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Charlevoix's Skyler Herriman legs out a hit against Harbor Springs in district semi-final action.

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nizes and honors the select few earning the title of class valedictorian, salutatorian, or senior scholar. In earning such a title, it is evident that an individual has not only been committed to their studies, but has

been passionate in their pursuit of a more fulfilling experience in this life

We applaud each and every graduating student, and wish him or her the best in their future endeavors.

Late-night Kabooms Put to Kabosh in East Jordan

By Krystal Birgy

Member FDIC

EAST JORDAN-As Independence Day and festival season quickly approaches, the East Jordan City Commission met Tuesday evening to accept the adoption of an ordinance that will give the city greater control of consumer fireworks.

With the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act that

went into effect as of January 1, 2012, the sale and use of consumer fireworks became permitted within the state of Michigan. Such fireworks that had previously been banned for consumers include Roman candles, bottle rockets, and other items that leave the ground.

"There have been numerous complaints of residents since the act became effective," said City Administrator Chris Yonker.

Such complaints include the constant daytime and nighttime use of consumer fireworks.

While the act prohibits the city from regulating use of consumer fireworks during federal holidays, including the day

before and the day after the holiday, they have the right to ban the use of fireworks the other 335 days of the year.

"[The ordinance] allows us the maximum control of consumer fireworks," commented City Attorney Scott Beatty.

Under the ordinance,

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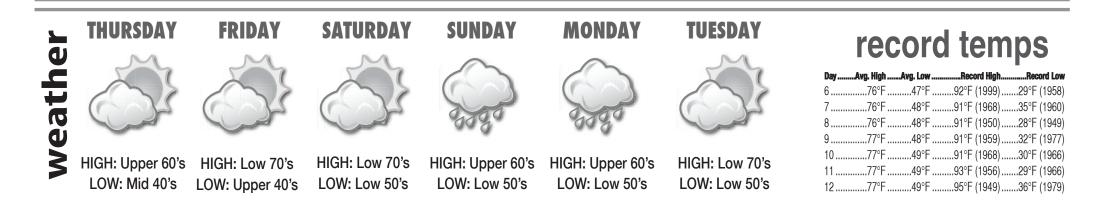
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OBITUARIES

Shirley Ann Maher Haggard, 82

(AUG. 31, 1930 - MAY 30, 2013)



Shirley Ann Maher Haggard born Aug. 31, 1930, in Newburg, N.Y., passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 30, 2013, at University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville, Tenn., following complications from heart surgery.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Grace Maher; daughter, Katherine; infant daughter, Karen; infant son, Sean; sisters, Eleanor and Mary Jane; and brother, Stephen.

Survivors include her husband of 59 years, George O. Haggard Jr.; daughter, Carol (Bob) Wood; sons, George O. Haggard III "Chuck" (Pam) and John (Tammy); grandchildren, Shawn (Julie) Wood, Jennifer (Doug) Martinez, George O. Haggard IV "Kyle;" twins, Terra and Tesha Haggard; and Andrew Haggard; great-grandchildren, Isaiah and Otis Wood and Cosima Marzinez; sisters, Gracie and Peggy; brother, Albert.

Prior to her marriage to George, Shirley was a secretary in the Adjutant General's Office at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Following the death of her daughter, Katherine, Shirley decided to pursue a career in retail, continuing the tradition established by her mother-inlaw, Polly and her aunt Kay. She relocated the Polly Kay boutique to Morristown, Tenn., from its previous locations in Charlevoix, Mich., and Coral Gables, Fla. The Morristown location of Polly Kay opened in spring of 1974 and re-

mained in The Gardens shopping center on West Andrew Johnson Highway through 2006.

After her love of family and a close circle of friends, Shirley was an avid supporter of University of Tennessee sports. She was also a true fan of Tiger Woods, from the time she saw him place in the NCAA college golf tourney at the Honors Course in Ooltewah, Tenn. Shirley and George were world travelers, and she always enjoyed making plans for the next great trip. She supported many charitable causes in Morristown and once served as president of the Catholic Church Women, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Morristown.

The family is very grateful for the skills and kindness of Dr. Everett and everyone in the Critical Care Unit at UT hospital, and to Drs. Ramaprasad, Patel, Sutherland and Assadnia in Morristown.

A funeral Mass officiated by Bishop Stika, Monsignor Patrick Garrity, the Rev. Joseph Hammond, the Rev. Alex Waraksa and deacon Shawn Smith was held Monday, June 3, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Following the service interment took place in Hamblen Memory Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations are made to Morristown-Hamblen Hospital Founda-

600 N. Daisy St., Morristown, Tenn. 37814; or to any other charitable organization of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are by Stetzer Funeral Home.

Evelyn E. Gould, 95

(AUG. 8, 1917 - MAY 29, 2013) Evelyn E. Gould of

Boyne City passed away Wednesday, May 29, 2013, at Charlevoix Area Hospital. Evelyn was born on Aug.

8, 1917, in Wilson Township, the daughter of LeRoy and Lora (Warden) Hardy. She grew up and graduated from Boyne City High School. Following graduation Evelyn went to work for Northern Michigan Electric and became their second employee in Boyne City.

Evelyn was an active member of the Boyne City United Methodist Church for more than 50 years, Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the American Legion Auxiliary for more than 60 years.

She is survived by her five daughters, Karen Zynewicz, Carol Gould, Lauretta (Donald) Woelz, Patricia (Nord) Schroeder and Deborah (David Linker) Brandt; grandsons, Krale Schroeder, Michael Zynewicz, Brian Woelz and Cody Brandt; great-grandchildren, Bram and Caid Schroeder, Kiara, Victoria and Ethan Zynewicz; sister, Valora Pershing; and special friends and neighbors Elaine Grunch and Raymond and Anna Towne. Evelyn always had a smile on her face and a wave for the neighbors walking by.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents: brothers, Milan Hardy and Hibert Hardy; sister, Iola Holland; first husband, Ervin Brandt; and second husband, Herbert Gould. A memorial service was Tuesday, June 4, at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City with Pastor David Behling officiating. Burial at Maple Lawn Cemetery. Memorial donations in Evelyn's name may be directed to Boyne Valley Garden Club. Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Charlevoix on Nov. 3, 1935, to Jim and Betty Krulik, both of whom are deceased. She has no siblings. Her husband, David, of

Pickford survives her. Jan spent all of her school years in Charlevoix, graduating in 1953. She was a teacher and educator for more than 30 years, receiving her doctorate from Michigan State University in curriculum and secondary education. She retired from teaching in 1998.

For more than 30 years Jan and her husband, Dave, lived in the Upper Peninsula, in Pickford, where they enjoyed their horses, the water and the beauty of the area.

A memorial service was Sunday, June 2, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. The Rev. Neil Wilson of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix officiated.

In lieu of flowers or contributions she would like you to do a random act of kindness for a stranger and help an animal.

Robert L. Segraves, 90

(NOV. 14, 1922 - MAY 28, 2013)

Robert L. Segraves, also known as "Boyne Auto Bob," of East Jordan died Tuesday, May 28, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

He was born on Nov. 14, 1922, in Brimfield, Ind., the son of William H. and Mollie E. (McKibben) Segraves. Robert graduated from Hersey High School in 1941.

He married Eleanor Haist on Aug. 1, 1942, in Reed City. He served in the United States Army from 1943 to 1945 during World War II. After World War II,

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Laura Kent, 94

(MARCH 16, 1919 - MAY 25, 2013)



Laura Kent of Boyne City passed away Saturday, May 25, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan. Laura was born on March 16, 1919, the daughter of John Elliot and Lillie Amanda (Laurie) Jones of Walloon Lake.

On July 3, 1937, she married Frank William Kent of Boyne City. They were married for 59 years until his death in 1997. They spent their entire married life and raised their family in the Boyne City area. Laura enjoyed her flowers, gardening and songbirds. She and Frank both loved to explore around Michigan, all their children have fond memories of Sunday "ride day." They also enjoyed travel to various parts of the United States, especially in their retirement years.

Laura is survived by six daughters, Patricia Johnson of Cheboygan, Sandra Johnson of Owasso, Okla., Julia (Harry) Caldecott of Horton Bay, Karen (Ray) Guzniczak of Boyne City, Theresa (Ron) Hamill of Bentley, Mich., and Kathy (Bill) Steepe of Central Lake; 20 grandchildren; 32

Medical Care Facility.

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

Ray Harold Cook, 77

(JAN. 8, 1936 - MAY 23, 2013)

Ray Harold Cook, born Roy Harold Cook, age 77, died on Thursday, May 23, 2013. His death, while not shocking, was surprising. Ray was a family man who is survived by his wife of 46 years, Carrie; four children; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Rav was born Jan. 8. 1936, in Haysi, Va., (a place and time that he has always been fond of) and raised in Royal Oak, Mich. He had three sisters and one brother; Irene Orlowski, deceased, "Gary" John William Cook (Judy), Linda Cook, and Terry Clark. He served in the military from 1955 to 1957. While in the military he was trained in tool and die, he would spend most of his secular career in that vocation.

Ray loved the outdoors and loved sharing his outdoor experiences with others by having them accompany him to his cabin in the U.P. He loved the simpler life that his cabin provided.

The last year of his life he dealt with cancer. He tried hard to show a "stiffupper-lip" to everyone around him. He spent some of his last hours in worship to Jehovah by attending a congregation meeting of Jehovah's Witnesses with the East Jordan congregation (of which he had spent the majority of his theocratic career.) Ray took comfort in the resurrection hope that is promised in the Bible and he comforted many including his own family with those words (Job 33:25; Psalm 72:7; Revelation 21:4). He looked forward to seeing those who preceded him in death and looked forward to seeing his own dear family upon his awakening. We know today, Ray would want all gathered to take comfort in that hope and look forward to seeing him here on a paradise earth - enjoying the natural beauty that only Jehovah could create.

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Janet Krulik Runyan, 77

(NOV. 3, 1935 - MAY 29, 2013) Janet Krulik Runyan entered into eternal life with

her Lord and Savior on May 29, 2013, at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey. "Jan" was born in

Robert worked as salesman at Boyne Auto Supply Parts in Boyne City. He retired in 1987.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor Segraves of East Jordan; one son, Glen A. (Mary Jane) Segraves of East Jordan; three grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren;

one sister-in-law, Ruby Van Alstine of Boyne City; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one newborn daughter, Julianna Segraves in 1947; one son, Karl J. Segraves on Aug. 16, 2010; nine brothers; and two sisters.

Graveside services were Saturday, June 1, at Hersey Cemetery in Hersey, Mich.

Memorials may be given to Grandvue Medical Care Facility, 1728 S. Peninsula Road, East Jordan, Mich.

great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; sister, Ellen Umler of Charlevoix; and two sisters-in-law, Eloise Kent and Anna Kent both of Boyne City.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, John Jones of Omaha. Neb., Louis Jones and George Jones both of Walloon Lake; sister, Marion Jones of Walloon Lake; sons-in-law, Ernie Johnson and Andrew Johnson; grandson, Cory Stafford; two brothers-in-law, Lester Umler and Dale Kent.

A memorial service was Monday, June 3, at the Horton Bay United Methodist Church with pastors Kathy and Dave Cadarette officiating. Burial at Evangeline Township Cemetery. Memorial donations may be directed to Grandvue

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HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

Margaret Durbin Hometown: Boyne City

GPA: 4.027 College Choice/Area of Study: Michigan State University/Mathematics and science

Thoughts about the future/Words of

wisdom: "If we take each day, each choice, and each moment on it's own, life becomes less frightening. Instead, each step becomes part of the whole in a long, luxurious adventure."

SALUTATORIAN

David Rushlow Hometown: Boyne City

GPA: 3.96 College Choice/Area of Study: Michi-

gan Technological University/Mechanical Engineering

Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "Through hard work, a good attitude, and dedication, you can achieve your dreams. The new world we are about to enter is vast, but I have no fear, because I feel that our Class of 2013 is prepared...we are Boyne Tough!"

BOYNE FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

Crosby Gill Boettger Hometown: Elmira GPA: 3.98 College Choice/Area of Study: Great Lakes Maritime Academy in Traverse City/Engineering Officer Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "You never know what is impossible until you try."

SALUTATORIAN

William Michael Miller Hometown: Boyne Falls GPA: 3.91

College Choice/Area of Study: North Central Michigan College/Business Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "I have mixed emotions about the future. There is the excitement of the next phase and all the possibilities to unfold. Then there is sadness in leaving my friends and comfort zone so I will just sit back and enjoy the ride, taking it one step at a time.

CHARLEVOIX HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR SCHOLARS

Crystal Batdorff

Hometown: Charlevoix GPA: 3.772 Senior Scholar College Choice/Area of Study: North Central Michigan College/Mathematics Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "I strongly believe in the ac-curacy of the quote 'Your direction determines your destination,' which is why I think one of the biggest keys to being successful is to set goals, and then strive toward them. This is something I have attempted to do in high school and will certainly continue to do in college and throughout my life.

Maura Brandi

Hometown: Charlevoix GPA: 3.851 College Choice/Area of Study: Michi-

gan State University/Environmental Enaineerina Thoughts about the future/Words of

wisdom: "Follow your heart in life and you can do no wrong. As long as you are willing to work hard and be yourself above all else, you will succeed."

Sydney Elaine Carlson Hometown: Charlevoix GPA: 3.825

College Choice/Area of Study: Grand Valley State University/Undetermined Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "I am so anxious and thrilled

to start the journey that's ahead of me. It's so exciting and nerve-racking to think about everything that's to come in the future, and I plan on taking in every minute of it. One thing I learned from high school is that time passes too quickly, and if you don't slow yourself down to enjoy it, you're doing it wrong. As overwhelming as the future may sometimes seem, I'm incredibly excited to be heading in that direction.'

Carolena Elowsky Hometown: Charlevoix

GPA: 3.994 College Choice/Area of Study: Michi-

gan State University/Undetermined Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "I've had an amazing high

school career, and I'm so grateful for that, but I feel like I'm ready to face the future. College will be a big change in my life and also an amazing opportunity. I could not be more excited to expand my horizons by meeting new

this fall in East Lansing.

Jarod Reibel

Hometown: Charlevoix GPA: 3.982 College Choice/Area of Study: Grand Valley State University/Mechanical Engineering

Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "By the end of senior year my outlook on school has definitely changed. You realize how fast every goes by. It seems like yesterday we were all just starting high school, and now it's all over. I've definitely learned to cherish these years, and I definitely won't forget these memories or these people.'

Corbin Turkelson

Hometown: Charlevoix GPA: 3.969 College Choice/Area of Study: Grand Valley State University/Business Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "Looking back on how fast this has all gone it makes you realize how short life really is. We don't have time to worry about things we can't control, we must simply press on and continue to strive higher and higher to make the most out of the small amount of time we have here on this Earth."

Christopher Young

Hometown: Charlevoix GPA: 3.875

College Choice/Area of Study: Michigan Technological University/Mechanical Engineering

Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "Now that I'm done with my high school career I can look back on all the things I've done over these four years and I realize that what made high school great for me was that I took advantage of every opportunity I could. The key to happiness isn't money or fame, but simply taking the driver's seat and living your life to its fullest."

EAST JORDAN SCHOOL VALEDICTORIAN

Casey Keane Hometown: East Jordan GPA: 4.0 College Choice/Area of Study: University of Michigan/Kinesiology Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "Never do something just to

things one can do because we are given so little of it!"

CO-SALUTATORIANS

Joshua Johnston Hometown: East Jordan GPA: 3.99

College Choice/Area of Study: University of Michigan/ Electrical Engineering Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "All that a person needs to be successful in life is courage, poise, and confidence. The courage to try, the poise to bear defeat with dignity, and the confidence to convince others that you know what you're doing.

Jacqueline Radtke Hometown: East Jordan

GPA: 3.99 College Choice/Area of Study: North-

western Michigan College/Computer Science Thoughts about the future/Words of

wisdom: "Don't sacrifice your future for now and don't use laziness as an excuse to get poor grades. Everyone is smart enough to get what they want out of their future."

ELLSWORTH HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

Kari L. Steenwyk Hometown: Ellsworth GPA: 4.0

College Choice/Area of Study: Central Michigan University/Mathematics and Secondary Education

Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centered. Forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway. If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you. Be honest anyway. What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway. The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway. Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway. In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway." Mother Teresa

Tara L. Essenberg

Hometown: Ellsworth GPA: 3.97 College Choice/Area of Study: Kirtland Community College/Cardiovascular Sonography Thoughts about the future/Words of wisdom: "Have faith ... " Mark 11:22







News

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

THE GRUNCH WHO STOLE BOYNE CITY'S GROOVE

Mayor Ron Grunch of Boyne City, Michigan, a lakeside community haven for both residents and vacationers – riparian, mariner, camper, summer-homeowner, sailor, hiker, cycler - won't allow alcohol to be served at outdoor tables contiguous to the town's restaurants. He's not alone. Four of five commissioners voted to nix the proposition. What is wanted is a popular vote, not five people. No public hearing; no inclusion of outdoor alcohol vote at the next meeting. That bill is dead, like the business it banned.

It must be realized of course that by not providing this service many potential customers will go somewhere else next time, after dining and drinking indoors or immediately opting to move along to the next town for friendlier ambience. Boaters and motor-homers can easily depart for Petoskey or Traverse City for their pleasures and take their money with them.

What is it with these people? These few who determine the decorous nature of dining and drinking as if reciting a church catechism want a tidy little environment wherein no sloppy degenerate drunks are wanted. Are they unaware of the tourist trade that reflects so much money spent on entertainment? Outdoor drinkers and diners are no more raucous or boisterous than your ordinary backyard cookout revelers with beer coolers. What is this: The Inquisition? A Salem witch hunt? The Vatican? A convent? A monastery? Perhaps a tea party.

This is Boyne City, guys and gals, the historic place founded in part by the black family Zack and Mary Morgan seeking freedom, lumberjacks, onetime home of the Tannery, hotels, brickworks, a pioneer village that attracted folk who wanted a healthy environment and opportunity to engage in enterprise in the burgeoning post-Civil War state via land grants and entrepreneurial energy. You mean on a hot day they couldn't sit and drink a beer outside the hotel restaurant? This is just silly, petty and prudish to outlaw a beer with your burger if you choose the sidewalk patio. Preconceived notions of behavior or inference are insulting and a calumny. Good intentions overwrought are presumptuous tea-totaling arrogance.

This is a case of cutting off your nose to spite your face, as Granny used to say. These commissioners are not thinking ahead but back to some frozen time period such as Suffragettes with axes demanding their menfolk come home to feed the kids instead of their profligate Ten Nights In A Barroom dereliction. Wake up and uncap that bottle, folks; it's not all that heinous to sit outdoors and drink a beer or a cocktail. We're not talking drinking and driving, smashing glasses on the sidewalk, brawling, cursing, yelling, or breaking the Sabbath. This is a summertime activity. It will not corrupt the youth, won't cause Swat teams to converge, insult the clergy, create disagreeable scenes, or be written up in Tattler tabloids as Sin City, USA.

This City Commission must be of the proclivity of staid and sedate churchgoing fuddy-duddies. But for one member they speak as if they were doing the work of God's angels in dissuading the demon rum from their streets, medieval zealots demanding exorcism. No, thanks, I'll just mosey along to Petoskey for lunch. Maybe that newest brewery has a sidewalk table.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

Time to register for Friends of the Jordan's 2013 Young Friends Summer Program

The Friends of the Jordan River's 2013 Young Friends Summer Program will be offering two sessions, with six classes each on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays starting the last week of June. The sessions are limited to 20 students each, and space will be reserved in the order students sign up.

The classes for each of the two sessions will be:

- Class 1: "How Good is Our Water?" Will include water quality testing of the river by students

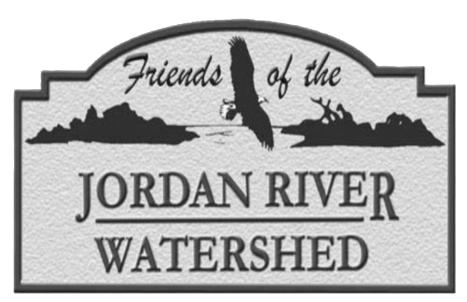
- Class 2: "Flowers, Feathers, Insects & Fun Things." Finding and identifying birds, flowers, and various insects

- Class 3: "Searching for Herps & Herbs." Exploring salamanders and other organisms for the Michigan Herp Atlas Project

Class 4: "Adventures in the Jordan Valley." A hiking adventure in the valley exploring plants, animals and geological features

- Class 5: "Edible vs. Inedible." Visiting the Wagbo Farm finding plants that are edible, animal tracking, and playing nature awareness games.

- Class 6: "Riding Down the River." A rafting trip down the Jordan River with a picnic at the Watershed Center as our final activity.



Instructors this year will be Fischer Jex, a resident naturalist at a local education center, and John Thompson, veteran science teacher and outdoor educator. These instructors bring a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to the Young Friends program.

The program is open for students in grades 4 to 8, and parents are invited to attend with their children if they wish. The cost per student is \$12, and the registration deadline for Session A (classes to be held June

24th. 26th. 28th and July 8th. 10th and 12th) is June 14th. The registration deadline for Session B (classes to be held July 15th, 17th, 19th, 22nd, 24th and 26th) is July 1st. Classes will run from 9 am until 1 pm each day. Scholarships may be available on request.

For registration information, contact John Thompson at (231) 222-0237 (or email jdthomzoo@charter.net) or Fischer Jex at (231) 373-3275 (or email Fischer@Wagbo.org).

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Bank Alarm	0
Boating Accident	0
Posting Violation	

LAW ENFORCEMENT

8:09amJuvenile report received. Unfounded. 9:35amReport of harassing text messages and phone calls on Jaycee Ln

9:50amReport of trucks going too fast on Charlevoix St. also using engine brakes

10:57amAssist to Sheriff Department on Old Horton Bay Rd

11:21am Civil dispute in the 400 block of Harris St 11:24amReport of someone burning trash in

the 1000 block of S Lake St 12:02pm.....Funeral escort

12:40pmReport of lost key chain at the Morel Fest

2:00pmTransport subject arrested on our warrant in Petoskey to Charlevoix County Jail 3:20pmAssist with traffic control downtown during power outage

6:56pm Arrested juvenile on Hannah St 8:59pmReport of kids shooting BB guns on

the 400 block of Groveland St

9:18pmReport of vehicle squealing tires on N ast St 10:28pmNoise complaint from the 1000 block of Second St 11:16pmCitizen Assist in the 300 block of E Division St Tuesday, May 21, 2013 9:01pmFound box of floor sanding belts turned in at PD 11:04amVehicle unlock in the 1100 block of Boyne Av 12:20pmReport of lost cell phone over the weekend 1:24pmHarassment complaint received from Trent St 2:00pmFalse alarm in the 100 block of S Lake St 5:57pmAssist Sheriff Dept and EMS on Lakeshore Rd 9:16pm......Assist EMS on Springbrook Rd Wednesday, May 22, 2013 5:51amCitation issued for no proof of insurance and defective equipment at Boyne Av and Fall Park Rd 6:24amCitation issued for no proof of insurance at Pleasant and Timber 6:38amCitation issued for speed at Pleasant and Timber 8:43am.....MDOP reported on W Division St 9:20amSeries of suspicious events reported in the 600 block of N East St 11:39amSubject with loud music and dog asked to leave Farmer's Market 12:31pmReport of damage to fence in the 200 block of S Park St 2:48pmOpen door reported in the 300 block of E Lincoln 8:15pmJuvenile complaint on Division St 10:48pm .. Disturbance reported on State St Thursday, May 23, 2013 10:14amAssist to Emmet County sheriff Department regarding missing child 12:16pm2 vehicle property damage accident in the 100 block of S Park St 2:03pm2 vehicle private property damage accident 2:28pmReport of broken water line in the 1910 building 2:52pmVehicle unlock in the 1300 block of Boyne Av 6:14pmJuvenile complaint reported in the 1000 block of Boyne Av 8:24pmFalse alarm in the 300 block of N Lake St 8:38pmFalse report of open vault in the 100 block of S Lake St 8:52pm.....Vehicle unlock on Water St 11:40pmJuvenile complaint on North St

9:47amAssist EMS at Middle School 11:10amReport of 2 vehicle property damage accident on W Main St

3:00pmAssist Sheriff Department on M-75 S near Dam Rd

4:48pmHarassment complaint reported from the 200 block of Vogel St

5:41pmDriving complaint received from Pleasant Av

5:47pmCitation issued for no proof of insurance and no brake lights at Front and Main

6:00pmReport of juvenile throwing rocks into

street on Division St near Pleasant 6:13pmCitation issued for speed at Line and Groveland Streets

6:56pmSuspicious situation reported on Fall Park Rd

DEAR EDITOR

I'd like to discuss some misconceptions related to prescription drug abuse. I'm not sure everyone understands what it means, why it's dangerous or how dangerous this growing problem really is.

To understand what prescription drug abuse means, you need to know there's a reason for medications containing certain substances to be controlled by a physician's prescription. If you have prescription drugs to treat a medical condition and are following your doctor's instructions then you are using those prescription drugs legally and properly. Your doctor and pharmacist are able to monitor potentially harmful side-effects and drug interactions. They can regulate your doses and monitor your condition. But without that careful regulation and monitoring, those same drugs can hurt or kill someone.

Abuse occurs when these controlled substances are consumed by people with no prescription, solely for their intoxicating, mind-altering side effects, and often in an unsafe dose. There's false belief, especially among teenagers, that prescription drugs are a "safe" way to get high. But after seeing more than 550 Northern Michigan deaths in the past dozen years due to drug overdoses and poisoning, I can tell you there is nothing safe about it.

If you have prescription drugs to treat a legitimate medical condition, keep them in a safe place - especially if there are kids or teenagers who might have access. Drugs left in a purse, a drawer or even a medicine cabinet are easily found and can be taken without your knowledge. Some prescription drugs have a "street value" and plenty of kids and teens already know how to sell whatever they can find.

Nationwide, 2,500 teenagers per day are using a prescription drug to get high for the first time. Most of those who abuse prescription painkillers started doing so before age 15. Prescription drugs are equivalent to marijuana in terms of the number of 12 to 17 year olds who abuse them.

You can prevent the abuse of prescription drugs. First, any unwanted, expired or unused medications should be taken to the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, the City of East Jordan Police Department, the City of Charlevoix Police Department, or to the City Hall building in Boyne City. Each of these locations has a free prescription and over-the-counter drug drop-off box, or POD. The POD can be accessed weekdays between 8:00am and 4:30pm. Do NOT simply flush drugs down the toilet.

Second, I urge you to talk with your kids about the dangers of prescription drug abuse. Even if you don't have prescription medications on hand, your kids can get them from friends and they may not realize the risk of severe illness or death.

If you still have questions about how prescription drugs are being abused, why it's so dangerous or what can be done about it, visit http://www.drugfreenorthernmichigan.com/ for more information. Just by being aware and informed you're on your way to preventing prescription drug abuse in Northern Michigan.

W.D. (Don) Schneider, Charlevoix County Sheriff

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BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, May 20, 2013

7:27amCitation issued for expired registration at Lake and Pine Streets

Friday, May 24, 2013

9:00am911 hang up check in 1000 block of Boyne Av 9:08am911 hang up from 700 block of Line St

9:19pm......Found gasoline turned into PD 7:59pmArrested subject on warrant 11:16pmNoise complaint in the 1400 block of Pleasant Av

Saturday, May 25, 2013

7:00am Alarm in the 100 block of N East St 8:15amHarassment complaint received from the 500 block of N Lake St

10:22amCitation issued for no seat belt and no proof of insurance at Vogel and East Street

10:49amB&E to garage on Marshall Rd

1:00pmParking violation on N Lake St

1:26pmCitation issued for speed at Pleasant and Timber

2:24pmCitation issued or no seat belt at Park and River Street

3:40pmChild custody issues in the 200 block of W Ann St

8:40pm.....Vehicle unlock on Front St

10:12pmLodged cat at shelter

10:52pmAssist MSP in the 300 block of State St regarding stalking complaint

Sunday, May 26, 2013

12:40amReport of suspicious noises in the 700 block of N Park St

12:46amReport of possible suicide attempt in the 300 block of State St. No suicide attempt. Subject was arrested for stalking.

1:52amReport of noise on deck in the 700 block of N Park St

3:38amAssist sheriff Department on Wildwood Rd

8:06amCitation issued for improper lane use 4:09pmArrested subject DWLS in the 1000 block of E Main St

7:15pmParking violation in the 100 block of E Pine St

7:33pmNoise complaint in the 1000 block of Haven Ct

8:49pmSuspicious situation in the 300 block of Silver St

9:28pmReport of barking dog in the 500 block of W Michigan

June 6, 2013 News

Matt Kring named new Service Manager at Dave Kring **Chevrolet Cadillac**

Dave Kring, President of Dave Kring Chevrolet Cadillac is pleased to announce Matt Kring as the New Service Manager for the dealership. Matt has over

10 years of experience at the

the service lane,



Matt Kring

the parts counter, quick lube and most recently in administration.

Matt achieved his Bachelor of Business Administration degree and an Associate degreein automotive marketing from Northwood University in Midland, Michigan. He also attended the NADA Dealer Candidate Academy in Washington D.C.

He and his wife Amy and their new baby Kaitlyn Marie who was born May 14th, reside in Harbor Springs.

Jim Hoehn, the previous service manager, left to be closer to his family in Colorado.

Matt says "I am anxious to build on Jim's service business and look forward to meeting our customers first hand. Please stop by and say hello."

Charlevoix Elks Lodge #2856 Donates \$1000 for Beaver Island Trip



The Charlevoix Elks Lodge #2856 donated \$1000 for the third grade class to keep with tradition the Beaver Island Trip! To be able to go on this trip money has to be raised unlike in times past. The Charlevoix Elks Lodge was able to donate \$1000 toward the expense so these children could enjoy and learn all about the history of Beaver Island.

THE CHARLEVOIX AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Our mission is to support commerce and provide leadership to enhance the quality of life.

SYDNEY CARLSON AWARDED Chamber Scholarship Award

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce proudly supports commerce and provides leadership to help enhance the quality of life in our community, and recognizes that the future success of our town lies in the hands of our youth. The

Chamber Scholarship is intended to provide financial support to a high school senior who works for a Chamber member or whose parents are a Chamber members.



The 2013 scholarship has been awarded to an individual who is a graduating senior planning to attend Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan. She has excelled academically, graduating with a grade point of 3.825. Her parents are long-time Chamber members and are actively involved in our community, schools, and businesses.

SUMMER SOLSTICE ART SHOW JUNE 29 & 30



Downtown Charlevoix

The 15th Annual Summer Solstice Art Show features quality art and fine crafts displayed



Don Jess, Board Chair Charlevoix Insurance Agency

Steve Seely, Vice Chair Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC

Alicia Mosher, Treasurer Prudential Preferred Properties Network

Sherm Chamberlain Ferguson & Chamberlain Associates, Inc.

> John Cueter Fox Motors in Charlevoix

Randi Hunter AmericInn Lodge & Suites

Rick Lobenherz Prudential Preferred Properties Network

Justin Micheau Verizon – The Cellular Connection

Rick Randall Randall Chiropractic Clinic

Darren Romano Grey Gables Inn Restaurant This young lady has participated in a multitude of community service projects and various athletics, earning more than 9 varsity letters during her high school career.

> We at the Chamber are proud of what she has accomplished and hope that this leader will someday return to Charlevoix to help guide our community.

Please join us to congratulate the winner of the 2013 Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, Ms. Sydney Carlson.

Farmers Market

WHERE: Downtown Charlevoix's East Park

Upcoming Activities at the Farmer's Market

WHEN: Every Thursday 9am-1pm

EVERY THURSDAY- YOGA IN THE PARK. Join in-

Cost \$10 . call 231.373.6033 for info.

music genres from local artists.

ket recipe, 11:00.

pliments of Round Lake Bookstore.

structor Heidi Dietrick. Class is 8:30-9:30, July- August.

EVERY THURSDAY- LIVE MUSIC. Enjoy a variety of

EVERY THURSDAY- STORIES IN THE PARK. Family

friendly stories in the bandshell from 11:30-12:00, com-

THIRD THURSDAY- COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS.

Esperance will show you how to cook their favorite mar-

JUNE 13 - FARM TO FRAME. Learn about ISLAND's

farm to frame initiative and make your own frame from

in East Park in beautiful downtown Charlevoix. Participating artisans are carefully selected to ensure a well-rounded show offering a variety of fun and unique creations.

Over 70 artists will display their work in East Park during this two day event. From contemporary to whimsical, it is a wonderful representation of craftsmanship and artwork with many beautiful items on display including paintings in oils, watercolors and acrylics, as well as sculpture, photography, pottery, jewelry and more.

DOUBLE YOUR MONEY: Charlevoix & Boyne Participate in Double Up Food Bucks Program

The Charlevoix and Boyne City Farmer's Markets have both received grants that will allow them to participate in Double Up Food Bucks this season

The Double Up Food Bucks program is supplied by the Fair Food Network and aims to help low-income families get more Michigan grown fresh fruits and vegetables in their diet. Any person with a Bridge Card is encouraged to come to



FOOD BUCKS

the market and use their money on locally grown products. For every dollar you spend on your Bridge Card, the Double Up Food Bucks program will automatically double your money, up to \$20 per week, to spend on fresh fruits and vegetables.

The program will begin on June 1st and run until the first week in October. Customers receiving funds can use their tokens at either the Boyne City or Charlevoix markets.

To get your vouchers simply find the Market Manager Booths. For Charlevoix find the Chamber of Commerce booth every Thursday from 9am-1pm in Downtown Charlevoix's East Park and for the Boyne City market find the Market booth every Wednesday and Saturday from 8am to noon at Veteran's Park.

For more information about the Double Up Food Bucks program and to see a complete listing of markets participating visit www.doubleupfoodbucks.org. For local information about the Charlevoix market call 231.547.2101 or call 231.330.2704 to reach the Boyne City Market.



JUNE 27 - CHERRY PIT SPIT. Think you have what it

takes to spit a pit? Get your pit in our bucket and get

JULY 11 - LIVE PUPPET SHOW. Kevin Kammeraad

and the Friends Puppet Theatre will perform at noon.

JULY 18 - BOUQUET ARRANGING CLASS. Instruc-

tor: Kari Davis of Petals . Bring your own vase, 11-12.

come to kids day at the Market in Bridge Park for more

JULY 25 - KIDS DAY. After Kids day at Venetian,

\$10 to spend at the market!

fun children's activities.

www.kevinkammeraad.weebly.com

\$10 cost, includes flowers. RSVP by 7/11.

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BOYNE CITY RUBBISH PICKUP

For residents living in the city of Boyne City, the city provides a rubbish pick-up twice a year for larger items that cannot be disposed of with your household trash; such as mattresses, furniture and light construction debris. Pickups will be made in the early morning of June 5, 12 and 19 for residents of Main Street and south, and June 6, 13 and 20 for areas north of Main St.

BOYNE FALLS Hospice benefit

Hospice of Northwest Michigan Swings into Summer at the Boyne Mountain Civic Center at the annual benefit auction and dinner on Thursday, June 6. The evening will feature a summer themed buffet dinner, live and silent auctions, games, live music. Please call Cheri at 231-547-7659 to make your reservation. Come out for a great evening of summer fun and support one of our most important local resources!

EAST JORDAN **Rotary Variety Show**

The 7th annual East Jordan Rotary Variety Show will be held on Friday, June 7th and Saturday, June 8th at 7pm at the Community Auditorium. Silent auction begins at 6pm. \$10 admission. Advanced ticket sales are available from any East Jordan Rotarian or at Charlevoix State Bank, Huntington Bank or Glen's Market in East Jordan until June 5th. After this date, tickets available at Charlevoix State Bank or at the door, but in very limited quantities as the show gets sold out! For more information call the chamber at 231-536-7351

BOYNE CITY Mardi Gras in June

6pm June 8th at Veteran's Park, Boyne City. This event supports the Water Sports Programs. Cajun Food prepared by Chef Nathan Bates, Craft Beer, Local

Lancer Leap Showcase



Ellsworth students demonstrate their skills at waltzing during the Lancer leap Showcase Mondaynight. Dancing was one of the skills taught during the elective Culture and Etiquette class offered during the month of Lancer Leap. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS



Roger Dickinson and Larissa Fisher die tragically in Ellsworth students production of 'Jessie and Roxie'. A play written, produced and performed by the Lancer Leap drama class during the Lancer Leap showcase. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Tinney on Monday and Cans donated by Burnette Tuesday, June 10 & 11 for a Foods, Inc. drawing course in Stonehedge Gardens beautiful spring gardens. The course will take place from 9am-3pm and costs \$100. Please call Stonehedge Gardens at 231.222.2200 to reserve your space. Stonehedge Gardens is located at 2195 N M-66, 1 miles south of the Ironton Ferry.

BOYNE CITY

see a range of one-of-a-kind 231-373-3275. Mailing Ad- an Irish Road Bowling to boating goods for sale at

exhibitors this year, offer- dress: Attention: Young Party as a fund raiser. on ing everything from yachts Friends Program, Friends June 16. This ancient Irish of the Jordan River Water-

sport event will be held on

Wine and live music with Dave Cisco! Great dancing music. Tickets are \$30, purchased on line at www.mardigrasinjune.com or at the event. Price includes music dinner and beverages. Additional drink tickets are available. Bring a friend and come party with the Mark Madness Sailers

BOYNE CITY Hazardous waste

HOUSEHOLD HAZ-ARDOUS WASTE collection will be Saturday, June 8 at the Charlevoix County Road Commission building. in Boyne City. You must call (231) 582.6193 in advance to schedule a drop off appointment.

STATEWIDE **Free Fishing Weekend**

June 8th - 9th, is Michigan's Free Fishing Weekend

BOYNE CITY Rambler scramble

4 person golf scramble at Ye Olde Nine Holes Sunday June 9. 3pm Registration -3:30pm Shotgun Start. Cost: \$30 day of event. Includes golf, dinner and prizes. Proceeds benefit Boyne City Girls Basketball Program. Prizes include great golf packages and more! Other Contests Include: Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, Skins Game. To Register enclose a check payable to Boyne City High School. Return to Ye Nyne Olde Holes or Mail to Rambler Scramble, 1020 Sutliff Lane, Boyne City, MI 49712 or telephone Kevin Fitzpatrick at (231) 675-1331. Space is limited to the first 22 teams!

IRONION A Drawing Course in the Spring Gardens

Join art instructor Pat

WALLOON LAKE **Regional after Hours**

The Charlevoix County Regional Business after Hours, hosted by the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce will take place on June 13th at the Walloon Village Marina and Barrel Back Restaurant in Walloon Lake Village from 5-8pm. Admission Fees will benefit Leadership Charlevoix County.

EAST JORDAN **Beautiful baby contest**

The East Jordan Freedom Festival will be holding the 3rd Annual Beautiful Baby Contest this year. If you have a baby between the ages of newborn and two years old and would like to be a part of the contest please stop in at Charlevoix State Bank in East Jordan to pick up your entry can. (limited number of entries available) Entries are given one empty can that they can decorate and used to collect spare change (or big bills) as votes for your baby. The baby with the most money will be named the 2013 Most Beautiful Baby. You can leave the cans at a local business with their permission, take it with you wherever you go - work, family reunions, etc. to get votes. Cans can be picked up at Charlevoix State Bank and must be returned by Friday, June 14th by noon. The winner will receive a \$25 Gift Certificate from Marty's Cones & Carry-out and a \$25 Gift Certificate from Mursponsored rav's bv Charlevoix State Bank.

Cooking Now & Then

Country Now & Then/Up the Lazy River is presenting "Cooking Now & Then, Upstairs Chef Series" on four dates. Join them for Culinary Fun with local chefs learn their techniques and hear valuable cooking tips on Thursdays from 6 to 8pm. Featured chefs will be:

> June 13 - Emily Paquette of Frog Hollow Farm

> June 27 - Kathy Grech of Kate's Little Cakes

> July 18 - Drale Schroeder, a local caterer

Refreshments and drinks will be offered, as well as tasting the dish being demonstrated. Each chef will feature local seasonal produce found at the Farmers Market. You can sign up for the classes at Country Now & Then, 211 E. Water St., or call Karen at 231-582-2355.

CHARLEVOIX Palette Knife Classes in June 2013

Popular Palette Knife Artist, James Kosloskey will be teaching two classes in June at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton Street. Cost of the class is \$125 and includes all materials needed.

Tuesday, June 25 and Wednesday, June 26 Jim will be teaching an Advanced Palette Knife Class. 5 to 9pm. Cost is \$125 and includes all materials. A great teacher and nice article. Please call the Charlevoix Circle of Arts to register or send in your check to Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton, Charlevoix, MI 49720

BAY HARBOR In-Water Boat Show

Bay Harbor In-Water Boat Show held annually over Father's Day Weekend, June 14 - 16! Patrons can expect to

the event, both on land and in water displays. Musical entertainment and other fun activities will make for a great atmosphere! Admission to the show is free.

EAST JORDAN Young friends summer program

Young Friends of the Jordan 2013 SUMMER PRO-GRAM FOR GRADES 4 TO 8. 2 Sessions – 6 Classes, 9 am – 1 pm daily

Class 1: How Good is Our Water? Water quality testing of the river by the students.

Class 2: Flowers, Feathers, Insects, & Fun Things -Finding and identifying birds, flowers, and various insects.

Class 3: Searching For Herps & Herbs Exploring salamanders and other organisms for the Michigan Herp Atlas Project.

Class 4: Adventures in the Jordan Valley A hiking adventure in the valley exploring plants, animals, and geological features.

Class 5: Edible Vs. Inedible – Visiting the Wagbo Farm finding plants that are edible, animal tracking, and playing nature awareness games.

Class 6: Riding Down the River – A rafting trip down the Jordan River with a picnic at the Watershed Center as our final activity.

Space is limited to 20 students for each session.

Deadline for Registration: Session A- June 14, 2013; Session B - July 1, 2013.

Class dates: Session A: June 24, 26, 28, July 8, 10, 12. Session B: July 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 26

Cost \$12 per student: Maximum cost for multiple students is \$20.

If you have questions, feel free to contact John Thompson: jdthomzoo@charter.net or 231-222-0237 or Fischer Jex: Fischer@Wagbo.org or

shed, Inc. P.O. Box 412, East Jordan, MI 49727. e-mail: foj@friendsofthejordan.org

BOYNE CITY Young Americans

The Young Americans bring their high-energy singing and dancing performance to the Boyne City Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 15. Advance tickets must be ordered by calling the Young Americans box office at (231) 526-3152 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Admission is \$30 for preferred seating, \$25 for adult general seating and \$14 for students general seating. Don't delay - this concert always sells out. After 10 days of performances around Northern Michigan, the Young Americans begin their dinner theater season at Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs on June 21, continuing through Aug. 24.

ELLSWORTH Smelt fry

Front Porch Cafe presents Smelt Fry - All You Can Eat, Saturday, June 15, 4pm 7pm, 9235 Main Street, \$10.

CHARLEVOIX Humane society benefit golf

Dog Leg Golf Scramble, June 15 at Charlevoix Country Club. Shotgun Start 1:00 PM. Registration forms available on line at www.charlevoixhumane.org or at local Chamber offices, Summerset Pointe & Chx. Country Club. For more information on the event. Please contact Karen 231-622-9755 or www.charlevoixhumane.org

BOYNE CITY Irish Road Bowling supports GLCO

The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra is sponsoring

beautiful, scenic, unpaved Addis Road following the North Bank of the Boyne River starting about 2 p.m. Sunday, June 16. Teams of four get to compete taking turns tossing a small steel ball over a mile and a half course. This does request a donation to the GLCO of \$100, but look what you get for this amount: one year complimentary membership in GLCO (\$25), two tickets to any GLCO concert of choice (\$40), an Irish dinner with beer at the Morel's Bistro Country Inn on Old State Road after the bowling, live Celtic music, prizes, mild competitive exercise and lots of fun. Check out the GLCO web site (glcorchestra.org) and Google "Irish Road Bowling" to see some videos of this fun sport. Contact Scott MacKenzie if you are interested - director@charlevoixhumane.org.

CHARLEVOIX Things with Wings

Exhibit at Charlevoix Circle of Arts. This exciting all media exhibit will be on display through June 16th at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts building. The featured artist for this exhibit is Charlevoix carver Jim Lahde. For additional information visit www.charlevoixcircle.org or call 547.3554

EAST JORDAN Flag retirement

The East Jordan Girl Scouts and the East Jordan Lioness Club will be having a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Monday, June 17 at 7pm in Memorial Park. If you have a flag that you would like to have retired please drop it off at City Hall prior to the ceremony or you can bring them down to the park that night.

ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

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CHARLEVOIX

The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is hosts the popular Monday Movies by the Marina film schedule in East Park. Moviegoers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets and arrive early so youngsters can enjoy movie-themed activities and prizes prior to each show.

Monday, June 17, 9:15pm, Babe (G)

Monday, July 1, 9:15pm, The Lorax (G)

Tuesday, July 22, 8:45pm, Venetian Vision: Title to be determined by public voting Monday, August 19,

8:45pm, National Treasure (PG)

CHARLEVOIX Adoption Information Meeting

Heaven Sent Adoption Services will be holding an adoption informational meeting on Tuesday June 18th from 5 - 7pm at the Charlevoix Public Library in the Trustees Conference Room on the 2nd floor. We will go through the different types of adoption, the home study process domestic infant adoption and MARE (state) adoptions for adoptive parents, the legal process for both Expectant and Adoptive parents and will have a question and answer session as well. RSVP would be appreciated but not necessary. 231-237-9880

WALLOON LAKE Boat building class

Students in grades 8-10th are invited to join a two-day boat building class on the shores of Walloon Lake. The summer enrichment class, offered by Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District and The Michigan School of Boat Building and Marine Technology, will be held June 18-19 at the public green space on the lake side of M-75 in the Village of Walloon Lake. The class is held from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with lunch provided. Students will build, launch and paddle a Peace Canoe on the calm waters of Walloon Lake. At the end of the the student-built class. Peace Canoes will be auctioned off or donated to area organizations. The cost is \$25 for students within the Char-Em ISD service area and \$50 for students outside the area. For more information or to register, contact Gretchen Spedowske at 231.582.8070 or spedowskeg@charemisd.org

ing either a Table Captain or a Table Designer, or in reserving a seat for the luncheon may contact the Women's Resource Center's Administrative Office at (231) 347-0067.

BOYNE CITY Paula Poundstone performing in BC

Boyne Country Community Center is proud to present comedienne Paula Poundstone at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 22. Net proceeds from this event will help purchase a \$20,000 vertical wheelchair lift to make our two-story, yet-to-open Boyne Country Community Center building barrier free. Poundstone has been recognized as one of Comedy Central's 100 greatest stand-up performers of all time. It's impossible to attend a Poundstone performance without marveling at her ability to interact spontaneously with audience members in conversations bound to garner riotous laughter. Armed with nothing but a stool, a microphone and a can of Diet Pepsi, Paula's ability to create humor on the spot has become the stuff of legend. Little wonder people leave Paula's shows debating whether the random people she talked to were "plants" which, of course they never are, and complaining that their cheeks hurt from laughter. Click here to see her video.

> TICKETS can be purchased online at www.poundstone.net. All seats are reserved, and you can choose your seats and print your own tickets. You can also buy tickets at Boyne City Ace Hardware or by calling the store at 231-582-6532.

CHARLEVOIX Concert

The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is proud to offer the Charlevoix Concert Series, a summer full of evening concerts in Downtown Charlevoix's state-ofthe-art lakeside amphitheater the **Odmark Performance Pavil**ion. Thursday, June 20, Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra sponsored by the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. Thursday, June 27 - The Snyders. Thursday, July 11 - The Petoskey Steel Drum Band. Thursday, August 8 -Randy Kaplan, sponsored by the Charlevoix Public Library.

Arizona, and all over Michigan will be featured at the two-day festival. In addition to creative art and cultural experiences, food vendors will be on hand and Boyne City's wonderful restaurants are all within walking distance of the park. There is no admission to any of the festival activities. This is a weekend event the entire family will enjoy!

CHARLEVOIX Youth Craft Show

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to announce its call for crafty kids, tweens & teens for the annual Youth Craft Show, 10:30 – 12:30 pm, Saturday, August 10. This is the perfect opportunity for kids show off the diversity of their imaginations and talents and to step into a business venture. "It's a wonderful way for our kids to learn some valuable business lessons and earn a little extra money," states Audrev Shapiro, Children's Services Coordinator. The kids have to make their own wares, plan and set-up their own booth, and then sell their gifts during the show. This year the Youth Craft Show is hosted at the same time as the Charlevoix Waterfront Art show to capitalize on the crowds. Stop by the youth department at the library to register a booth. Call 231.237.7350 for further information.

BAY HARBOR Horse expo & clinic

Horsemanship, showmanship & equitation clinic, equine massage, equine nutrition, hoof care, ask the judge, pre-purchase pet checks, dressage, jumping, 4-H presentations and more. Vendor area, door prizes and silent auction. Vendors and clinic participants needed. June 30 at Bay Harbor Equestrian Center, 8am - 5pm. Benefits Second Chance Ranch & Rescue. Contact Jill, 231-920-9645 or

drury.jill@yahoo.com

BOYNE CITY

CHARLEVOIX 2013 Yorktown Dates

Mark your calendars for the arrival of the Yorktown Cruise Ship. They will be in town on July 1- morning, July 5- morning, July 10- afternoon/evening, July 20morning, July 24- afternoon/evening, August 23morning, August 28- afternoon

CHARLEVOIX Teachers wanted for Circle of Arts Camp

Circle of Arts (CCA) 2013 Youth Camp will start this July. We are still seeking teachers for this season. Please call Margaret Seligman and leave a message at the CCA 231.547.3554 or drop your resume off at 109 Clinton Street. We need this done as soon within the next couple of days.

BOYNE CITY 4th of July Parade

Applications are now available. The theme of this year's parade is "Great Moments in Time," and floats will be judged. The Grand Parade will be held at 10am on July 4th. Registration forms for the 35th annual Independence Day Run - 2mile and 10k races along the edge of Lake Charlevoix are also available. A tentative schedule for the 4th of July Celebration is online at www.boyne4thofjuly.com.

CHARLEVOIX Circle of arts summer youth camp

July 8 - August 9, Ages 6-14. Classes offered from 9:30am - Noon and 1:30pm -4pm. Clay, yoga, crafts, painting, photography, illustrations, fitness and fun with nature. Contact us at www.CharlevoixCircle.org or 231-547-3554 for more information. Registration will begin online: www.charlevoixcircle.org after May 27.

EAST JORDAN Dig into Reading

2013 Summer Reading Program at Jordan Valley fossil samples from "under Michigan" to take home with them. This free event is part of the Summer Reading Program. No registration is necessary. Suggested ages 5-13. Wednesday, July 3 10:30-11:30

CHARLEVOIX Youth art camp

Youth Camp starts July 8 through August 9. Sign up now for the wonderful classes planned for summer 2013. Call 231.547.3554 or visit www.charlevoixcircle.org.

EAST JORDAN The Miner Forty-Niner

Digs with Mat Emerick "The Miner Forty-Niner Digs then Dances a Gold Strike Jig!" a musical show with juggling and mime. This free event is part of the Summer Reading Program. No registration is necessary. Suggested ages 5-13. Wednesday, July 10 from 10:30-11:30

CHARLEVOIX Beautify Charlevoix

Once again, the Charlevoix Area Garden Club is encouraging the even further beautification of Charlevoix by sponsoring a program to reward merchants who have the most attractive outdoor natural plants displays. The plants can be either in a window box or container located outside the business or in a garden. Judging is based on four categories; color, texture, originality and design. They are scored individually from one to five with five being the highest. The garden club will judge the displays on July 15th and award certificates on July 16th. If you would like to participate in this year's Beautification Project, please call Kirsten Berwick at 231.547.3526 or Flanders Susan 231.547.4887.

EAST JORDAN Dig into Reading

With the Acting Up Theatre Company "Readers of No registration is necessary. Suggested ages 5-13. Wednesday, July 24 10:30-11:30

EAST JORDAN Digging Dinosaurs with PaleoJoe

Author, storyteller and paleontologist, PaleoJoe will bring to life animals, plants and creatures that have been extinct for millions of years. He will take readers on a wild ride through the ancient world. This free event is part of the Summer Reading Program. No registration is necessary. Suggested ages 5-13. Wednesday, July 31 10:30-11:30

BOYNE FALLS Lady biker day

Ride Like a Pro - Great Lakes" A franchise of Jerry "Motorman" Palladino's Ride Like A Pro! The cost for this class is \$100 per student, but if you are attending the 2013 Lady Biker Days Event, the class will be discounted to \$75. Morning and afternoon classes will be available on August 16th & 17th. To sign up, please contact Gary at: 586-246-4344 or e-mail request to gary@ridelikeapro-gl.com You too can learn the same fundamental skills that the motor officers use. Even experienced riders will show a noticeable improvement in their overall riding skills! During the LBD's event, please stop by our display at the Boyne Mountain Resort! Ride Like a Pro DVD's and other merchandize will be available at event prices! Visit our website at www.ridelikeapro-gl.com

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BOYNE CITY MAIN St. 10th anniversary

Wednesday, June 19th the 10th anniversary of the Boyne City Main Street Program. In our first decade as a Michigan Main Street community, Boyne City accomplished more than anyone ever could have imagined. With a common vision, creativity, and a spirit of fun, we put our collective shoulder into it, worked hard and turned Boyne City into one of the hottest destinations in the state. Join us in a big community celebration with music by Horton Creek, hot dogs, ice cream and other refreshments from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Gazebo in Old City Park. This is the same location and date the announcement was made 10 years ago that Boyne City was selected to the Michigan Main Street Program. Main Street and City officials will also recognize people who were instrumental in getting the program started and highlight all the community's successes over the past 10 years. The anniversary celebration will continue through the summer and beyond.

CHARLEVOIX Women Can/Women Do

This year's Women Can/Women Do fundraising luncheon will be held on June 19, at Castle Farms. Those interested in becomThursday, August 15 -Claudia Schmidt Trio.

Thursday, August 22 - The Blue Water Ramblers. Thursday, August 29 - The

Alley Cats

EAST JORDAN Picnic in the Park

Jordan Valley Outdoor Youth Programs Presents Picnic in the Park Sunday, June 23, 1pm, meet at the Martha Wagbo Farm & Education Center for carpool or caravan. FREE, familyfriendly. For more information contact the Wagbo Farm at 231-536-0333 or info@wagbo.org. Monthly offering of an environmentally-inspired play and seasonal activities, led by naturalist Fischer Jex and highlighting the bounty and beauty of our unique locale, the scenic Jordan River Valley. This month we will carpool to a local "swimmin' hole" where we will play, swim and picnic while celebrating the beginning of summer in northern Michigan. Healthful kid-friendly snacks provided; feel free to bring your own to share if you wish.

BOYNE CITY SOBO Arts Festival

The Arts will be celebrated in Boyne City at the 4th annual SOBO Arts Festival, June 28-29. Artists from New Orleans, Florida,

Support group

Are you struggling with issues of psychological or emotional difficulties? Recovery International has tools to help. Free. Boyne City, Monday 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church. 1520 Boyne Ave. Sam, 231-549-2914.

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 Christian coffee house

Open Door Christian coffee house will be held every first and third Saturday of each month at the East Jordan senior center from 7:30

- 9:30pm. Enjoy hymns, southern gospel and praise music. Free admission.

BOYNE CITY Farmers market

The Boyne City Farmers Market is open from 8am to noon every Wednesday and Saturday in Veterans Park.

EAST JORDAN

Photo display

Michael and Teresa McGill of Central Lake will be displaying their wildlife photographs throughout the library during May and June. They are passionate wildlife videographers and photographers who began their journey over twelve years ago after a strange encounter with an exotic bird walking through a marsh in the Upper Peninsula. All photos are available for purchase. District Library in East Jordan is July 1-31. Children, ages 5-13 will win prizes for reading, have a scavenger hunt and enjoy special entertainment. Registration is required to win prizes. Signup begins on July 1. The library welcomes children of all abilities. All programs are free of charge.

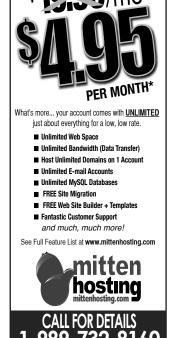
EAST JORDAN Dig into the Earth

With Cheri Leach Raven Hill Discovery Center's Cheri Leach will lead readers on an exciting trip through geologic time from the beginnings of our Earth through the ice ages and beyond. Participants will explore the rocks and minerals of Earth and the fossils of the plants and animals that once lived here and collect small rock and

the Lost Book", a play filled with comedy, song, adventure and books! Join archaeological hero Michigana Jones as he digs into reading, looking for the lost book of the Library. This free event is part of the Summer Reading Program. No registration is necessary. Suggested ages 5-13. Wednesday, July 17 10:30-11:30

EAST JORDAN Digging Up Bones

with Martina Hahn Artist and storyteller, Martina will tell the story SkippyJon Jones and the Big Bones as well as facts about the author and fossils. Her program concludes with a 7 minute speed painting accompanied by music. This free event is part of the Summer Reading Program.





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Student News Students of the Week

BOYNE CITY HIGH SCHOOL Allison Hernden



GRADE: 9 PARENTS: Brenda and Dan Hernden HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Hangin out with my friends, playing softball, singing, shopping.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Drama, Pride Team, Softball, Student Council, Band

FUTURE PLANS/GOALS: "Graduation high school and go to college, eventually going to a law school to get my degree."

STAFF COMMENTS

"Allison Hernden as a member of the Pride Team has been a big help with many of our projects this year. She is always ready to volunteer for a project and always follows through. Have really enjoyed having her here at BCHS!" (Mrs. Place, Pride Team Advisor)

"Alli is a serious student and she takes a leadership role with her fellow students." (Mr. Hertel, English Teacher)

As a freshman, Allison Hernden is already taking the band by storm. She is a hard-working young lady who takes the initiative to get things done, sometimes without being asked! She is already instructing new color guard students on basic skills and routines and is an outstanding leader by example." (*Mr. Ivie, Band Teacher*)

BOYNE FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS Walter Tieber, III



GRADE: 3 PARENTS: Walter and Angela Tieber HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Katelynn Hermann of Boyne City wins scholarship competition

North Central Michigan College student Katelynn Hermann of Boyne City will enjoy a semester of study at the Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology (GMIT) in Galway, Ireland, this fall. Ms. Hermann is the winner of a competition funded by the Robert Emmet Society that seeks outstanding ambassadors to represent the college and the society in Ireland. As the 2013 winner, Ms. Hermann earns a round-trip flight to Ireland, free tuition for the fall semester, lodging and books at GMIT.

North Central, GMIT and the Robert Emmet Society have been cosponsors of the competition since 1999. It is the only scholarship awarded by the college that sends a student abroad for study. Ms. Hermann is the 15th local student to study in Ireland through this program. The competition is based on an essay contest, academic achievement, student activities and an interview with college and society representatives.

The competition is open to all North Central Michigan College students enrolled in an academic program at the college. Ms. Hermann is working toward her associate's degree in nursing. She hopes to become a transcultural nurse that will travel internationally.

To be eligible for consideration, students first must submit an essay on the topic, "How do the political values of Robert Emmet, Irish patriot and namesake of Emmet County, relate to our world and our lives today?" Three college and society representatives then interview the top finalists before a final decision is made.

The Robert Emmet Society was established in 1990 to promote awareness and pride among Emmet County residents and visitors in the county's namesake, a hero and mar-



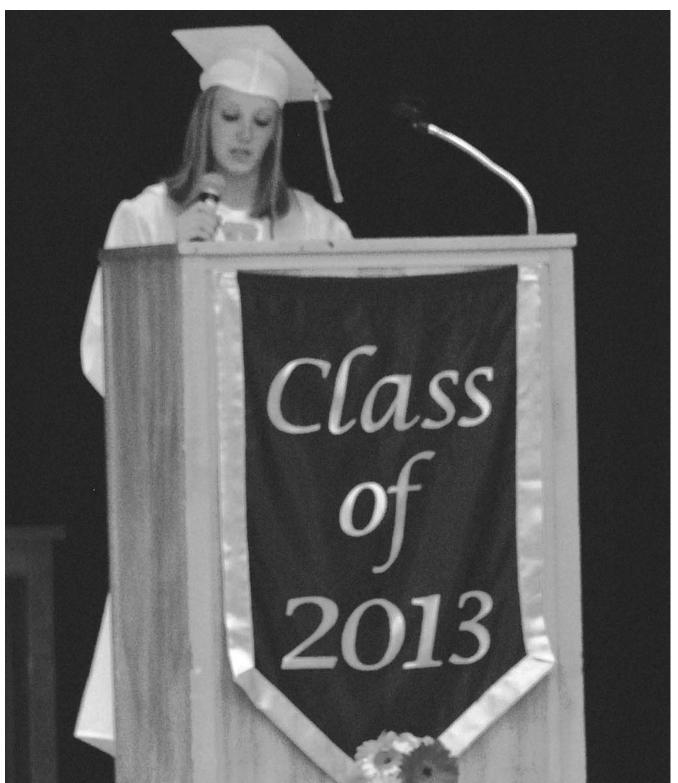
North Central Michigan College student Katelynn Hermann of Boyne City is the winner of a competition funded by the Robert Emmet Society that seeks outstanding ambassadors to represent the college and the society in Ireland. COURTESY PHOTO

tyr of the failed revolutions against the British rulers of Ireland in 1798 and 1803.

The society works closely with North Central in awarding the scholarship that is named after Joseph W. McCarthy, a local businessman, and Dr. William McCullough, a Petoskey physician, both active members of the society since its founding in the early 1990's.

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

Ellsworth Commencement



Watch television, read books, play with my friends **FAVORITE BOOK:** "Anything about the Titanic."

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?: "A policeman."

STAFF COMMENTS

"3rd grade has been a year of hard work, challenges, and changes for Walter, and he has come through beautifully. He has become a more responsible student and is looking forward to being a fourth grader next year." (Dianna Brown)



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Salutatorian Tara Essenberg delivered a speech that traced the class of fifteen students through the years at Friday's commencement ceremony in Ellsworth. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS



Student News Charlevoix Area Garden Club Youth Education Committee Anatomy of a Poster Contest

he Youth Education Committee of the Charlevoix Area Garden Club helps the youth of our community learn about plants, gardens, ecology and conservation. Our main project involves coordinating two poster contests at **Charlevoix Elementary School** and St. Mary School. The themes for the first contest are Smokey Bear, "Only You Can Prevent Wildfires" and Woodsy Owl, "Lend a Hand Care for the Land". These themes are created at the national level through the National Garden Clubs, Inc. and the United States Forest Service.

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The second poster contest is sponsored locally through the Charlevoix Area Garden Club and is a garden-related poster. The 2012-13 theme was "It's a Garden Party". This was also the club's theme for its 2012 Yearbook and Garden Walk. In addition, just as Smokey and Woodsy ask children to do specific things, we wanted to help children "celebrate" the beauty and diversity of gardens.

In the fall, art teachers are contacted and a teaching schedule is arranged. Youth Education Committee members, working in pairs, present the Smokey/Woodsy poster contest to each art class in kindergarten through fifth grade and the garden themed poster contest to kindergarten and third through fifth grade classes using member created lesson plans and teaching aids.

The presenters utilize the schools' newest technology by using PowerPoint presentations. Emphasis is on conservation, ecology and the use of plants native to the Charlevoix area. Approximately eight weeks later, committee members judge the



Pictured above are Charlevoix Garden Club President Peggy Brennan with Smokey/Woodsy Grand Prize Winner Lily Woodgate.

posters and determine first, second and third place and honorable mention awards for each grade level. Grand Prize winners are determined for each contest. The first place winners for the Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl contest are then sent to the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan for judging. First place winners at the state level proceed to the regional level and regional first place winners proceed to the national level.

Winners were honored at the May 13, 2012 Spring Recognition Tea where family members and friends are also invited. Posters are mounted and displayed on the walls and cookies and punch, made by committee members, are served. All first, second, third place and honorable mention winners in each contest were individually recognized by



Pictured above with Peggy is Garden Party Grand Prize winner Reylin Sladics

Pictured above with Peggy are state level winners Catherine Hayes, Joshua House and Emmaline Peterson.

the Charlevoix Area Garden Club, presented with a certificate and a bag-potted Butterfly shrub (complete with planting instructions). The overall winners in the garden-themed contest and Smokey/Woodsy contest received a framed copy of their artwork. Michigan Garden Club state winners will receive an engraved wooden plaque.

This year's "It's a Garden

Party" winners are:

Kindergarten: 1st place – Benjamin Culver, 2nd place - Emmett Bergmann, 3rd place - Kaden Archey. Third Grade: 1st place - Alexandra Baron,

2nd place – Katherine Wagner, 3rd place - Kyle Anne O'Leary. Fourth Grade:

1st place – Reylin Sladics 2nd place - Sophie Haan, 3rd place -Emily Bellinger, Honorable Mention – Samantha Parrish.

Fifth Grade:

1st place – Catherine Seger, 2nd place - Helen Hanchin, 3rd place

– Abigail Hilligan. "It's a Garden Party" Grand Prize Winner - Reylin Sladics

This year's Smokey/Woodsy winners are:

First Grade: 1st place – *Catherine Hayes, 2nd place – Laina Sladics, 3rd place – Sequoia Strzyzewski. Second Grade:

1st place – Jack Jarema, 2nd

- place Ellen Dhaseleer, 3rd place - Kately Powlak.
- Third Grade:

1st place - *Joshua House, 2nd

place - Olivia Pearsall, 3rd place - Paige Pemble. Fourth Grade: 1st place – Lily Woodgate, 2nd

place - Margaret Sheets, 3rd

- place Grace Ward.
- Fifth Grade:
- 1st place *Emmaline Peterson, 2nd place - Elise Stuck, 3rd
- place Jason Dong. Smokey/Woodsy Grand Prize
- Winner Lily Woodgate

*Catherine Hayes – Michigan Garden Club First Place winner, First Grade

*Joshua House – Michigan Garden Club First Place winner, Third Grade

*Emmaline Peterson – Michigan Garden Club Third Place Winner, Fifth Grade

FOOD BUCKS

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To get your vouchers simply find the Market Manager Booths. For Charlevoix find the Chamber of Commerce booth every Thursday from 9am-1pm in Downtown Charlevoix's East Park and for the Boyne City market find the Market booth Senior Project Fresh. The Charlevoix market is also taking Visa and Master-Card.

For more information about the Double Up Food Bucks program and to see a complete listing of markets participating visit www.doubleupfoodbucks.org. For local information about the Charlevoix

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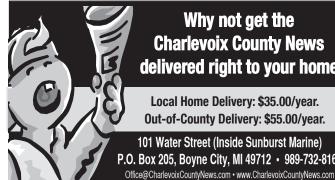
The program will begin on July 1st and run until October 31st. Customers receivevery Wednesday and Saturday from 8am to noon at Veteran's Park.

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Summer Food Service Program

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> **East Jordan Elementary School 304 Fourth Street** East Jordan, Michigan

At East Jordan Elementary School breakfast will be served from 8:00 am - 9:00 am and lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Neighborhood children are welcome to participate. The East Jordan site will be closed July 4 and July 5, 2013.

> **Boyne City United Methodist Church** 324 park Street Boyne City, MI 49712

At Boyne City United Methodist Church, lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Neighborhood children are welcome to participate. The Boyne City site will be closed July 4 and July 5, 2013.

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Health & Wellness

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Charlevoix/Emmet County Bike4BreastCancer Ride next weekend

Saturday, June 15 marks the 11th anniversary of the Charlevoix/Emmet County Bike4BreastCancer Ride at Veteran's Park in Boyne City. This event is held the third Saturday in June each year, raising funds for breast cancer programs offered through Charlevoix Area Hospital and McLaren-Northern Michigan Hospital.

In the past year alone, breast health services have been provided for over 100 uninsured women at either Charlevoix Area Hospital or McLaren-Northern Michigan Hospital, which includes mammograms, ultrasounds, MRIs, CT scans and biopsies. In addition, the funds have been used to offer assistance with cancer-related medical bills. The money raised by Bike4BreastCancer

through this ride helps to sustain these programs year-round.

In 2000, after being diagnosed with inflammatory breast cancer. Kathy Mc-Donald looked for a way to combine her love of cycling with breast cancer awareness. After searching the internet, she found Kathy Betz and Bike4Breast-Cancer.

The first Charlevoix/Emmet County Pink Ribbon Ride was set for June 18, 2003. Kathy gathered family and friends to help with the task and planning got underway. Sadly, she lost her battle in January 2003. It was the goal of everyone involved to make this event happen, and on a beautiful, sunny day in June, it all came together. Over the years this event



has raised over a quarter of a million dollars, donating \$208,000 back to the community. Eighty-five percent of the proceeds are spent here in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, providing services and support to the women who live and work

in our communities. The remaining 15% goes to the national Bike4Breast-Cancer chapter, which funds our website and provides insurance and support for the individual rides.

Online registration is

open until Thursday, June 13 at www.bike4breastcancer.org. You can also obtain a registration form at any of the area Chambers of Commerce or one of these local bike shops: North Country Cycle Sport, Revolution Bike, Bikefix Cycling Center, High Gear Sports and Latitude 45 Bicycles and Fitness. These must be received by no later than June 13, and the cost is \$30 per person or \$50 per family (two adults and any children 13 and under). Onsite registration is available at a cost of \$35 per person or \$60 per family. We have some great prizes this year for the highest individual fundraising efforts.

Sign-in and on-site registration for the 55 mile route begins at 7:00, with riders starting by 7:30; 42, 20 and 7 mile riders are welcome to

sign in and/or register and begin their rides from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. Breakfast items are provided prior to the ride and lunch is served beginning at 12:15 p.m. There are also water and fruit stops along the 55, 42 and 20 mile routes.

Our success is due in large part to the dedication of the people involved in putting this ride together and the commitment of the local businesses and participants. Until a cure is found, the need for these programs will continue. For more information, contact Gay Pung at b4bcbccharem@yahoo.com or (231) 330-1399, or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/b4bcchar-em.

INFANT DENTAL HEALTH Infant dental care an important part of early childhood development

When parents bring their new little bundle of joy home from the hospital, dental visits for baby rarely make the list of things to do, what with all the diapers to buy and birth announcements to send out. This would seem sensible at first glance, since junior doesn't have any teeth, but a child's first tooth can appear as early as four months, and he or she will probably have several by their first birthday. Early planning for dental care can help assure a solid foundation of overall health.

Well baby visits to the Physician are a well established norm for infant care in he United States. Even though (in most cases) the doctor does little more than weigh the baby and wiggle everything that moves, professional well baby care is widely accepted as an excellent way for parents to have confidence that their child is growing within normal limits. It's also a great way to discover any problems that might exist, and get general advice from an experienced health profesional. Indeed, waiting until a child suffers from some severe malady before taking them to their first doctor visit can be considered as anywhere from risky to borderline negligent parenting.

Unfortunately, few parents think about their children's oral health in the same way, even though the American Dental Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics both recommend that infants visit the dentist six months after their first tooth comes in, or by their first birthday. Early visits to the dentist establish a good report between child, dentist, and parents, and the dental team can begin to work with parents to protect a child's smile by identifying risk factors and behaviors that could be trouble in the future. For example, too much fruit juice and poor oral hygiene practices can lead to severe tooth decay by age 2 or 3.

Ask any dentist to name the hardest kind of case to treat and they will almost always describe trying to fix badly decayed teeth on a frightened, squirming, toddler. These situations can be prevented by starting dental care at a young age.

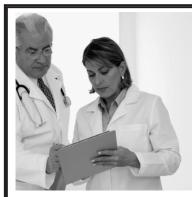
Finding your child's "dental home" is an important part of forming a solid foundation for their happy and prosperous development. To find out more about infant dental care and dentists in your area who offer it, visit www.pointsoflightonline.org which is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to connecting parents of infants with Michigan dentists.

"about the author", Richard Skowronski D.D.S. is a graduate of NMU and Marquette University School of Dentistry. He has been a family practice dentist in the Frankenmuth area for 23 years, and is a Point Dentist in his area with the Points of Light project. He is the President and Founder of Donate a Smile, a



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News



Too late for life insurance? Dear Dave.

Is it ever too late to get life insurance?

Tiffany Dear Tiffany,

The only time it's really too late to get life insurance is after you're dead! But seriously, if you're older than 70 it becomes pretty difficult to get affordable coverage, because insurance companies figure you've pretty much got one foot in the grave already at that point.

You can get term life insurance pretty easily up until about age 70, and there are a few policies available past that point, depending on your health situation. But you really shouldn't need life insurance when you're that age and older. Hopefully, you've invested, saved, and set aside enough money to pay burial expenses and for a spouseif you have one-to live on after you're gone. -Dave

Is it in the will? Dear Dave,

My father is terminally ill, and my two brothers and I recently had a talk with dad about his estate. He wants everything, except his house, left to us. He would like it to go to his long-time girlfriend, but it's not written that way in the will. Should we



have the will changed to reflect this desire? Dan Dear Dan,

I'm really sorry about your dad. I know this isn't easy for you guys, but I'm glad you're all working together to make things right. Yes, the will needs to be changed to reflect his wishes where the house is concerned. If he is still of sound mind and able to make that decision independently, the will should describe exactly what he wants to happen with every piece of his estate.

There is an alternative though. It's fine if he simply wants to give her the house. But he could also leave her a life estate that says she gets the use of the home as long as she's alive. Then, upon her death, it would revert to you. Essentially, the house would be left to you, but she would have use of it during her life.

This is a more traditional approach in these kinds of situations, but it's your dad's will and his estate. He can do whatever he wants. But remember, if he deeds the house to you and you give it to her, you'll have a gifttax situation on your hands. You don't want to get into that mess! —Dave

* Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsevcom



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use of low-impact fireworks, such as ground and hand-held sparkling devices, and novelties, including snappers, party poppers, snakes, and smoke balls, are permitted yearround. Consumer fireworks, such as Roman candles and bottle rockets, however, are limited to the day before, the day of, and the day after a federal holiday. Federal holidays include: New Year's Day, the Birthday of Martin Luther King Jr., Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

During the 30 days that consumer

fireworks are allowed, the city has restricted the hours of use. Fireworks cannot be ignited, discharged, or used between the hours of 12 AM and 8 AM, according to the ordinance.

The city commission also revised the city's drug and alcohol workplace policies at Tuesday's meeting to eliminate the requirement of random drug testing. This will offer the city a \$1,118 cost savings per year.

Drug testing will continue to be required for pre-employment, post-accident, and in any case of "reasonable suspicion." DPW employees that possess a commercial driver's license, however, will continue to participate in random testing, as required under the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Through the state of Michigan, East Jordan has also been given a \$10,000 grant for reforestation, namely for the removal and replacement of diseased ash trees. According to Parks Director Tom Cannon, 28 diseased trees have already been removed at the Tourist Park and around 60 trees at Elm Pointe.

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"The Tourist Park was heavily hit, "said Cannon. "There are still two more ash trees that will be removed. Without this grant we would not have been able to remove all these trees."

Cannon and staff plan to replace the trees with a variety of native species to Michigan that will not be affected by the Emerald ash borer and other insects.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18 at 7pm.

Last Chance Resale Store in Harbor Springs; Great finds, great prices in support of a great cause

By Jim Akans

When owners Carol Fletcher of Petoskey and Laura Swem of Charlevoix decided to bring together their resale shop experience and start a new business; Last Chance Resale Store in Harbor Springs, they wanted to make sure part of their focus was giving back to their local community.

"At the core of our mission statement," relates Swem, " is that the ultimate goal of Last Chance Resale is to help people in the community, one family at a time. Our goal is to create a business that can provide help for local people, not only through low priced quality merchandise, but also through a cash assistance program for those that may have run out of other options with everyday living expenses, such as heating, other utilities, food or clothing."

For those in need who have pursued other options for assistance such as the Salvation Army, Last Chance Resale will utilize some of the stores proceeds to help pay a portion of their utility bill, food or clothing needs (the store does not hand out cash directly to the recipient). Last Chance Resale will also support local humane societies by donating blankets and towels that do not sell in the store but can help out at those shelters.

This coming weekend, June 8th and 9th, is the Last Chance Resale Store Grand Opening event, and they invite area shoppers to stop by and browse through the approximately 1,300 square foot shops wide assortment of men's, women's, children's and infant clothing, furniture, jewelry, knick knacks, house ware items



Check out the grand opening celebration this weekend at the new Last Chance Resale Store. located in the Harbor Plaza in Harbor Springs. COURTESY PHOTO

and more. The inventory features a wide array of gently used donated items, which are accepted anytime during store hours, though they do not accept large appliances or mattresses.

"We like to say we are small in size but hearts are big," notes Swem.

lize that experience and take this opportunity to give back to community at the same time. We believe in great finds, great prices and a great cause.

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Schoolhouse Gardens a unique destination in Charlevoix

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Marvin's Gardens was a beauty mark on an industrial stretch of M-66 for twenty years. Then last July the green arbors, wood bridges and colorful plants were gone. The lawn and garden center is now reopening its doors three miles off the beaten path at the charming Loeb schoolhouse.

The new location gives the nursery two extra acres to expand. "It was time for a change, we couldn't grow any further than we were, where we were at," said Debbie Hoeksema, Schoolhouse Manager. The historical schoolhouse with its surrounding fields and well maintained outbuildings provides a perfect atmosphere for the nursery. "You don't hear the traffic like before, just lots of butterflies and hummingbirds and people are browsing longer," said Hoeksema.

Like Marvin's Gardens, Schoolhouse Gardens specializes in unique plants and custom arrangements. "Right now wall art with pockets that hold these little succulents is very popular," said Jeanie Alward, Schoolhouse associate. The drought resistant plants thrive in shade or sun and need little attention. "It's one of the things we carry that most others don't." said Alward.

The nursery will carry all of its usual shrubs, trees and hanging baskets as well as annual and perennial plants and custom containers. Their goal is to cater more to landscapers as well as individual gardeners by having larger quantities available. They sell bulk mulch and will deliver it and Owner Gary Marvin makes weekly trips downstate to pick up special orders and other unique additions.

The vision of Schoolhouse Gardens is to eventually rent out a part of one of the outbuildings to possibly a whole foods or some sort of organic retailer and open a wedding consulting and dried flower center as well as a history center that will tell the story of the schoolhouse. "We feel the character of Schoolhouse Gardens lends itself to something like that," said Hoeksema.





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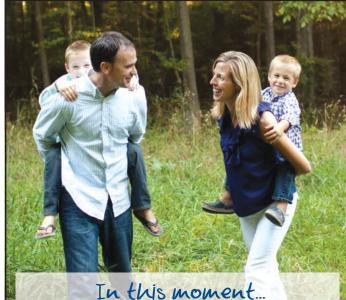
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Arts & Events Luke Buck Watercolor Workshop at **Raven Hill Discovery Center**

On Monday, June 24th and Tuesday, June 25th, there will be a Luke Buck Watercolor Workshop, "Watercolor Painting: Chaos and Control," at Raven Hill Discovery Center from 10 am to 3 pm each day. Luke Buck, a native "Hoosier", grew up and studied art in Indiana. His nostalgic paintings of Americana landscapes and American wildlife show a love for life, art, and nature. Many "locals" here in northern Michigan appreciate his talents and enjoy collecting his paintings.

June 6, 2013

"I'm looking forward to returning to the Raven Hill Discovery Center for another workshop session in

Watercolor Painting. It's been my pleasure sharing ideas and thoughts with such an energetic and knowledgeable group of artists during the course over past couple of years. It's been a nice blend of painters, from the novice and beginner, to the more experienced and accomplished artist."

During last year's Watercolor Workshop, we explored watercolor painting of water. This year, along with a general study in watercolor technique in landscape painting, we will focus on chaos and control in watercolor painting. Luke will be teaching his unique but traditional

technique and approach to watercolor painting through lectures, demonstrations, and step-bystep painting with one-on-one instructions. This workshop is designed for beginner, intermediate, or advanced watercolor painters and will focus on techniques for watercolor painting.

Early enrollment is recommended as space is limited. Cost: \$250 for 2 days. Lunch is included. The Luke Buck Watercolor Workshop will be held at Raven Hill Discovery Center, locate at 4737 Fuller Road in East Jordan, Michigan 49727 Contact Cheri Leach,

CEO and Director of Programming for further details and to register. Phone: 231-536-3369 / Toll free: 877-833-4254 / Fax: 231-536-0132

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Rotary Variety Show

EAST JORDAN The 7th annual East Jordan Rotary Variety Show will be held on Friday, June 7th and Saturday, June 8th at 7pm at the Community Auditorium. Silent auction begins at 6pm. \$10 admission. Advanced ticket sales are available from any East Jordan Rotarian or at

Beautiful baby contest

The East Jordan Freedom Festival will be holding the 3rd Annual Beautiful Baby Contest this year. If you have a baby between the ages of newborn and two years old and would like to be a part of the contest please stop in at Charlevoix State Bank in East Jordan to pick up your entry can. (limited number of entries available) Entries are given one empty can that they can decorate and used to collect spare change (or big bills) as votes for your baby. The baby with the

Charlevoix State Bank, Huntington Bank or Glen's Market in East Jordan until June 5th. After this date, tickets available at Charlevoix State Bank or at the door, but in very limited quantities as the show gets sold out! For more information call the chamber at 231-536-7351

the 2013 Most Beautiful Baby. You can leave the cans at a local business with their permission, take it with you wherever you go - work, family reunions, etc. to get votes. Cans can be picked up at Charlevoix State Bank and must be returned by Friday, June 14th by noon. The winner will receive a \$25 Gift Certificate from Marty's Cones & Carry-out and a \$25 Gift Certificate from Murray's sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank. Cans donated by Burnette Foods, Inc.

Comedienne Paula Poundstone to appear at Boyne City Performing Arts Center on June 22nd

By Jim Akans

Recognized as one of Comedy Central's 100 greatest stand-up performers of all time, and recently inducted into the Comedy Hall of Fame, comedienne Paula Poundstone will soon bring her unique gift of humor to Northern Michigan as she will appear at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center on Saturday, June 22nd starting at 8 pm. Net proceeds from this event will be utilize to help purchase a \$20,000 vertical wheelchair lift to make the two-story, yet-to-open Boyne Country Community Center building barrier free. Reserve seat tickets are \$40 and are now on sale. But they are going fast; so don't wait to reserve your spot at this amazing and community oriented event.

Poundstone has a wonderful ability to improvise, and her spontaneity and audience interaction make each live performance unique and memorable. On stage, with just a stool and a can of diet soda, she creates humor right on the spot bringing the audience to laughter time and time again. Her spontaneity and quick-witted intelligence have made her an ideal panelist on NPR's "Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me" program, and she has made solo presentation specials on HBO. Bravo as well as regular appearances on Saturday Night Live, David Letterman, Jay Leno and Garrison Keilors "A Prairie Companion" radio show. Poundstone was also the first woman to win the ACE Award for Best Standup Comedy Performance and the first woman invited to perform at the White House Correspondents dinner. It's pretty easy to get the hint that her June 22nd performance is something not to be



Mardi Gras in June

BOYNE CITY

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Palette Knife Classes

CHARLEVOIX

Popular Palette Knife Artist, James Kosloskey will be teaching two classes in June at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton Street. Cost of the class is \$125 and includes all materials needed.

Tuesday, June 25 and Wednesday, June 26 Jim will be teaching an Advanced Palette Knife Class. 5 to 9pm. Cost is \$125 and includes all materials. A great teacher and nice article. Please call the Charlevoix Circle of Arts to register or send in your check to Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton, Charlevoix, MI 49720

Booth space available at Art Festival

A wide variety of fine arts and crafts will be presented at the 45th Annual Cheboygan Arts Festival on Saturday, July 13, 2013 from 10am to 4pm, at the Cheboygan Festival Square.

For interested artists, it is not too late to secure a booth to exhibit your art. The Pavilion provides a new outdoor facility with a roof for inclement weather, electricity is available and the downtown location will attract many shoppers. Ribbons and cash prizes are awarded. If you are interested in renting space for your art, contact The Opera House at 231-627-5432.

Exhibitors will be appearing from Cheboygan and around Michigan. In the fine arts category, there will be a variety of watercolor and oil paintings, along with sculptures, glass, photography, and

pottery. Visitors will also find a selection of jewelry, fabric art, and furniture. Each artist's work has been reviewed by a jury for originality and quality. This event is unique in that awards are presented during the show, after judges have reviewed the works on display.

Many of the artists have contributed items to a raffle, and visitors may come away with a special piece of art for just the price of a \$2 ticket. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Arts Council. Singer Jack Barber will be on hand to serenade shoppers on Saturday, from 11am until 2pm. There are restaurants and other shopping opportunities within walking distance of the Pavilion. The show ends at 4p.m. This program is sponsored in part by Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Activities.

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The event will be held at the Bovne City High School Performing Arts Center, and tickets can be purchase on-line at www.poundstone.net, by following the link on the Boyne Country Com-

munity Center's website (www.boynecc.com), and they are also available at the Boyne City Ace Hardware or by calling (231) 582-6532.



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MEDICARE NEWS Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program, June 2013

help our Medicare population in Region 10.

As many of you may

know, Sue Graybill has re-

cently retired from the po-

sition of Regional MMAP

and Employment Coordi-

nator at the Area Agency

on Aging in Traverse City.

Sue will be joining her hus-

band in this new adventure

of retirement, and she

plans to spend more time

with her children and their

families. We certainly wish

Sue a great retirement. We

will all miss her. Perhaps

she may do some MMAP

myself. My name is Jim

Verville. I began my tour-

of-duty in MMAP starting

in November of 2009 as a

served as the Site Coordi-

until April of 2013 at which

nator from June of 2010

time I was named to re-

place Sue Graybill as the

Regional Coordinator for

with our beneficiaries and

the 50 MMAP Counselors

located throughout Region

10. More and more of the

"boomers" are reaching

Medicare age. This makes

our jobs both interesting

and challenging. I look for-

ward to finding new and in-

novative ways to reach and

MMAP. I enjoy working

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volunteer counseling later.

Let me briefly introduce

Last year our team served 5,274 Medicare beneficiaries throughout our 10 county region. There are approximately 65,000 people who are currently eligible for Medicare throughout these same 10 counties, so we helped about 8% of the population. We are truly grateful for the 50 MMAP Counselors who are part of our team. About half of them are Volunteer Counselors and the other half are associated with an agency or private organization. Our Counselors are all trained and certified and do an excellent job in helping our beneficiaries. I can say they all have a heart for the seniors and those who are on Medicare because of a disability. We strive to help our clients with health insurance questions, medical billing is-sues, fraud and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid systems, along with a wide range of other related subjects.

Lastly, I want to talk about an issue that I see looming in the area of health insurance. The current session of the Michigan Legislature passed two bills that will reorganize Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. While the full details of this legislation is well beyond the scope of my comments. I have a deep concern that one aspect of these new laws will have a huge im-pact on Medicare beneficiaries in Michigan. As a result of this legislation the Blue **Cross Blue Shield Legacy** Medigap plans will probably disappear after June of 2016. We have about 210.000 Michigan residents who are enrolled in these Medicare supplement plans. Verv few of these subscribers are aware that the Legacy products will likely be ending in about 3 years. While there are certainly other medigap supplemental plans available, the Legacy products have long been a favor-ite because of their relatively low cost and the excellent coverage offered by them. While the loss of these plans will result in a major change in health care costs for seniors, residents who are receiving Medicare benefits at an earlier age due to a disability will also face a crisis. These beneficiaries

will not have many choices for medigap coverage because they are un-der the age of 65 and most companies do not offer supplemental plans for these individuals. Those that do offer them charge premiums that are unaffordable. Fortunately we have some time to react to this. My hope is that we, in Michigan, can arrive at some reasonable consensus regarding the availability and the pricing for medigap supplemental plans within the next three years. We need to ask ourselves, "What can I personally do to ensure that this happens".

This information was provided 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

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