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Boyne City Celebrates Ten Years of Growth and Improvement



Valerie Peters
Charlevoix County News All-Area Softball Player of the Year

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Richard Matelski
Charlevoix County News All-Area Softball Coach of the Year

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By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—Boyne City held a community wide celebration of the tenth anniversary of a nationally endorsed revitalization effort called the Main Street program last Wednesday in Old City Park, complete with homegrown music, speeches and food provided by some of the downtown businesses. The day was memorialized by planting a tree in the park.

Main Street is a community-driven, comprehensive strategy that encourages economic develop-



Jillian Cain, Olivia Knitter of Boyne City, Kaitlynn Vanderberg of Auburn, MI and Jake Higley of Bay City assisted Mark Contrucci of Mark C's Trees in planting a White Oak in Old City Park during the tenth anniversary celebration of Boyne City's Main Street program Wednesday.



ment through historic preservation in ways that are appropriate for today's marketplace like design, helping existing businesses expand and recruiting new businesses, promotion, and getting everyone working toward a common goal.

"Thirteen years and seven hours ago on this very spot we officially started our Main Street program," began City Manager Michael Cain in an address to the several hundred picnicking residents at the park.

According to Rob Swartz, Main Street Board Chair, 26,517 volunteer hours have gone into recreating Boyne City over the last ten years and more than \$5.4 million in grants and public investment has rebuilt the downtown area resulting in nineteen new businesses, 141 new jobs, seventeen building facades rehabilitated, a unique brand identity, a listing on the Registry of Historic Places and a Governor's

Award for work completed on the old water works building.

Mark Contrucci of Mark C's trees, accompanied by four youngsters planted a white Oak during the celebration to memorialize ten years of growth and success for the city. The tree can be expected to live as many as 300 years, "We're trying to have nothing but native trees in the park," said Contrucci.

Horton Creek performed before and after the speeches and a hotdog meal was provided by Country Provisions and Wine Emporium, Kilwin's ice cream, and the Alpine Chocolate Haus' special caramel corn completed the meal. The city intends to continue the anniversary celebration through the summer and beyond. "Ten years ago we reached a fork in the road and we picked it up and look where it has taken us," concluded Cain.

Boyne Mtn. asks for grant help with 8 Million dollar expansion

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—A public hearing was held to hear comments concerning a pending application for a grant to assist Boyne Mountain with sewer upgrades, contracts were awarded for electrical work to be completed at City Hall and another opportunity for a grant to assist with administrative processes was approved at the June 25 City Commission meeting.

Boyne Mountain would like to conduct upgrades that would convert a six inch forced main to a ten inch main. The Resort needs the City, who supplies their sewer removal, to submit the application in their stead because the Michigan Economic Development Corporation does not award grants to private entities that must go through their local governments. Both the city and Boyne Valley Township must participate in the grant process under the Community Development Block Grant Program. Boyne Mountain has provided written satisfaction that the grant will be of no cost to the city. The resort has plans to construct new condominium units and an Alpine Mountain Coaster. The resort expects to hire forty-five new employees in the next two years as a result of the expansion. The eight million dollar expansion will create other jobs as a spin-off of the project. "What it means

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HIGH: Mid 70's
LOW: Mid 50's

SUNDAY



HIGH: Mid 70's
LOW: Low 50's

MONDAY



HIGH: Mid 70's
LOW: Low 50's

TUESDAY



HIGH: Upper 70's
LOW: Mid 50's

record temps

Day	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Record High	Record Low
27	81°F	53°F	95°F (2005)	35°F (1992)
28	81°F	53°F	96°F (2005)	40°F (1970)
29	81°F	54°F	93°F (1964)	36°F (1988)
30	81°F	54°F	92°F (1963)	38°F (1982)
July 1	82°F	54°F	95°F (1966)	36°F (1965)
2	82°F	54°F	95°F (1949)	37°F (1995)
3	82°F	54°F	96°F (1966)	37°F (1968)

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for us is about two thousand more people that visit Boyne Mountain," said Ed Grice, General Manager at Boyne Mountain.

"I think Boyne USA needs to be commended for the partnership we've had so far, we're happy you're here," said Mayor Ron Grunch.

As part of the Bay Winds Federal Credit Union building project, Bay Winds agreed to pay for three matching light posts and the cost of having them installed. Since the Credit Union is across the street from City Hall which has been experiencing issues with two old electrical lines, city staff arranged to save money by bidding both jobs together. "I think the pricing is very good, both of these contractors have done a lot of work for the city in the past," said Andy Kovolski, Streets/Parks Superintendent. Lake Street as well as the circle drive in front of the City Hall will have to be bored under in order to complete the project. "We're saving mobilization charges from both contractors by having them do both projects, added Kovolski. City Manager Michael Cain also

added that the additional cost of installing another meter as well as the monthly costs associated with the meter will be eliminated by this process. The commission approved contracts with Roemer Utility Services for the amount of \$7,124 and Ed's Electric for \$10,850.

An opportunity to apply for a grant to assist with the expense of revising the city's five year master plan came across city staff desks at the last minute but they managed to get all letters of interest and applications filed on time. However, they proceeded with these actions without approval from the Commission. "We are coming to the City commission now that we have something firm and tangible," said Cain. Commissioner Derek Gaylord was very irritated by the "putting the cart before the horse" process this grant went through. "The real question before us is will this grant help us as we move forward on our master plan," said Cain. The board approved the application process in retrospect with Gaylord voting nay, "not as presented."

The next regular City commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9 at 7 P.M.

Fox Motors Breaks Ground on New GM Chrysler Dealership in Charlevoix



Pictured (L-R) Renee LaCount Office Manager, Sean Knapp sales Manager, Erin Bemis president - Charlevoix Chamber, David Prah Fox Sales Manager, Jim Jeffreys General Manager, Bethany Pearson Director of Membership - Charlevoix Chamber.

Gailon 'Gail' LaVerne Tinsley, 68

(JUNE 29, 1944 - JUNE 19, 2013)

Gailon "Gail" LaVerne Tinsley of East Jordan passed away June 19, 2013, peacefully after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born June 29, 1944, in Pontiac, to William Emmett and Nana Mae (Phillips) Tins-

ley.

He married Paula A. (Heise) on Jan. 15, 1993. They made their home in East Jordan.

He was a welder and avid hunter, fisherman and sports fan.

Surviving are his wife, Paula; daughter, Patricia; two stepsons, Daniel Nurenburg and Troy (Dawn) Swegles; stepdaughter, Shelley (Chad Diss) McCullough; grand-

children, Dustin, Brandon, Kiatlin, Tyler, Justin, Mattea, Jarrett, Alana, Savhana and Cole; mother-in-law, Madlyn Heise; brothers, Arnold (Marilyn), Don (Mary), Norm, (Ellie); sisters, Shirley, Margaret and Barbara; brother-in-law, Carroll Jones; and many nieces and nephews; and dear friends Dave, Cathy and Rex Bartholomew.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, James and Gilbert; and sister, Mary; father-in-law, Robert C. Heise; and brother-in-law, Robert T. Heise.

The funeral service was Tuesday, June 25, at Niblack Funeral Home with Pastor Gary Griffin officiating. Interment at Greenwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to American Cancer Society.

Virginia Jarvis, 97

Virginia Jarvis of Charlevoix died Wednesday, June 19, 2013, at Boulder Park Terrace nursing home, Charlevoix. A memorial service is planned for July.

Samuel Thomas

Samuel Thomas, still-born son of Jennifer Lynn Burr and Brandon Thomas Brimacombe, went to be with our Lord on Wednesday, June 19, 2013, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

A private graveside service will be held at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan. Arrangements are by the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

Mildred L. (Houts) Speigl, 87

(OCT. 11, 1925 - JUNE 17, 2013)

Mildred L. (Houts) Speigl of Hayes Township went to be with her Lord June 17, 2013, surrounded by her family. "She has fought the good fight."

Mildred was born on Oct. 11, 1925, in Petoskey, the daughter of Fred and Ruth (Jones) Houts. Mil-

dred, known as Millie, had many talents that she shared. She loved crocheting, sewing, embroidery, cooking, playing bingo, guitar, piano and violin. Most of the things she made she gave away because she had a very generous heart.

Mildred was the Petoskey Eagles cook for years and ran the fair booth. She also cooked and waitressed at the "Famous Chicken Basket." Mildred was the mother to the very popular Road Runners band and often sang with them; she followed them to most of their events. Mildred loved music, her family and helped each one of them in any way she could.

Mildred resided at Boulder Park Terrace the last three years and loved making people laugh there. She pulled on the heart strings of many workers. They will remember Mildred for her singing and looking forward to attending church on Sunday. She loved her Lord and held him close to her heart.

Mildred attended Greensky Hill Indian Church and had many friends there before her Boulder Park Terrace stay. She has a beautiful handmade rug in front of the fireplace she donated for all to see in the fellowship hall. Mildred shared her love of Jesus to everyone she came into contact with. She wanted to make sure everyone had the opportunity to hear the invitation and to accept the Lord so they could be with her in heaven.

She was an amazing woman and will be missed by all.

Mildred is survived by her children, Albert (Debbie) Sadowski, Jerry (friend Bessie Drewanz) Sadowski, Fay (Robert) McKnight-Fagnant, Jim (Diana) Speigl, Andy Speigl Jr. (friend Peggy Cassidy), Anna (Leon) Parker, Steve (Reta) Speigl, Bill (Mary) Werner and Marla Bockman; brother, William A Houts; 25 grandchildren;

37 great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Ruth; sisters, Helen (Robert) Thompson and Betty (George) Speigl; and son-in-law, John Bockman.

A graveside service was Thursday, June 20, at the Undine Cemetery in Hayes Township with Pastor Timothy Wright officiating.

Memorial donations may be directed to Greensky Hill Indian Church, 8484 Green Sky Hill Road, Charlevoix, Mich. 49720; or Hospice Health, 220 W. Garfield, Charlevoix, Mich. 49720.

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

William "Muckwa" Erickson, 68

(JULY 15, 1944 - JUNE 18, 2013)



Former Boyne Falls resident William "Muckwa" Erickson, 68, of 1862S Little Harbor Road, Manistique (Thompson), Mich., died unexpectedly on June 18, 2013, at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital in Manistique. He was born July 15, 1944, in Thompson, Mich., the son of Ellis and Virgie (Yoeman) Erickson and attended Manistique Area Schools.

He served in the U.S. Navy and was stationed in Spain.

On Feb. 8, 1969, he married the former Virgie Erickson in Hastings, Mich. They raised their family in Gobles, Mich., and

moved to Thompson in 1994 from Boyne Falls.

Bill was employed as an electrical service technician with Consumers Energy, retiring after 31 years of service.

He was a member of the Schoolcraft County V.F.W. Post 4420 of Manistique and was also a member and elder of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. He loved to tinker and was a jack of all trades. He loved to help family and friends. He enjoyed cook-outs with his friends in "Da-Bar" and was the C.E.O. of the big "B.S. Club." He was an avid Green Bay Packer fan.

Bill is survived by his wife, Virgie Erickson, of Thompson; daughter, Teresa Erickson Miles, of Manistique; grandson, Nicholas Miles, of Gobles; stepson, Billy Jack Burkhead, of Corpus Christi, Texas; brother, Orville (Evelyn) Erickson, of Manistique; along with nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Jason Erickson, in 1991; and brother, Gerald Erickson.

Visitation was Tuesday, June 25, at the Messier-Broullire Funeral Home in Manistique. A veteran's ritual-prayer service took place at the funeral home.

Charles L. Fairbanks, 79

Charles L. Fairbanks, "Coach", of East Jordan, passed away April 2, 2013. A memorial service will be 2 pm, Wednesday, July 3, at the Ironton Congregational Church, 3805 Washington Street in Ironton.

Russell B. Gee, 87

Russell B. Gee of East Jordan died Monday, June 24, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

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

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Quilt Show Displays the Intricate & Whimsical

by Izzy Lyman

“Quilts by the Bay” a show sponsored by the Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild, included nearly 140 creations made by guild members.

The quilts included a pair of ‘Dear Janes,’ which feature complex geometric patterns, as well as one fashioned with men’s ties.

The two-day show, held this past weekend, attracted over 700 spectators.

Shelley Stallard of East Jordan won Best of Show for her elaborate bed quilt - “Fifty Shades of Blue.” Stallard said the quilt, which included handmade appliques, took her three years to complete. The quilt that Jan Gray of Boyne City made (“Don’t Water My Garden”) was selected as “Judge’s Choice” and “Viewer’s Choice.” Lynn Magee provided an assist by doing the quilting for this red stunner.

A bittersweet touch to the show was an exhibit of quilts honoring the memory and work of former guild member, Nancy Bottomley of Ellsworth, who passed away in 2011.

Dee Dadik and Molly Butler of Ohio and American Quilter’s Society members served as the judges and appraisers for the event.

The Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild, which meets at the Friendship Center in Petoskey on the second Thursday of the month, has 120 members whose expertise ranges from beginner to “published” (having fashioned



Boyne City’s Jan Gray, in the middle, flanked by judges, with her award-winning quilt.



Shelley Stallard, of East Jordan, with her award-winning quilt.

a quilt or pattern that was featured in a book or magazine).

In addition to showcasing quality craftsmanship, the guild also pursues charitable endeavors by offering pediatric quilts to McLaren Northern Michigan hospital and place-

mats for the Emmet County Meals on Wheels program.

If you didn’t make the show, but would like to take a peek at some of the exhibits, visit the website: <http://ltbquiltersguild.org>

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SATURDAY, JULY 7

8:00am ELLEBRATION BIKE TOUR
Ellsworth High School Parking Lot, Park Street
 Registration 7:00am. Enjoy this 32-mile tour along the Chain-o-Lakes. Early registration fee includes free T-shirt. www.ellebration.com for registration form.

9:00am PANCAKE BREAKFAST
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10:00am FREE HISTORICAL TROLLEY TOURS
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11:00am THE GRAND PARADE
Up Center Street then Main Street to High School
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12:00pm FREE CIRCUS SHOW AND CIRCUS ARTS STATIONS
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12:00pm FREE KIDS INFLATABLES & LAVA FLOW ROCK CLIMBING WALL
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12:00pm ROAST PORK LUNCH
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Business

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Dairy Grille selected as Charlevoix Chamber Business of the Month

By Jim Akans

The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce has selected the Dairy Grille of Charlevoix as the Business of the Month, recognizing the organizations long-standing commitment in helping to make Charlevoix an outstanding community in which to live, work and play.

Established in 1962, this locally-owned business has been operated by the same family through three generations over the past six decades. Pat and Judy Hayden have operated this tasty local establishment since the late 1970's, and upon their retirement this year

the ownership will be passed to the next generation. The Dairy Grille is making that transition with Pat and Judy's son Terry Hayden, and future son-in-law Dennis Rasmussen.

The business operates from April 1st through the third week in September each year, and has twelve local employees. The establishment was part of the national Dairy Queen franchise until going independent as the Dairy Grille about seven years ago. Dairy Grille has earned a wonderful reputation for excellence in customer service and the products they offer, which includes premium Country Fresh

soft serve ice cream and fresh meats for grill items.

While the Dairy Grille is a regular stop for locals and Northern Michigan visitors alike, the establishment has served as decades-long much anticipated after the game tradition for little-leaguers. Both Dennis Rasmussen and Terry Hayden have a special affinity for American's National pastime; baseball.

Rasmussen was a pitcher in the Major Leagues for 13 years, and actually coached Terry Hayden, who was a pitcher in the AAA Leagues before retiring due to an arm injury. Rasmussen even met his future bride, Renee, who happens to be Terry's sister, while Terry was playing baseball in Ft. Meyers, Florida back in 1998. The couple began dating and are planning a wedding for this coming January.

Through their extensive affiliation with professional baseball, Dennis and Terry arranged to have the Major League Baseball Players Alumni organization present a fundraiser for the Charlevoix Little League this past May. The event brought nine former Major League players to the community, and included a baseball clinic that drew over 200 kids, an autograph signing session that drew over 400 people, a reception



Founded in 1962, the Dairy Grille has been owned and operated by the same family since it was established. Shown here (from left) are second-generation owner Pat Hayden, and the next generation of owners, Dennis Rasmussen (center) and Terry Hayden (at right). COURTESY PHOTO.

The Charlevoix Chamber has selected the Dairy Grille of Charlevoix as the Business of the Month, recognizing the organizations long-standing commitment in helping to make Charlevoix an outstanding community in which to live, work and play. COURTESY PHOTO



and silent auction event at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant, and a golf outing at the Belvedere Club in Charlevoix. The event was so successful in raising funds for the Charlevoix Little League, it is planned to become an annual occasion.

"We love being a part of this community," Dennis Rasmussen affirms, "and the terrific support they have given to us over the years. We also enjoy supporting the community by

giving back through events such as this. We are excited to offer the community a local business that has an old-time feel, serves quality products and has a fun atmosphere."

The Dairy Grille is located at 111 Bridge Street in Charlevoix, and is open seven days a week from 11 am to 11 pm April 1st through the third week in September. For additional information, check them out on Facebook at "Charlevoix Dairy Grille."

The Charlevoix Business of the Month is selected by the Chamber Ambassador Committee and represents an organization that goes above and beyond business as usual, positively impacting the community. Each Business of the Month will be a contender for the Chamber's annual Business of the Year Award. This prestigious award is presented at the Chamber's Annual Awards Reception.



Vi Keller, owner of Little Scovies Restaurant in Charlevoix, is proud to announce a new expanded dining area.



Scovies Restaurant Expands

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Little Scovies Restaurant now resides at 107,109 and 111 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. The restaurant has expanded its boundaries for the second time in ten years this time taking over what used to be the elements building.

This year marks Scovies tenth anniversary but even with the new extended dining area, owner, Vi Keller, still considers herself the best kept secret in Charlevoix. "When people come here, this becomes their regular place," she said.

So Keller has been working on getting them to make that initial stop in. For over a year now she has been jumping through the hoops to acquire a class C liquor license. It took a year to get approval to apply for the

license and the restaurant is finally in the final investigational stage of that process. "At night people want to come out and have a beer, you have a 2.3 million dollar marina and when they get off their boats I want them to stay here, stroll the streets, maybe listen to some jazz," she said. Because of how the Pure Michigan campaign has set up the licensing process the expansion is part of it. It requires that \$75,000 be invested in the fixed assets of the restaurant. "We outgrew this place three years ago, with Giuseppe's closing and other things that are happening in Charlevoix, I knew this was my time (to expand)," said Keller.

Before beginning the process of acquiring the license Keller conducted a customer support forum to see if people in Charlevoix wanted a

restaurant that served liquor and the results were 480 signatures without even walking out the door. "I'm in the customer service industry and that's what I try to pound in my employees' brains when they open the door we care they are here, we get to know our customers and our customers get to know us, we're kind of like Cheers, where everybody wants to go," said Keller.

Offering good food at affordable prices is the key to Scovies success according to Keller, "Adding the amenity of alcohol will make that even better. We are not going to be a bar, I don't want to lose the feel of the hominess in the restaurant," she said.



Justin Micheau's area Verizon stores make kids number one with free backpacks stuffed with school supplies to be given away August 3rd while supplies last.

Local Verizon Stores Equip Kids for School

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Verizon stores in Charlevoix, East Jordan, Bellaire, Cheboygan, and Kalkaska are joining a national community enhancing campaign to give every child a backpack stuffed with school supplies. The packs will be given away on a first come first serve basis on August 3.

The five Northwestern Michigan stores are owned by Justin Micheau whose minimum goal is to give away 100 in each store in Petoskey, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Kalkaska and East Jordan, and fifty in Bellaire. That's 450 backpacks with supplies valued at \$95 each. "The most exciting thing about this promotion is that we can take the burden of those expenditures off the parents, they can use the money to take a long weekend with the kids or for dance class, hockey, any kind of relationship building activities," said Micheau. He hopes that in his community the backpacks will free up some parents finances to maybe get a child involved in an activity they may not have been able to otherwise afford.

Nationwide TCC Verizon is trying to give away over 60,000 backpacks. Each store sets a goal and is presently collecting donations that will be packed into the backpacks and set aside for the big day. Residents in the community that have heard about the promotion have already given Micheau \$450 in dollar donations and businesses like Fox Motors, the Grey Gables and AmericInn in Charlevoix have given donations as well. "I want people to know this is about community. Verizon is doing this on a national level but we're not sharing the money, that's all local, what we donate is how much support we can give back to the community," he said.

No purchase is necessary to receive a free backpack the goal is to create awareness of store locations. Backpacks will be given to every student that walks through the doors until they're gone. "It's first come first serve, you can't come in and say I need three backpacks, the students have to be there, besides it's more fun to pick out your own," said Micheau.

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CHARLEVOIX

New Exhibit: Beaches, Boats, Bars and Ballads

Join the Charlevoix Circle of Arts for their new exhibit "Beaches, Boats, Bars and Ballads." The exhibit runs through July 16th.

CHARLEVOIX

Live theater production

A live theater Production of "Poe's Last Night" featuring professional stage and film actor David Crawford will be presented in the gothic atmosphere of the King's Indoor Chapel at Castle Farms on July 9, 10 and 11. Tickets:

Advance Sale \$15, At the Door \$18. Advance Ticket Locations: Charlevoix Circle of Arts (109 Clinton St), Elements (211 Bridge Street), The Clothing Company (339 Bridge Street), Castle Farms (5052 M-66). For additional information or ticket purchase, contact Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 231-547-3554.

BOYNE CITY

Stroll the Streets

Stroll the Streets celebrates with music and other performers on the streets of downtown Boyne City every Friday evening through the summer, 6 to 9pm.

June 28 entertainers include Boyne River Remedy, David Paquette, Dwain Martin & Friends, June Bug, Kellerville, Kowalske Family Band, T N T, Tommy Tropic, Twister Joe, Wyatt & Sheri Knapp

July 5 entertainers include Kowalske Family Band, Off Duty, Rachel Brooke, Randy Reska, RFD Boys, Sunshine String Band, Twister Joe

Entertainment will be provided from 6 to 10pm for Boyne Thunder. July 12 entertainers include Blue Shadow Band, Craig Cottrill Band, Debra Adamcik, Horton Creek, Kristin Glasgow, Kowalske Family Band, Sweet Water Blues Band, Twister Joe

July 19 entertainers include Debra Adamcik, Jania Taylor, JUSDUIT, Keith Scott, Kowalske Family Band, Lake Street Ramblers, Marsh Road Smoke House Trio, Melissa Welke, Rustic Heart, Up North Vocal Institute

July 26 entertainers include Galactic Sherpas, Karen Brooks, Kowalske

Family Band, Natural Reaction, Scott & Mary Paquette, Spectrum, Twister Joe

Stroll the Streets

August 2 entertainers include Apple Seed Collective, Boyne River Remedy, Kowalske Family Band, Nightshades, Smith & Puroll, 2nd Time Around, Twister Joe

August 9 entertainers include Bob Greenway, Dwain Martin & Friends, Ernie Mindel & Cedar Valley, Hipps & Ricco, Russell Schmidt, Rustic Heart, Sunshine String Band, Twister Joe

August 16 entertainers include Ann & Will Rowland, Beer Bottle Blues Band, Kellerville, Kowalske Family Band, Loud Mouth Soup, Steve Guthrie, Twister Joe, Wooden Nickles

August 23 entertainers include Adolph Cwik, Charlie Millard, Don Rivers & Denny, Fonda Star, Genesis Church, Harbor Joe Down, Jania Taylor, Kowalske Family Band

August 30 entertainers include Craig Cottrill Band, Debra Adamcik, Kowalske Family Band, Mel Sweet, T N T, Twister Joe, Where's Steven, Wyatt & Sheri Knapp

CHARLEVOIX

Youth Camp

2013 Youth Camp starts in July at Charlevoix Circle of Arts. Check our website for details at www.charlevoixcircle.org or call 231.547.3554. We cordially invite you to join us for many wonderful activities planned for the cultural arts.

EAST JORDAN

Krafty Kids

Each Saturday from 2pm - 4pm you will have an opportunity to work on craft projects at East Jordan United Methodist Church. This is a free activity time and will be held in the lower level of the church. Please enter through the Easterly Street entrance. All kids are welcome to come and work on crafts. For more info, please call 231-536-2161. Barb Anderson will be the Krafty kids leader.

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, 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

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-of-the-art lakeside amphitheater — the Odmark Performance

Pavilion. Thursday, Thursday, June 27 - The Snyders.

Thursday, July 11 - The Petoskey Steel Drum Band.

Thursday, August 8 - Randy Kaplan, sponsored by the Charlevoix Public Library.

Thursday, August 15 - Claudia Schmidt Trio.

Thursday, August 22 - The Blue Water Ramblers.

Thursday, August 29 - The Alley Cats

BOYNE CITY

It's time to register for 4th of July Parade and races

Organizers of the Boyne City 4th of July Celebration say it's time to register for the parade and running races. The celebration features a giant parade at 10 a.m., evening fireworks plus a dozen other activities including the Annual Water-side Arts and Crafts Show, 2-mile and 10k running races, a wacky raft race and duck race in the Boyne River, Pinewood Derby for kids, lots of food, and children's games. The festival is centered in Veterans Memorial Park on the shore of beautiful Lake Charlevoix. There will be live music including Horton Creek playing at 1 p.m. in the park all day. Info and full schedule: 231-582-6222 or www.boyne4thofjuly.com.

BOYNE CITY

Evenings at the Gazebo

Free concerts in Old City Park, at the corner of Park and River Streets Summer Wednesday evenings, 6:30pm. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic basket and maybe a bottle of wine.

July 3 - Up North Vocal Institute - Opera students studying in Boyne City

July 10 - Billy Strings - 19-year-old bluegrass folk sensation from Traverse City

July 17 - Craig Cottrill Band - One of the most popular bands at Stroll the Streets

July 24 - Jazz North - A "little big band" playing the best of acoustic and electric jazz

July 31 - New Third Coast - Harmony-driven "power folk" with multi-instrumental polish

Aug. 7 - Neptune Quartet - Imaginative acoustic/electric folk string group

Aug. 14 - Jon Archambault Band - Combining elements of blues, jazz, funk and classic rock

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, 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!

GAYLORD

Mark Mellon Triathlon

The Mark Mellon Triathlon returns to Otsego County Saturday, June 29th for the event's 33rd anniversary, offering a little something for everyone. The event, which takes place at Otsego Lake County Park, boasts an Olympic triathlon, a Sprint triathlon, an Olympic/Sprint triathlon relay and a 5K run. For more information, call Dave Smith at (989) 858-5240, or visit www.markmellontri.com.

BOYNE CITY

Fun Boyne Challenge raises funds for kids in need

The Boyne Challenge is a fun event being held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 29 to raise funds for Compassionate Hearts. This non-profit organization run by local resident Sally Pasque, who works with schools to help children in need, assisting with basic necessities such as shoes, clothing, haircuts and health care. The Challenge is a combination of the "Amazing Race" and "Minute to Win It." There will be about 15 challenges, some challenge your mind, some challenge your physical endurance, some are easy, some a little more difficult but all promise to be fun. The Challenge is for teams of four, and registration is \$80. per team. Trophies and prizes will be awarded and water, food and dessert are included with registration. If you would like to make a donation to help us help others, you may mail to Compassionate Hearts at PO Box 113, Boyne City, MI 49712. For more information, call Sally at 231-582-0154

CHARLEVOIX

Summer Solstice Art Show

The 15th Annual Summer Solstice Art Show features quality art and fine crafts displayed in East Park in beautiful downtown Charlevoix on Saturday, June 29, 10:00am - 5:00pm. Sunday, June 30, 10:00am - 4:00pm. Participating artisans are carefully selected to ensure a well-rounded show offering a variety of fun and unique creations.

BOYNE FALLS

Aten Place concerts

Turn east on Cherry Hill Road. Immediately after crossing the railroad tracks, turn south on Old Mackinaw Trail, and Aten Place is 1/2 mile south on the left. Tickets \$16 (Credit Card) or \$15 (Cash or Check)

Saturday, June 29, 7:30 pm, Jill Jack

Saturday, July 6, 7:30 pm. Motor City Josh and the Big 3

Saturday, July 13, 7:30 pm. Harpeth Rising

Thursday, July 18, 2:00 pm. Children's Matinee, Baffling Bill the Magician

Saturday, July 20, 7:30 pm. Moors & McCumber

Saturday, July 27, 7:30 pm. Nora Jane Struthers & The Party Line

Saturday, August 3, 7:30 pm. Big Leg Emma

Saturday, August 10, 7:30 pm. Moxie Strings

Saturday, August 17, 7:30 pm. LJ Booth

Saturday, August 24, 7:30 pm. Jennie DeVoe

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 druryjill@yahoo.com

BOYNE CITY

Cummings benefit

A Benefit Luncheon for Mike and Lynn Cummings will be held at the Boyne City Eagles Lodge from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 30. Both Mike and Lynn are dealing with cancer; Mike recently served four years as a city commissioner for the City of Boyne

City. A \$5 suggested donation for lunch includes: hot dogs, salads, baked beans and desserts. There will be live music from The Kowalske Family Band and a silent auction. If you can't make it to the benefit and would like to help, you may leave a donation at Radio Shack or en vogue salon. If you would like to donate an item for the auction you may leave it at Ace Hardware by noon on June 29.

EAST JORDAN

Pop Warner registration

June 30 at Memorial Park by the train downtown. Receive \$10 off both football and cheerleading registrations when paid in full that day only. Football \$60 - Cheerleading \$50.

BAY HARBOR

Benefit for Second Chance Ranch

On Saturday, June 30, there will be a Summer Horse Expo & Benefit Clinic for Second Chance Ranch and Rescue. The event will be at the Bay Harbor Equestrian Center in Petoskey from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is a cash donation or a horse-related item donation. Speakers will be conducting sessions on Horsemanship, Showmanship & Equitation Pattern Clinic, Equine Massage, Equine Nutrition, Hoof Care, Ask the Farrier, Ask the Judge, Pre-purchase Vet Checks, Dressage, Jumping, 4-H presentations and more. Vendors will be on site, also a silent auction and door prizes. Two of the Second Chance horses will be attending for a meet and greet and will be participating in a "natural horse training" session. Vendor space is still available. Second Chance Ranch and Rescue is located in Boyne City and exists to provide assistance to neglected or abandoned horses and other large farm animals. For more information contact Jill Drury at 231-920-9645 or druryjill@yahoo.com Visit secondchanceranchandrescue.com to learn more and to see current horses that are available for adoption.

CHARLEVOIX

VOTE FOR CHARLEVOIX

The city of Charlevoix has an opportunity to participate in the International "Main Street Matters" revitalization campaign at no cost to the city or property owners. Benjamin Moore, the paint manufacturer and retailer, has launched the "Main Street Matters" campaign across the United States and Canada, with the City of Charlevoix being one of the approximately 100 cities nominated. 20 cities will be selected by an online vote to have their Main Streets repainted by the company and their local retail location. Under this program local contractors are used and paint is provided to improve building facades at no cost to the City or the building owners. Benjamin Moore will not only provide the paint and supplies needed for facades, porches, railings, shutters and other exterior building trims, but its color experts will consult on the best choices to enhance the architectural style, regional influences and historic references in each community. The voting has already begun, and will last thru June 30, 2013. To vote, visit www.paintwhatmatters.com, select the state of Michigan, then Charlevoix and finally "Vote Now". Everyone is allowed one vote per day, so don't forget to check back daily and submit another ballot. Results will be announced online in July. For more information, visit www.paintwhatmatters.com, or contact the City Planner, Mike Spencer at 547-3265.

BOYNE CITY

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.

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.

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 20- morning, July 24- afternoon/evening, August 23- morning, 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 FALLS

County office hours

Tuesday, July 2, 9am, Office Hours - County Clerk and Treasurer, Boyne Falls Substation, 2287 Railroad St.

BOYNE CITY

Duck race

Pick the winner and pocket \$1,000 in July 4th Duck Race. \$10 tickets are now on sale at the Chamber office for the Boyne Chamber's annual Duck Race at 2:30 p.m. on July 4th in the Boyne River. Dozens of spectators will be watching and cheering as an estimated 800 rubber ducks float down the river to the finish line behind Lynda's Real Estate. Each ticket and duck is numbered, and the lucky owner of the fastest duck will win \$1,000. Second prize is \$250, third prize \$100, and 4th through 10th prizes are \$50 each. To purchase tickets visit the Chamber office at 28 S. Lake Street. If you purchase two or more tickets, we will accept MasterCard or Visa. Local folksinger Adolph Cwik will again perform his "Legend of the Duck Race" and other songs beginning at 1:30.

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 - 2-mile 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.

ELLSWORTH

ELLEBRATION

The third Annual Ellsworth Ellebration! held July 5 and 6 continues the tradition of a small town celebration of food, family and fun with the majority of events free!

CHARLEVOIX

Adult Art Classes

Betty Bea Washburn, Watercolor Artist at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts on Saturday, July 6 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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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.charlevoix-circle.org after May 27.

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

Dig into Reading

2013 Summer Reading Program at Jordan Valley 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. Sign-up 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 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

EAST JORDAN

VBS

United Methodist church Community Vacation Bible School "Kingdom Rock - Where Kids Stand Strong for God". Sunday, July 7th thru Thursday, July 11th, 6PM - 8:30 PM. VBS is open to preschool students through 8th grade students. Please join us as our area churches work together to provide an exciting and fun program filled with stories, games, crafts and much more while teaching you to stand Strong for God. To pre-register please log on to www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ej/ejvbs2013

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

Teen Programs

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to announce the line up for teen and tween programming this summer. Teen and Tween programs are held Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. and are geared towards grades 5- 12. Local henna artist, Christina Kolberg, will create natural henna tattoos on July 10. Please pre-register for either session at www.charlevoixlibrary.org/calendar or call 231.237.7350.

CHARLEVOIX

Young Writer's Workshop

A Young Writer's Workshop, led by Jim McKinney, will be hosted at the Charlevoix Public Library this summer. Writers, ages 8 - 12, are invited to attend. The workshop is hosted 3:00 p.m., Thursdays, July 11 - August 15. The workshop will be a fun adventure and a great beginning for tomorrow's great writers. Jim is an accomplished writer of scripts for television and

films, short stories and plays. The workshop is free and open to all kids ages 8 - 12. Please register through the library's calendar: www.charlevoixlibrary.org/calendar. For more information about the workshop call Audrey at 231.237.7351.

CHARLEVOIX

Beautiful 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 Susan Flanders 231.547.4887.

EAST JORDAN

Dig into Reading

With the Acting Up Theatre Company "Readers of the Lost Book", a play filled with comedy, song, adventure and books! Join archaeological hero Michigan 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

NORWOOD

Peoples of Northern Michigan

Summar: Dr. Chuck Cleland Presents on Peoples of Northern Michigan since the 17th Century, Wednesday, July 17, Norwood Schoolhouse, 7:30 p.m. Professor Chuck Cleland will present on the native people of northern Michigan, tracing their history since the arrival of Europeans in the 17th century. This talk will discuss such topics as fur trade, treaties, land loss, Christianity, boarding schools, poverty, tribal sovereignty and casinos. Dr. Cleland is the author of many books and articles on Native Americans including "Rites of Conquest the History and Culture of Michigan's Native People" and "Faith in Paper: the Ethnohistory and Litigation of Great Lakes Indian Treaties."

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. 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

EAST JORDAN

Book sale

Jordan Valley District Library's annual Used Book Sale is August 5-26 in East Jordan. Hundreds of hardbacks, paperbacks, VHS, books on cassette, music CDs and DVDs will be available for bargain prices. Books include Western, Mystery, Romance, Science Fiction, Adult, Young Adult, and Children's fiction and non-fiction. Some of the

books are volumes that have been discarded by the library and others are donations. Hardbacks are \$0.50 and paperbacks are \$0.25. All proceeds benefit the library. The book sale will be in the Community Room during library hours: Mon 9-7, Tue 9-5, Wed 9-7, Thu 9-5, Fri 9-5, Sat 9-1, Sun 1-5. Contact the library at 231-536-7131 or visit the website jvdl.info.

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 Audrey 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.

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Adult Art Classes

Cal Kempainen, Winner of 2013 Venetian Painting Will teach landscapes at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts August 15th & 16th and Oct 10th & 11th, 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Cost is \$100

CHARLEVOIX

Car Raffle

The 2014 Car Raffle tickets are now available! This year the Chamber will be raffling a 2014 Mustang Convertible OR \$20,000. Tickets are 1 for \$100 or 3 for \$200 and available on a first come first served basis. The car will be raffled off at our annual party on September 19th at Fox Motors, you need not be present to win. For more info or to purchase your tickets come to the chamber office or call 231-547-2101.

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Adult Art Classes

Michael Todoroff, Still Life Oil Painting class at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts. He has won national awards. August 24 - 25, 5:00 - 9:00 pm. Cost is \$100.

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NCMC offers courses locally

North Central Michigan College will offer college courses in Charlevoix County starting Sept. 3. The courses will be held in Charlevoix, Boyne City and East Jordan. North Central students living in Charlevoix County and taking any of the above classes may be eligible for tuition assistance through the North Central Michigan College Link to Learning Fund. The Link to Learning program pays the difference between Emmet County tuition rates (the lowest rate because Emmet County taxpayers partially fund the College) and the higher tuition paid by residents of all other Michigan counties. The difference in tuition for a typical three contact hour class is \$170.25. The award is granted per contact hour. However, if students are receiving other forms of financial aid that cover tuition costs, they will not be eligible for the Charlevoix County Link to Learning award. The Link to Learning program, based on the availability of funds, is a designated fund of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. The money for this program has been contributed by donors with an interest in helping students in Charlevoix County.

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Charlevoix Public Library July 2013 Events Schedule

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

Exhibit: The paintings of the Charlevoix Plein-Aire Painters will be on display in the community room foyer.

Genealogy Interest Group, 6:00 p.m., July 10: Enjoy the opportunity to discuss new advances in genealogy and to bring information on new research techniques.

Henna Tattoos, 3:00 p.m., July 10: Local henna artist Christina Kolberg will create one of a kind natural henna tattoos, for kids in grades 5 – 12.

JATL: Jazz @ the Library, 7:00 p.m., July 10: Bring your own chair and enjoy great jazz in Grandma Geri's Children's Garden with the JATL Trio and featured vocalist Janice Keegan.

Kevin Kammeraad and Friends Puppet Theater, Noon, July 11, EAST PARK: An interactive, musical, improvisational, all-ages show featuring Kevin, sidekick Ollie Winston, and other various characters. Kevin performs in his unique, refurbished material, hand-made puppet.

Young Writer's Workshop, Thursdays @ 3PM, July 11 – August 15: This workshop will be a fun adventure and a great beginning for tomorrow's great writers for ages 8 – 12.

Sunday Serenade: Bill Wilson, 2:00 p.m., July 14: Stop by the library and listen to the beautiful acoustic guitar playing of Petoskey favorite, Bill Wilson.

BookTalkers Discussion, 6:00 p.m., July 15: Join the Charlevoix Li-

brary BookTalkers for a discussion of *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Trail*, by Cheryl Strayed.

BookTalkers Discussion, 2:00 p.m., July 16: Join the Charlevoix Library BookTalkers for a discussion of *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Trail*, by Cheryl Strayed.

Charlevoix History: Charlevoix's Business & Industry, 6:30 p.m., July 16: David Miles presents a chronological history of the industries and businesses that made their home in Charlevoix from 1869-present.

Loose Threads: Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 12:00 p.m., July 17: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

JATL: Jazz @ the Library, 7:00 p.m., July 17: Bring your own chair and enjoy great jazz in Grandma Geri's Children's Garden with the JATL Trio and featured trumpeter Rob Smith.

Artists in Action: Plein-Aire Painters, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., July 18: Stop by the lobby for a demonstration from the Charlevoix Plein-Aire painters throughout the library grounds.

Sunday Serenade: Kelly Shively, 2:00 p.m., July 21: Stop by the library and listen to the beautiful harp playing of Kelly Shively.

SummerFolk: Kellerville, 6:30 p.m., July 29: One hour feature performance with acoustic duo Kellerville, a local favorite, followed by an open mic session.

Charlevoix History: An Evening with Castle Farms, 6:30 p.m., July 30: Journey back in time with Linda

Mueller, the owner of Castle Farms, and Kathleen Paterka, Castle staff writer, as they trace the origins of Northern Michigan's very own fairy-tale castle.

JATL: Learn to Dance @ the Library, 6:00 p.m., July 31: Wear your dancing shoes and take a few quick dance lessons to prepare for the Big Band Dance Party at 7:00 p.m.

JATL: Jazz @ the Library, 7:00 p.m., July 31: Bring your own chair and enjoy Big Band sounds and swing with a partner on the temporary dance floor.

Sidewalk Chalk Paint, 3:00 p.m., July 31: Kids in grades 5 – 12 are invited to come to the library, make your own chalk paint, and then paint the library sidewalks!

WEEKLY PROGRAMS:

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

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

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

Knitting Group, 10:30 a.m., Wednesdays: Anyone interested in knitting is welcome to join the Knitting Group; all ideas and skill levels welcome.

Local organizations receive \$33,876 in People Fund grants

Great Lakes Energy members continue to lend a hand to local community causes through their voluntary contributions to the People Fund. The People Fund Board of Directors awarded a total of \$33,876 in grants in June to the following non-profit organizations in northern Michigan.

1. Friendship Centers of Emmet County, Petoskey: \$2,000 for a Meals on Wheels vehicle.
2. North Country Kids, Harbor Springs: \$882 for books, scholarships and art supplies for a children's literacy enrichment program.
3. Gaylord Gators Swim Club, Gaylord: \$625 for a laptop computer and printer.
4. Crossroads Ministries New Life Pregnancy Resource Center, Petoskey: \$969 for a computer and camera.
5. Otsego Conservation District, Gaylord: \$5,000 for an amphitheater at the Otsego County Alternative Landscaping Demonstration Garden.
6. Grandvue Medical Care Facility, East Jordan: \$6,000 for a wheelchair accessible van.
7. Kalkaska Historical Society, Kalkaska: \$600 for a laptop computer.
8. Compassionate Hearts, Boyne City: \$5,000 for emergency assistance for people in need.
9. Raven Hill Discovery Center, East Jordan: \$10,000 for the Evolving Technologies building.
10. Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies, Mancelona: \$800 for improvements to their trails.
11. Eta Nu Charities, Boyne City: \$2,000 for the Dress for Chill program that provides winter outerwear to children in need.

Grants will be awarded later this month to organizations in the cooperative's central and southern service areas. The People Fund is supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members who allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dollar. Since 1999, more than \$2.3 million in grants have been awarded to charitable and community organizations throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26-county service area, which stretches along the western side of Michigan.

"Through the People Fund, Great Lakes Energy members can do the most good for a very small amount of money," says President/CEO Steve Boeckman. "When members round-up their bill to the nearest dollar, all of the money goes back to the local communities."

Great Lakes Energy members can enroll in the People Fund by calling 888-485-2537 or visiting gtlakes.com.

Non-profit organizations in the Great Lakes Energy service area can apply for a grant through the People Fund by calling Great Lakes Energy, 1-888-485-2537, ext. 1313. The next grant application deadline is October 1, 2013.

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Conservancy Offers Free Environmental Education Programs this Summer

Again this summer, Little Traverse Conservancy will be offering several series of environmental education programs designed for various age groups or for families. These programs are offered at no charge, but pre-registration is required. Visit the LTC website at www.landtrust.org for full descriptions and information or call the Conservancy office at 231.347.0991 to have a program flyer mailed or emailed to you.

Knee-High Naturalist Programs (ages 3-5)

Tuesday sessions will be held at SPRING LAKE PARK and Thursday sessions will be held at RESORT TOWNSHIP PARK EAST. Sessions both days are held at 10-11 am and 1-2 pm. **Registration required by calling Melissa at 231.344.1004.**

June 25 and 27: Butterfly Magic

July 2: To Be a Tree

July 9 and 11: Turtle Time

July 16 and 18: Creative Kids- Nature Art

July 23 and 25: Let's Get Buggy

July 30 and August 1: A Place Called Home

Junior Naturalist Programs (ages 6-8)

Offered twice on Wednesdays: 10-11:30 am and 1-2:30 pm.

Registration is required by calling Sarah at 231.344.1018.

June 26: Take a Hike! *Good Hart Farms Nature Preserve*

July 3: The Wild Artisan-Art in Nature *Resort Township East Park*

July 10: Nature's Neighborhoods *McCune Nature Preserve*

July 17: Fly, Flutter, and Crawl *Stutsmanville Bog Nature Preserve*

July 24: Cool Camo *Round Lake Nature Preserve*

July 31: Explore-A-Shore *North Point Natural Area - Charlevoix*

Adventure Naturalist Programs (ages 9-12)

Offered Thursdays: 10 am -noon. **Registration is required by calling Sarah at 231. 344.1018.**

June 27: Drawing & Painting Nature with Petoskey Watercolourist T.L. Baumhardt *McCune Nature Preserve*

July 5: 5 Mile Creek Crawl *5 Mile Creek Preserve*

July 11: Mountain Biking Adventure *Offield Family Preserve*

July 18: Compass Camp *Ransom Nature Preserve*

July 25: Nature Photography *Spring Lake Park*

August 1: Pontoon Adventure *Ryde Marine (Oden)*



New Boyne City Program Series

Contact Melissa at 231.344.1004 to register for these programs.

New this summer, the Little Traverse Conservancy is teaming up with Friends of the Boyne River for the a new Family Nature Preserve Discovery Program.

The Friends of the Boyne River have established the Boyne River Nature Area at the edge of the city's Business Park, with local grant support Trail development, signage, and other improvements for public use are underway. Come explore this new nature gem on the Boyne River and near downtown Boyne City! The last three programs will be held at the Conservancy's The Hill Nature Preserve with over 100 acres of uplands and a great view of Lake Charlevoix!

These programs are for parent and child, grandparents and grandchildren, or entire families. Adult children at heart welcome! Full program descriptions available at www.landtrust.org.

Boyne River Nature Area: Nature Discovery Program Series for Families 10-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 26 - River Wildlife

Wednesday, July 3 - Blooms and Bugs

Wednesday, July 10 - Feathered Friends: Birds of the Boyne River Nature Area

Hill Nature Preserve:

Nature Discovery Program Series for Families 10-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 17 - Bug Safari

Wednesday, July 24 - Creative Endeavors in Nature

Wednesday, July 31 - Animal Homes & Hideouts

Since 1972, the Little Traverse Conservancy has been working as the oldest regional, non-profit land trust in Michigan. With the support of more than 4,100 members, the Little Traverse Conservancy works with private landowners and units of local government to permanently protect ecologically significant and scenic lands from development. Since it was founded, more than 49,000 acres and 125 miles of shoreline along our region's lakes, rivers, and streams have been set aside to remain in their natural state within Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Mackinac, and Chippewa counties. In addition, more than 4,000 young people participate in a Conservancy environmental education outing every year. For more information about the Little Traverse Conservancy and land protection options for your land, please contact their office at 231.347.0991 or visit www.landtrust.org.



Camp Quality Receives Gift



Charlevoix Elks Lodge #2856 recently donated \$1300.00 to Camp Quality for their trip to Beavers Island. Camp Quality Michigan has been serving kids with cancer for over 25 years.

Changes Coming to Michigan Works Services in Petoskey

PETOSKEY - A reduction in federal funding is forcing Northwest Michigan Works! to reduce the hours of operation at its Petoskey Service Center and close the Adult Education Learning Lab located there. Beginning July 1 the Service Center will only be open Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Petoskey Learning Lab has already closed.

Michigan Works! will offer a new service in the Petoskey area - and in several other counties - through its Career Connections sessions, in which staff people offer a variety of job search and career development services in scheduled group sessions. These will be promoted via various media outlets and on the website at: NWMichWorks.org.

Northwest Michigan Works! continues to operate full-time, full-service centers, including Learning Labs, at 1209 South Garfield in Traverse City and 401 Lake Street in Cadillac. There is also a Learning Lab open Monday through Thursday at the Jordan Valley District Library in East Jordan.

"We are tackling our budget reductions in a variety of creative ways, all with the intent of keeping our services to businesses and career seekers as strong as ever," said Elaine Wood, CEO of the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments. "Northwest Michigan Works remains a healthy and forward-moving organization that helps about 25,000 individuals and businesses each year."

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Dig into Reading at the Jordan Valley District Library

East Jordan - Your family will dig the 2013 Summer Reading Program at Jordan Valley 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. Sign-up begins on July 1. The library welcomes children of all abilities. All programs are free of charge.

Wednesday, July 3 10:30-11:30

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 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.

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Wednesday, July 10 10:30-11:30

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 17 10:30-11:30

Dig into Reading with the Acting Up Theatre Company "Readers of 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 24 10:30-11:30

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. No registration is necessary. Suggested ages 5-13.

Wednesday, July 31 10:30-11:30

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.

NOTICE of Early Deadline

Please note that the deadline for the July 4, 2013 issue of the Charlevoix County News will be Friday, June 28.

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Raven Hill Discovery Center Learning Gardens enhance ecology and beauty, as they educate



Jennifer Gelb of Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council demonstrates proper planting techniques to volunteers, who donated over 50 hours on Friday, June 21st to help to get the native Michigan perennials in the ground to populate the Learning Gardens. COURTESY PHOTO

Just as a rain garden is a collaboration between the rain, the landscape and living things, the new Learning Gardens currently in process at Raven Hill Discovery Center are a collaboration between Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, Petoskey Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation, private donors, local middle & high school students and Raven Hill Discovery Center.

The new Learning Gardens are being constructed in the rain catchment's basins that are part of the Center's parking lot area. The basins were installed in 2004. They capture the water run-off from the parking lot and allow it to slowly

disperse into the wetlands to the south. The new Learning Gardens will create islands of color and texture, provide water filtration and wildlife habitats, while enhancing the visitor experience by providing gardens full of native Michigan perennials.

Since 2010, Raven Hill has worked hard to renovate and revitalize exhibits and facilities. To put Raven Hill's best foot forward for the environment and to make a great "first impression" for visitors, the Learning Gardens are an important part of that renovation. The Learning Gardens will increase the biodiversity and wildlife habitats, as they

mimic natural ecosystems that catch storm run-off and slowly release it to the soil and eventually to the wetlands, streams and lakes of our Great Lakes watershed. The Learning Gardens will also add color and texture to an otherwise barren parking lot and they will build connections for children and adults that link science, history and the arts in new and different ways.

Raven Hill Discovery Center is located at 4737 Fuller Road in East Jordan. For additional information call 231.536.3369, Email: info@ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org or visit www.ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

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Dear Editor,

Fabulous Fireworks, Parades, Live Music, Contest, Food and Fun were all part of the East Jordan Freedom Festival that kicked off the start of another great summer season in the community of East Jordan. The festival ran from Wednesday, June 19 – Saturday, June 22. The festival brought families and friends support of many organizations, businesses, churches and individuals. The East Jordan Freedom Festival Committee would like to recognize and thank the following:

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We would also like to thank the City of East Jordan, East Jordan Police Department, East Jordan DPW Dept., East Jordan Park's Dept., East Jordan EMS, East Jordan Fire Department, East Jordan Lioness Club, Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department and The U. S. Coast Guard, Charlevoix County Transit, all volunteers and Freedom Festival Board Members for all of your time and hard work.

As you can see...it takes MANY people to make a successful festival. Without their time and support events such as the East Jordan Freedom Festival would not be possible!

Most Sincerely
Shannon Fender
President
East Jordan Freedom Festival

Enjoy "Christmas in July" at Angels at Work Resale in Gaylord

By Jim Akans

The holiday season may still be a half a year away, but get ready to enjoy some great holiday bargains as Angels at Work Resale in Gaylord will be presenting a "Christmas in July" all next month. During July, the folks as Angels at Work Resale will be bringing out plenty of holiday items for shoppers to browse to get an economical head start to the Christmas season.

But that's not all that happening at Angels at Work Resale. This summer they are also offering 50 percent off on clothing items with colored tags...and their inventory of those

Angels at Work Resale now offers several new "repurposed" items that feature unique ways to utilize some common household goods. Examples include mason jar oil lamps (shown here), chalkboards made from old cribs, wonderful garden accessories made from old windows and screen doors, and much more. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS



Angels at Work Resale in Gaylord offers a warm, welcoming atmosphere and a wide array of value-priced items. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS.

items changes every week. They are also featuring "sidewalk sales" with racks of clothing on display in front of their shop, and customers can purchase a whole bag of clothing items for just \$5 per bag.

For those who haven't visited Angels at Work Resale for a while, lots has been changing at the store including an expansion of their furniture items, redesigned display areas, and several new "repurposed" items for sale that feature unique ways to utilize some common household goods. Examples include mason jar oil lamps, chalkboards made from old cribs, wonderful garden accessories made from old windows and screen doors, and much more.

"Customers tell us they love these unique, one-of-kind items," relates Theresa Lauber, owner of Angels at Work Resale. "They also tell us how much they enjoy shopping here. The cleanliness of our store, the variety of our inventory, and our very reasonable prices are a pleasant surprise. They feel very comfortable... it's a warm, home-style atmosphere."

Indeed, the wide array of items offered at Angels at Work Resale are presented in several comfortable rooms throughout the 2,400 square foot facility, each focusing on a targeted range of goods, providing an effortless way to browse items of interest.

"We offer quality, thoroughly cleaned clothing at very reasonable prices," notes Lauber.

"We also have even more furniture, house wares, tools, books, shoes, belts and accessories, a wide assortment of knickknacks, antiques, and much more."

Those who donate items to Angels at Work Resale receive a 25-percent discount card for purchases that is valid for 30 days from the time of their donation. The store does not offer consignment sales.

Angels at Work Resale is located at 1523 S. Otsego Avenue (U.S. 27 South) in Gaylord. They are open Monday through Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm. For additional information, please call (989) 448-8615.

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Never Stop Learning

By Deb Hagen-Foley

You may have attended a graduation ceremony this month or know one of the hundreds of thousands of persons who graduated from high school or college this year. The commencement recognizes the completion of a formal course of study. Learning is more than the collection of credits towards a degree. Learning should happen for all of us, every day.

Why should you never stop learning? First, you will gain a sense of personal satisfaction from learning new things, whether it is how to play golf or plant a garden. Learning new things means your brain is working in new and different ways. Learning is entertaining - it keeps you from being bored. Learning keeps you mentally healthy.

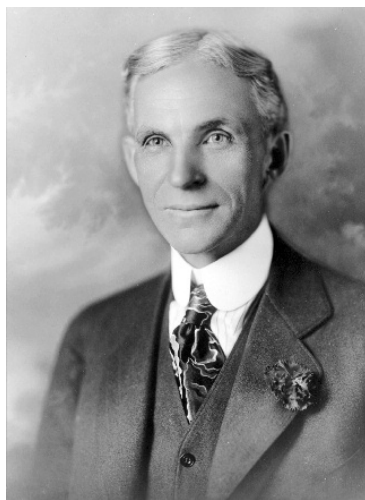
The phrase, "What you don't use, you lose" applies here. Researchers have shown that we can best protect our mental abilities by using them. Older persons who continue learning and are mentally active are less likely

to develop Alzheimer's disease. If you are learning a new activity or how to cook healthy, learning can improve your physical health also. When is the last time you learned something new?

Here are some tips to develop and maintain a habit of lifelong learning.

Keep a list. What have you always wanted to learn? How to play guitar? How to speak Spanish? How to cook? Make a list. Ballroom dancing? What are you motivated to start learning today? If not today, keep the list and review it regularly. Look for opportunities to start one of the items on your list. Are you afraid to start because you don't think you will succeed? Fear is the biggest reason people don't try something new. Remember, the goal is learning - not perfection.

Read a book. Read any good books lately? Always have a book (or more) that you are reading. Even if you can only find a few minutes to read each day, you will be learning something every day. Take it with you for times spent standing in line or waiting for an event to start. It doesn't matter



"Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young." Henry Ford. WIKIPEDIA COMMONS PHOTO

Write a blog - or Facebook notes. Share your ideas with a friend. Be open to new ideas in the process and you have extra opportunities to learn.

Find or Make time to learn. Do you commute to work? Take a daily walk? Look for audio books available through your local library or bookstore. Some bookstores will rent audio books or let you trade those you have finished toward new audio books. Don't have obvious spots in your day when you can add a learning opportunity? Set aside 15 minutes a day for learning. Find time, maybe first thing in the morning, to learn something new. With the wealth of information available through the search-engine or library of your choice, it is easy to find new things to learn.

Take a class. Community education classes are available through community colleges and other community organizations. At the M-TEC in Gaylord, topics range from cooking to computer classes and even dog obedience classes. General interest courses cost as little as \$15. College and universities offer discounted tu-

ition rates for persons over age 60. The University of Michigan Health System Program for Positive Aging summarizes the education discounts available to older adults at: www.programforpositiveaging.org.

Many online course options are available also, including numerous free courses.

I am currently taking a course through the University of California - Berkeley titled: Edible Education: The Rise and Future of the Food Movement. The course is co-taught by Michael Pollan, author of Food Rules and Cooked. This course and other free courses are available through openculture.com. I have a terminal degree (Ph.D.) but there's so much more I want to learn!

What about you? What would you like to learn? When are you going to start? Why not today? The first step - making the choice - is the most difficult. Start now - you have nothing to lose except time and so much knowledge to gain!

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June 17-23, 2013

911 Hang Up Call.....	4
Abandoned Vehicle.....	1
Abuse.....	0
Alarm.....	2
Animal Complaint.....	47
Annoyance.....	3
Assault.....	0
Assist Citizen.....	9
Assist Motorist.....	3
Assist Other Agency.....	20
Attempt to Locate.....	5
Attempted Suicide.....	0
Bank Alarm.....	0
Boating Accident.....	0
Boating Violation.....	2
Breaking & Entering.....	3
Car/Deer Accident.....	5
Citations Issued.....	31
Civil Complaint.....	6
Criminal Sexual Conduct.....	0
Death.....	0
Disorderly Person.....	0
Disturbance.....	0
DNR Complaint.....	0
Domestic Dispute.....	1
Driving Complaint.....	5
Fireworks Complaint.....	2
Found Property.....	1
Fraud.....	4
Health & Safety.....	2
Hit & Run.....	0
Intoxicated Person.....	0
Juvenile.....	0
Larceny.....	4
Lockout.....	7
Lost Property.....	1
Malicious Destruction of Property.....	1
Mental Subject.....	0
Minor In Possession.....	0
Miscellaneous Criminal.....	1
Missing Person.....	0
Noise Complaint.....	3
Operating Under the Influence.....	0
Paper Service.....	19
Parking Violation.....	2
Personal Injury Accident.....	2

Personal Protection Order.....	0
Private Property Accident.....	0
Property Check.....	26
Property Damage Accident.....	3
Prowler.....	0
Road Hazard.....	3
Stalking.....	1
Suspicious Situation.....	12
Threat.....	1
Traffic Stop.....	91
Trespassing.....	0
Unknown Accident.....	0
Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile.....	0
Vehicle in the Ditch.....	0
Violation of Controlled Substance Act.....	1

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, June 17, 2013

9:42amGraffiti reported on the walls of the playhouse in Veteran's Park
10:10am.....Scam emails reported
2:55pmProperty damage accident on North St near Fire Dept
7:52pmCitation issued for Seat belt violation at Groveland and Grove Streets
9:29pmAssist EMS in the 800 block of S Park St

Tuesday, June 18, 2013

8:20amSuspicious vehicle reported in the Avalanche parking lot
9:36am911 open line in the 100 block of N East St
9:52amAssist Sheriff Department in the 400 block of N Lake St
10:31am Larceny of computer reported from the 400 block of S Park St
10:46amVehicle inspection in the 1300 block of Boyne Av
2:45pmVehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St
5:57pmReport of juvenile smoking in Veteran's Park

10:58pmGasoline drive off from the 200 block of S Lake St. Driver returned and paid.

Wednesday, June 19, 2013

2:44amAssist EMS in the 200 block of E Water St. 1 subject arrested for assault by the Sheriff's Dept.
7:35amPrivate property damage accident in the 100 block of W Ann St
8:00amVehicle unlock at the Farmer's Market
11:07amParking violation/welfare check in the 200 block of E Water St
7:43pmPhone scam reported from the 300 block of E Division St

Thursday, June 20, 2013

9:54amReport of hit and run accident in the 200 block of E Water St
11:50amProperty damage accident at Park and Water Streets
2:10pmReport of juveniles jumping off the Shopper's Dock
2:30pmPrivate property damage accident in the Industrial Park
6:07pmCivil complaint in the 100 block of N Park St
8:57mpCitation issued for expired plate and no proof of insurance in the 300 block of Front St
10:00pmMountain bike found on Robinson St

Friday, June 21, 2013

12:28pmProperty damage accident at Lake and Water
1:31pmAssist Fire Dept in the 300 block of E Water St
3:31pmVehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St
7:00pm.....Road rage incident

Saturday, June 22, 2013

6:10amAssist EMS on Pleasant Valley

6:42amCitation issued for speed at Lake and Vogel

9:29amProperty damage accident at Lake and Water Streets
10:04amAssist Sheriff Department with chase

10:52amBicycle property damage accident at Boyne Av and Fall Park Rd
11:39amWallet found in the 200 block of S Lake St
12:45pmReport of traffic hazard at Lewis and Division

1:32pmCivil complaint in the 300 block of Silver St
2:00pm911 hang up call from the 200 block of S Lake St
3:08pmAssist other agency on W Water St

6:11pm.....Lodged stray dog at shelter
9:18pmFireworks complaint in the 500 block of Groveland St
9:53pmFireworks being shot off in the 300 block of E Court St
10:07pmVehicle unlock at the river mouth
11:58pmFireworks being shot off in the 200 block of Vogel

Sunday, June 23, 2013

7:21amCitation issued for speed at Front and Pleasant St
10:32amPrivate property damage accident reported from the previous night in the 100 block of River St
11:41amBarking dog complaint on Line St
8:32pmMDOP complaint in the 300 block of E Main St
9:02pmBurning complaint in the 100 block of W Court St
10:07pmMotorist assist in the area of Bay and John St

10:22pmPPO violation in the 300 block of E Court St

10:41pmBarking dog complaint from the 1200 block of Marshall Rd
10:43pmSubjects warned for being in the park after closing

One person injured in single vehicle accident

On Saturday June 22, 2013 at approximately 8:10 p.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, the East Jordan Police Department, and East Jordan EMS were dispatched to a single vehicle personal injury accident. The accident occurred on M-32 approximately 0.1 miles South of Fair Road.

The driver, Beau Chandler Fuller age 22 from East Jordan, was traveling Northbound on M-32. Fuller entered the roadway on his Enduro to cross the bridge. He attempted to return back to the unpaved portion and lost control of his Enduro.

Fuller has multiple abrasions and a broken leg. He was transported to the Charlevoix Area Hospital and later transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital by the East Jordan Ambulance.

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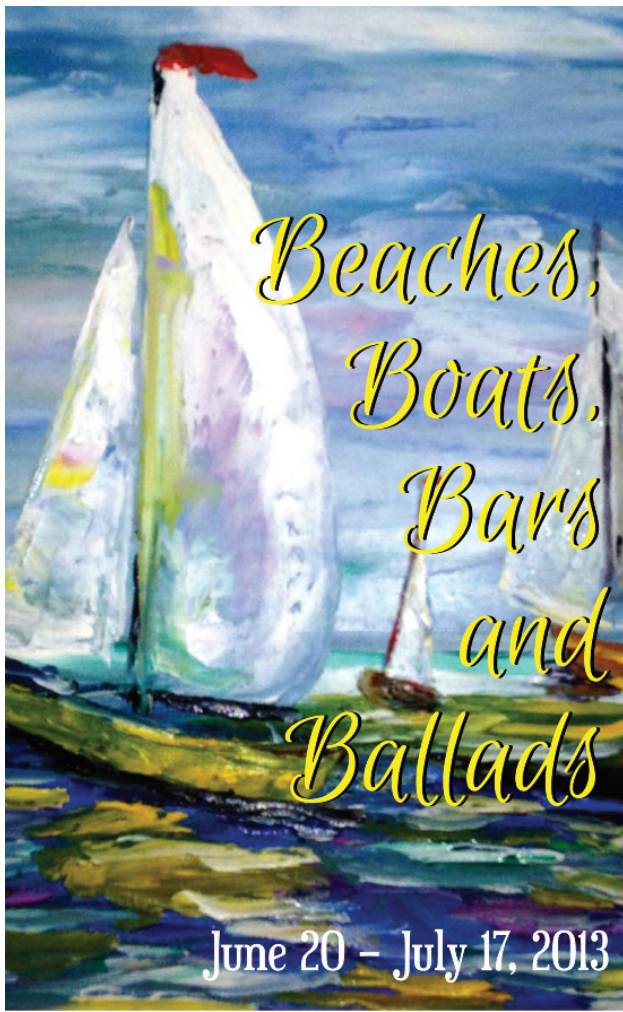
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SOBO Arts Festival

this weekend in Boyne City, June 28 & 29

By Jim Akans

For the fourth year in a row, the SOBO Arts Festival will fill the heart of Peninsula Beach Park and downtown Boyne City this weekend with an amazing celebration of fine arts, music, food and fun. Local, regional, state and even national artists will feature a wide range of fine artwork, including paintings, photography, fiber art, jewelry, glass, leather, wood-working, pottery, sculpture and more. The adventure takes place in beautiful Peninsula Beach Park located along the shore of Lake Charlevoix in Boyne City.

SOBO Arts Festival will kick off this Friday evening with the "SOBO Stroll," which will feature live music in the streets of downtown Boyne City as well as other performers, open houses at local businesses, beer tasting at the Thirsty Goat, and the Glen Miller - Duke Ellington era sounds of Chris Bickley's Bay Area Big Band, made possible through a grant from the Wisser-Saworski Endowment for the Arts Fund at the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.

The 2013 Poster by Jasmine Witthoeff. Posters, signed by the artist, are available for sale at the Boyne Arts Collective and the artist will be present for signing on Friday night at SOBO Street Stroll. There will be a live auction at 7 pm Friday evening for the original oil painting this poster was created from. COURTESY IMAGE



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Saturday, June 29th, the SOBO Arts Festival will take place from 9 am to 5 pm at Peninsula Beach Park located near downtown Boyne City. In addition to the wonderful artwork on display, there will be demonstrations and workshops, projects for children, and live music throughout the day. There will also be a Kids Court with activities such as creating sandcastles, treasure hunts, storytelling and even live music for the kids to enjoy.

This is a juried art fair, and there will be awards presented during the day on Saturday, including Best of Show and Best Booth. Attendees can also partake of the many food vendors at the show, as well as the wide array of wonderful restaurants and shops in nearby Boyne City.

"The festival's mission is to celebrate the visual, performing, written and audible arts," said event chairperson Kathy MacDonald. "In Boyne City that's entertainment, great art, great music, great food and great fun for the entire family."

There are no admission fees to the SOBO Arts Festival events and activities. This is a fantastic way to enjoy a summer's weekend in one of Northern Michigan's premier communities. Don't miss the 4th annual SOBO Arts Festival!

SOBO Arts Festival Schedule of Events

Friday, June 28

6-9pm - SOBO Stroll. Music, entertainment and food! Dancing in the streets with Chris Bickley's Bay Area Big Band plus a live auction preced-



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ing the Bay Area Big Band performance at 7:00pm.

Saturday, June 29

9am to 5pm - Festival with art demos and live music.

Kids Court with activities all day.

9am-3pm - Sandcastle Building

10 am -2 pm - Treasure Hunts;

"Dig into Reading"; Arts & Crafts; Story Telling by Guest Authors

11 am & 2 pm - MUSIC: Kirby for Kids

For additional information about the SOBO Arts Festival, visit www.soboartsfestival.com or call Kathy MacDonald at 269.832.0496, or the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce at 231.582.6222. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.

Join us for the Summer Solstice Art Show

Saturday, June 29 - 10:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday, June 30 - 10:00am - 4:00pm

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

The Summer Solstice Art Show will offer paintings in oils, watercolors and acrylics, as well as sculpture, photography, pottery, jewelry, clothing and more.

Watch artists at work as they create beautiful paintings before your eyes! If you're interested in the creative process, be sure to visit the booth of landscape artist Thomas LeGault out of Plymouth or marine artist, Gary Odmark from Holland - Two "en plein air" artists with unique painting techniques and styles.

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.

We are pleased to announce that representatives from the Charlevoix Circle of Arts have volunteered to judge the booths and present the 2013 Best in Show Award to a Summer Solstice Art Show exhibitor on Saturday morning. The winner of the award will receive a ribbon, additional press, and a discounted premier booth space in the 2014 show.

Join us as we welcome the arrival of summer in northern Michigan at the Summer Solstice Art Show, where works of art and scenic views are just a step away!

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Banks Township Citizen of the Year named after completion of 5th Annual Breezeway Summer Cruise

By Tina Sundelius

ALONG M-48—The fifth annual Breezeway Summer Cruise took place Thursday, June 22 with a convoy of 27 cars and over sixty participants. The police escorted caravan even picked up a semi headed in the same direction who seemed to enjoy the roadside cheers and camaraderie of the short trek that began at Boyne Mountain and ended at the Antrim Dells Golf Resort in Atwood.

Residents lined the Breezeway, some with homemade rating cards to boost the egos of those cruising in muscle cars and convertibles while others just waved and cheered the procession on. This year the cheers were greeted by the blast of a semi horn as well as the waves and hoots from the more traditional cruisers.

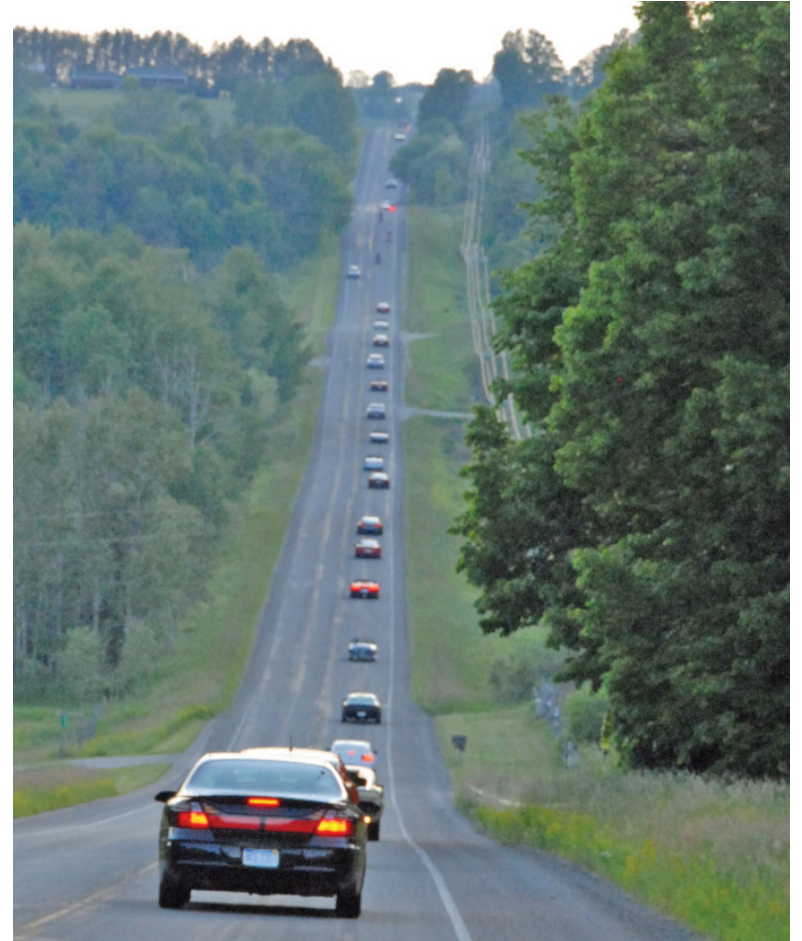
Once at the Dells this year's Banks Township Citizen of the Year was presented a plaque of appreciation. As Superintendent of Ellsworth Schools, Lynn



ABOVE: Newly retired Ellsworth Schools supervisor Lynn Aldrich Spearing was presented with the honor of Banks Township citizen of the Year at the completion of Thursday's Breezeway Cruise Thursday.

Aldrich Spearing was instrumental in establishing the innovative Lancer Leap program. Students

have a three-week opportunity to explore diverse subjects that normally could not be offered during the typical school day. Classes such as archeology, jazz band, horsemanship, drama, and paddle-board construction give students hands-on electives they find intriguing and motivating. Many classes involve connecting with and learning from members of the community. Lancer Leap also addresses the at-risk population. Students who have fallen behind are given intense remediation to earn the credit they need to graduate. In the letter of nomination received by the Citizen of the Year committee Spearing was said to have "catapulted the school from greatness to excellence," and "the good Lynn has brought to the community through her work with the school will be felt for generations."



RIGHT: Taillights stretched for two miles along the Breezeway, M-48, between Ellsworth and Atwood on Thursday's Summer Cruise.

Jill Jack performs at Aten Place

Aten Place is thrilled to announce that Jill Jack will return to open their nineteenth season of Concerts in the Barn on Saturday, June 29 at 7:30 pm. Jill Jack has been a crowd favorite since her first appearance in the summer of 2006.

Jill Jack's magical connection to her audience is the result of her generous artistry. By combining her gifts as a conceptual visionary with a warm gathering of musical influences, Jill touches that secret heart of ours with her melodies and lyrics. In her hometown of Detroit, Jill needs no further explanation. She's been lauded in equal measure to her talents: Since 1997 she's won 33 Detroit Music Awards in every conceivable category that applies to a singer-songwriter. Much of this provincial success is due to her charming stage presence and emotive

songwriting. It's simply called connecting, and it's the bounty of a true songwriter open to all of life: her own defeats, victories, hopes dashed, dreams fulfilled, her muse, her loneliness, her misplaced love and her romantic successes.

Jill has built her audience with her whimsical, genuine live performances. Genuine is the defining term here. Propelled by her musical exemplars Joni Mitchell and Emmy Lou Harris, there are few performers with less conflict between who they are on stage and off than Jill. She extends the tradition of the confessional (i.e. achingly open, unafraid of intimacy) singer-songwriter, and is proud of that style and its continuation.

You get all of Jill Jack in a performance — her blend of folk and rock traditions, her open humor. Jill harbors little



of her process from her audience — each concert is about opening a window and shining a light into her songwriting, leading inevitably to the intense relationship with her fans. Her career is founded on folk's best idea — that there's a shared knowing between artist and audience, a conversation that flows both ways during a show.

Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. The venue is a ninety plus year old oak frame barn with seating for 180, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne Mountain. Tickets are \$16 and go on sale at 6:30 pm the day of the concert, with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. Advanced tickets and schedule details are available by visiting www.atenplace.com. Aten Place is a non-profit endeavor, and no food or beverage is sold on the premises. Many patrons bring snacks and desserts to share at intermission. There is also a covered picnic pavilion for those who wish to come early and enjoy the grounds and peaceful setting.

For more information on this summer's schedule go to www.atenplace.com or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 231-549-2076.

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Ellsworth "Ellebration!" just one week away!

By Jim Akans

The third Annual Ellsworth "Ellebration!" is just one week away...being held this year on July 5th and 6th in and around the wonderful village of Ellsworth. This is a great way to spend the 4th of July weekend in the North, with a small town celebration the whole family is sure to enjoy, and most of the activities and events are free!

Friday, July 5th there will be a 1950's style "Drive-in" Dinner at Ellsworth Elementary School starting at 5 pm, and for the second year in a row there will be two 100-foot waterslides to cool off on at Ellsworth Park, starting at 6 pm. Bring your super soaker and a beach towel and join the fun.

On Saturday July 6th, Ellebration get into full swing with an Ellebration! Bike Tour leaving from the Ellsworth High School Parking lot at 8 am and a Pancake Breakfast from 9 to 11 am at the Banks Township Hall. The morning will also include the Historic Trolley Tours beginning

at 10 am and the Grand Parade at 11 am.

The afternoon will offer plenty of family fun at the Ellsworth Community Park Grounds, including a free circus show and circus act stations from Cirque Amongus from noon through 3 pm. Also from noon through 4 pm there will be Inflatable obstacle courses and new this year, the Lava Flow Rock Climbing Wall; a 25-foot high wall with 200 square feet of climbing area that can accommodate 5 climbers at a time.

Saturday, July 6th will also bring the famous Roast Pork Lunch under the Ellsworth Community Park Pavilion starting at noon until 2:30 pm (or until the food runs out!), and an archery demonstration by Duane Arnett at the Archery Range in Ellsworth Community Park, free Kids Fireman's Games just next to the Archery Range, and the Ellsworth Farmers Exchange Horse Pull at the Grandstand on Main St. between the Elementary and High Schools at 2pm.

At dusk on Saturday evening there will be a Boat Parade on St. Clair Lake, and

shortly after the fireworks will begin. Seating at Ellsworth Sports Park offers the best viewing with plenty of free parking. Both the Boat Parade and Fireworks are sponsored by Ellsworth St. Claire Fire-

works Committee.

For complete details, go to www.ellebration.com, on Facebook at Ellsworth Pig Roast or call Alana Haley at 231-360-0676.



The third Annual Ellsworth "Ellebration!" is just one week away...being held this year on July 5th and 6th in and around the wonderful village of Ellsworth. Among the many family oriented events during "Ellebration!" will be the Ellsworth Farmers Exchange Horse Pull at the Grandstand on Main Street on Saturday. PHOTO BY TINA SUNDELIUS

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Art at the Library

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to announce its line-up for artistic events at the library this summer. The Charlevoix Public Library provides exhibit space for local artists to display their creations. The Community Room Foyer, in July and August, will have a showing of the Charlevoix Plein Aire painters and then in September the Loose Threads textile artists group will be showing their talents. On July 18, the Charlevoix Plein Aire painters will be on the library grounds 10:00 a.m. - noon, for the Artist in Action day. The Artist in Action series highlights local talents by providing a venue for them to work and for patrons to watch and ask questions. The artists set up a work area in the front lobby of the library to share their craftsmanship with the public and to answer questions. Additional Artists in Action this summer include Carol Madison creating her natural material bas-



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kets on August 15.

The Michigan Room display case is housing a different type of art, a wood bird carvings exhibit by Jim Lahde, the month of July. And for children, the Youth Craft

Fair is scheduled to be on the library grounds 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., August 10. For further information about this or other library events visit: www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

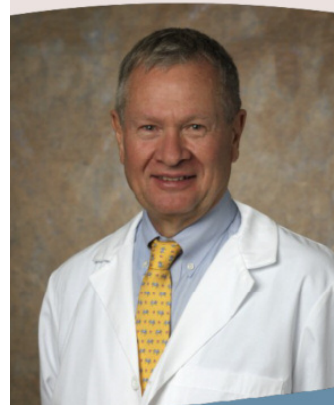
The Doctor is In.

Charlevoix Area Hospital now offers oncology care close to home.

Charlevoix Area Hospital is pleased to announce that oncology care is now available in partnership with experienced medical oncologist, Ervin A. Hire, Jr., MD.

Dr. Hire travels to Charlevoix to see patients for consultation, evaluation, testing and follow-up care.

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said Charlevoix Area Hospital CEO, Lyn Jenks. "Our patients can benefit from not only Dr. Hire's care and expertise, but from being able to receive that care so close to home."

Dr. Hire travels to Charlevoix several times a month for patient consulta-

tion, evaluation, testing and follow-up care. He sees patients at the Charlevoix Surgeons office located next to the hospital at 14695 Park Avenue.

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PET SAFETY

Keep Your Pets Safe This Summer

By Deb Hagen-Foley

Summer official begins on Friday, June 21, whether you are ready or not! Are your pets ready for summer? Here are a few tips for helping your pet stay health in hot weather.

Don't leave your pet in the car. You wouldn't leave your child in a parked car on a hot day - don't leave your pets in the car either. On a 90-degree day, it takes only 10 minutes for the interior to become 110 degrees. Even on a moderately warm day, the interior temperature of a vehicle can rise rapidly. According to a study by The Animal Protection Institute, a temperature of 82 degrees in a shaded area at 9:00 a.m. resulted in a temperature of 109 degrees in a closed automobile. And, it isn't enough to crack a window - the interior temperature will quickly rise to a hazardous level.

The combination of heat and humidity is even more dangerous for your pet. Humidity makes it even more difficult for your dog to cool off. Four-legged pets perspire around their paws and rely on panting to help cool off. Trapped in the enclosed space of a car or truck, the panting adds to the heat when the pet exhales and the pet only gets hotter. Pugnosed dogs are more prone to heatstroke because their smaller nasal passages make it even harder to cool down by panting. Overweight, younger and senior animals are particularly limited in the ability to regulate their bodily temperatures. In



fourteen states, including Minnesota and Illinois, it is illegal to leave a pet in a parked car. If you can't take your pets with you when you get out of the car, leave them safely at home.

Heatstroke can quickly result quickly if an animal becomes overheated and is unable to cool off. Your animals are at risk for heatstroke, just like people. Your pet shouldn't be let outdoors without shelter from the heat and sun. Be careful not to over-exercise your pet - take extra breaks to allow him or her to cool down. Keep them indoors as much as possible on very hot days. The signs of heatstroke in an animal include: Panting, rapid heartbeat, staring, fever, and warm, dry skin. Heatstroke can be fatal and requires immediate medical attention.

Dehydration can happen quickly if a pet does not have adequate water and/or is left outside in the sun, such as in a cage and unable to move to a shaded area. If you are leaving your pet alone for longer than a few hours, ensure they have access to sufficient water and are able to move to a shady location during the hottest

time of the day. Protect the Paws! On hot days, pay attention to where and when your dog is walking. The bottom of a dog's feet will burn if the dog walks on hot pavement. To avoid burns, walk the dog in the early morning or evening and walk the dog on the grass when possible. If you need to walk a dog on the pavement, help prepare the dog for hotter summer days by frequently walking the dog on cooler days. This will help toughen the dog's paw pads. Follow this guideline - if the pavement is too hot for you to comfortably walk barefoot for very long, it is too hot for your pet also.

Check before opening a window. The ASPCA reports an increase in "High-Rise Syndrome" during summer months. This refers to pets, mostly cats, falling from some height, out of a window or door. These falls can lead to serious injuries and can be fatal. To avoid these falls, keep un-screened windows and doors closed and making sure that screens are tightly fastened. Follow these tips to keep your pets safe and healthy all summer long.



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Northern Lower Michigan's Farmers Markets in Full Swing A Fulfilling Alternative for Locals

By David Specht

Summer has officially arrived, which means local farmers markets have already begun springing up around Northern Lower Michigan, providing communities with access to locally grown fruits and vegetables, along with a variety of other unique products. With nearly 300 farmers markets in the state of Michigan, locating an outlet for healthy alternatives to store-bought produce is now easier than ever.

Shopping at a farmers market is a truly unique experience in every respect, providing shoppers with hand-crafted products and heirloom varieties of plants, along with a chance to build relationships with local growers and gain knowledge on healthy eating.

Speaking of healthy eating habits, studies have shown that produce loses nutritional value during the time that elapses after it has been harvested. Fruits and vegetables stocked at local supermarkets have typically been in transit anywhere from seven to fourteen days. During that time, produce can travel, on average, more than 1,200 miles before reaching the consumer. Produce found at local farmers markets has, many times, been harvested that same day, and is at the peak of its freshness and nutrient availability - not to mention free of chemical preservatives and pesticides that are typically found in the products sold at the local grocer.

Based on the ever-increasing popularity of fresh, local produce, it's no surprise that these types of markets are "cropping" up throughout the country. According to the US Department of Agriculture, the number of farmers markets has increased by over 3,000 in just the last four years, meaning that nearly 8,000 independent establishments are scattered across the nation.

During Michigan's spring/summer season, shoppers are able to find a wide array of products, including asparagus, spinach, rhubarb, wild leeks, morels, oyster mushrooms, collard greens, parsley, and basil. Aside from the fresh herbs, fruits, and vegetables, vendors typically carry a variety of

flowers, meats, honey, breads, organic chicken eggs, canned goods, and syrup. Of course, what is carried at a given market depends on a combination of location, season, and market rules about what can be sold. Here are a few northern Lower Michigan farmers markets to keep an eye on this summer season:

Boyer City Farmers Market

319 North Lake Street (Veterans Park)
Boyer City, MI 49712
Phone Number: 231-582-9009
Website: www.boyncityfarmersmarket.com
Season: May - October
Days Open: Wednesday & Saturday
Hours: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Food Assistance Benefits Accepted: Bridge Cards, Double Up Food Bucks, WIC Project Fresh, Market FRESH

Charlevoix Farmer's Market

East Park
Charlevoix, MI 49720
Phone Number: 231-547-2101
Season: Year Round
Days Open: Thursday
Hours: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Food Assistance Benefits Accepted: WIC Project Fresh, Bridge Cards, Market FRESH, Double Up Food Bucks

East Jordan Farmers Market

85 Bridge Street (Sportsman's Park)
East Jordan, MI 49727
Phone Number: 231-536-2636
Season: May - October
Days Open: Thursday
Hours: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Shopping at a farmers market is not only beneficial to the individual consuming the produce, but to the community as a whole. Small farms, earning \$250,000 or less annually, make up 94 percent of farms in the US. In buying direct from the farmer, one not only receives a more quality product, but also helps the small-farm operator to cut out the costly middleman. Farmers markets offer a unique experience, where one can meet like-minded members of society, and where more of your dollar will stay in the community.

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