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56th Annual Labor day Mackinac Bridge Walk this Monday

By Heather DeLong

It's that time of year again to join thousands of walkers on the 5-mile trip across the Mackinac Bridge! There is no charge to walk across, and you can start walking at 7 am and can start up until 11 am on Labor Day, Monday September 2nd. Labor day is the only day of the year pedestrians are allowed on the bridge since 1958. Walkers will start in St. Ignace on the North side of the bridge and finish on the South side in Mackinaw City. The walk is one-way, and school

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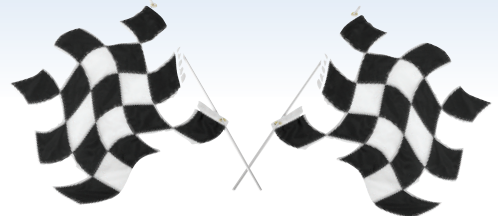
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By Heather DeLong

Beginning in 2003, the Boyne City Police Department Drag Races initiated as a 50/50 split fundraiser for the Boyne City Police Department and Airport. The tradition of the race includes that they are held on the Sunday of every Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekend at the Boyne City Airport at 1048 E Main St. Admission to the race this Sunday is \$10 for general admission, \$15 for pit passes, \$30 for drivers, and children 12 and under get in free. Please Leave your alcohol and pets at home. Last year, the weather was perfect for the Labor Day weekend and 112 vehicles were registered to race. This Sunday, the gates will be opening at 8:30 am for registration, and an 11:45 am driver's meeting will be held before the race begins at 12 pm. Cars, trucks, motorcycles and snowmobiles are welcome, and Pro Tree and Full Tree options are available and will be decided at the driver's meeting.



The Boyne City Drag Race wouldn't have been possible had it not been for this year's sponsors, including the Boyne City Kiwanis Club Annual Labor Day Car Show. COURTESY PHOTO

Unfortunately after a tough decision, 2013 will be the last time that two races occur in one year. Starting in 2014, after much consideration, only the Labor Day races will be held. Much appreciation goes out to those who have supported both of the races in the years past.

Racers may register at the gate the day of the event. If you plan on registering your vehicle, keep in mind that you must have a technical inspection prior to racing to ensure everyone's safety. The items checked in the inspection include the brakes, steering, seat belts/harness, lug nuts, battery, and windshield. Also, drivers will be checked for a DOT approved helmet, proper driving

attire (motorcycle or snowmobile racers must have full leather or Kevlar and boots and gloves), and signed waivers. Open headers and slicks are allowed. Racers are responsible for making sure their vehicle is ready to race. If your vehicle causes a hazard in the pits or the track, you may be asked to leave. Registration is limited to 125 racers and the \$30 registration fee is non-refundable.

The Boyne City Drag Race wouldn't have been possible had it not been for this year's sponsors. A big thanks goes out to Boyne Valley Lions Club, Car-Quest Auto Parts of Boyne City, Dobbs Motorsports of Harbor Springs and Boyne City Kiwanis Club Annual Labor Day Car Show. A special thank you also goes out to the Boyne City Fire and EMS crews for their dedica-

tion as they stand by through every event.

Prizes for the winners are awarded in three categories that include fastest response time for cars/trucks, fastest time for cars/trucks and farthest distance traveled. The Memorial Day winners from this year were Jamie Bills (and his crew) from Mio in his '78 Chevelle for fastest car, David Feole from Gaylord in his '92 Dodge Stealth for fastest reaction time and Margherita Downey from Boca Raton, Florida in her '68 Camaro for farthest traveled.

For more information on this Sunday's races, call (231) 582-6611 or visit www.bcpddrdragrace.org.

*To contact Heather DeLong for any comments, questions or concerns, she can be reached at heather@weeklychoice.com

Labor Day Events in Northern Michigan

By Heather DeLong

Labor Day weekend marks the end to the summer celebrations in Northern Michigan. In the United States, since 1894, Labor Day celebrates the contributions of workers in society. While we say goodbye to another great summer of festivals, sidewalk sales, fairs, arts and crafts concerts and more, Up North is the place to be for this holiday weekend.

The Village of Bay Harbor will be having end of season sidewalk sales Saturday 9:30 am to 4:30 pm downtown and at Fairview Square so be sure to head over to get some great deals. Boyne City has a lot going on this weekend starting with Dancin' in the Streets on Thursday night with food and the Mark Sanders Band, the final Stroll in the Streets Friday night, and a car show on Saturday at Veterans Memorial Park beginning at 8 am alongside a farmers market. Drag races take place from 12-6 pm on Sunday.

In Charlevoix the Royal Craft Show will attract crowds Saturday 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday 10 am to 4 pm at Castle Farms. The Red Fox Regatta will be sailing from Charlevoix to Boyne City and then back on Sunday. Harbor Springs will be holding street sales and celebrations all day Saturday as well, with kid's activities and music. The farmers market will also be there from 9 am to 1 pm. Pond Hill Farm is hosting a day long fundraiser for North County Kids with games, pig races, a bounce house, prizes, a dunk tank, hay rides and much more.

Horton Bay is celebrat-

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The Time is Right for Dancin' in the Streets August 29th

By Heather DeLong

A twice a year tradition that already took place July 25th this year returns today! This year will be the 10th year for the Dancin' in the Streets event in Boyne City. Bring yourself to 300 block of South Lake Street tonight from 6:30 to 8:30 pm for food, celebration, and dancing as businesses show their appreciation to the community. Dancin' in the Streets brings out hundreds of people. Event coordinator Cindi Malin says, "We have a great time!"

This year, Dancin' in the Streets will be just as fun as years' past with more dancing! Malin is continuing on with a popular tradi-



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tion, but couldn't make it possible without the participating businesses and the great sense of community. Cindi Malin also adds, "It brings everyone together to have a good time and not have to worry about anything. But we

also want to say thanks to our customers for their support." Dancin' in the Streets is community-oriented, yet they rely on SOBO businesses for donations.

The local support has helped to have a great turnout every year. Everything that the businesses provide is a way to say "thank you" from the stores to the people who live there year-round. Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jim Baumann states, "Dancin' in the Street is just one more fun, festive event happening in Boyne City during the busy summer months. I like that it is held on Thursday night

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FRIDAY



HIGH: Low 80's
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SATURDAY



HIGH: Low 80's
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SUNDAY



HIGH: Low 80's
LOW: Mid 50's

MONDAY



HIGH: Upper 60's
LOW: Upper 40's

TUESDAY



HIGH: Low 70's
LOW: Upper 40's

record temps

Day	Avg.	High	Avg.	Low	Record High	Record Low
29	78°F	52°F	95°F	(1953)	30°F	(1982)
30	78°F	52°F	94°F	(1991)	30°F	(1976)
31	78°F	51°F	92°F	(1953)	34°F	(1976)
1	78°F	51°F	96°F	(1953)	38°F	(1967)
2	78°F	51°F	97°F	(1953)	29°F	(1976)
3	77°F	51°F	95°F	(1953)	32°F	(1976)
4	77°F	50°F	93°F	(1999)	34°F	(1987)

Donald M. Phillips, 76

(MARCH 23, 1937 - AUG. 23, 2013)

Donald M. Phillips of

Charlevoix formerly of Mission Viejo, Calif. And the Grand Rapids area, passed away Friday, August 23, 2013, at McLaren Northern Michigan in Petoskey.

He was born March 23, 1937, in Grand Rapids to Harold and Gladys (Libby) Phillips, and graduated from Wyoming Park High School in 1955. On November 2, 1956, he married Mary E. Dreyer.

Don worked in the food distribution business for companies such as 7-Up and New Era Potato Chips. He retired in 1998 from Sandoz-Novartis Nutrition.

Don is survived by his wife, Mary of Charlevoix; their children, Chris Phillips and her husband Tom Fleming of Hudsonville, Corey and his wife Annette Phillips of Spring Lake, Kelly Phillips and her husband Joe Leytze of Cincinnati, Oh; grandchildren, Lydia and Sophia Leytze, Jacob and Anna Phillips; brothers, Jack (Susie) Phillips of Hudsonville, Robert (Grace) Phillips of Grandville, Duane (Arlene) Phillips of Cutlerville; sisters, Phyllis (Mel) Rahn of Jenison, Marilyn (Doug) Stauffer of Wyoming, Helen Kinny of Holland; several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Don's life will be 11 am, Saturday, September 7, at the South Wyoming United Methodist Church, 2730 56th St. SW,

Wyoming, MI 49418.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, 1 Hiland Dr.; or to Northern Chaplain Services, 416 Connable, both in Petoskey, MI 49770.

Please sign Don's guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com

Velma E. Smith, 92

(DEC. 29, 1920 - AUG. 23, 2013)

Velma E. Smith of Charlevoix died Friday, August 23, 2013, at her home. She was born December 29, 1920, in Keystone, Ind., to Andrew and Pearl (Noe) Miller, and grew up in Charlevoix. Velma earned her high school diploma, graduating with her son in 1969.

She worked as an inspector at American Mold (DME) from 1959-85. Velma taught Sunday School for over fifty-seven years, and was an active member of the Family of Faith Church in Charlevoix. She also volunteered for hospice.

Velma is survived by her children, Donna (Frank) Rathjens, and Gary Smith both of Charlevoix, Stanley (Asondra) Smith of Romulus, Susie (Robert) Wise of Ellsworth, Steve (Diane) Smith of Charlevoix; eighty-five grand, great-grand, and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sister, Cecil, and brother, Howard.

Funeral will be 11 am, Wednesday, August 28, at the Family of Faith Church, the Reverend Michael Arp officiating. Burial will be in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Family of Faith Church, Memorial contributions may be made to the Family of Faith Church, 203 E.

Upright, Charlevoix, MI 49720; or to Freedom House Ministries for Jim McWatters, 06429 M 66 North, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

Ralph E. Kitson, Jr., 86

(AUG. 2, 1927 - AUG. 23, 2013)

Ralph E. Kitson, Jr. of East Jordan died Friday, August 23, 2013, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

He was born on August 2, 1927, in East Jordan, the son of Pearl E., Sr. and Florence (McPherson) Kitson.

Ralph served in the United States Army Air Corps as a radio operator during World War II.

On March 16, 1963, in Cadillac, Michigan, he married Luezetta "Zettie" Smith.

Ralph had worked for the City of East Jordan from June 6, 1966, until his retirement on July 28, 1989. He had worked for the DPW, as the city superintendent for three years and the city assessor for a couple of years. Afterwards, he drove school bus for the East Jordan Public Schools from 1990 to 2001.

He was a member of the Rebec-Hosler-Sweet Post #227 of the American Legion in East Jordan.

Ralph was an outdoorsman. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, making birdhouses, bowling and was a sports fan.

He is survived by his wife, Luezetta "Zettie" Kitson of East Jordan; eight children, Steven (Encar) Kitson of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Sherry (Jeff) Grandsen of Whitmore Lake, Beverly (Albert) Joseph of East Jordan, Marsha Ibarra of East Jordan, Sheilah (George) Blackledge of Boyne Falls, Kerri Kitson of Brighton, Yvonne Pentecost of Cheboygan and Greg (Meg) Kitson of East Jordan; thirty-one grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren; five great, great grandchildren; and sister, Edith June Reich of East Jordan. Ralph was preceded in death by three children, Stanley Kitson, Patricia Kitson-Stone and Alan Kitson; three brothers, Bob, Lewis and Ivan Kitson; and two sisters, Erma Reich and Iva Prebble.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 26, 2013 at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Pastor Rap Posnik of the East Jordan United Methodist Church officiated with interment following in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.

Memorials may be directed to the United Methodist Church, Grandvue Medical Care Facility or the East Jordan Ambulance Association.

Louise Speigl, 82

(JUNE 1, 1931 - AUGUST 24, 2013)

Louise Speigl of Boyne City died Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix.

A graveside service will take place at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 31, at St. Francis Cemetery, Petoskey.

Arrangements are being handled by Stone Funeral Home, Petoskey.

Norman P. St. Clair, 84

(SEPT. 13, 1928 - JUNE 8, 2013)

Norman P. St. Clair, age 84, of Charlevoix, died Saturday, June 8, 2013.

Norm was born in Pontiac on Sept. 13, 1928.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and re-

tired from GM after more than 40 years of service.

He was a member of the Flywheelers Club of Charlevoix.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette; five children, Michele Wharton, Renee St. Clair, Vevette (Mike) Gazetti, Doug St. Clair and Paul St. Clair; 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Nancy, and granddaughter, Emery.

He will be greatly missed by his many friends in Charlevoix.

G. LaVetta Howard, 81

(APRIL 11, 1932 - AUGUST 18, 2013)

LaVetta Howard, of Boyne City,

passed away Aug. 18, 2013, at the age of 81 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

LaVetta was born April 11, 1932, in Boyne City, to Harry and Goldie (Sage) Roof. She grew up in Boyne City and attended Boyne City Schools.

On Nov. 4, 1954, she married Victor Howard; the couple made their home in Boyne City where they raised their family.

LaVetta was employed for six years with Boyne Products until she took a position with Courters, which became Honeywell. She retired in 1997 after 32 years on the job.

She was a warm and loving wife and mother who raised five daughters, four of whom survive and they include Carol (Ray) Adams of Boyne City, Marilyn (Bud) Beebe of Boyne City, Karen (Ferd) Dielman of Petoskey and Lorraine Priest of Traverse City. She is also survived by 18 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding LaVetta in death were her husband, Victor, in 1998 and their daughter, Noreen, in 2006; she was also preceded in death by her great-granddaughter, Alivia Christine, in 2003.

She carried within her heart a deep and abiding faith in God. As a member of the First Baptist Church of Boyne City, she shared her faith through her gift of song as a member of the church choir.

LaVetta's family is planning a private graveside service at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Boyne City in the near future.

Her family is also greatly appreciative of the kind and loving care provided by the staff of Grandvue Medical Care Facility; and it is their wish those wishing to remember LaVetta with a charitable contribution consider donations to Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

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

Shirley Howie, 76

(NOV. 20, 1936 - AUG. 20, 2013)

As the sun rose Tuesday morning, Aug. 20, 2013, Shirley Howie, surrounded by her family, passed peacefully and safely into eternity, welcomed by The Lord and her grandson Jessie.

Shirley's life is characterized by her love for family, community and her service to both.

There were few things Shirley was not involved in. She was passionate about many activities in the community such as Friends of the Li-

brary, the Boyne City Museum, Kiwanis, Grandvue Auxiliary, the American Legion Auxiliary, Sports Boosters. She was known for taking tickets for the games and selling 50/50 tickets. If it involved community and kids, she was involved.

Shirley worked for 26 years for the Boyne City schools as a bus driver and later as the bus coordinator.

Shirley was born Nov. 20, 1936, in Boyne City, the first born daughter of Joe and Millie (Weeks) Nessen.

She married Carlton Howie on Aug. 20, 1955, making their home in Boyne City, enjoying 58 years of marriage to the day.

Shirley is survived by her husband, Carlton; their sons, Joe (Lisa) Howie, Bill and (Kimberlee) Howie, grandchildren, Lea (Allen) Soltis, Stewart Howie, Stephen Howie, and great-granddaughter, Brie Soltis, all of Boyne City; sister, Carol Duff, and brother, Donald (Kitty) Nessen.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Millie Nessen; grandson, Jessie Howie; and two infant sons, James Donald Howie and Michael Allen Howie.

A memorial service celebrating Shirley's life was held Friday, Aug. 23, at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Boyne City with the Rev. David Behling officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.

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

Kenneth W. Gardner Sr., 74

(DEC. 28, 1938 - AUG. 9, 2013)

Kenneth W. Gardner Sr. of Alanson died Aug. 9, 2013, at McLaren Northern Michigan hospital in Petoskey.

Ken was born on Dec. 28, 1938, in Boyne Falls, the son of William J. and Alice (O'Connell) Gardner and was raised in Boyne City, attending school in Melrose Township.

On Nov. 27, 1965, Ken married Ruth Ann Hibbler in Boyne City and together they lived in various towns in Northwest Michigan before making their permanent home in Alanson.

Ken worked for various companies doing janitorial work, before he retired in 1991 because of health concerns.

Ken enjoyed fishing, boating, camping, gardening, tinkering around with old lawnmowers; taking them apart and putting them back together again.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Ann (Hibbler) Gardner; a daughter, Dawn; a brother, George (Pat) Gardner; five sisters, Mary Jane Billman, Donna Russel, Audrey (Ray) Moomaw, Charlotte (Robert) Sobleskey and Joyce (Ronald) Sobleskey; and by several nieces and nephews.

Ken was preceded in death by his father, William Gardner; mother, Alice Gardner; stepmother, Marie Gardner; and by a son, Kenneth W. Gardner Jr.

Private family services will take place at a later date.

The Stone Funeral Home of Petoskey is in care of the arrangements.

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Manufacturing business holding job fair in Charlevoix

CHARLEVOIX - Northwest Michigan Works is partnering with Oliver Racing Parts for an on-site job fair at the company's Charlevoix plant. The job fair will be held Thursday, September 5 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 7 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at 5339 M-66 North in Charlevoix.

Oliver Racing Parts manufac-

tures lightweight, durable connecting rods that help engine builders achieve extreme horsepower. The company is looking for skilled people for the following positions: accounting/administrative, CNC machinists, inside sales, machine operators, maintenance, and quality control.

Job fair attendees should

bring their current résumé and come prepared to complete an application for employment. Oliver Racing staff will be on-site to answer questions and conduct mini-interviews for specific positions with candidates who show experience applicable to current open jobs. The company requires a background check and pre-employment physical in-

cluding a drug screen. Oliver Racing is an Equal Opportunity Employer and veterans are encouraged to apply.

Job seekers can prepare for the job fair by attending a special workshop Tuesday, September 3 at 2:00 p.m. at the Northwest Michigan Works Petoskey Service Center, 2225 Summit Park Drive. The work-

shop will focus on How to Succeed at a Job Fair. Attendees should bring a copy of their résumé and come dressed like they would for a professional interview.

For more information contact the Northwest Michigan Works Petoskey Service Center at 231-347-5150.

Two Reelected To GLE Board

Incumbents Robert Thurow of Scottville and Richard Walsworth of Mears were recently re-elected to the board of directors for Great Lakes Energy Cooperative.

Five candidates vied for two open board positions. Both are three-year terms. Other candidates were Mary Brower of East Jordan, Michael Hayes and Kara Wasylewski, both of Elmira.

Thurow is a dairy and grain farmer. Walsworth is a retired farmer. Both are long-time members of the electric cooperative.

Winners were announced at the cooperative's Aug. 21st annual business meeting in Boyne City.

Election was held by mail-in ballot contained in the July/August issue of Michigan Country Lines magazine.

Great Lakes Energy serves more than 125,000 member-consumers in 26 counties in western and northern Michigan.

Director Election Results

*Robert Thurow	2,437
*Richard Walsworth	1,968
Mary Brower	1,689
Michael Hayes	1,543
Kara Wasylewski	932

*winners

Garden of the Week



Pictures are John and Phyllis Elzinga, 202 May Street in CVX. Their garden is the eighth winner of the Garden Club's "Garden of the Week". The Elzingas utilize every square inch of their "in-town" garden paradise. Their garden was featured in the 2009 Garden Walk and it is even more beautiful in 2013!

PHOTO BY MARY WATSON-CHAVEZ

Volunteers needed for Day of Caring Sept. 11

CHARLEVOIX and EMMET COUNTIES - In observance of the National Day of Service and Remembrance, you're invited to join Char-Em United Way's Day of Caring on Wednesday, September 11. Hundreds of local volunteers along with thousands of other groups statewide and millions of people nationwide plan to pay tribute as part of the single-largest charitable service effort in the U.S. Char-Em United Way is excited to also celebrate the 10th anniversary of this local community service event.

The goal of the National Day of Service and Remembrance is to bring Americans together in the same spirit of compassion, unity, and service that existed after the 9/11 attacks. Day of Caring for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties focus is with local non-profit organizations and senior citizens. Volunteers are still needed to complete approximately 50 service projects throughout

both counties. Day of Caring is an incredible opportunity for people in the community to get involved and volunteer their time to benefit local communities. Volunteers can assist with a variety of projects from painting and landscaping to stocking a food pantry or sorting donations at a resale shop.

Available projects are listed online through Char-Em United Way's Volunteer Connections at <http://volunteer.truist.com/charemunited-way/volunteer/home/> or visit our website at www.charemunited-way.org and follow the links to volunteer. Search keywords "Day of Caring" to find a project that fits your time, skills and passion. Click on "I'm interested in this opportunity" to send a message to Char-Em United Way and you will be contacted by United Way staff with details to complete your volunteer match. Or you can call the Char-Em United Way office at 231-487-1006 to register as a volunteer.

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Charlevoix Public Library September 2013 Events Schedule

Exhibit: Material Obsessions III – the work of the Charlevoix Library Group: Loose Threads: Northern Michigan Textile Artists will be on display in the community room foyer, September and October.

Artist Reception: Material Obsessions III: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., September 5: Stop by to explore the new exhibit and meet the artists.

LEGO Club, 3:45 p.m., September 9: Create a design and then build it with LEGO.

Wild Edible Mushrooms or Northern Michigan, 6:30 p.m., September 10: Ken and Ashleigh Harris, of the Michigan Mushroom Market will be on hand for this educational presentation on wild edible mushrooms of Northern Michigan.

Memoir Writing Group, 1:30 p.m., September 12: Join this group for discussion and support for writing personal memoirs.

Genealogy Interest Group, 6:00 p.m., September 12: Enjoy the opportunity to discuss new advances in genealogy and to bring information on new research techniques.

Saturday Play Group, 10:30 a.m., September 14: Enjoy a book, a song, and an activity and have fun with birth – 5 year olds.

Computer Basics, 10:30 – noon, September 16 & 18: Please register for this class that will teach the very basics of using a computer.

BookTalkers Discussion, 6:00 p.m., September 16: Join the Charlevoix Library BookTalkers

for a discussion of *Detroit City is the Place to Be*, by Mark Binelli.

Loose Threads: Northern Michigan Textile Artists, 12:00 p.m., September 18: Join local fiber artist, Kathie Briggs, for this informal group to discuss art and help each other with ideas and projects.

Artists in Action: Plein-Aire Painters, 10:00 – noon, September 19: Stroll through the library grounds and watch the Charlevoix Plein-Aire Painters create beautiful library centric artwork.

Journey of the Letters, 6:30 p.m., September 19: Teresa Irish, author of *A Thousand Letters Home*, shares the inspirational and life-affirming story of her father through letters he wrote while in WWII.

QuickBooks: Just the Basics, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m., September 24: Please register for this class that reviews the basics of QuickBooks accounting software.

SummerFolk: Jack Elliot, 6:30 p.m., September 30: One hour feature performance with Jack Elliot and his unique style of folk and blues. The concert will be followed by an open mic session.

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.

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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.

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

CHX. COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT.

August 19-25, 2013

911 Hang Up Call	3
Abandoned Vehicle	3
Abuse	1
Alarm	2
Animal Complaint	34
Annoyance	3
Assault	1
Assist Citizen	4
Assist Motorist	0
Assist Other Agency	13
Attempt to Locate	2
Attempted Suicide	0
Bank Alarm	0
Boating Accident	0
Boating Violation	2
Breaking & Entering	0
Car/Deer Accident	9
Citations Issued	12
Civil Complaint	4
Criminal Sexual Conduct	0
Death	0
Disorderly Person	0
Disturbance	1
DNR Complaint	0
Domestic Dispute	2
Driving Complaint	5
Fireworks Complaint	0
Found Property	1
Fraud	3
Health & Safety	7
Hit & Run	0
Intoxicated Person	0
Juvenile	2
Larceny	1
Lockout	3
Lost Property	1
Malicious Destruction of Property	1
Mental Subject	1
Minor In Possession	0
Miscellaneous Criminal	1
Missing Person	0
Noise Complaint	5
Operating Under the Influence	0
Paper Service	17

Parking Violation	0
Personal Injury Accident	2
Personal Protection Order	1
Private Property Accident	4
Property Check	22
Property Damage Accident	1
Prowler	0
Road Hazard	4
Stalking	0
Suspicious Situation	9
Threat	4
Traffic Stop	60
Trespassing	2
Unknown Accident	2
Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile	0
Vehicle in the Ditch	0
Violation of Controlled Substance Act	7

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, July 29, 2013

1:10am	Barking dog complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
5:53am	Arrested subject for improper use of a registration plate. Citations also issued for speed and no proof of insurance.
9:47am	Report of household trash being dumped near Little League field
10:03am	Assist EMS in the Industrial Park
10:32am	Report of missing medications from the 800 block of E Main St
10:59am	Report of MDOP
11:43am	Assist EMS in the 700 block of West St
12:24pm	Hit and run accident on Grant St near Lincoln
12:54pm	911 hang up call from the 200 block of Front St
1:31pm	Subject acting strangely in the 1200 block of Boyne Av
2:17pm	Assist Sheriff Department with suspicious subject stopped in traffic on Boyne City Rd
5:06pm	Driving complaint received from

State St	6:58pm	Report of juveniles in the road on Jersey St
10:00pm	Facebook complaint received from the 100 block of N Park St	
11:12pm	Suspicious vehicle on Leroy St	

Tuesday, July 30, 2013

8:25am	911 check from the 200 block of Front St
10:36am	Driving complaint received from the 500 block of Groveland St
10:39am	Disturbance reported in the 600 block of W Court St
10:48pm	Parking complaint in the 400 block of Front St
12:00pm	Funeral escort
2:03pm	Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of S Park St
3:31pm	Parking complaint received on Front St near W Water St
8:18pm	Assist EMS in the 700 block of Maple St
9:42pm	Suspicious vehicle reported on State St
10:10pm	Suspicious activity reported in the 400 block of N Lake St
10:40pm	Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of Cherry St

Wednesday, July 31, 2013

9:00am	Suspicious situation reported in the 100 block of E Water St
2:25pm	Civil complaint in the 900 block of f W Division St
3:55pm	NSF check complaint from the 400 block of N Lake St
4:45pm	2 salvage vehicle inspections
4:45pm	2 vehicle property damage accident at Park and Main Streets
6:26pm	Report of suspicious subject in the 400 block of Pearl St
8:24pm	Suspicious situation in the 100 block of N Park St

Thursday, August 1, 2013

820am	Bond violation in the 300 block of N Lake St
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8:28am	Arrested subject for DWLS and no insurance in the 300 block of N Lake St
12:50pm	Suspicious subject soliciting on Call St
1:35pm	Parking complaint on Sutcliffe Ln
1:56pm	Assist to Sheriff Department in the 200 block of E Water St
4:24pm	Found Nintendo game turned into PD
5:02pm	Report of trucks speeding on W Division St
6:59pm	Report of suspicious subject on moped downtown
8:33pm	Report of PPO violation

Friday, August 2, 2013

6:30am	Disturbance and assault reported in the area First and McKinley Streets
10:48am	Report of lost keys
11:43am	2 vehicle property damage accident at Front and Main St
11:57am	Report of lost purse in the 400 block of N Lake St
3:21pm	Report of lost keys
4:00pm	Citation issued for speed at Division and Lewis
4:42pm	911 hang up in the 500 block of N Lake St
6:08pm	Civil complaint on Adams St
6:36pm	Arrested subject for DWLS in the 100 block of S Lake St
6:54pm	Driving complaint in the 600 block of Adams St
8:00pm	Vehicle unlock on the 200 block of S Lake St
9:40pm	Report of PPO violation in the area of East and Main St

Saturday, August 3, 2013

9:11am	Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of Ray St
10:50am	Report of trucks speeding on W Division St
12:08pm	2 vehicle property damage accident at Michigan and Bay
12:39pm	Assist to Minneapolis Flight Control
3:41pm	Suspicious activity in the 1200

block of Lakeshore Dr	10:00pm	Fireworks complaint in the area of Arthur and Jersey
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Sunday, August 4, 2013

12:10am	Report of loud music on Court St
12:47am	Report of loud music on Charlevoix St. Was coming from party on Old Horton Bay Rd
12:17pm	Natural death in the 700 block of Vogel St
12:51pm	Trespass complaint in the 1200 block of Boyne Av
1:42pm	Report of MDOP to vehicle
5:17pm	Welfare check in the 600 block of Groveland
5:48pm	Driving complaint on Pleasant Av
5:48pm	Civil complaint in the 500 block of Jersey St
5:37pm	Driving complaint on N Lake St
5:38pm	Driving complaint on Hannah St
10:06pm	Fireworks complaint in the area of Michigan and Bay Streets

Rollover Accident on Beaver Island

On August 24, 2013 at approximately 11:03 a.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office on Beaver Island was dispatched to East Side Drive, South of Hannigans Road in Peaine Township for a personal injury rollover accident. Robert Kuehne, age 78 of Okemos, was driving a black 1995 GMC Yukon Southbound on East Side Drive when he reported he fell asleep. The vehicle then failed to negotiate the curve, struck an electric pole, and continued into the wood line where it struck a large tree causing the vehicle to roll over. Kuehne sustained a head injury and was flown off Beaver Island to the Charlevoix Area Hospital. Alcohol does not appear to be a factor in the accident. Kuehne was wearing his seat belt.

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EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, AUGUST 20, 2013

East Jordan Community Center seeks funds for new location

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN—The East Jordan Community Center, formerly known as the East Jordan Senior Center, is seeking sources to help fund the purchase of a piece of property for a new building.

The community center's lease at its Main Street location will expire in September of 2017, and the center hopes to build a new structure on a piece of property located in a residential area of East Jordan. Butch Frye of the community center advisory board says the property they are looking at will cost \$29,900. The

board is currently seeking funds to help secure the purchase of the land and approached the East Jordan City Commission at their August 20 meeting.

Commissioner Tony Cutler inquired whether the city might be able to lend the organization funds for purchase of the land, but City Attorney Scott Beatty discouraged the idea.

"It is taxpayers' money," said Beatty. "[The city of East Jordan] is different than a private corporation. I think that this body can certainly give its full moral support and endorsement, and that is important in grant writing. I would have real reservations

about even exploring the use of tax money funding the organization."

The city commission encouraged the board to pursue grant writing, and City Administrator Chris Yonker offered the possibility of looking into other building options.

"From a broad standpoint, do we build new when we might have an existing building that might work?" questioned Yonker.

Yonker proposed looking into the building at 507 Water Street currently occupied by Karen Walker Studio and formerly occupied by the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. The

building will soon be vacated and is centrally located within the city of East Jordan.

"Bryan Graham is civil council for the county, and Bryan and I go back a long way," said Beatty. "If there is a legal avenue that the county can exercise and the city can join in on, I'll work with Bryan on that."

Yonker also acknowledged the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), at last week's meeting, in particular, Dave Atkins, who spearheaded and wrote a place-making microgrant for the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments. The grant will allow for the construction of a

kayak, canoe, and bicycle rack downtown.

"We're thrilled to see that happen...though I don't know the timing on it with construction," said Yonker.

Finally, the appointments committee also shared their recommendations for the vacancy in the housing commission and selected Doug Lilak to fulfill the position until it expires in 2017.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3 at 7pm.

BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, AUGUST 27, 2013

Over \$21,000 grant presented to Boyne Area Free Clinic

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—The purchase of benches that will be placed in Old City Park and targets for the archery range at Avalanche Mountain were approved and two temporary traffic control orders were made permanent at the August 27 Boyne City Commission meeting.

Approval to purchase five new benches that match existing down town benches was unanimous. "We're going to try and get them spread out throughout the park," reported Andy Kovolski, Streets and Parks Superintendent. The purchase of twelve targets for the Avalanche Archery Range was met with some concern. Although it was considered to be a good investment by all the commissioners, Commissioner Laura Sansom

voted against the purchase in protest of the images of wolves and the endangered wolverine displayed on some of the targets after attempting to amend the motion to disclude the images. Kovolski reported that there has been a resurgence of use at the range and the current targets had been in use for a long time. Sansom objected to shooting at images of endangered species. "It's just about the size of the target and distance you're shooting, it's not about shooting a particular animal," explained Kovolski. The motion passed 4 to 1.

At the request of some residents and a business in the area, two hour parking zones were designated on the east side of South Lake Street from Main Street south to the alley immediately south of 309 South Lake Street and two-way

traffic was allowed on the eastbound alley immediately south of 310 South Lake Street between south Lake and Front Streets. These temporary traffic orders were initiated as of May 24. "It seems to have resolved the problems we had in regards to people from the apartments parking in front of businesses for extended periods of time," said City Manager Michael Cain. Police Chief Jeff Gaither confirmed that traffic in the alley wasn't enforced. "It just seemed to make sense to take the one way restriction off the alley," he said. After hearing these reports the commission voted to make the orders permanent. "We can always revisit this if something unforeseen happens," said Cain.

Rubbish collection resumes for three weeks be-



Mayor Ron Grunch presented Boyne Area Free Clinic Treasurer, Rex Judkins, President Diona Crouterfield and Mike Davis with \$21,392.21 from the Little Traverse Band of the Chippewa and Ottawa Indians 2% pass through grant at the August 27 city commission meeting.

ginning Wednesday, September 4.

The next City Commission meeting will be held

on Tuesday, September 10 at 7 P.M.

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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.

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

BOYNE CITY CHARLEVOIX & EMMET COUNTIES

Day of Caring registration

Volunteer registration is now open for Day of Caring projects. All projects are posted online through Char-Em United Way's Volunteer Connections so volunteers can choose preference for projects based on their availability, team size, and skills. More projects are added as they come in. Hundreds of volunteers will join together on Wednesday, September 11 in an effort to make our community a better place to live. Contact Lisa at Char-Em United Way at info@charemunitedway.org or 231-487-1006.

BOYNE CITY

Art Workshops

Learn how satisfying it can be to create your own art! Join us at the Boyne Arts Collective Gallery for one or more of these August workshops.

August 29, 4-8pm: Jewelry Making for Beginners...Make a Wire Wrap Bracelet; Instructor: Tom Franzosi, Silver and Stone Studio; Fee: \$90 includes all supplies and you leave with a finished bracelet!

August 30, 12-4pm: Jewelry Making for Beginners...Make a Black Onyx Pendant; Instructor: Tom

Franzosi, Silver and Stone Studio; Fee: \$90 includes all supplies and leave with a finished pendant!

August 31, 12-4pm: Advanced Jewelry Making... Make a Swarovski Triangle Pendant; Instructor: Tom Franzosi, Silver and Stone Studio; Fee: \$95 includes all supplies and take home a finished pendant! (Note: this class is intended for persons with wire-wrapping experience...taking either the August 29 or 30 class will give you the experience).

To Register Send (or stop by the BAC Gallery with) your name, phone #, e-mail and check for the workshop to...Boyne Arts Collective, 210 S. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712; Any questions? Contact Debbie Sears, 231-582-0604 or email debbie4705@gmail.com

BOYNE CITY

Dancin' in the street

SOBO, the South Boyne arts district, presents the 11th annual Dancin' in the Street Thursday, Aug. 29, from 7 to 9 p.m. The Mark Sanders Band will entertain just south of the corner of Lake and Main Streets. The event is sponsored by CindiFranco's cool stuff, Eyes on Main, Lake Street Market and other SOBO businesses. Organizer Cindi Malin says, "Bring your chairs, grab a sandwich, put on your dancin' shoes and join us for an evening of fun."

CHARLEVOIX

Affordable Care Act

Changes are coming to health insurance in October. How will the Affordable Care Act (ACA) change your current health insurance policies and how can you access the new health insurances exchanges. Lyn Jenks, CEO of Charlevoix Area Hospital, will be presenting on the expected changes resulting from the launch of the ACA. Ms. Jenks will be addressing key questions regarding the individual and business mandates, health insurance exchanges and the expected penalties for not having health insurance coverage.

August 29 at the Charlevoix Public Library at 5:30pm

CHARLEVOIX

Charlevoix Photography Club Call For Artists

August 29 through October 16. This year's theme is "My Michigan." We are hoping to inspire photographers to submit images that show what is special to them about our beautiful state. There is no limitation on subjects except that the entry must have been captured in Michigan. Pho-

tographers may submit up to three entries in the following categories: Realistic Photographs, Artistically manipulated Images, Images on Media other than Photo Paper, Video and Multimedia, and Photographers under 18. Entries must be in before August 19 and 20th with an entry form and fee of \$35 dollars (\$30 for Circle of Arts Members). For complete rules and information call the Charlevoix Circle of Arts

BAY HARBOR

End of Summer Sidewalk Sales

The Village at Bay Harbor merchants invites you to the End of Season Sidewalk Sales Aug. 30 - a Bay Harbor tradition over Labor Day Weekend. Come down and browse the brick-paved streets and take some great treasures home with you. Top off your day of shopping by grabbing some delicious food at one of our tasty eateries. A really great way to say farewell to summer.

BOYNE CITY & PETOSKEY

Book signing

Local author, Kenn Grimes, will be signing his latest book, *The Other Side of Yesterday*, a time travel novel of romance and mystery, set in Kentucky in the 1920s and 1860s, at two locations at the end of this month. On Friday, August 30th, he will be at Local Flavor Bookstore, 125 Water St. in Boyne City from 6 to 9 PM; and on Saturday, August 31st at Horizon Bookstore, 319 E. Mitchell St. in Petoskey from 1 to 4 PM. A part time resident of Michigan, Kenn is a retired minister who spends his winters at his second home in Louisville, Kentucky. *The Other Side of Yesterday* is Grimes' second book, following his collection of short stories, *Camptown*... one hundred and fifty years of stories from Camptown, Kentucky.

CHARLEVOIX

Plant sale

The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club annual plant sale will be August 31st from 9am until noon at Ferry Beach in Charlevoix, near the corner of Ferry Ave. and Stover Rd. Many varieties of perennials, both shade and sun tolerant will be available. Plants are grown by members and friends and are suitable for our climate. Master Gardeners will be available for advice and to answer questions. The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at

America House, 615 Petoskey Ave. Anyone interested in gardening is welcome to attend the informative programs, trips to nurseries etc. For more information, call Margaret at 231-547-5199 or Janine at 231-547-7384.

BOYNE CITY

Car Show

The car show begins August 31 at Veteran's Memorial Park with registration at 8am, awards at 2pm and a parade through Boyne City at 3pm. Car owners are also encouraged to show their vehicles during Stroll the Streets from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30; no registration is needed for Friday, just bring your car downtown (Water Street) between 5 and 6 p.m. Car registration is just \$20 in advance; \$25 on show day. (231) 459-4080 www.boynechamber.com/Annual-Events/boyne-city-car-show.html

CHARLEVOIX, BOYNE CITY & HARBOR SPRINGS

Red Fox Regatta

Aug 31 - Sep 1. Charlevoix Yacht Club's Red Fox Regatta is now a Labor Day tradition for sailors from all over the Great Lakes with support from their fellow sailors at Boyne City Yacht Club, Grand Traverse Yacht Club of Traverse City, and Little Traverse Yacht Club of Harbor Springs. This is a really fun race to watch as the boats come in and go out. Check the website for times. www.charlevoixyachtclub.org

BOYNE CITY

Pancake breakfast

AUG. 31 a pancake breakfast is being organized for Dal Mac bike riders and anyone else who would like to enjoy pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice, coffee and milk for \$5. The breakfast will be held at the Advance Board of Commerce Hall behind the Advance General Store. Tickets are available at the door. For information, call 231-582-9767.

ELLSWORTH

Chuck Wagon trail ride

Horseback trail riders! The Front Porch Ministries is having a fund raiser Chuck Wagon Trail Ride on Saturday, September 21 at the Timber Ridge Ranch in Ellsworth. We have room for just 50 riders so get your registration in early. If it's in by August 31, the cost is \$40. After that, it is \$55. Your registration includes Louise's delectable cinnamon rolls in the morning, chuck wagon

lunch by the lake provided by the Front Porch, a prize drawing, and a t-shirt. The trail ride will be about 2 hours in the morning, followed by lunch at the lake and a 1 and 1/2 hour ride back to the barn. All funds will benefit the Front Porch Ministries, a donation only restaurant. Currently, there are only 18 of these restaurants in the United States, and this one is right here in your area. We hope you will join us. For more information or a registration form, contact Nancy Ferguson at 231-547-2285, or check us out at www.frontporchellsworth.org or on Facebook www.facebook.com/FrontPorchEllsworth

BOYNE CITY

Car show

Kiwanis Club of Boyne City is preparing for its annual Labor Day weekend car show. They are having a "Friday Night Preview" during Stroll the Streets, free to participants on Aug. 30, and Kiwanis is awarding three "Best of Show" trophies at 8 p.m. The next day, Aug. 31 is the Saturday Car Show with A+ Digital DJ's playing music all day in Veterans Park on the lakefront. Thick 'N' Juicy will be serving breakfast and lunch at the Car Show. The show has 34 Trophy Classes, plus six "Best of Show" trophies that will be awarded to registered participants. Every entry will take home a prize, dash plaque and more gifts. Parking begins at 8 a.m. and registration will run to 11 a.m. Judging begins at 10 a.m. and awards start at 3 p.m. A cruise from the park will begin at 4 p.m. For more information call Hollis Ehrlich at 231-459-4080.

BOYNE CITY

Art show

The current Students of June Storm's Watercolor Class are presenting an Art Exhibit at Boyne Arts Collective's {BAC} South Gallery, 210 S Lake Street in the SOBO Art District. The BAC Student Watercolor Show will be open for display on afternoons and weekends until after Labor Day. For further information contact June Storm at theperennial28@aol.com or call 231-582-1785. Please visit www.boynearts.org.

BOYNE CITY

Drag races

The annual Boyne City Police Department drag races are almost here. Side-by-side, eighth-mile drag races will be from noon-5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 1, at the Boyne City Airport, 1048 E. Main St. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Boyne City Airport and the Boyne City Police Department. Entry fees are \$30 for cars, trucks and motorcycles, while pit passes are \$15. Spectators will be charged a \$10 admission fee; children under 12 years will be admitted free. Gates open to racers at 8:30 a.m. for registration and tech inspections. The event is cosponsored by the Boyne Valley Lions, and proceeds benefit the Airport and Police Department. For information call 582-6611 or visit www.bcpddragrace.org.

BOYNE CITY

Triathlon

The first Boyne City Triathlon will be held Sunday, Sept. 1, at Peninsula Beach Park. Athletes will start out swimming 1.5k in Lake Charlevoix before skimming the coastline for 40k on their bikes and passing through town on a 10k run. There are also two-person and three-person relays and shorter-distance sprint triathlon and duathlon races. The total purse for the races is \$5,000. Proceeds from the event will benefit Team Lucky Seven, Inc., a Michigan-based non-profit started by Boyne City resident Rob Swartz. After being diagnosed with and recovering from one of the rarest neurological autoimmune diseases on the planet, Rob wanted to give something back. The name stems from the fact that Rob is the 7th diagnosed case of his disease. The goal of Team Lucky Seven is to use athletes and events to raise awareness and research funds for the large number of neurological diseases. If you are interested in volunteering or helping with this worthwhile cause, e-mail Rob at rob@teamluckyseven.org.

BOYNE CITY

Art show

The current Students of June Storm's Watercolor Class are presenting an Art Exhibit at Boyne Arts Collective's {BAC} South Gallery, 210 S Lake Street in the SOBO Art District. The BAC Student Watercolor Show will be open for display on afternoons and weekends until after Labor Day. For further information contact June Storm at theperennial28@aol.com or call 231-582-1785. Please visit www.boynearts.org.

HORTON BAY

Labor Day Bridge Walk

On Labor Day night, Horton Bay will hold its 33rd annual candlelight walk across the famous 14 and a half foot Horton Bay Bridge. Those who make it across will receive a certificate of accomplishment, which can then be taken to the General Store and shown for free ice cream. Michelle Chenard will entertain the crowd starting around 7:30 p.m. until dark. This year the walk will be led by "Bear," who will play the bagpipes.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

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 Wellness Wednesday

Charlevoix Area Hospital's next "Wellness Wednesday" will be from 8am until 11am on Wednesday, September 4 in the Solarium. The Wellness Wednesday Health Screens include: Total Cholesterol, HDL, ratio, and Glucose levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, Fat Percentage, and a Blood Pressure reading. Cost is \$12.

CHARLEVOIX What IS that? Farmers Market

September 5 from 9am-1pm. Samples of uncommon fruits, vegetables, and other local fare available for free tasting at the market.

CHARLEVOIX Join Us for Breakfast

Friday, September 6 from 7:30am-8:30am marks the return of Charlevoix Chamber Business Breakfasts. Join Chamber members for breakfast the first Friday of every month. This month's breakfast is at the Belvedere Casino. Just \$7 for members, \$10 for not-yet members.

BOYNE CITY City rubbish collection, county hazardous waste collection

RUBBISH COLLECTION will resume for three weeks in the City of Boyne City on Sept. 4 and 5. The pickups will take place in areas on and south of Main Street on Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11 and 18. Areas north of Main Street will be picked up on Thursdays, Sept. 5, 12 and 19. For more information click here or call City Hall at 582-6597. ELECTRONICS AND HAZARDOUS WASTE collection will be held from 5-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 7 in Boyne City. Acceptable electronics and hazardous waste items include fluorescent light bulbs, oil-based paints, chemicals and lawn fertilizers. Call 582-6193 to schedule an appointment

BOYNE CITY Community Potluck Picnic

Sunday, Sept. 8 is the 8th annual Boyne City Community Potluck Picnic at 1pm in Veterans Park. The theme for the event is "An Old Fashioned Family Picnic." Bring a dish to pass (serving 6 to 8) and your own beverages; hot dogs will be provided. There will also be music by keyboard player Roger Hartson, women drummers from Greensky United Methodist Church, face painting, children's games organized by Boyne Area Kiwanis Club, cotton candy, popcorn, barbershop singers and a Boyne City vs. East Jordan Firefighters softball game at 3 p.m. The Friends of the Boyne District Library will also be conducting a drawing for their quilt raffle. Contact the chamber for details, 231-582-6222.

EAST JORDAN Affordable Care Act

Changes are coming to health insurance in October. How will the Affordable Care Act (ACA) change your current health insurance policies and how can you access the new health insurances exchanges. Lyn Jenks, CEO of Charlevoix Area Hospital, will be presenting on the expected changes resulting from the launch of the ACA. Ms. Jenks will be addressing key questions regarding the individual and business mandates, health insurance exchanges and the expected penalties for not having health insurance coverage. September 10 at the East Jordan EMS Station at 5:30pm

EAST JORDAN

Food Preservation: Fermented Cucumber Pickles

Tuesday September 10 from 6pm to 8pm at Bluestem Farm, 4218 M-32 East (at Adams Road). Come learn how to make fermented pickles; or if you know how, come join in the fun of preserving food in a group setting. Fermented vegetables keep for a long time, are extremely nutritious and require little investment in equipment. Produce, jars and lids will be provided. Each participant will prepare fermented cucumber pickles hands-on, and take home a share of the jars at the end of the workshop. There will be take-home info and resources available. \$25-\$35 sliding scale. Preregistration required. A partnership of ISLAND, Bluestem Farm, and the NMSFC. For more information call 231-622-5252 or email jen@artmeetsearth.org

CHARLEVOIX & EMMET COUNTY Day of Caring

Day of Caring will be Wednesday, September 11 in honor of the National Day of Service and Remembrance of September 11. This one-day event is an incredible opportunity for people in our community to get involved and volunteer their time to complete projects that area non-profits and organizations just don't have the staff, funds or time to complete without help. Volunteers are matched with non-profits, schools, and government agencies from all over Charlevoix and Emmet counties during Day of Caring. If you would like to join Day of Caring contact Char-Em United Way at 231-487-1006, info@charemunitedway.org or www.charemunitedway.org

BAY HARBOR Fundraising Luncheon

Women Can/Women Do luncheons are crucial fundraisers for the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan. Dollars raised at each luncheon are directed to programs and services that help thousands of women, children and families in northern Michigan every single year. The event is Sept. 11, 11am - 1:45pm held at the Bay Harbor Yacht Club-Lange Center. If you would like to reserve a seat at the luncheon, call the WRCNM Administrative Office at (231) 347-0067.

BOYNE CITY State of Community luncheon

The Boyne Area Chamber's fifth annual State of the Community luncheon will be held Sept. 12. Those who attend will get a firsthand update on highlights of the past year for our city, county, schools and downtown. You'll meet and greet business and civic leaders. You'll have a great lunch in a beautiful lakeside setting. This year's

event will be held at Somerset Pointe from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12. The public is welcome and invited to attend. Admission is \$25, which includes salad, entree, dessert, beverage, tax and gratuity. Table sponsorships, which include eight seats, table sign and introductions at the event, are available for \$250. A crowd of more than 100 attended last year. To register, call the Chamber at 231-582-6222; online payment and registration will be available soon.

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PETOSKEY Reverse transfer agreement between colleges

North Central Michigan College and Grand Valley State University have entered into a partnership designed to increase the number of students who complete degrees at Michigan colleges and universities. The reverse transfer agreement was signed on Monday, August 19, by Dr. Cameron Brunet-Koch, president of North Central Michigan College, and Dr. Thomas J. Haas, president of Grand Valley State University. This agreement will create a process whereby students from North Central Michigan College who have transferred to Grand Valley State University with at least 16 credits can be awarded a North Central associate's degree with the help of credits earned at Grand Valley State University.

CHARLEVOIX Car Raffle

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.

ELLSWORTH Chuck Wagon Ride

The Front Porch Min-

istries will hold a trail ride at Timber Ridge Ranch, 8884 Atwood Road, Charlevoix on Saturday, September 21. All funds will benefit the Front Porch Ministries. Early bird sign up special is \$40.00 per rider and is due by August 31, 2013. For more information and registration form visit http://www.frontporchellsworth.org

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY Crop walk

The Charlevoix County CROP Hunger Walk, which will take place on Saturday, September 28, 9am from Whiting Park in Boyne City, Charlevoix Middle School and Elm Pointe in East Jordan will benefit 6 local ministries in our local communities. This year's walk is in honor of past and present walkers. Our goal is to raise \$30,000 and have over 130 walkers. For more information, you may contact Mary Richwine in Boyne City @ 582-6035, John Young in Charlevoix at 547-2042 and Marge Teske in East Jordan 536-3128 or please visit the website www.churchworldservice.org or www.cropwalk.org. CROP Hunger Walks, ending hunger one step at a time!

EAST JORDAN 5k Trail Run/Walk

Fall Color 5k Trail Run/Walk and Family Fun Run. September 28 at East Jordan High School. Proceeds from run/walk will be split between scholarship fund and

girls volleyball team. Registration forms available at First Choice Physical Therapy, East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Office or on line at http://www.firstchoicept.com. If you have questions please contact Anne at 231-536-2168

BOYNE CITY Country Music Spectacular

Sept. 29 - Boyne City Firefighters annual Country Music Spectacular featuring Wade Hayes at the Boyne City High School Performing Arts Center, 3 and 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25, call 231 225-0275.

BOYNE CITY Computer classes

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

EAST JORDAN Christian coffee house

Open Door Christian coffee house will be held every first and third Saturday of each month at the East Jordan senior center from 7:30 - 9:30pm. Enjoy hymns, southern gospel and praise music. Free admission.

BOYNE CITY Farmers market

The Boyne City Farmers Market is open from 8am to noon every

Wednesday and Saturday in Veterans Park.

BOYNE CITY Harvest festival

Oct. 5 - Harvest Festival, Water Street www.boyneharvestfestival.com

CHARLEVOIX My Michigan

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts and the Charlevoix Photography Club present My Michigan photography exhibition. The photos will be on display until Oct. 6. Photography is focused on the beauty of our state. Opening reception Aug. 29, 5:30 - 7:30pm. The Circle of Arts is located at 109 Clinton St.

CHARLEVOIX Adult Art Classes

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

EAST JORDAN East Jordan Remembers 2

A project is now underway to compile a second collection of historical remembrances of East Jordan. Tentative plans are to publish this second volume in spring 2014 in the form of an interesting and educational book that would be illustrated with many photos. The committee coordinating this project is currently soliciting stories and photos for the book and has issued an open invitation to anyone who would like to contribute. Of particular interest is the Tourist Park/ Camp and Sportsman's Park; Charlevoix Co. Fairgrounds; the pickle, cigar and gum factories; Cannors independent basketball team; and East Jordan Airport. The deadline for all stories and photos is November 1, 2013. Stories and photos can be sent to East Jordan Historical Society, PO Box 1355, East Jordan MI 49727. Questions can be referred to Agnes Clark, chairperson, 231-536-2163.

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East Jordan Artists Create Art That Represents Michigan

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN— East Jordan artists joined together to create art that will travel across the globe representing the state.

Jim Radtke of the East Jordan Stoneworks and artist Glenna Haney of JordanValley Glassworks joined talents earlier this year in an attempt to bring attention to East Jordan. "It was primarily an East Jordan pride thing to generate interest in the town," said Radtke who suggested the endeavor. Besides collaborating on a lampshade the pair created a little box using stones cut by Radtke and stained glass by Haney.

It was one of the little boxes with the state of Michigan cut out of pudding stone that caught the attention of the Director of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development who directed her secretary to call Radtke. "She said, we love that little glass box it really says Michigan," he said. The



Stone Artist Jim Radtke stand next to a collaborative lamp made from hand cut pudding stone and set in stained glass.

boxes will be given out by the State of Michigan to some of China's political leaders. Radtke quickly convinced the director that Petoskey Stones

rather than pudding stones were a more effective representation of the state then he convinced Haney at the glassworks that they could complete the boxes in the ten day deadline. "I had other projects in front of this, I was running around crazy, this is the worst time," said Haney.

After Radtke hand cut and sanded Petoskey stones into the shape of Michigan's upper and lower peninsula he passed the stones on to Haney who set them into the boxes using stained glass techniques. Four days into soldering the boxes one of the sets of stones broke but Radtke had it covered. "We couldn't let any stone go unturned here," he joked.

Radtke cut 30 stones and finally produced eight replicas of the state, both peninsulas, out of the same stone. "It was important that the boxes matched perfectly while still being unique pieces of art," said Radtke. "It was quite a trick." All the boxes are blue to replicate water but



Artist Glenna Haney smiles behind a replica of a bowl she made for Governor Granholm's gift at the 2007 Governor's conference and one of the small blue boxes with a petoskey stone Michigan set in the top that will be given to Asian Dignitaries this month.

some are opaque, some have designs in the glass and the shades vary.

Haney said that the first boxes were made in February but were discontinued because she felt they had saturated the market. Since the box was featured on TV7&4 News there has been an overwhelming response to the box. "I got twelve hits on my Facebook between six and nine the night the piece aired," she said. Haney has only one of the boxes at the East Jordan workshop and storefront she operates with partner and craftsman Jay Bavers.

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development left for Asia with the boxes on Friday. The artists hope that the boxes will be viewed as a wonderful example of what local home town artists can accomplish when they combine their skills. "The boxes are very representative of the state," said Radtke.

Keeping up with technology just got easier

The Charlevoix Public Library, in partnership with Recorded Books (Prince Frederick, MD), is offering Atomic Training, a comprehensive online database of how-to training covering popular software and applications including tutorials for: Microsoft, Apple, Adobe, Google as well as social networking applications.

Through the Charlevoix Public Library website, patrons of the Charlevoix Public Library will have unlimited access to video tutorials in the library or at home. These videos help patrons of all ages improve job skills and

become more proficient in basic computer applications. Mobile device training is also available, allowing patrons to learn how to get the most out of their smart phones and tablets.

"Atomic Training will allow the library to provide instant training exactly when our patrons need it," states Valerie Meyerson, Library Director. "We are excited to see how this service will open doors for people trying to find affordable and easy solutions to keeping up with technology."

To start learning, a patron heads to the site, creates an account, and

then chooses from the drop down menus one of the highlighted tutorials. Stop by the Information Desk at the library for information on how to access this service or visit the library at www.charlevoixlibrary.org/resources.

Atomic Training was established in December 2010 as a division of its parent company, Atomic Learning. Atomic Learning has provided high impact e-Learning solutions for more than ten years to 16 million users in 45 countries. For more information, visit www.atomictraining.com.

Volunteers make Stuff the Bus a success

Dozens of volunteers from many local businesses and organizations helped collect school supplies during Char-Em United Way's 6th Annual Stuff the Bus which will benefit students in Charlevoix and Emmet County schools.

Each year during the back-to-school season, Char-Em United Way collects donated school supplies to distribute to children in need in the Char-Em Intermediate School District. On Saturday, Aug. 17 school buses were parked at the K-Mart plazas in Petoskey and Charlevoix and were filled with items donated by the community that will help students succeed in school. "With assistance from


volunteers we collected over 10,500 items this year, one of the best years yet. All supplies collected will go to children in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties allowing them to start the new school year with confidence. The number of students that qualify for free or reduced lunch show that almost half of the families in the district are still struggling financially and the community's support of Stuff the Bus can provide a huge relief," stated Lisa Luebke, Char-Em United Way Project Coordinator.

Char-Em United Way would like to thank all the volunteers and sponsors that made Stuff the Bus possible including Petoskey and Charlevoix

K-Mart stores, WTCM and Z93 radio, Petoskey Department of Public Safety, Charlevoix Township Fire Department, Bergmann Center-Aktion Club, Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Charlevoix Public Schools, Johnson's Buses and Fletch's of Petoskey, and Donald Neill Farm Bureau Insurance as well as many local businesses and individuals.

Supplies will be distributed to schools in the Char-Em Intermediate School District within the next two weeks. Students in need of school supplies should ask their teachers about Stuff the Bus supplies. We invite you to join us next August for Stuff the Bus 2014.

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“Colors” Exhibit Luncheon



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Placemaking Grants Awarded for Projects in East Jordan, Mackinaw City and Petoskey

Projects in East Jordan, Mackinaw City, and Petoskey are benefiting from grants designed to help communities with their Placemaking efforts. The 2013 Placemaking Micro-Grants were awarded by the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments (NWMCOG), in partnership with the Alliance for Economic Success, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, and the Traverse Bay Economic Development Corporation.

The City of East Jordan is receiving \$5,000 for a kayak/canoe/bicycle rack at the mouth of the Jordan River. Mackinaw City will receive \$2,000 for Historical Pathway interpretive sign improvements including QR codes and audio recordings. The City of Petoskey is receiving \$3,000 to enhance the usability of outdoor space at the Petoskey District Library, including tables and a bike rack. The grants are three of 13 grants totaling \$50,000 awarded to city, village, and township governments in northwest

Lower Michigan. Thirty-one communities from 10 counties applied for the grants.

Placemaking is a community-based approach involving the discovery and implementation of practices that make communities distinctive, economically viable, accessible, and visually pleasing. Placemaking capitalizes on a local community's assets, inspiration and potential, creating good public spaces that promote people's health and economic well-being. In support of assisting communities with their placemaking goals, the Placemaking Micro-Grants Program is intended to provide resources to communities looking to realize their placemaking efforts.

For a list of all funded projects go to www.nwm.org/micro-grants. For more information on Placemaking visit createmplace.org or contact Michelle Foster of the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments at: michellefoster@nwm.co.mi.us or 231-929-5039.

“Get your gear on” at Pineview Military Surplus in Frederic

By Jim Akans

Built to perform, built to last. It is a quality inherent in the equipment designed and manufactured for military use. Thanks to the folks at Pineview Military Surplus in Frederic, these high quality items are also available for campers, hunters, hikers, outdoor enthusiasts, and those who simply enjoy well-crafted, durable goods.

Pineview Military Surplus current owners, Dan and Christine Klatt, purchased the business back in 1997, after it had already been in operation for about 17 years. The approximately 2,000 square foot facility located in Frederic on Old U.S. 27 North is an amazing wonderland for those interested in just about any type of military surplus item. The shop even includes a fascinating military museum, with collections starting from the Revolutionary War era through the current conflict in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Christine Klatt states, “While the items in our museum area are not for sale, they are amazing to see. What we do offer in our store is all the Government Issue military surplus items that we can find, some authentic new items, and even some vintage items. Our inventory comes from government auctions, from people who have retired from the military,



Thanks to the folks at Pineview Military Surplus in Frederic, high quality, military grade items are available for campers, hunters, hikers, outdoor enthusiasts, and those who simply enjoy well-crafted, durable goods. PHOTO BY DAN KLATT.

and we also buy new items from the same manufacturers that supply the government with equipment.”

Highlights of those offerings included clothing and outerwear of just about every type; rain gear, head gear, boots, hats, helmets, even women's, children's and infant clothing.

They also stock camping gear, web gear, backpacks, carry bags, and chemical protection suits (a great alternative to scent lock suits for hunters). Among the souvenir items

in the shop are military insignia and ribbons, medals, hatpins, patches, decals, window stickers...the list of items goes on and on.

The best way to see what is available is to stop by and take a look! Pineview Military Surplus is located at 7328 Old US 27 North in Frederic. They are open seven days a week from 9 am to 7 pm. Check them out on Facebook at Pineview Military Surplus, or call (989) 348-8300.



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2013 "Boomers & Seniors" EXPO at Otsego County Sportplex this coming Wednesday

By Jim Akans

This coming Wednesday, September 4th, be sure to stop by the Otsego County Sportsplex for a unique opportunity to browse the services and products offered by over 80 area vendors serving the needs of America's fastest growing population segment. Attendees will have a unique opportunity to learn about the many different services and products available for the boomer generation and for senior citizens right here in northern Lower Michigan.

Jim Driver, one of the event's organizers observes, "This is an exciting opportunity for people to explore a wide-ranging array of information in a single afternoon, and talk to the people behind those products and services. It would normally take weeks of someone's time to visit each of these professionals individually."

This year's third annual event promises to surpass last year with a record number of vendors representing a diverse array of services and products specifically addressing a wide array of needs, including housing options, in-home services, medical products and services, financial planning, elder law, health and aging awareness, nutrition, recreational resources, and much more.

During the afternoon, presenters will be offering insights with presentations highlighting their

areas of expertise. Presenters scheduled at press time include:
2:00 pm Identify Theft and Phone and Mail Scams

Now, more than ever information is needed to help us protect ourselves and our loved ones against scam artists and predators. The Senior Brigade presenter will be giving two 30 minute presentations about Identify Theft and Phone & Mail Scams. Learn how to recognize and avoid identity theft, how thieves steal and what they do with your identity, how to protect yourself and what to do if you become a victim. Information will also include how to recognize common scams initiated over the phone or by mail/email, how to reduce unwanted phone calls and junk mail; and, how to report a problem or scam.

Senior Brigade - A Michigan Seniors Initiative through the office of Attorney General Bill Schuette providing valuable information and resources to Michigan Seniors. Nationwide, as many as 5,000,000 seniors fall victim to financial abuse each year. This initiative provides informational speakers, materials and online access for seniors and those who work with seniors. The website is a clearinghouse for helpful information on consumer protection, financial matters, health care issues and veterans' services. It provides links to a wide variety of state and federal programs to help make informed

decisions that can benefit you and your family.

3:00 pm Charitable Choices, or, Making Your Cents Make Sense

Giving to charity is really an investment. Learn tips for making sure that your charitable gift whether time, talent or treasure is a good, one both for the you, the donor as well as the recipient.

Dana Bensinger, Executive Director of the Otsego County Community Foundation was born and raised in Oscoda, Michigan. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Masters in Management from Aquinas College. She spent 13 years working in college admissions for her alma matter. She moved to the Gaylord area in 2006, and became the Executive Director of the Otsego County Community Foundation in 2011. Dana is happily married to Gaylord native Brad Bensinger and has three children Ty (7), Jaron (5), and Josie (3).

4:00 pm How to Improve Your Golf Game

Are you tired of you golf buddies beating you almost every game? Would you like to learn how to improve your game without paying a high fee for private coaching? Here's your chance!

Ian Murphy is the General Manager of the Black Bear Golf Club. He has been a Gaylord resident since 1988 and graduated from Gaylord High. He was an All-State soccer player. He at-



The Otsego County Sportsplex is an ideal venue for the Boomers and Seniors Expo, taking advantage of the large floor area offered when the ice is removed for the facilities annual September maintenance break. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

tended Central Michigan University. He has worked in golf since 1989 with his first "job" picking the range at Michawye. He has had a part in opening the last four golf courses in the Golf Mecca. He started at Black Bear in 2006 as Assistant Manager.

5:00 pm Energy Saving Around the House

Mike Coutant, electrical expert with Home Depot will share information about how to save dollars around your home by focusing on your energy use.

Held at the Otsego County

Sportsplex on Wednesday, September 4th, from 1 to 6 pm, the "Boomers & Seniors" Expo event is free to attend, and is being sponsored by The Home Depot of Gaylord, Heartland Home Health, Gaylord Community Funeral Home, and Hospice of Michigan.

The Otsego County Sportsplex is located at 1250 Gornick Avenue in Gaylord.

For additional information and a full list of this year's vendors and event sponsors, please visit www.gaylordseniorexpo.com

LABOR DAY EVENTS

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ing Labor Day by having a candle light bridge walk at 8 pm on Monday, and Mackinaw Island will have "music in the air" at the famous Grand Hotel. The Horn's Bar Labor Day Regatta sets sail at the Mackinac Island Yacht club on Saturday.

Mackinaw City is hosting its Annual Bridge Walk, where thousands come out to cross the five-

mile stretch over the lake beginning at 7 am. The weekend also includes Music in Mackinaw Saturday night.

Take the opportunity to relax and have fun this Labor Day weekend with the best Northern Michigan has to offer!

To find out more about the events going on in Northern Michigan for Labor Day Weekend, go to www.northernmichigan-guidesonline.com.

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DANCIN' IN THE STREETS

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because we always have Stroll the Streets on Fridays and gazebo concerts on Wednesdays. It draws some well-deserved attention to the SOBO area of South Boyne, especially CiondiFranco's Cool Stuff and Lake Street Market.

There's a great vibe to this event - young and old are dancing in the street or enjoying the music in lawn chairs."

For more information on Dancin' in the Streets, visit the Boyne Area Chamber website at www.boynechamber.com or call Cindi Malin at (231) 582-0526.

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Material Obsessions III exhibit at the Charlevoix Public Library



The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to announce its newest exhibit: Material Obsessions III. The exhibit is a compilation of the textile works from the group, Loose Threads: Northern Michigan Fiber Artists, including three dimensional fiber art and small works in the Michigan Room display case. A special forest exhibit of "Trees" will be included honing on different interpretations of the theme of trees. All the special themed pieces are 14" wide and range from 54" to 72" high. There will be an opening reception to meet the artists 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Thursday, September 5; refreshments will be provided.

The Loose Threads: Northern Michigan Fiber Artists meet monthly at the Charlevoix Public Library, 1:00 pm on the third Wednesday. Currently the group is working from the book The New Creative Artist, a Guide to Developing your Creative Spirit, by Nita Leland. They will be using each chapter of the book as a monthly guide including: Creativity - a Joyride; Arts and Crafts: Highways and Byways; Drawing: Don't Leave Home Without It; Design: Mapping Your Route; Realism: Taking the Scenic Route; Abstraction: Off the Beaten Path;

Experimentation: Exploring New Territory; Adventure: Developing Your Creative Spirit. The group always welcomes new members, just drop in. For further information about this or other library events visit: www.charlevoixlibrary.org.



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5th annual Charlevoix photography show opens August 29

The Charlevoix Photography Club, a part of the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, began receiving entries for the 5th Annual Charlevoix Photography Show on Monday. Tuesday, August 20 between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. is the last time for entries to be delivered to the Circle of Arts, 109 Clinton Street in Charlevoix. "Based on the entries received on Monday, we can already tell it will be a terrific show with a record number of entries," said Brice Voran, coordinator of the steering committee. "Photographers came from far away to submit their entries," he said. "The show has been getting bigger and better every year,"

said Gary Stutzman, President of the Circle, "and has become an important part of the schedule of exhibitions at our gallery." Artists can get complete information on the Charlevoix Photography Club website. It is the mission of the Charlevoix Photography Club to promote greater participation by Michigan Photographers while constantly raising the artistic level of the work being produced. This means accepting as many entries as is physically possible for the Show. Therefore, the Juror has been asked to accept at least one entry from each photographer submitting entries. Entries are divided into five

categories: Realistic Photographs; Artistically Manipulated Images; Images on Media other than Photo Paper; Video and Multimedia; and Photographers under 18. There will be cash prizes for each category and a cash prize for Best of Show. Paul Retherford, a professional photographer based in Petoskey, Michigan, will be the juror for the photography show. Mr. Retherford began his photographic career as a nature photographer. His work has been published and he is internationally recognized. He now is a pre-eminent wedding photographer in Northern Michigan. His strong background in landscape

and nature photography combined with his experience as a wedding photographer make him ideally suited to act as the Juror for the Juried Photography Show. In recent years he has begun to deliver some of his work in video form and is well qualified to be the juror for the Video and Multimedia Category. Mr. Retherford will attend the Opening Reception on August 29 to talk about the show. To learn more about Mr. Retherford, visit his website at www.paulretherford.com. The Photography Show will open on Thursday, August 29. There will be an opening reception from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Au-

gust 29 at which Mr. Retherford will give a brief statement about the show and the winners will be announced. Refreshments will be provided. Mike Schliitt, a well-known Charlevoix photographer commented, "Our show is different. We are committed to excellence while at the same time expanding access for photographers to display their art. This is consistent with the mission of the Charlevoix Circle of Arts to bring art to our community. We are grateful that once again the Inn and Grey Gables has sponsored the cash prizes for the show."

Breathe Owl Breathe Fundraiser September 1

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—A fundraiser to assist local Indie folk band Breathe Owl Breathe will be held Sunday, September 1 at Bluestem Farm in the Jordan Valley. The farm has refashioned their traditional Labor Day concert to rescue the Michigan based band after they were robbed during a recent west coast tour.

The concert and a silent movie double feature will be kicked off with a farm tour and goat kebabs starting at 7 P.M. The band will be performing two sets from their new album Passage of Pegasus intermittent with the silent classics, Charlie Chaplin in The Pawnshop and La voyage Dans la Lune (1902). "This Labor Day weekend, join with fans, a local non-profit, and a small farm to help raise funds to replace the stolen items with a magical evening of new music, old movies, and barnyard noises," said Mary Brower, Food and Farm Coordinator for the Institute for Sustainable Living, Art & Natural Design (ISLAND).

The band's vintage instruments and van were stolen while touring in Oakland, California on August 9 between 11:00 and midnight. "Everything we own was in the vehicle. All of our musical equipment, including a laptop, and clothing," said band frontman Micah Middaugh in a post on the band's website. The van, without instruments was found totally trashed a few miles



Breathe Owl Breathe is a band from East Jordan, Michigan which consists of Micah Middaugh, Trevor Hobbs, and Andréa Moreno-Beals.

away on August 12. The group that is well-loved in the local festival circuit kept all their equipment in the 1998 Ford Econoline van which was customized to carry the band's equipment by Middaugh's father and referred to as Casette Canyon by band members. They lost all the money they had earned throughout the tour before arriving in California, which included shows in Alaska, Washington and Oregon. The group is asking Oakland, California residents and fans to be on the lookout for the instruments they have collected throughout their lives, perhaps on sale online at Craigslist or at flea markets and pawnshops. A full list of the items stolen and descrip-

tions can be found on their website at breatheowlbreathe.com.

This event is sponsored by ISLAND, Breathe Owl Breathe, and Bluestem Farm. The Farm is located at 4218 M-32 (at Adams Road), 7 miles east of East Jordan. In case of rain, the event will be held inside the big barn, so plan to come rain or shine. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on, a flashlight to find your way back to your car, and wear comfortable shoes you wouldn't mind getting dirty. For more information, contact Mary Brower at mary@artmeet-search.org or call 231-622-5252.

MACKINAC BRIDGE WALK

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buses will be available to return walkers to St. Ignace until 2:30 pm for \$5. If you prefer, you can also park at the Little Bear East Arena and be shuttled to and from the start line for the bridge walk. The bus loading area is located at Conkling Park and the State Dock on South Huron Avenue in Mackinaw City and begins transportation to St. Ignace at 5:30 am. Handicap buses are available.

Walkers are traditionally led across the bridge by the governor of Michigan. On average, 50,000 to 65,000 people participate in this annual walking event, exceeding the combined population of the two counties connected by the bridge. Upon reaching the end of the walk in Mackinaw City, participants are awarded a numbered "Certificate of Completion". The number on your certificate may match a number on display in any of the store windows in Mackinaw City or the City of St. Ignace on Monday only. If you have a matching number you are entitled to claim a prize worth \$15 to \$150. The two east lanes on the bridge are reserved for the pedestrians while the west lanes temporarily carry two-lane traffic. The National Guard and other official personnel will be available in the event of an emergency. There will be no restrooms on the bridge throughout the average two hour walk, so be sure to use one of the portable toilets near the start of the walk. Baby strollers and wheel-

chairs are allowed for the walk. Things not allowed are smoking, signs, banners, umbrellas, bicycles, roller skates, skateboards, wagons and similar types of devices. No animals are allowed with the exception of working service dogs. Walkers need to stay away from the railings and center mall that divides walkers from vehicular traffic. There is no running or racing permitted except for those pre-qualified, pre-registered participants in the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness Jog. If you are under 18 years old, you need permission of a parent or guardian to participate.

Do not participate in the Mackinac Bridge Walk if you aren't medically fit or healthy. The physical strain of the walk could lead to injury or serious health problems. Participants should also understand that walking involves risks of injury from falls due to the surface condition of the bridge, contact with other participants, and the effects of weather, including heat and humidity. Persons who need reasonable accommodations due to disability may contact the Mackinac Bridge Authority by August 30th at (906) 634-7600. TTY users may call the Michigan Relay Center at (800) 649-3777.

If you have any more questions regarding the Mackinac Bridge Walk, contact the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau at (906) 643-6950, (800) 338-6660 or visit the St. Ignace and Mackinaw City Chamber websites. Make the bridge walk a new Labor Day tradition!

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HOT TIP!

According to www.comfortkeepers.com: "Beware of medications and/or senior diets that can increase risk - Hot weather can accelerate dehydration, especially in people who are taking medications that have the side effects of fluid and electrolyte loss. Many medications, particularly antibiotics and diuretics can block the body's natural ability to cope with the sun and heat. You should always check with a pharmacist or doctor to ensure that medications will not cause you or your loved ones to be more susceptible to heat-related problems. Also, if seniors are on a low carbohydrate diet, be sure they drink plenty of fluids, as the additional proteins in this diet can cause the body to heat up more quickly."

New Medicare Rules for Purchase of Diabetic Supplies

By: Jim Verville, Region 10 Coordinator
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Effective July 1, 2013, Medicare will implement a new set of rules regarding the purchase of diabetic supplies. The supplies affected by this change include glucose meters, test strips, lancets, and glucose meter calibration fluid.

If beneficiaries intend to use a mail order vendor, they will need to get their diabetic supplies from a Medicare contracted provider. This is a new requirement in order for Medicare to participate in the payment for these items. People should not assume that their current or future mail order provider has a contract with Medicare. The contracts are for specific models of diabetic items. For example, if a beneficiary wants a particular glucose meter or certain brand of test strip, they will need to make that mail order purchase from a supplier who is authorized by Medicare to sell that specific item.

Medicare beneficiaries who prefer to purchase their diabetic supplies from a

local pharmacy or business need to ask that supplier two important questions as follows:

Will the vendor bill Medicare for the items?

Does the supplier accept Medicare assignment?

If they do not accept assignment, then the beneficiary could be responsible for an additional cost besides the normal 20% co-pay. Worse yet, if the supplier does not bill Medicare, then the beneficiary could be responsible to pay for the entire cost of the purchase.

Beneficiaries who decide to switch to another supplier will need to make sure that the new supplier has a valid prescription from their physician. This should be set up prior to July 1, so the transition is seamless and there is no delay in obtaining their diabetic supplies.

One of the main reasons for these changes is due to the large amount of Medicare fraud that is taking place throughout the United States. Diabetic supplies, particularly test strips, are very expensive. These and other higher end

durable medical equipment items are under close scrutiny as a means to protect the Medicare Trust Fund. Also, by using vendors that have contracts with Medicare, it will save the taxpayers' money because it is generally cheaper to use those businesses.

If beneficiaries have a difficult time understanding these new rules, they can call the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) and receive free and unbiased assistance concerning this or any other topic related to Medicare and Medicaid. A MMAP counselor can be reached by calling 800-803-7174.

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