challenge brought to you by Bay Harbor Foundation with proceeds benefiting the Backpack 4 Kids Program through the Manna Food Project: 1pm - 3pm featuring DJ Tim Nixon from Lite 96 Radio. Both professional and amateur divisions compete for first prize each of \$500. \$5/minimum donation to taste and vote for your favorite!



While the stunning art carvings are reason enough to stop by and enjoy the Bay Harbor Ice and Spice Festival, there is much more to experience at the event this weekend, such as the Pro-Am Chili Challenge held on Saturday afternoon. COURTESY PHOTO



This weekend, January 13th and 14th, professional and amateur ice sculptors will gather in Bay Harbor to compete in an event sanctioned by the National Ice Carving Association, crafting creations from blocks of ice are truly astounding to behold. The fantastic sculptures, such as this very realistic looking statue, are simply amazing to see. PHOTO COURTESY OF WEBER PHOTOGRAPHY

LEGOs at the Charlevoix Public Library

Paul Vermeesch, budding, master LEGO® artist, will be the January 17 featured artist at the Charlevoix Public Library Artist in Action series. The Artist in Action series promotes local artists and their crafts by providing demonstrations in the lobby of the library. Mr. Vermeesch will be completing his LEGO © scale model of the Charlevoix Public Library between 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on January 17.

Mr. Vermeesch first approached the library after volunteering to help oversee the library's LEGO® club. Audrey Shapiro, Youth Services Coordinator at the Charlevoix Public Library states that "Paul has endeared himself to the kids by teaching with enthusiasm and talking about the toy bricks as an artistic medium." Mr. Vermeesch proposed building a scale model of the library that the library could keep, if the library paid for the blocks. He then organized a professional business presentation that he took to the Friends of the Library for funding. The Friends agreed to pay for the LEGO® blocks and Mr. Ver-

meesch began his design, with the hopes of cementing the last few bricks during the Artist in Action series here at the library.

Mr. Vermeesch is 16 years old and is home-schooled as well as taking online classes through Stanford University and Patrick Henry College. He has always been the artistic type. For many years Paul dabbled in clay miniatures, and eventually stumbled across the global community of LEGO® artists. Adults and teens alike have taken the toy building block beyond their limits as a toy and into the realm of "medium." His interest in the plastic bricks solidified and LEGO® modeling became something of a hobby.

For the library project, most of the scaling was done by hand and by eye. Mr. Vermeesch calculated a simple percentage from actual to the scale size then blew up the library's blueprints to that scale. That

allowed him to build right on top of the correctly-sized blueprints. Paul's abilities and love of the medium has created a desire to start a business to help support his hobby. He is creating a website, launching January 17, to market his new business Miniature Modeling creating all types of LEGO® models for customers.

For more information about events at the library visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org. To see some of Paul's creations - visit him at www.mocpages.com/home.php/54098.



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Friends of Library Annual Meeting January 22

The Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library invite the public to their annual meeting, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday January 22. The Friends will be reviewing their year as well as voting on the 2013 slate of officers. The speaker for the evening will be Robert "Bob" Gendron, superintendent of Charlevoix Public Schools. Bob will be outlining Education in the 21st Century and providing information on the Charlevoix Innovate Ipad One-on-One Technology Initiative. He will have students participating and demonstrating how these devices have transformed education from what we had once known. All community members are welcome. Bob has a colorful and

rounded background in life and education. He is a first generation graduate from high school as well as college. During high school and college he participated in Band, Drama, Choir, Student Council, and was the Senior Class President. He was also an all-state athlete in three sports enabling him to participate at the collegiate level. Throughout his 22 years in education, he has taught at all levels, supervised most departments, provided leadership in adult and alternative education, and has administrative experience as an athletic director, assistant principal, principal, and superintendent. During his educational career he has been honored by the governor

as "An Innovator to Watch in the Field of Education". He has presented at local, county, and state level conferences for the many innovating and cutting edge opportunities provided for students and community members. Bob strongly advocates that all students need some type of training beyond high school. In his spare time Bob's alter ego, Bobby G, travels the Midwest on the Kansas City BBQ Society professional tour. If you don't find Bobby G BBQing, you will find him riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle with friends. For more information about this or other events at the library, visit them at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.



Congratulations to the winners of the Sno-Blast Contest; Skylar Grzebyk (Most Creative), Jayde Fazio (Neatness), and Keenan O'Neill (Best Incorporation of Events). COURTESY PHOTO

EJ Sno-Blast Poster Contest winners announced

Congratulations to the winners of the Sno-Blast Poster Contest that was held at the East Jordan Elementary School for the 3rd and 4th Grade classes. Thank you to all of the students that took the time to make a poster. A special thank you to Miss Hawley for helping us coordinate the contest and a very special thank you to BC Pizza for sponsoring the contest.

Most Creative - Skylar Grzebyk, 3rd Grade
Neatness - Jayde Fazio, 3rd Grade
Best Incorporation of Events - Keenan O'Neill, 4th Grade
Each of the winners received a gift certificate for a Family Pizza Party and all of the other students that created posters received a card for a free order of bread stix.

And the winners are:



A Ribbon Cutting was held by the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce on Monday, January 7th, marking the opening of the newly renovated East Jordan Motel. Pictured from left to right: Mary Faculak - EJ Chamber Executive Director, Courtney Fender - Chamber ambassador, Jill Hegedus - Motel Owner, Tom Cannon - EJ Chamber Board President, Lee Symonds - Real Estate One, Realtor. COURTESY PHOTO

Ribbon Cutting marks opening of newly renovated East Jordan Motel

By Jim Akans

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce held a Ribbon Cutting on Monday, January 7th, marking the opening of the newly renovated East Jordan Motel (formerly DT's Westbrook Motel). East Jordan Motel Owner, Jill Hegedus, held the ribbon as it was cut during the ceremony and gave attendees a tour of the seven-room facility afterward. Hegedus states, "The hotel had been closed for about three years. I purchased the building in September of last year, and totally re-

vamped the rooms with new carpet and paint, all new furnishings, including flat screen televisions. The exterior was also renovated, with new siding and windows." East Jordan Motel is located within easy walking distance to Tourist Park, and every room has a gorgeous view of Lake Charlevoix. Stop by and check out the new facility, and be sure to tell out of town friends about this new destination in East Jordan. For additional information, call 231-222-2152

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

Prescription Drug abuse

Dear Editor,

As a medical professional, I think it's urgent to remind readers of the dangers of prescription drug abuse. It is a real issue in Northern Michigan, and is growing more serious every day.

Prescription drugs are abused more commonly than cocaine, heroin, methamphetamines, and many other illegal drugs. In fact, they are second only to marijuana in the prevalence of their abuse. Opiate overdoses, which were once almost always due to heroin use, are now happening in cases of prescription pain killer abuse. Prescription drug abuse has been declared a national epidemic by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

Many Americans benefit from the appropriate use of prescription drugs, like pain killers. But when these medications are abused, they can be as addictive and dangerous as illegal drugs. Prescription drugs should only be taken by the patient for whom they were prescribed, and exactly as directed by a medical professional.

What can you do? First, it is essential to monitor your own prescription drugs. Keep them in a secure place and dispose of them properly. Remember that guests in your home - including friends of your children or grandchildren - have easy access to anything you store in a medicine cabinet or closet. Even medications that may not seem dangerous can cause serious health hazards if used im-

properly, and can be deadly if abused.

It is never safe to share prescription medications. You can set a good example for your children by never sharing your prescription drugs with family members or anyone else. Talk to teens and young adults about the dangers of prescription and over-the-counter drugs.

For more information, visit the following:
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Sincerely,
Joshua Meyerson, MD, MPH
Medical Director

Safe Home Thank You

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the families impacted by domestic abuse, the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) profoundly thanks those who contributed to our annual Harvest Food and Supply Drive. Imagine having to flee your own home, oftentimes with just the clothes on your back, to avoid further abuse and protect your safety and that of your children. Through your kind and generous donations of non-perishable foods, personal care items and household goods, you

have helped make the shelter "home" for survivors from Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet and Otsego counties who arrive at the Safe Home seeking safety and support.

The Safe Home provides a place of security, meals, counseling and advocacy 24 hours a day, 365 days a year at no cost to survivors. Last year, that translated to providing more than 8,700 meals and 2,701 nights of lodging to 139 women and their children. The Harvest Food and Supply Drive is critical to the Women's Center

Safe Home and those we serve, helping offset annual food and supply costs that exceed \$25,000.

We are able to provide the crucial services we do because of the generous support received from area schools, businesses, organizations, service and faith-based groups and individual community members.

Please know you have helped make a difference in the lives of others in your community.

Sincerely,
Jamie Winters
Safe Home Coordinator

Charlevoix Fireplace

To the Editor,

While 95% of Charlevoix citizens are opposed to the proposed fireplace, it appears that the Council plans to proceed with it. The cost to the city would be over 1.3 million dollars over the next 100 years.

Natural gas is going to double or triple at least in the next 5 years. The \$6800.00 times 2 becomes \$13,600 and times 100 years equals 1.3 million dollars. This when the city had asked for donations to be able to have a lifeguard!

Shame on the donor for calling this a gift. No wonder he wishes to remain anonymous.

Call your council representatives. Keep track of the time and date.

Gabe Campbell, Charlevoix

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UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

East Jordan

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Saturday 1/26

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how to set up an account and explain the basic tools of your personal page. To register call 231-536-7351.

Charlevoix

Thurs, 1/3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
9am-1pm Charlevoix Indoor Farmers' Market
220 W. Clinton St, Charlevoix

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 experience 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 Medicare and picking a Medicare Drug plan to replace prescription coverage they have in the Advantage Plan. Changes in Medicare Premiums and Deductibles for 2013
Deductible amounts for Medicare Part A (Hospital coverage) and Part B (Med-

ical Coverage) have changed for 2013. The deductible for Part A is \$1184 for the first 60 days of hospital 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 experience the "coverage gap" (inching gradually down from 100% in 2010). The Medicare Medicaid Assistance program (MMAP) is the state-wide program which provides free health benefits coun-

selling to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers. Individuals with questions about Medicare may contact MMAP for assistance at their local Commission on Aging office or regional office at the Area Agency on Aging 1-800-803-7174. This document was produced by the Regional MMAP office at the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan. MMAP is funded by a grant from the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging through funding received from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 17 1pm Pinochle	Friday, January 18 9:30 am Craft Class 10:30 am Sit and Be Fit 1 pm Rummy	Monday, January 21 10:30am Sit & Be Fit 1 pm Pinochle 1 pm Wood Carving 7p Bible Study	Tuesday, January 22 1pm Paint Class 1 pm Rummy	Wednesday, January 23 Odawa Casino Trip 10:30am-3:00 pm 1 pm Bingo	Thursday, January 24 11:00am Back Porch Music 1 pm Pinochle	Friday, January 25 9:30am Craft Class 10:30am Sit and Be Fit 1pm Rummy
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BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 17 Wii Bowling	Friday, January 18 11am MUSIC: Tag-A-Longs Raffle	Monday, January 21 Bingo	Tuesday, January 22 Craft Class	Wednesday, January 23 Line Dance Brown-Bag Bingo	Thursday, January 24 Wii Bowling	Friday, January 25 BIRTHDAY DAY 11am MUSIC: Roger Raffle
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 17 Game Day: Uno/Wii Fun Pool Table	Friday, January 18 11am MUSIC: Cousins Bingo/BakedRaffle	Monday, January 21 8-1pm: walking M-F	Tuesday, January 22 11am line dancing 12:30 bingo 1pm Paint class	Wednesday, January 23 1pm Movie& Popcorn	Thursday, January 24 Game Day: Uno, Wii Fun, Pool Table	Friday, January 25 11am MUSIC: Backwoods Maestros Bingo/Bake Raffle
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, January 17 SWEDISH MEATBALLS	Friday, January 18 BAKED CHICKEN	Monday, January 21 VEAL & MUSHROOM	Tuesday, January 22 CHICKEN W/ BUN	Wednesday, January 23 ENCHILADA CASSEROLE	Thursday, January 24 CRUNCHY DRUMSTICKS	Friday, January 25 CABBAGE ROLLS
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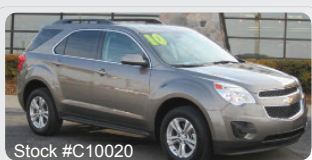
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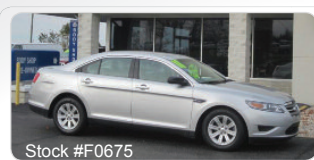
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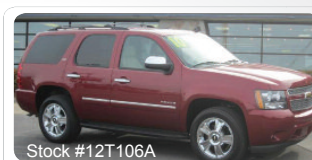
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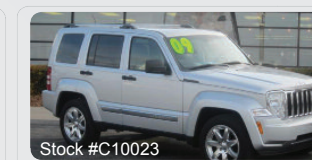
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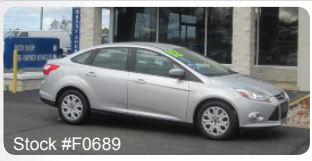
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