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Red Devil senior Paige Poindexter (52) puts up a shot against the Viking defense. Poindexter had 14 points in the game. (PHOTO BY BOB GINGERICH)



Logger senior Kevin Lange twists in midair on this layup attempt. (COURTESY PHOTO)

4th Annual Ellsworth Shiverfest
on the Breezeway February 15-16

Submitted by Alana Haley

There's so much to enjoy in Ellsworth this winter! Join us for our 4th Annual Shiverfest weekend where you can sample all Ellsworth has to offer.

A Fishing Contest is once again a part of Shiverfest during Michigan Free Fishing Weekend. Register for the Shiver in the Shanty at A Matter of Taste at Tapawingo at 8am then head out to fish on St. Clair or Ellsworth Lakes. Check in by 3pm for weighing. Awards immediately following. Live bait available at Ellsworth Market. The annual Michigan Free Fishing Weekend allows everyone to fish for free - without a fishing license! Please note all fishing regulations will still apply.

Just up the road at Sportsman's Park in East Jordan, don't miss the Wings of Wonder President's Day Weekend Eagle Release at 11am. Remote parking and shuttle service will be offered. No pets please.

The Breezeway Snowmobile Ride In will take place from 12-3pm from wherever you are to the Ellsworth Community Park. Just take the St. Clair Trail into town to join us for a warming fire, free hot chocolate, hot dogs and s'mores.

The Kids Shiver in the Park takes place from 1pm-3pm in the Ellsworth Community Park. We'll have a warming fire, free hot chocolate, hog dogs and s'mores. Bring your own sled to ride the big hill all afternoon long. At 1:30pm the Cardboard Sled Judging is held and the Cardboard Sled Race will be run. Create a sled out of cardboard and bring it to enter!



Roasting Hot Dogs and S'Mores at the Warming Fire

Winners in two categories: Design/Construction and Race Winner. (Sled materials may be cardboard and tape only. Sleds may be decorated with paint, stickers, flags, etc. Wax only may be used on the running surface.) At 2pm join the Snow Art Contest. Make a masterpiece on a snow pallet with squirt & spray bottles of paint! Judging for sleds and art by Banks Township Citizen of the year, Lynn Aldrich Spearing. Saturday evening brings the Dark Sky Hike from 7-9pm at

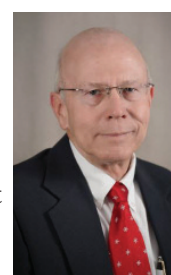
the House on the Hill Bed & Breakfast. Pre or post hike, enjoy a warming fire, free hot chocolate and s'mores. This guided nighttime hike takes place on just over a mile of groomed trails. Hikes will start on the hour and half-hour. We'll explore animal tracks and the night sky. This family friendly event does not require snowshoes (although you may bring your own if you like.) Just wear your warm winter

See SHIVERFEST-3A

Chief Medical Examiner to Retire

By Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: At the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners it was announced that County Medical Examiner Reed K. Freidinger will be retiring on July 1, 2014.



Medical Examiner Reed K. Freidinger

Freidinger wrote in a letter to the commission that he had served for 39 years as a medical examiner and felt that it was now time to reduce his responsibilities. He

See Retirement-3A

BCHS DECA Team Qualifies 11 for State Competition



Boyne City DECA members qualifying for State Competition are front row (L-R): Emilee Evans, Alie Culver, Nicole Pauley, Kaitra Wilkins, Amanda Vondra, Grace Knitter. Back row (L-R): Evan Woodall, Ben Halstead, Ryan Carson, Garrett Fogo, Landon Kartes

Boyne City High School DECA members competed at the District II Conference at Ferris State University on Monday, January 20th. Students worked alone or with a partner to use their knowledge of business and problem solving to work through role-play scenarios in a professional setting.

Students compete by first taking a general knowledge business test in mid-December and then at conference are given 10 minutes to review a scenario and formulate solutions that satisfy the demands of a company leader (the judge). They enter the room and are graded based on professional dress, demeanor, and knowledge of the problem and the plausibility of the solution they offer.

Following the role-play situations they participated in on

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Charlevoix Farmers Market closes until May

CHARLEVOIX- The Farmers Market Committee Meeting was held last Thursday following the market. At the end of much discussion, those present came to the conclusion that with the very low vendor and community and shopper involvement it just was not beneficial to continue the market through the remainder of the winter months. Everyone was in agreement that the market would start up again the first of May in the park.

The week of January 9th there were a total of three vendors, and the week of January 16th there were five. Concerns were: winter months were very difficult months to attract shoppers - Vendor attendance was too low - not



enough shoppers - Lack of communication knowing what vendors were coming. Everyone agreed that with certain vendors not participating in these months and without enough produce vendors the pull just wasn't there. The group discussed many ideas but no note-worthy solutions were

found. The consensus was that perhaps with some time to "miss the market" the attendance would be that much greater in the spring.

All agreed that everyone involved should take a fresh look and evaluate how they wanted to go forward next winter after the December holiday season ends. It remains our intention to best support our local vendors, community, and a successful Farmers Market.

The Downtown Authority will be taking over the Farmers Market in April. Please contact Bethany Pearson at the City of Charlevoix regarding 2014 Market applications and information 231-547-3257 or e-mail .

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OBITUARIES

John "Jack" Whiteford, 79

(FEB. 14, 1934 – JAN. 27, 2014)

John "Jack" Whiteford of East Jordan died Monday, January 27, 2014, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on February 14, 1934, in East Jordan, the son of Hugh and Carol (Green) Whiteford. He graduated from East Jordan High School in 1952. On June 23, 1956, in East Jordan, he married Greta Derenzy. They made their home in East Jordan to raise a family. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and snowmobiling. He enjoyed watching football and baseball games. In fact, he loved to watch anything that his grandchildren were participating in. Mostly, he just loved spending time with his family.

Jack had been a mechanic. He was once the co-owner of the Pure Gasoline Station in East Jordan but had worked many years at the East Jordan Co-op. He also was a member of the East Jordan Fire Department from the early 1950s to 1966.

Jack is survived by five children, John (Sandi) Whiteford, Tammy (Bill) Thompson, Debra (Jeff) Hammond, Denise (Denny) Graham and Rhonda Whiteford all of East Jordan; fifteen grandchildren; nineteen great grandchildren; one brother, Larry (Eleanor) Whiteford of Traverse City; three sisters, Bethany (Gary) Norton of Ludington, Natalie (Myron "Mike") Postmas of Ellsworth and Diane Whiteford of Charlevoix; many nieces and nephews; as well as a very special friend and classmate, Sue Stallard of East Jordan. He was preceded in death by his wife, Greta F. Whiteford on February 25, 2007, one grandson, Daniel Paul Whiteford on October 16, 2005, and sister and brother-in-law, Sue and Turk Bennett.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2014, at 2:00 P.M. at the Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan. Rev. James L. Jordan will officiate. Interment will be in the spring at Morehouse Cemetery in Echo Township, Antrim County, MI.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 4:00 to 7:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Memorials may be given to the East Jordan Ambulance Association.

Floyd E. Bowers, Jr., 85

(NOV. 23, 1928 – JAN. 26, 2014)

Floyd E. Bowers, Jr. of East Jordan died Sunday, January 26, 2014 at the Georgia House in Charlevoix.

He was born on November 23, 1928 in Petoskey, Michigan, the son of Floyd E., Sr. and Lucy (Paquette) Bowers. He graduated from Boyne City High School and General Motors Institute.

He lived in Boyne City until moving to Flint in 1949 and worked for a year as a tool maker at the Chevrolet Plant 6. He entered the United States Army on November 1, 1950. On December 30, 1950, in Boyne City, he married Nancy Richards. During his service to his country during the Korean Conflict, he was awarded the Army's third highest award for gallantry in action, the Silver Star medal. He was also awarded the Purple Heart for his wounds and the Presidential Unit Citation.

Floyd was a member of the D.A.V. and the Rebec-Hosler Sweet Post #227 of the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy K. Bowers of East Jordan; three children: Floyd Kermit Bowers of Drummond Island, Chontelle (Tracy) Choates of Linden and Scott Bowers of East Jordan; two grandchildren, Tracy Choates and Christopher Bailey; two great grandchildren, Avery and Parker; two sisters, Patricia (Edward) Robertson of Boyne City and Jean Taylor of Brutus; and one sister-in-law, JoAnn Bowers of Boyne City. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Joseph Bowers.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, January 28 at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Roger Moses officiated with interment following in the spring at St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery in East Jordan. Memorials may be given to the East Jordan Ambulance Association.

Frederick A Vollbach, 79

Frederick A Vollbach formerly of East Jordan died Saturday, January 25, 2014, in Troy, MI.

A funeral mass will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2014, at 1:00 P.M. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 201 Nicholls Street, East Jordan. Rev. Fr. James Gardiner will officiate with interment following in the spring at St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery in East Jordan.

The family will receive friends on Friday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan with a Rosary service

at 8:00 P.M. and on Saturday from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M. at the funeral home.

Roberta Joan (Case) Scholey, 76

(MARCH 21, 1937 – JAN. 25, 2014)

Roberta Joan (Case) Scholey of Charlevoix passed away January 25, 2014, at Georgia House in Charlevoix.

She was born March 21, 1937, in Detroit, to George Robert and Dorothy Case. Bobbie graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1955, and earned an Associate's Degree in Nursing at Northwest Michigan College in Traverse City. She practiced nursing in obstetrics at Charlevoix Area Hospital, retiring after twenty-eight years. Bobbie loved spoiling her grand-kids, and loved taking care of the babies at the hospital.

She was a member of the Community Church of God in Charlevoix. Roberta is survived by her sons, George (Sharon) Scholey, and Rob (Kelly) Scholey all of Charlevoix; step-daughter, Sharon Daher-Jubenville of Windsor, Ont.; grandchildren, Andrew, Christopher, Taylor, Carly, Rian, Eric, Kevin, Michael, Andrew, Christopher, and Monique; sister, Merrie Marthens of Grand Rapids; brother, Ken (Maryann) Case of Bozeman, Mont. She was preceded in death by her husband, George on July 4, 1989; son Kevin, and step-son Michael.

Funeral was Monday, January 27th, at the Community Reformed Church in Charlevoix. The Reverend Neil Turner officiated and burial will take place in the spring at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Area Hospital.

David Charles Graham

(May 24, 1937 - January 23, 2014)

David C. Graham, 76, of East Jordan died Thursday, January 23, 2014 at his home.

He was born May 24, 1937 in Detroit to Archie and Madoline (Renwick) Graham.

On July 20, 1957 he married Evelyn Crawford in East Jordan where they made their home.

David was a dairy farmer for 25 years and also drove school bus for East Jordan for 15 of those years. He was employed at Burnette Foods in East Jordan and later as a carpenter with Petrie Construction.

David enjoyed baseball, hunting, fishing, collecting guns and restoring old tractors as well as spending time with his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife Evelyn; children Cindy (Gary) White of Hastings, Denny (Denise) Graham, Andy (Vicki) Graham, Colleen (David) Lewin and Renwick (Nicole) Graham, all of East Jordan; 18 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law Belvia Tornga of Central Lake, Carrie Graham of Bellaire, Leona Graham of East Jordan, and mother-in-law Irene Dougherty of East Jordan; multiple nieces and nephews. He was preceded by brothers Archie Graham, Angus Graham, Cameron Graham and James Graham.

A memorial service was held Monday, January 27 at Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan with the Rev. Jim Jordan officiating. Burial will be in Morehouse Cemetery in Echo Township.

For those wishing to make memorial contributions the family suggests East Jordan Ambulance or Hospice of Little Traverse Bay.

The family was served by Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth, online at www.hastingsfuneral.com.

Janet Kay Beriault

(FEBRUARY 19, 1968 - JANUARY 22, 2014)

Janet Kay Beriault, 45, of Orange City, Florida, passed away on January 22, 2014 at Florida Hospital Orlando.

She was born on February 19, 1968 in Charlevoix, Michigan to Ron and Judy Leist. In 1991, she married Charles Beriault in Horton Bay, Michigan and gave birth to their only child four years later on August 12, 1995. JP Morgan and Chase Co. was her occupation- as a process analyst senior- for over sixteen years in which she worked so diligently. Her warm-heartedness and devotion to her family and friends will always be remembered.

She is survived by her daughter Bridgette and ex-husband Charles Beriault; mother Judy Leist; brothers Gary (Janet Gardner) Leist and Joe (Shelley) Leist, and sister Linda

(Kevin) Clements. Preceded in death by father Ron Leist; infant sister Mary Ann and her grandparents.

There will be a service at St. Francis Xavier Church in Petoskey on Thursday, January 30th at 11 a.m. Visitation will be available one hour prior to service. Janet will be terribly missed by all.

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

Phyllis Ann DeKorne

(OCTOBER 8, 1936 - JANUARY 22, 2014)

Phyllis DeKorne, 77, of Banks Township, died Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

She was born October 8, 1936 in Grand Rapids to Arthur and Gladys (Jamieson) Fryling.

On November 11, 1955 she married Jacob C. DeKorne in Grandville. They lived on the family farm near Grand Rapids, moving to their farm in Banks Township in 1977.

Phyllis enjoyed knitting, cooking and reading.

She was a member of Netherlands Reformed Church in Grand Rapids.

Surviving are her husband Jacob C. DeKorne; children Jacob C. (Kathie) DeKorne Jr. of Coopersville, Sue (Randy) Neuman of Hudsonville, Tim (Mary) DeKorne of Mesick, Mark (Mandy) DeKorne of Atwood, Dan (Julie) DeKorne of Kent City; 17 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; brothers Kenneth Fryling of Jenison and Edward (Jan) Fryling of Apache Junction, Arizona.

Private services will be held. Burial will be in Atwood Cemetery.

The family was served by Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth, online at www.hastingsfuneral.com.

Phyllis A. Block, 97

(MARCH 18, 1916 – JAN. 21, 2014)

Phyllis A. Block of Charlevoix

passed away Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at her home. She was born March 18, 1916, in Boyne City, the daughter of Charles and Mercy (Jarman) Woerfel, and attended school in Boyne City and East Jordan. On December 25, 1936, she married James Block. Most of their married life was spent in Grand Rapids, retiring to Charlevoix.

Phyllis loved gardening, joined the Charlevoix Area Garden Club in 1982, and in 2007, became a life member. She was an accredited Flower Show Judge, held a First Instructor's Certificate in Ikebana, and belonged to Ikebana International.

Phyllis was a member of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, and the Order of the East Star Chapter 72, Charlevoix, both of which were an important part of her life. She also loved playing Bridge. Her willingness to volunteer was one of her greatest qualities.

She is survived by her daughter, Linda (Robert) Cousino of Grand Rapids; grandchildren, James (Venus) Snoeyink of Valparaiso, Ind., David (Janet) Snoeyink of Wyoming, Mich., Todd (Melanie) McNitt of East Jordan, Devin (Bill) Wise of Auburn, Dana Lenhart of Wyomind, Kyle (Eric) Retan of Grandville; fifteen great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter. Phyllis was preceded in death by her beloved husband, James in 1995; daughter Janet Lewis; son-in-law, Kenneth Snoeyink; grandson, Michael Snoeyink; brother, George Woerfel.

Funeral was Saturday, January 25, at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix. The Reverend Neil Wilson officiated and Charlevoix Chapter #72, O.E.S. conducted a memorial service.

In lieu of flowers, please consider the Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan, 233 Fulton St E #108, Grand Rapids, MI 49503, or Just For Us, (for breast cancer support), c/o Margo Todd, 888 Grand Ave., Petoskey, MI 49770

Please sign Phyllis' guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com

Lloyd Wilmer Kuebler, 86

(JULY 27, 1927 – JAN. 21, 2014)

Lloyd W. Kuebler of Hayes Township passed away in the morning hours of Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey.

Lloyd was born on July 27, 1927 in Maple River Township to Otto E. and Dorothy E. (Howard) Kuebler. He attended high school in Alanson and was a graduate of the Class of

1945.

Following graduation Lloyd entered service with the United States Navy and served through the duration of the war. The following year on August 6, 1946 he married Anna Honeysette, the two have shared 67 wonderful years, and she was the true love of his life.

After Lloyd's return to civilian life he worked for a time on a dairy farm. Then in 1952 he began what became a 35 year career with the City of Charlevoix, working as a technician in the Waste Water Treatment Facility; retiring in 1987 as Plant Supervisor.

Never without a joke or funny story Lloyd's family and friends will forever remember his wonderful sense of humor. A true gentleman in every sense of the word he always treated those around him with kindness and respect. He had an incredible work ethic and a natural mechanical talent that enabled him to fix nearly anything from an alarm clock to a diesel engine.

Lloyd was a longtime member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Petoskey. He served the citizens of Hayes Township as a member of the Township Board for more than three decades and was also a member of the American Legion.

Lloyd is survived by his loving wife Anna and by their two children Doug (Diane) of Charlevoix and Geri (Doug) Gesell of Mendham, NJ. He was blessed with six grandchildren, 5 of whom survive; Rebecca Kuebler, Doug Kuebler Jr., Kelly Joe Walters, Lisa Cross and Jon Gesell and five great grandchildren. Also surviving are his half brothers and sisters, Ralph and Howard Steen and Evelyn Linderman and Clara McPhall, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He was sadly preceded in death by his grandson Robert "Bobby" Kuebler on October 2, 2006.

Lloyd's life will be remembered and celebrated during a funeral service was held on Friday, January 24, 2014 at Stone Funeral Home; Pastor's George Dronen and Jason Sliger officiated. Interment will take place in the spring within Littlefield Township Cemetery.

Margaret Mary Ann Michanowicz

(APRIL 11, 1929 - JANUARY 20, 2014)

Margaret Mary Ann Michanowicz, 84, a devout Catholic, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, friend, patriot, world traveler, music enthusiast, Irish jig and Polka master entered eternity on Jan 20, 2014 in Petoskey Michigan, surrounded by her family. "Margi" was born of Hannah (Ross) and Alexander McDonald in Wyandotte Michigan on April 11, 1929.

She was the second eldest of 11 kids: John, Shirley, Anne, Alex, Helen, Sharon, William, James, Robert, and Karen. She showered her family and friends with generosity and selfless service, guided by her devout love for God.

Her entire life was centered on her Catholic faith and family. Margaret graduated from St. Patrick's High School in Wyandotte, Michigan where her passion to serve was cultivated. She was founder, author and editor of the school newspaper. She enjoyed writing poetry and was always interested in politics and historical events.

At this time, she met and married the love of her life, CPL Arthur S. Michanowicz. She showed Arthur enormous support while he was deployed in the Korean War. The newlyweds wasted no time starting a family; making their mark in Wyandotte. They were blessed with 6 precious children.

Margaret worked at Wyandotte Electric and an accounting firm. In December, 1973, the family migrated to "God's country" in Ellsworth, Michigan. She began work at R.A. Campbell Insurance Agency in East Jordan and planted seeds of faith with everyone she encountered. She also utilized her natural talents and resources via a catering service for weddings and other banquets. She continued her proactive ambition in various churches, community and social organizations such as the John Birch Society and Concerned Catholics. She was also active in the East Jordan Lioness Club where she earned an award as mother of the year. She was also known for her many volunteer efforts such as entertaining and serving in local nursing homes. She worked as a finance manager in the Richard Friske election for state representative.

Margaret was renowned by all for her hospitality which was seen especially during the summers. She opened her home to visiting priests, families and at one point, Brazilian exchange students. She loved providing fall color tours to visitors, as she

knew all the hidden treasures of Northern Michigan. She attended the wide variety of special events featuring her children and grandchildren with a schedule that was always very busy serving others. Hosting countless bonfires, banquets, sledding parties, song-filled car rides, and attending graduations, sporting events, family reunions, and military functions brought joy to her and all present.

A song bird, Margaret enjoyed music with which she enlivened the room wherever she went. She was eager to pass on this piece of her heritage with her family. She sang alto in every Catholic parish choir of which she was a member.

In the late 70's, her fervor to preserve Catholic tradition led her to cultivate catholic community, despite many challenges. This led to having Traditional Tridentine Latin masses offered in her home for a time until the number of faithful grew and erected a Catholic church. Her devotion to The Rosary was fundamental throughout her lifetime. Through these endeavors, she was introduced to her lifelong friends Sister Anthony Therese Pacek, Bishop Richard Williamson, among many priests and religious. In accordance with Divine providence, she was instrumental in the design and founding of Sacred Heart Parish and School in Mancelona. She offered her passion, time, sweat, tears (and wallet) to set in motion a beacon of faith and the educational foundation that has been passed on to the next generation. As founder, coordinator, and Principal of Sacred Heart, she was devoted to the salvation of souls and bringing joy to everyone she met.

Margaret is survived by sisters, Shirley, Anne, Helen and Sharon, and brothers William and James. She is also survived by 6 beloved children: Robert, Susan, Michael, Richard, John and Mary. She leaves behind her precious 27 grandchildren and 29 great grand children, each of whom brought her immense joy. She was preceded in death by her parents Alex and Hannah, husband Arthur, and brothers John, Alec, Robert, sister Karen, and grandchild Nathan Daniel.

In honor of Margaret's love for the Requiem traditional Latin Mass, it was celebrated on Friday January 24th at Sacred Heart Church on Valley Road in Mancelona with the Rev. Father David Gillilan as celebrant. Interment on Saturday at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

The family wishes to thank all friends, neighbors, relatives and clergy who have shown generosity and support now and during her rich and spirit-filled life. Her memory will forever be our "breath of fresh air."

Eugenia Anne Vreeland, 90

(MAY 16, 1923 - DEC. 29, 2013)

Eugenia Anne Vreeland of Beaver Island passed away Sunday, December 29, 2013 in Charlevoix.

She was born May 16, 1923 in Grand Rapids, the daughter of Andrew and Anna (Geldersma) Setsma, and graduated from Ottawa Hills High School in 1941. She attended Western Michigan University and later taught high school. She retired from Kindel Furniture Company in Grand Rapids where she wrote ad copy.

On February 14, 1952 she married Harold W. "Bucky" Vreeland in California. Bucky and Genie moved permanently to Beaver Island in 1980, where they had been part time residents since 1956. For sixteen years they spent half of each year in Feakle, Ireland. They were members of Holy Cross Church on Beaver Island.

Bucky preceded Genie in death on December 21, 2005. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Ruth J. Korhorn.

Funeral will be in the spring of 2014 at the Holy Cross Church on Beaver Island. Burial will be in the Holy Cross Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Holy Cross Catholic Church, the Beaver Island Game Club or to the charity of choice. The Winchester Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

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boots and you're ready to go! Some illumination provided, but bring a headlamp or flashlight if you have one.

If hiking outdoors is not your thing, sign up for the Cabin Fever Reliever Euchre Tournament also starting at 7pm at the Banks Township Hall presented by the Ellsworth Lioness Club. You'll be paired with a different partner each game. Snacks provided, BYOB. Prizes awarded for a variety of events and overall winner. Finish up the evening with live music from 9pm-1am at the Gold Nugget Bar & Grill.

Sunday winds up the Shiverfest with the continuation of the Michigan Free Fishing Weekend and

Fireworks Fun Run. This particular fun run is for Snowmobiles, takes place from 9am-4pm, and includes five area stops: East Jordan Snowmobile Club (Pancake Breakfast,) Mallard Golf Course (your choice,) Flight Deck Bar (your choice,) House on the Hill Bed & Breakfast/A Matter of Taste (Chili and Bonfire 1-3pm,) Gold Nugget (4pm appetizers & prizes.) \$15 entry. Sponsored by SCM Fireworks Committee, providing 4th of July Fireworks during Ellebration! Information: Jerry 231-675-2828

Most events are weather dependent. So, wish for snow and lots of it! All events will take place to the best of our ability. If you have questions, check for updates on our Facebook page at Ellsworth Shiverfest or call Alana at 231-360-0676. Dress warmly and see you at Shiverfest!

Retirement

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thanked the commission for their support of him throughout those years, and stated that he was "most proud of the fact that no major issues" came to the Board during his term.

He also explained that he had several deputy examiners who had been very supportive during his career, and that they would be a good pool to start selecting the next Chief Medical Examiner from. He explained that having several deputies had increased the response time in the three major cities of the County and that because the deputies knew many citizens as patients the County saved money when they were able to sign the death certificate.

He listed three deputies who could be candidates for the position including; Dr. Michael Harmeling, Dr. Catherine Wonski and Dr. Edward Newcomb. He stated that these had "all been very good deputy medical examiners and would do a good job as Chief Medical examiner."

Commissioner George Lasater expressed that Charlevoix County had been fortunate to have Freidinger serve them as he had been very helpful to work with.

"I've worked with him for 32 years...he has been an outstanding medical examiner... Charlevoix County has been very lucky to have him," said Lasater.

Freidinger also gave his last annual report in a letter to the Commissioners. He stated that of the 205 deaths in the County last year, 92 occurred in private homes, 70 in nursing homes, 13 in the Charlevoix Hospital emergency room, and several others in various locations. He investigated 34 of these, sending 7 to pathology to determine more accurate cause of death. He stated that those seven included 6 deaths by gunshot, but that none were considered homicides.

Freidinger ended his letter and report by expressing his gratefulness for having filled the position for so long.

"I have been honored to be Chief Medical Examiner and am grateful for the support of our County

Board of Commissioners. I am very grateful for the Deputy Medical Examiners without whom I

could not and would not do this job," wrote Freidinger.

The commission motioned to advertise to fill the position, but indicated that hopefully they would be able to choose from those already serving as deputy medical examiners.

Smithsonian Journey stories exhibit opening reception

The Charlevoix Public Library is pleased to announce the opening reception for the Smithsonian Journey Stories exhibit, 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 3. Journey Stories, on display through March 21, tells the tale of how our ancestors came to America and the variety of different types of transportation utilized. The exhibit opens to the public at 6:00 p.m., followed by a lecture and reception. Anna Pegler-Gordon, James Madison College Professor, MSU will be discussing the immigration trends in Michigan, with light refreshments following at 7:00 p.m.

The 700 square foot Journey Stories exhibit includes six stand alone kiosks all with audio, video and interactive pieces. There will also be an oral history piece where 90 second personal stories can be recorded and then uploaded to the Smithsonian's Stories on Main Street website to be listened to for generations to come.

The Charlevoix Public Library, located in the heart of downtown Charlevoix at 220 W. Clinton St., strives to meet its mission by providing educational resources for the community through unique opportunities such as this traveling Smithsonian exhibit. "We are



Family and friends say goodbye to troops in Decatur, Illinois, June 1944. As an advertisement for the Association of American Railroads claimed, "Every month—two million members of our armed forces board American railroad trains under military orders to ride away on somber, terrible, necessary business—the business of America's salvation—the business of war."

looking forward to the opening, to hear Anna's talk and to get some feedback on the exhibit itself," stated Val Meyerson.

In partnership with the library, the Charlevoix Historical Society has created their own local journey story exhibit entitled: "Journeying to Charlevoix: Why they Came and How they Traveled". "Journeying to Charlevoix" will be on display at the Charlevoix Railroad Depot and open for visitors each Saturday during the exhibit time-frame and will include the themes. Charlevoix Historical Society President Denise Fate states, "we are excited to partner

showcasing the Depot to the hundreds of school children visiting."

The Charlevoix Historical Society has been active since the late 1800's. Its main mission is to protect and preserve the iconic structures of Charlevoix: the South Pier Lighthouse, the Harsha House and Museum, and the Railroad Depot. The Society also provides community enrichment with programs and events to celebrate Charlevoix's storied history.

Exhibit guides will be available from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at both locations every Saturday of the exhibit. Guides will also

be available for special group bookings. To book a group tour, call Val at 231.237.7360. For more details about the Journey Stories exhibit, visit the website at: www.museumonmainstreet.org/journeystories/.

Journey Stories has been made possible at the Charlevoix Public Library by the Michigan Humanities Council. Journey Stories is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and State Humanities Councils nationwide. Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress.

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North Country Community Mental Health recognizes employees

North Country Community Mental Health recently held its annual Employee Recognition at Boyne Mountain. David Baker was presented the highest form of recognition – the Achievement Award. The Achievement Award recognizes exemplary service or extraordinary performance. Their peers nominate staff and a committee reviews the nominations and makes a selection based on established criteria. David is a Case Manager for individuals with a mental illness and works out of the Charlevoix office.

The Team Achievement Award went to the Petoskey Administrative Team. They were recognized for great team work and excellent services. Members from the Petoskey Administrative Team are: Christine Gebhard, Karen Bagwell, Jan Smith, Sean Burke, Susan Thurston, Karaningham, Laura Brunmeier, and Linda Kleiber.

One staff was recognized for 35 years of service: Jan Smith, Assistant Director of Administrative Services, Bellaire office. Other employees recognized:



ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - Dave Baker (Charlevoix Office) with Director, Alexis Kaczynski

30 years of service – Alison Reed from the Gaylord Developmental Disabilities Services office; 25 years of service – Julie Moran and Jack Londick from the Bel-

laire office; and Cathleen Behan-Harvey from the Petoskey office; 20 years of service – Suzan Petee-Eubank and Donna Wixon from the Gaylord offices; Lynn Hersh-



35 Years – Jan Smith – Bellaire Office



30 Years – Alison Reed – Gaylord Office

berger from Rapid City; and Jama Moffett from Petoskey; 10 years of service – Wayne Roisen, Carla Miller, and Mary Cosens from Petoskey; Jennifer Hunt, Janelle Kassien, Beverly Fyan and Tiffany Hawley from the Gaylord sites; and Ruth Lenz from Rapid City.

North Country Community Mental Health provides services to residents of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet,

Kalkaska and Otsego Counties experiencing a severe emotional problem, serious mental illness or developmental disability, including individuals with a co-occurring substance use disorder. Persons wishing to know more about the agency are encouraged to visit www.norcoemh.org or call 800-834-3393 to access services.

Unprecedented Animal Stem Cell procedure performed in Ellsworth

By Tina Sundelius

Ellsworth - A question and answer session was held at the Banks Township Hall in Ellsworth following an unprecedented in-clinic stem cell procedure performed at the North Country Veterinary Clinic this week by Veterinarian Dr. Christian Randall.

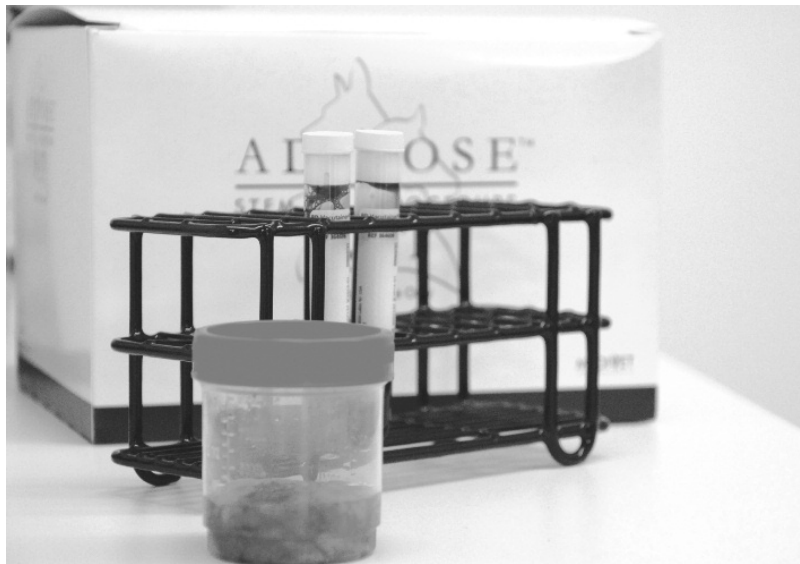
“Veterinarians now have a new tool available to combat osteoarthritis and give hope to improving quality of life of canines, felines and equine patients,” explained Randall. “It’s not quackery it’s real and it’s proven.” The process Randall was referring to and had performed earlier in the day on Moka, a Labrador Mix who, has been suffering from arthritis in her hips, is called adipose derived stem cell therapy.

“The thing I find the most exciting about this therapy is that I’ve seen results myself,” said Randall. The minimally invasive procedure harvests adult stem cell cells from animals with osteoarthritis, hip dysplasia, ligament and cartilage injuries and similar ailments. Randall is one of 450 Veterinarians nationwide to implement the relatively new procedure that has been approved by the American Veterinary Medical Association.



Dr. Randall and Medivet America representative, Trey Smith, prepare a syringe with Moka’s own stem cell solution.

Beginning at approximately ten A.M. on January 23, Dr. Randall, assisted by Trey Smith, the director of laboratory services from Medivet America, the company that produced the adipose technology, administered a general anesthesia to Moka, drew two vials of blood, made a three inch skin deep incision below her left front leg and removed about two tablespoons of adipose tissue more commonly known as fat, stitched up her incision then



Adipose (fat) tissue removed from Moka’s to harvest stem cells

while she slept comfortably he began the four hour process of isolating her stem cells and platelet rich plasma from her blood and tissue.

The process of isolating, filtering and cleansing the stem cells includes adding two digestive enzymes to break them down making them vulnerable and separating the digested tissue from the cells. “Whole blood is drawn to prepare a PRP supplement to provide an injectable medium for the stem cells to be injected,” said Smith. The stem

cell injection doesn’t just mask Moka’s arthritis pain. “Now we have this new regenerative medicine that actually goes and cures the disease itself,” Randall explained later that evening to a crowd of about twenty while Moka paced the floor beside him.

Results of the procedure vary from animal to animal. In Moka’s case the solution was injected into her arthritic hips and some administered through an IV to circulate through her body and address any other areas affected by the disease. According to liter-



Dr. Randall and Moka hours after procedure.

ature distributed at the session the procedure has a 98% success rate in relieving pain for on average of 18-24 months. Most show positive results within thirty days. “I truly think this is what we’re going to see medicine go to,” said Randall.

More information on the procedure can be found at: ,
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Free Formal Dresses - Perfect for Teen Formals!

The Charlevoix Public Library is inviting teens to the Formal Dress Excursion, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 5. This is the place for teens to select, try on, and go home with the perfect dress for prom – and it's free! A variety of dresses will be available to try on in designated dressing areas, with a seamstress on hand for that perfect fit. If you like it, take it home! "Like new" dresses have been donated from previous prom attendees. Dress

donations are still being accepted. If you or someone you know has a formal dress hanging unused in a closet, now's the time to clean it out and donate it to the library so someone else can wear it. Dresses are accepted, on a hanger, in "like new" condition at the Youth Department of the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 W. Clinton St. For more information about this or other library teen programs call 231-237-7350.

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Monday, students attend an awards ceremony. They are awarded based on their test score from December and their performance in the role-play. If their composite score is high enough, they are then awarded an entry into the state competition,

which will be held at the Renaissance Center in Detroit on March 14-16, 2014.

Of our 15 active role-play participants on Monday, 11 qualified for states. Various participants won a medal for achieving high marks on the written test as well as a medal for high scores in the role-play scenarios. Finished by the coveted award of a medal signifying the advancement to states.

Students of the Week

Boyne City High School

Mary Anderson



GRADE: 10
PARENTS: Kathy and Steve Anderson
HOBBIES & INTERESTS: Skiing, Sailing, Reading
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Cross Country, Ski Team, Soccer, Drama, Student Council
FUTURE PLANS: "Mechanical engineering specializing in prosthetics."

STAFF COMMENTS

"Mary is a very conscientious, respectful student with a great optimistic attitude!" – Jeanne Heath, English Teacher
 "Mary is a highly responsible, friendly, high achieving student. It is always a pleasure to work with her in class." – Dale Thomason, Health Teacher

"Mary is new to my class but she has already demonstrated a genuine eagerness to learn. As one of the sophomore class officers she demonstrates great leadership each time she is called upon. Her initiative is a rare find." – Mark Pontoni, Economics Teacher

"Mary is a pleasure to have in class. She is a person of character. I enjoy Mary's enthusiasm, smile, determination, and attitude. She is very involved in school activities and it is fun to watch her school spirit. Mary has a great personality and is a delight to be around. I appreciate Mary's optimistic outlook and know she will be successful as she has a strong work ethic and great attitude. Mary is very deserving of this recognition - Congratulations!" – Elizabeth Hemming, Biology Teacher

Mary is a great student! She has a passion for learning! Great job Mary! – Michele Deming, Psychology Teacher

Mary is so much fun! She has a great attitude. She shows great balance between fun and learning. It was her hard work and perseverance, which made her our Most Improved runner during Cross Country this fall. – Coach Andy Place

Boyne Falls Elementary

Scott Matelski



GRADE: 3
PARENTS: Chris & Kelly Matelski
HOBBIES & INTERESTS: Reading, playing video games, skiing, & math
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Martial Arts, Literacy Club, Science Club, Saturday Elementary Basketball, and attending most Logger games especially to watch older siblings play.
FAVORITE BOOK: Ghostopolis by Doug TenNapel

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?
 Video Game maker

Scott is a deep thinker, a hard-working student, a gentle-hearted friend to his classmates, a team player, an avid reader, and a loyal Logger fan. He is an asset to our 3rd grade class and to our school, and I am very glad to get to know him better this school year. – Mrs. Dianna Brown

Boyne Falls Homecoming Court



(Front row left to right) 9th grade representatives Katelynn Wilson and Leszek Wasylewski. (2nd row) 10th grade representatives Kurstin Wilson and Marcus Matelski, 11th grade representatives Kaylee Herman and Andrew Stevens. (Back row) Senior King and Queen Candidates Kathryn Miller, Emily Matelski, Natalie Aikens, Calsey Matelski, Clay Whitley, Brendon Matelski, Aaron Barkley, and Kevin Lange.

Senior King & Queen Candidates

The Boyne Falls Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned Friday, January 31, 2014 during the Boyne Falls Boys Varsity game against Mackinaw City.



RIGHT: Senior King and Queen Candidates (Left to Right) Emily Matelski and Brendon Matelski, Calsey Matelski and Clay Whitley, Kathryn Miller and Aaron Barkley, Natalie Aikens and Kevin Lange.

BC Blaze Robotics team receives grant from Community Foundation



BC Blaze members take time to shop for necessary supplies. Pictured left to right: Jim White from Boyne City Ace Hardware, Brendan Heath, Katelyn Skornia, Jill Solomon, Elizabeth O'Donnell, Elizabeth Mansfield and Jacob Brewer. COURTESY PHOTO

Two weeks into the build season, members of Boyne City High School Robotics Team (BC Blaze Team 4377) took time away from their prototyping to shop for much needed tools and equipment. The team was able to purchase these items due to a generous grant of over \$1000 from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation (C3F) awarded in the fall of 2013. Ace Hardware was able to make the money stretch further by offering an additional discount on the items.

BC Blaze hopes to strengthen their community and make a lasting impact by fostering the well-

rounded life capabilities of: innovation, self-confidence, leadership and communication skills; and inspire Boyne City youth to become the creative scientific and technology leaders of the future.

Robotics programs would not be possible without the support of grants, sponsorship, and community partnering. While school is not in session, Ace Hardware partners with BC Blaze to provide off-site storage of the robot. This allows BC Blaze easy access to their robot throughout the summer months so that team members can participate in community and fundraising activities during the

Fourth of July, Stroll the Streets and other community festivities.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all citizens of Charlevoix County by building permanent endowment, addressing needs through grant-making, and providing leadership resources to serve the community. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.

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Sullivan Declines Clerk Position

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: Commissioner Larry Sullivan declined the position of City Clerk's office by letter on January 23rd after a drawn out controversy regarding his maintaining both offices concurrently by City Council.

Sullivan included in the letter the reasoning he used when deciding to run for City Clerk. He stated that when he chose to run, it was because no one had filed to do so and also he felt that he was qualified for the position. He added that he saw no issues with holding both.

"I believed with both positions being part time, I could serve in both offices with no scheduling conflicts. I did not believe there were incompatibilities with one person holding both offices," he wrote.

He explained that he had taken several steps at the outset of filing to run to ensure that holding both offices at once was not a problem. At that time he requested an attorney general's opinion through the office of County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof. Though no response was given to his



COMMISSIONER LARRY SULLIVAN

personal request, Sullivan stated that he would ultimately accept the Attorney General's opinion if they deemed "the two offices were incompatible."

He reiterated that he'd been advised by several attorneys when he initially ran for the position that it would not be an incompatibility. The attorneys included Charlevoix County Civil Council Bryan Graham and City of Charlevoix Attorney James Young, who both practice at the firm Young, Graham, Elsenheimer & Wendling P.C. Graham and Young changed their opinion in a letter dated October 17th, 2013. That letter indicated that an incompatibility did stem from issues regarding the ownership of election equipment and how billing would be handled for the use of it.

In light of the opinion by the attorney general Sullivan made his final decision.

"I believe I must fulfill my pledge when running for County Commissioner to do the best I could in representing the residents of both Charlevoix Township and the City of Charlevoix. As a result I am declining to accept the position of Charlevoix City Clerk," he wrote.

Scams hit Northern Michigan

West Michigan is getting hit with two apparent large scale scams this week: The "473/767 One-Ring" scam, and the "Fix Your Computer" scam.

473/767 Scam

The 473 number out of Grenada and the 767 number out of Dominica, both in the Caribbean, calls your phone, but it only rings once.

The scammers hope when you see the missed call that you call the number back and that's when you get hit with the charges. While the phone numbers appear to be in the United States, the number dialed is actually an international number with a share of the revenue going to the operator of the number. Consumers are tricked into dialing these international phone numbers, which results in substantial long-distance charges. Because the same laws do not apply to international calls, it makes these areas ideal for scammers who wish to target U.S. citizens.

BBB's advice: "Don't call back a number you do not know if they don't leave a message that makes sense to you. If a caller uses the 473, 767, or any other area code you do not recognize, do not call it back. Instead contact the operator to verify where the caller's area code originates from."

Computer Scam

A caller asks for the computer user in your home. When the conversation begins, the caller says that they have information indicating that your computer is not working correctly. They ask if you have been experiencing problems with slow speed or other issues. If you get into this conversation, they will guide you to allow them to take control of your computer via the internet so they can fix the problem. If you allow it, they may install malware on your computer. Malware might permit hackers to learn passwords, steal your computer identity, access personal and financial accounts, and more.

The most recent "company" calling West Michigan consumers is "PC Speedy", however these types of companies change names frequently. Remember, it is the premise of the call not just the company name that you want to be wary of.

BBB's advice: "Never give control of your computer to a stranger on the internet or over the phone." BBB is getting calls from numerous callers about both scams in recent days, and requests that you exercise caution to avoid them. BBB helps consumers find and recommend businesses, brands, and charities they can trust.

NFL Super Bowl XLVIII: Seattle Seahawks @ Denver Broncos

Stats retrieved from NFL Website

By Heather DeLong

Whether or not your beloved team earned a spot, Super Bowl XLVIII will kick off this Sunday, February 2nd at 6:30 pm on FOX at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey. The Weather Channel's Super Bowl Forecast predicts a cold, rainy day as of last Sunday, but the larger question for the weekend is who will go home with the Vince Lombardi trophy?

For the second time in 20 years, the number one seed teams will meet in the Super Bowl. Can the stats predict a champion when the Seattle Seahawks face the Denver Broncos?

In the playoffs, Peyton Manning went 0-4 in games with a kickoff temperature under 40 degrees. The only game in Russell Wilson's NFL career when the kickoff temperature was under 40 degrees was at MetLife Stadium, Week 15 against the Giants. In that game, Wilson completed 66.7% of his passes, for 206 yards, one TD, one INT and a passer rating of 86.3.

Peyton Manning (born March 24, 1976) and Russell Wilson (born Nov. 29, 1988) will set a record when they both start Super Bowl XLVIII. The age difference of 12 years, 250 days will be the greatest ever for a pair of Super Bowl starting quarterbacks. The existing record of 10 years, 253 days was set by Kurt Warner and Ben Roethlisberger in Super Bowl XLIII.

Peyton Manning is the fourth QB in NFL history to reach the Super Bowl after leading the NFL in passing yards and passing TD. Tom Brady, Kurt Warner and Dan Marino also accomplished this feat, after the 2007, 2001 and 1984 seasons, respectively. All lost by a combined score of 75-47 in the three Super Bowls.

The difference between Denver's points scored and Seattle's points allowed is the largest gap between opponents in Super Bowl history. The Broncos scored 606 points in the regular season, while the Seahawks allowed



231 points, for a differential of 375 points. The next closest differential involves the 1984 Dolphins and 49ers, with a point differential of 286 points.

The Broncos' 606 points are the most scored by a team in a single season in NFL history. Of the next eight teams on the all-time scoring list, not one went on to win the Super Bowl.

Prior to this season, the eventual Super Bowl teams have met in the pre-season six times since 1994. The pre-season winner won five of those six Super Bowls. Back in August, the Seahawks beat the Broncos, 40-10, in each team's second game of the pre-season.

There will be four players in Super Bowl XLVIII - all Broncos - to have played in a previous Super Bowl. Of those four, Peyton Manning is the only player to have won in their trip(s) to the Super Bowl. Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie played in Super Bowl XLIII with the Cardinals, recording five tackles and two passes defended. Jacob Tamme primarily played on special teams with the Colts in Super Bowl XLIV. Wes Welker played in two Super Bowls with the Patriots (XLII, XLVI), losing both to the Giants. The Seahawks don't have any players with Super Bowl experience. Teams without any players with Super Bowl experience are 2-5 (since Super Bowl II).

Is Richard Sherman the best cornerback in the NFL? In the 2013 post-season, Sherman has been targeted by opposing quarterbacks only twice, allowing 0 receptions. When targeting Sherman in two matchups during 2013, Drew Brees had identical passer rat-

ings of 39.6 in each game. Tom Brady's passer rating against Sherman is even worse - when New England visited Seattle in 2012, Brady's passer rating when targeting Sherman was 6.5. In three games, neither QB threw a TD when targeting Sherman.

With 18 receptions in 2 Super Bowl appearances, Wes Welker averages more receptions in the Super Bowl than anyone in NFL history. Joseph Addai is next with 8.5 receptions per game in the Super Bowl. Jerry Rice averaged 8.25 receptions in his Super Bowl appearances.

The Broncos and the Seahawks have met 52 times in regular-season play (Seattle played in the AFC West from 1977 to 2001). That's the second-most previous regular-season meetings for any pair of Super Bowl teams.

The two teams have met once in post-season play. In the 1983 Wild Card game, Dave Krieg went 12-for-13, 200 yards, three TD, and had a perfect passer rating of 158.3 opposite Broncos starting QB Steve DeBerg. In relief of DeBerg, rookie John Elway went 10-for-15, 0 TD, one INT. Seattle won 31-7.

As the designated "home team," the AFC team can choose to wear its home or away jersey. The Broncos have chosen to wear their orange home jerseys, which means the Seahawks will wear their road whites. Teams that wear white jerseys have won eight of the last nine Super Bowls and are 29-18 in the Super Bowl.

Many will be competing in fantasy leagues during the game, rooting for their favored team to win, or hoping that the other team loses. Since the Lions haven't made it to the Super Bowl 48 years in a row since its initiation in 1967, I will be indulging in hors d'oeuvres made from recipes I found on Pinterest.com, and voting for best commercial.

Happy Super Bowl XLVIII!!!
To contact Heather DeLong for any comments, questions or concerns, send an email to heather@weeklychoice.com.

Volunteer Connections marks four-year anniversary and gets a facelift

Char-Em United Way is connecting volunteers with local opportunities to engage in service. Four years ago, Char-Em United Way launched Volunteer Connections, a "virtual volunteer center". Since its introduction in late 2009, Volunteer Connections has referred 576 citizens to volunteer opportunities posted by local non-profits.

By creating a venue that both allows individuals to see the many ways they can make a difference and agencies to promote their needs, Char-Em United Way is increasing the potential for volunteerism, donations, and involvement in the community. On January 22, 2014, local nonprofits began posting their volunteer and other needs on a new and improved online system called, "Get Connected".

Non-profit agencies in Charlevoix and Emmet County list their volunteer needs on the Volunteer Connections website. Volunteers then help with these requests, based on their skills, interests, and availability. A wide variety of agencies and projects allow volunteers to focus their efforts on the environment and ecology, culture and the arts, education, health and safety, or emergency services.

With the current employment challenges in our area, job seekers can gain valuable experience through volunteering. Often non-profit organizations need skilled volunteers to develop their website, plan marketing, organize fundraisers, and lead programs- all experi-

ences that can build a strong resume.

Lisa Luebke, Char-Em United Way Program Administrator, believes that volunteering is an integral element of citizenship. "We have an amazing culture of service and giving in Northern Michigan. This United Way program is helping to harness that positive energy and community spirit. Volunteer Connections continues to grow and we are very excited to start using our new online system, Get Connected," said Luebke.

Many area programs rely on volunteers to complete their philanthropic mission. There are projects available for all ages and talents. Volunteer Connections is a free resource that benefits the entire community- those that serve and those that are in need of service.

Volunteer Connections also serves the volunteer needs of Charlevoix and Emmet Counties by providing additional resources for volunteer recruitment, recognition, and management. It is one of the strategic initiatives developed by Char-Em United Way and is supported through donations to the United Way campaign which is currently in progress as well as proceeds from the annual spring fund raising event, Instant Wine Cellar. Save the date for this year's Instant Wine Cellar on Friday, April 25, 2014 from 7 to 11pm at The Perry in Petoskey. To volunteer, donate, or for more information visit: www.charemunitedway.org or call 487-1006.

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Boyne City may become Irish sister city

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY - Boyne City Commissioners heard an update concerning the Kirtland Products plant and discussed the prospect of becoming a sister city at the January 28 city meeting.

Planning and zoning Administrator, Scott McPherson gave an update to the commission on recent changes at Kirtland Products as was the understanding when the controversial company's name was removed from the Commission's regular agenda. "Last week we received a notification that Kirtland Products was issued a permit," he said. This permit changes and replaces a previously issued permit

and was issued as a result of failing emissions testing on three different processes. This failure was a consequence of some faulty equipment which Kirtland repaired after being issued a violation notice by the MDEQ and then submitted an application requesting to change emission limits so that the tested emission rates would be in compliance with the permitted limits. An explanation given to city staff by the MDEQ stated, "As a result some emissions limits were adjusted upward and some were adjusted downward with a net reduction in overall permitted emissions." The permit changes were determined to be "protective of health" and in compliance with state and federal regula-

tions according to the Air Quality Division of the DEQ. "It's frustrating because when you can see it, taste it, smell it and the state says there should be no concerns, it's a tough one," said Commissioner Tom Neidhamer.

Following last year's Boyne City Heritage Festival, discussion was held about the possibility of Boyne City participating in a sister city relationship with a community in Ireland. In particular there has been interest in developing a relationship with Drogheda, Ireland. A city famous for the Boyne River. Adrian, MI resident and frequent Boyne City visitor, Patrick Maguire, a native of Drogheda, and the guest speaker at last year's Irish Festival dinner has been assisting vol-

unteer Becky Kuebler in learning how to become a sister city. Main Street Program Manager, Hugh Conklin presented the Commission an introductory letter drafted to Drogheda. The letter is one of the first steps in developing a relationship. He then asked the Commissioners to review the letter and share any comments they may have. "Our hope is to create an awareness and appreciation of each other's culture as well as many cooperative activities that will be of mutual benefit to our communities. We suggest this to include student exchange programs, tourism and economic development programs, community service projects, club or organizational links, and newspaper column exchanges."

read the letter. "It seems like a logical choice for a sister city," stated Commissioner Laura Sansom. "I can see where there would be some educational benefits of this," added Commissioner Gene Towne. Kuebler and Conklin will officially present their research on the topic to the commission at the February 11 meeting.

The next regular City Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11 at 7P.M. The City Joint Board and commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 13 at 6P.M. At City Hall.

Community Awards announced at East Jordan Area Chamber Annual Meeting



Auctioneer, Scott MacKenzie, director of the Charlevoix Area Humane Society.



Business of the Year award winners Stonehedge Farm and Fiber Mill Chuck and Debbie McDermott.



Freida Gibbard of newly established business, Pickers Exchange Antiques, purchased the key that opened the trunk, winning \$500.



Citizen of the Year Debbie Carey

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX—Awards and heartfelt accolades were doled out at the 2013 East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting, Saturday, January 25 held at Castle Farms.

The Citizen of the Year was introduced by Chamber Executive Director, Mary Faculak, This person just can't say no when it comes to East Jordan and the community," she said. The award was presented to Debbie Carey, co-owner of Marty's Cones and Carry-outs and Sodalicious. "We know what we have and we share it with others and hope that they

get in on the energy of our town," said Carey.

This year's Business of the Year's product will be seen all over the world at the 2014 winter Olympics. Stonehedge Farm and Fiber Mill recently sold 4000 pounds of East Jordan raised and spun yarn to the US Olympic team who had Ralph Lauren design and produce sweaters that will be worn at the games closing ceremony. Chuck and Debbie McDermott employ fourteen people at the 157 year old farm.

Faculak introduced the winners of the Spirit Award, Marty and Debbie Carey, as involved, passionate and deliberate. "It is

the passion and involvement of these entrepreneurs that help to give a community a sense of place," she said.

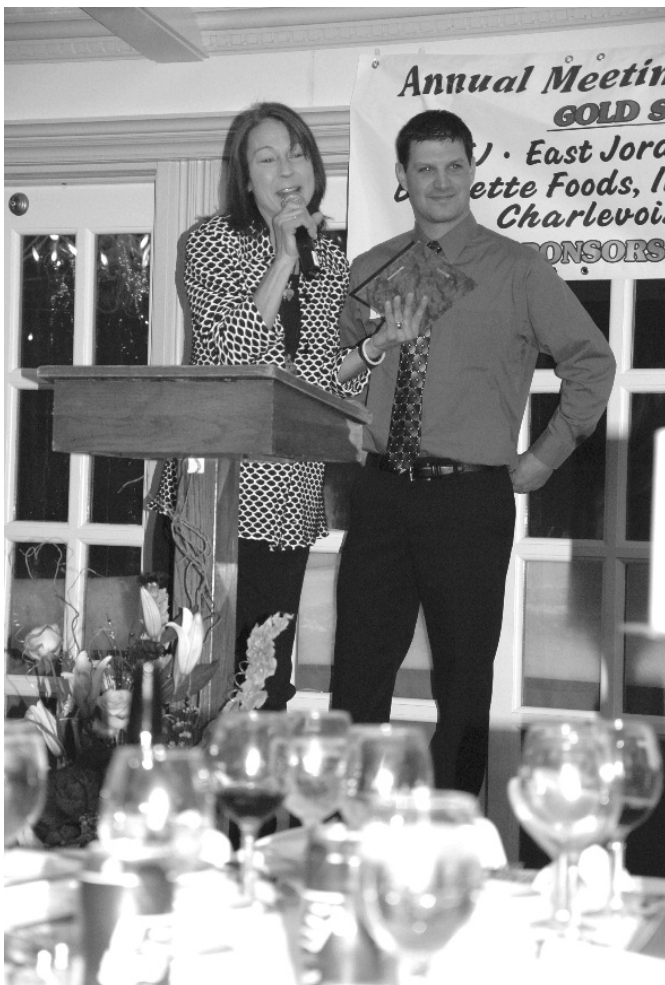
The Ambassador of the Year Award was given to two entities this year, the East Jordan Freedom Festival Board consisting of Shannon Fender, Heather Jackson, Courtney Fender, Zach Pajtas and Denise Pajtas, and Ginny MacCullam of Ellsworth's A Matter of Taste. "It's no secret that a community is only as successful and strong as its people," said Faculak.

Included in the live auction this year were two all expense paid experiential packages in-

cluding a trip to Churchill Downs and a trip to any major league sports event of the bidders choice. Two outgoing board members, Tammy Jackson and Ellsworth representative Chet Drenth were shown appreciation for a "job well done" and the 2014 East Jordan Area Chamber Board members, Erin Nickel, Chair, Tom Cannon, Vice-Chair, Heather Jackson, Treasurer, Matt Stevenson, Eugene Smith, Frank Leonard and Ellsworth representative Scotty Bruce were introduced to the crowd.

The gourmet event included dinner, silent and live auctions and an opportunity to win \$500

with the turn of a key. Not only is the meeting an opportunity to commend Chamber members for their community contributions but it is the Chamber's second largest fundraiser, an important key to allowing the Chamber to operate year round. "It's a very critical operating asset for our organization and we just can't say thank you enough to our members, sponsors and donors and all who attend to help make this event so memorable and successful each year," said Faculak.



Ginny MacCullam co-owner of A Matter of Taste accepts the Ambassador Award.



Outgoing board members Tammy Jackson and Chet Drenth were honored for a job well done.



Heather Jackson, Shannon Fender and Courtney Fender accepted the Ambassador award on behalf of the East Jordan Freedom Festival Committee.



Marty and Debbie Carey, the Spirit Award

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Charlevoix County Community Foundation grant to support development of the Beaver Island Birding Trail

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation has recently provided major funding for the creation of The Beaver Island Birding Trail in Charlevoix County, a project initiated by the Beaver Island Association (a not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting economic and environmental sustainability on Beaver Island), and its project partners, to provide significant benefit to the Beaver Island economy, while serving to protect our natural resources by providing sustainable recreational use.

The Beaver Island Birding Trail identifies a comprehensive listing of habitats and birds likely to be seen at thirty-three public birding sites on Beaver Island. The Birding Trail project includes printed maps of the birding trail for island visitors, noting quality bird sighting locations, listing best birding practices, and providing “eBird” tracking information (eBird is an online database, developed by the Cornell University School of Ornithology, of bird observations providing researchers and amateurs with real time data on bird distribution and quantity). Interpretive signage will be posted at select locations and a companion Beaver Island Birding Trail website is under development to provide extensive information about each location and the birds to be found in that habitat. The website: www.beaverislandbirding-trail.org is expected to be active the end of January. In addition, a birding tri-fold checklist based on the Michigan Birding Atlas will be provided to birders. The Beaver Island Community Center, which is open 7 days a week, will act as the trail head site. A trail dedication will take place on Beaver Island, May 24-25, 2014

with regional and state officials along with national birding experts leading field trips. In addition to the support of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, the following organizations have provided support for the project. Saving Birds Thru Habitat—assistance with all areas of development of BIBT



Beaver Island Community School
 Beaver Island Preservation Association/Community Center—Trail Headquarters location
 Beaver Island Natural Resources and Ecotourism Steering Committee
 Little Traverse Conservancy—birding sites and public education
 Michigan Audubon Society—eBird coordination with Cornell Michigan Department of Natural Resources—interpretive signage at birding sites
 Sleeping Bear Birding Trail—technical assistance and website development
 Central Michigan University—birding sites, vans, and faculty professional assistance
 Charlevoix County Commissioners—GIS map assistance and resolution endorsing BIBT
 Charlevoix County Conserva-

tion District—habitat education and maintenance
 Conservation Resource Alliance—assistance with bird/land stewardship practices
 The Nature Conservancy—natural resource assistance.
 Corporate Sponsors include the Beaver Island Boat Company, Island Airways, Beaver Lodge, Shamrock, and Harbor Market.
 More information about the Beaver Island Association may be found at beaverislandassociation.org, or by email: beaverislandassociation@gmail.com, or by writing to The Beaver Island Association, PO Box 390, Beaver Island, MI 49782. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.

Good Samaritan Furniture & More offers quality finds in downtown Ellsworth

By Jim Akans

“Our inventory at the Furniture & More showroom changes daily and is priced to move,” states Mary Peterson, Director of Good Samaritan Food Pantry/Resale Shop, an affiliate of the Furniture & More store in downtown Ellsworth. “We offer a wide variety of very nice quality furniture, home décor accessories and appliances, and the proceeds from the sales are utilized to help our Food Pantry serve area families in need.”

The approximately 1,800 square foot Good Samaritan Furniture & More showroom is located at 6517 Center Street in Ellsworth, and opened their doors about four years ago. Since 1990, Good Samaritan Family Services has been helping area families in times of need through a diverse offering of services, including a Food Pantry, guidance for new mothers, providing clothing, coats and shoes, assistance with home heating, and more. The Furniture & More showroom, managed by Evie Snyder, helps to support the Good Samaritan Family Services mission.

Peterson notes, “This is a great place to shop and browse for items for the home or cottage. We are located in a beautiful, original building in downtown Ellsworth that was home to the Shooks Market for many years. People enjoy the ambience of the showroom, with vintage wood



The approximately 1,800 square foot Good Samaritan Furniture & More showroom at 6517 Center Street in Ellsworth is full of gently used sofas, chairs, tables, dressers, beds, lamps, pictures, household nick-knacks...just about anything imaginable to furnish or decorate the home. Photo by Dave Baragrey Sr.

flooring and several living area vignettes we have set up. While we have a wide variety of items on display, and if there is something in particular a shopper is looking for that we don't currently have, we will put them on a waiting list and give them a call when an item that fits their needs comes in.”

The showroom is full of gently used sofas, chairs, tables, dressers, beds, lamps, pictures, household nick-knacks...just about anything imaginable to furnish or decorate the home. The items are donated by local individuals and businesses, and

donations are accepted during normal business hours. The Good Samaritan Furniture & More Showroom is located on Center Street in Ellsworth diagonally across from the Front Porch Café. The shop is open from 10 am to 4 pm Tuesday through Friday, and from 10 am until 2 pm on Saturday. For further information, call the showroom at (231) 676-3339 or visit www.thegoodsam.org. Nothing imaginable to furnish or decorate the home. Photo by Dave Baragrey Sr.

Rehabilitated Eagle will be released February 15

EAST JORDAN - A very special event to take place in East Jordan on President's Day Weekend. Eagle Release by Wings of Wonder - Rebecca Lessard will be releasing an eagle that has been rehabilitated after having been hit by an automobile on Saturday, February 15, 11:00 AM at Sportsman's Park, 85 Bridge Street, East Jordan. Shuttle services will be available from Harvest Barn Church beginning at 10:00 AM. Parking will also be available downtown East Jordan and in City parking lots. Please note...Sportsman's Park will only have handicap parking available. This is a very special event for the East Jordan



community. For more information contact the Chamber at 231-536-7351. WOW Eagle releases attract anywhere from 1000 plus people for the release. The program will start promptly at 11:00 AM and there will be time for photo opportunities - bring your cameras. NO DOGS are allowed.

Boyer District Library offers free tax preparation help

Low-to-moderate income families and individuals can get help with tax preparation at Boyer District Library on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tim Cooney, a trained volunteer with the IRS-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, will prepare and electronically file both federal and state returns at no charge. Cooney also serves on the library's board of trustees. The VITA program offers free tax help to people

who make \$52,000 or less and need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals in local communities. They can inform taxpayers about special tax credits for which they may qualify, such as Earned Income Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit, and Credit for the Elderly or the Disabled. Appointments can be made by calling the library at 231-582-7861.

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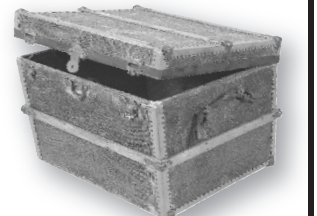
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CHARLEVOIX

Up North Artists Exhibit

Charlevoix Circle of Arts Artists Up North opening Saturday, February 1, Reception from 6 to 9pm. Artists featured in show will be Capel Campbell, Margie Guyot, James Kosloske, Todd Warner, Cal Kempainen, Igor Zaytsev.

HAYES TOWNSHIP

Camp Sea-Gull Property Becomes Township Park

Hayes Township - The former Camp Sea-Gull property along the north shore of Lake Charlevoix officially became a Hayes Township park on the morning of January 6, 2014. With 1,400 feet of lake frontage, the 20-acre site offers public access to the lake for numerous recreational opportunities, with a number of the camp's facilities slated for public use and year-round enjoyment. While the Township plans to open the property to the public immediately for things like Lake Charlevoix access for ice fishing, many of the steps required to convert the property from a private camp to a public park will take time. "Some of the buildings need to be removed, and some will be renovated for public use," said Township Clerk Marlene Golovich. "We'll be enlisting the help of community volunteers for some of this work, but we'll also be applying for development funds in order to develop public recreation facilities." Hayes Township is planning for a June 7 Open House at Camp Sea-Gull.

BOYNE FALLS

Blood drive

Feb. 4 at Boyne Falls High School, 01662 M-75 South, 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. To schedule an appointment to donate call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.redcrossblood.org

MANCELONA

Special Olympics

Join Michigan's special Olympians Feb. 4-7 on the slopes at Schuss Mountain during the winter games. Visit www.somi.com for a schedule. Watch for Wertz's Warriors as they make their fundraising trek through the area.

EAST JORDAN

Blessing of the Snowmobiles

This year's Sno-Blast Winter Festival, February 7 thru 9, will feature a new event for snowmobile owners and enthusiasts. On Saturday, February 8 at the East Jordan Snowmobile Clubhouse/Grounds on Mt. Bliss Road, Father James Gardiner of Saint Joseph's Catholic Church will bless participating snowmobiles. The blessing will start promptly at 10:00 AM and there is no charge. Following the blessing a number of snowmobile and family fun events will follow. For more information on the Blessing, please contact E.J. Sno-Mobile Club Member - Caron Rogers at 231-222-2127. For a complete 33rd Annual Sno-Blast Schedule of Event visit the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce website at www.ejchamber.org or phone 231-536-7351.

CHARLEVOIX

Toast to Literacy

Char-Em United Way and Castle Farms present a Toast to Literacy, a fundraising event to benefit the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library which promotes early childhood education and literacy in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. Held at Castle Farms Friday, Feb 7, 7pm - 11pm

CHARLEVOIX

State of the Community & Awards Presentation

Friday, February 7th when the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce host the State of the Community Address & Awards Presentation from 7-9am at Castle Farms. The State of the Community will feature five speakers recapping the accomplishments and challenges that the community faced in 2013 and will take a look at future plans for 2014. Help us honor the recipients of the Chamber's Annual Awards including the Customer Service Award, Ambassador Award, New Business of the Year Award, Young Professional of the Year Award, Outstanding Citizen Award, and Business of the Year Award.

WOLVERINE

Winter Wildlife Adventure

Saturday, Feb 8, 10am - 12pm. The Greenwood Foun-

ation is a privately owned property near Wolverine, MI protected with a conservation easement held by LTC. Greenwood welcomes the public to enjoy and explore this almost 1400-acre property for this special event. Snow groomed trails will lead you through the trail system and offer you the chance to let yourself find respite in the beauty of this winter wildlife haven. The field trip is free but skis and snowshoes are only provided for children 15 and under. Pre-registration is required by calling 231.347.0991. Please mention if you need snowshoes when you register.

EAST JORDAN

Sno-Blast

33RD ANNUAL EAST JORDAN SNO-BLAST. Antique/Classic Snowmobile Show, 1st Ever Sno-Blast Blessing of the Sleds, Frozen Pancake Toss, Softball in the Snow, Grand Parade, Indoor Family Games, Rotary Chili Supper, Sno-Sculpture Contest, Crowning of the Winter Knight & Belle of the Blizzard, indoor & outdoor family fun. Call the Chamber Office for more information 231-536-7351. Feb. 7-9.

EAST JORDAN

Mid-Winter Walleye Classic

Walleye Fishing Tournament - Entry Fee \$15 (80% pay back) Kids, 10 years and under are free, but must sign up. For more information & full tournament rules call Tom's Bait & Tackle, 231-536-3521 or Boyne City Co-op True Value 231-582-9971. Noon start on Feb. 7-9.

EAST JORDAN

Chili Supper

The East Jordan Rotary Club is hosting the famous Sno-Blast Chili Supper on Friday, Feb. 7, 4:30-7pm. New location this year at the East Jordan Sno-Mobilers, Inc. clubhouse, 5586 Mt. Bliss Road. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$7 for Seniors and \$5 for children. The dinner includes the world's best chili served with cornbread, a drink and dessert. Home delivery is available within the city limits. Call 231-536-0964 for delivery before Noon on Friday, Feb. 7.

EAST JORDAN

Swiss steak dinner

The East Jordan United Methodist Women are sponsoring an All you care to eat Swiss Steak Dinner with homemade pies, Sat, Feb 8, 5-7pm. The dinner will be held at the EJ United Methodist Church, Corner of Fourth and Esterly. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-12, under 5 free.

EAST JORDAN

Barter Circle & Trade Blanket

Saturday, February 8th, Noon at the Martha Wagbo Farm & Education Center in East Jordan, free and family friendly, donations welcome. Registration encouraged - call 231-536-0333, email info@wagbo.org, or leave us a message at www.facebook.com/marthawagbofarm. Trade Blankets were once a major part of commerce and are paramount to the rich history of the Great Lakes region. Come join us for a community feast followed by a revival of the tradition of the Barter Circle. Bring a dish to pass if you are able, and valuables that you would like to trade. Past barter items that were popular include handmade goods, home preserved foods, tools, cookware and outdoor gear.

EAST JORDAN

Building a Snow Fort

Sunday, February 9th, 1pm at the Martha Wagbo Farm & Education Center in East Jordan, free and family friendly, donations welcome. Registration encouraged - call 231-536-0333, email info@wagbo.org, or leave us a message at www.facebook.com/marthawagbofarm. Attend our monthly gathering of families with children of any age. We have the simple mission of relatively unstructured playtime in the natural world. It's also a great time for parents to meet and talk to other adults whilst the kids romp and explore. This month we will try our hands at building a snow fort. Once we have it built, we'll sit inside and have a treat of "sugar-on-snow" with real Maple syrup! All ages can participate.

BOYNE CITY

Beat the winter blues

Join your neighbors at the Boyne Area Senior Center, 411 Division St on Sunday, Feb. 9 from 1-4pm. Fun, food

and music. Bring a dish to pass. No Cover Charge. Silent Auction will be held during event. Music by Monty Loper & Friends

MICHIGAN

Changes in personal property taxes for businesses

Business owners in Michigan should be aware of the changes in personal property taxes that have been enacted by the State of Michigan. All business owners, both those who qualify and those who do not qualify for the \$80,000 exemption to personal property taxes are required to file form 5076 (Affidavit of Owner of Personal Property Claiming Exemption from Collection of Taxes) is February 10. Business owners who qualify for the exemption but do not file the required forms will lose their exemptions, City and County clerks in the appropriate jurisdictions can answer any questions regarding this issue. I hope you will encourage business to comply with the State requirements and where appropriate to take the exemptions that are allowed by State law.

CHARLEVOIX

Art class

The First Art Class at the CHX Circle will be held on February 12 and 13 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. The Cal Kempainen Oil Painting Class is one you do not want to miss. Cal's teaching skills are exceptional and he has won many awards for his work. Amongst his latest; the 2013 Venetian Poster, a finalist in Art Prize in Grand Rapids. Please check the CCA website at www.charlevoixcircle.org for additional info. Artist Kempainen will also have his work in the "Artists North" exhibit at the Charlevoix Circle on Saturday, February 1 through March 29

BOYNE CITY

Chocolate Covered Boyne

Friday, Feb. 14 and Saturday, Feb. 15 Boyne City will be full of fun and chocolate this Valentine's Day weekend. Chocolate-Covered Boyne will celebrate chocolate and romance at more than 30 businesses. Organizers expect that this year's sixth annual event will be sweeter and livelier than ever. Wine, Women and Chocolate concert at Freshwater Art Gallery, 8pm Saturday, Feb. 15.

ELLSWORTH

Shiverfest

Feb. 14 - 16. 4th ANNUAL ELLSWORTH SHIVERFEST. Fishing Contest (Free Fishing Weekend), Dessert Tasting, Dark Sky Snowshoe Hike, Kids Shiver in the Park - Cardboard Sled Contest & Sledding Party and much more. For more information contact Alana at 231-360-0676

EAST JORDAN

Mid-Winter Mushroom Hunt

Saturday, February 15th, 1pm, call ahead for location, free, donations welcome. Bring skis or snowshoes if there is snow! Registration encouraged - call 231-536-0333, email info@wagbo.org, or leave us a message at www.facebook.com/marthawagbofarm. Yes, you can harvest wild mushrooms in the winter! Join our local foraging group W.E.E.D.S. (Wild Edibles for Ecological & Dietary Sustainability) while we seek the coveted Chaga Mushroom or Tinder Conk (Inonotus obliquus), a powerful medicinal mushroom traditionally made into a curative tea and recently popularized in Western holistic health-circles. Learn about Chaga's medicinal potentials, its ecology, identification, and preparation. Chaga tea and a few wild edible snacks provided.

MICHIGAN

Free fishing weekend

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has scheduled its annual winter weekend when people can fish without a license. Free Fishing Weekend will be February 15 & 16. All state fishing regulations except the license requirement will remain in effect on those dates. Michigan has celebrated the Winter Free Fishing Weekend every year since 1994 to promote the sport and awareness of the state's water resources. Among them are more than 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, tens of thousands of miles of rivers and streams, and 11,000 inland lakes. Activities are being planned around the state to encourage involvement in Winter Free Fishing Weekend. Schools, parks, businesses and organ-

izations are coordinating them. A list can be found online at www.michigan.gov/freesfishing.

EAST JORDAN

Hot Meal / Warm Coat

In need of a Free Hot Meal? Free Warm Coat? or Both? Do you know someone who does? Come on in downstairs at East Jordan United Methodist Church (Corner of Fourth & Esterly Streets) Friday, February 21 - 5pm to 7pm.

CHARLEVOIX

Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race on Tap

The 2nd Annual Dogman Challenge is on tap for Saturday, February 22nd. The race will begin with a mass start at Noon at the base of the Mt McSaubia Ski Hill. Riders will race Fat Bikes on a 1.5 mile loop through the trails of Mt McSaubia and North Point Nature Preserve. The rider to complete the most laps in two hours is the champion and will be awarded the Dogman trophy and cash prize. Prizes will also be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in both the men's and women's division.

ELMIRA

Winter extravaganza bean pot

Free public event with hatchery tours, showshoe trails, hot beverages and hot bean soup at the Jordan River national fish hatchery. Snowmobilers can access off Jordan River snowmobile trail. Vehicles access from Turner Road off US 131. Feb. 22, 10am - 3:30pm. Sponsored by Friends of the Jordan River National Fish Hatchery.

EAST JORDAN

Wild Harvesting Native Teas

Saturday, February 22nd, 1pm at the Martha Wagbo Farm & Education Center in East Jordan, free, donations welcome. Bring snowshoes if there is snow! Registration encouraged - call 231-536-0333, email info@wagbo.org, or leave us a message at www.facebook.com/marthawagbofarm. Come learn to identify and harvest various evergreens for brewing your own winter teas. Take a snowshoe hike through forest and fields overlooking the lovely Jordan River Valley, sip gentle infusions and make your own tea garland for brewing.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Lasater writing a book

Retired Charlevoix County Sheriff George Thomas Lasater is completing a book regarding his 32 years of experience as Sheriff. If a citizen has a story or situation they would like to have included, contact Mr. Lasater at 231-582-7001 before February 28.

MIO

Gun show

Saturday, March 1 from 9am

- 3pm at the Mio Community Center located 2 blocks east of Rite-Aid. Admission is \$5, under 12 free with adult. Contact 989-335-3195 for more info.

PETOSKEY

Project free preschool

Project FREE preschool in Petoskey has openings in both morning and afternoon sessions for children who turned age 4 before November 1, 2013. Certified teachers provide art, music, computer time, dramatic play and skill-building activities to build students' social and academic skills for a smooth transition into kindergarten. Project FREE preschool is offered half days, Monday through Thursday, October through May. Although there is often no cost to families, state eligibility requirements do exist. To learn more or register, call the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan at 231-347-0067.

CHARLEVOIX

BASES Community Education Series

2nd Wednesday's - October thru April from 6:30-7:30pm (no charge for these presentation or materials) All presentations conducted at BASES Teen Center. Topics include: Developmental Model of Recovery / Relapse, Relationships in Recovery, Emerging Drug Trends, Dealing with Other Addictions in Recovery, Raising Drug Free Kids, Young People in Recovery, Brain Training for Addiction Recovery. Attend one or all, no pre-registration required, call (231) 547-1144 for more information.

PETOSKEY

Roller Derby League forming

A local group is forming a local roller derby league. The Roller Derby Girls' need our support and help from our communities and regional areas. It takes a league of people, to make this work. They need a location to host practice and derby nights (up to 10,000 sq. ft), referees, non-skating officials, coaches, and volunteers! If you can help or have any info or idea leads, please contact the Petoskey Roller Derby League. www.facebook.com/petoskeyrollerderby

BOYNE CITY

Farm market

The Boyne City farm market is indoors at the Red Barn next to the library on Park Street. The winter market continues every Saturday at that location from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through April.

BOYNE CITY

New location for Celtic sessions

Boyne Celtic session concerts have moved to a new venue. The concerts are now at the Boyne District Library community room. Singer and musician Gaeyle Gerrie-Boss will continue to host the free

traditional Celtic music events from 1-3 p.m. on the first and third Sundays of the month. Musicians from the around the area will gather and play tunes from ancient Scotch, Welsh, Irish and Bretons for listeners of all ages.

EAST JORDAN

Art display

View the photography art of Onaway photographer, Dawn Thompson now through February at the Jordan Valley District Library. The woods and water display features photographs of Northern Michigan.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Video Contest Promotes Careers in Manufacturing

Careers in manufacturing will be showcased in a student video contest available to all high school students in northwest Michigan. The contest is designed to show what modern manufacturing jobs are really like and to show that there are opportunities for rewarding careers in the manufacturing industry. The student teams with the top videos will win cash prizes for their schools and gift cards for each team member. The contest is organized by the Education Advisory Group (EAG) of the Northwest Michigan Workforce Development Board and sponsored by Northwestern Michigan College (NMC). It is open to all high school students in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford counties. The student teams will visit local manufacturing plants and put together a three minute video highlighting career opportunities in manufacturing. Students do not need to be enrolled in a film or visual media program in order to participate in the contest. More information is available at: nwm.org/video-challenge. There is no entry fee and the deadline for video submissions is March 1, 2014.

CHARLEVOIX

St. Patrick's Day party

Tickets will be on sale soon! Contact your local Rotarian to reserve your tickets because they will sell out. Don't forget to make sure to mark your calendars for March 15th at Castle Farms

CHARLEVOIX

4th Annual Business Expo

Mark your calendar for March, 21 for the 4th Annual Business Expo at Castle Farms. The Expo will offer businesses a chance to build awareness in the community. It will feature more than 100 booths in a wide range of categories, including retail, professional, industry, service, tourism and restaurants.

EAST JORDAN

Extravaganza

Attend the first annual East Jordan Public Schools Extravaganza! This guaranteed fun fundraising event will be held Saturday, March 8 at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. The Extravaganza will fund College Scholarships for East Jordan High School students who take on challenging AP Classes. Tickets, just \$50, will be available at all East Jordan Public School Offices. Sponsorships, donations and volunteers are needed. Please call the High School Office at 231-536-2259 for more information.

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Crooked Tree Arts Center's 2014 Juried Photography Exhibition Awards

The Crooked Tree Art Center opened the 2014 Juried Photography Exhibition announcing award winners for excellence in photography. The juror for this year's exhibition was Mount Clemens native Jenny Risher who received her bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography at the Detroit's College for Creative Studies. She released her first book in 2013, HeartSoul Detroit to rave reviews.

In her juror's statement Risher explains the qualities that she was seeking while making her selections: "For me, I judged primarily on emotion... while using other qualities that signify a photograph of award winning caliber. In selecting works I let the images themselves guide my

decisions, allowing certain associations and connections to reveal themselves. I was not attached to a certain genre or style; all areas of photography are represented: still life, nudes, abstract, documentary, landscape, portraits. This collage of selected imagery collectively paints a portrait of our lives. One that is beautiful, personal and in some ways very American, and to me, this is the theme or narrative of the show."

The first place award sponsored by Stephen B. Selden, CLU, ChFC, Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Advisor went to John Gessner of Traverse City for his work Reflecting, the second place award sponsored by Ollar Consulting,



Otto and Marie – by Paul Rose

Ltd. went to Paul Rose of Garden City for his work Otto Marie, and the third place award sponsored by Dennis, Gartland & Niergarth went to Charles Brackett of Traverse City for his work, Spirit Waters.

Honorable mentions were

awarded to Jim Aho of Huntington Woods for his work, Lily Pads at Dusk, Holly Gedert of Levering for her work, Moonlight Stroll, Gary Gee of Lewiston for his work, Detroit Gloom, Bruce Giffin of Dearborn Heights for his work, Fall Coaster, Jan Kellogg of Vanderbilt for her work, Working Hands, Robert Maxwell of Boyne City for his work, Pearls, and Teresa McGill of Central Lake for her work, On the Wings of Eagles.

The 2014 Juried Photography Exhibition will be on display in the Bonfield Gallery from Saturday January 18th and running through April 5. The Crooked Tree Arts Center is located downtown Petoskey at 461 E. Mitchell Street. The 2014 Visual Arts Se-



Reflecting – by John Gessner

ries is supported in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and Edward Jones Investments of Petoskey and Harbor.

Laughs Aplenty Headed to Crooked Tree Arts Center

Heat up February with loads of laughter when Josh Sneed and Dave Dyer hit the stage February 1st at 8:00pm at Crooked Tree Arts Center.

Josh Sneed is making his mark as one of the top young comics in the business. After quitting a comfy day job working for Procter & Gamble, he's made excellent strides in following his passion for making people laugh. His door busting entrance into comedy has had him opening for greats that include Dave Chappelle, Dane Cook, and Lewis Black. Many patrons may recognize Josh as an opening act for "The Blue Collar Comedy Tour," and his many appearances on "The Bob & Tom Show".

Joining Josh, also from "The Bob & Tom Show" is Dave Dyer, a seasoned standup comic and writer whose work has contributed to NBC's "Late Night with Jimmy Fallon," ABC's "Politi-



Dave Dyer



Josh Sneed

cally Incorrect" and a host of other shows. He too has shared the stage with many notable comedians including Drew Carey, Lewis Black and Kathleen Madigan!

An evening of laughter and good fun with Josh Sneed and Dave Dyer at Crooked Tree Arts Center February 1st at 8:00 pm. Reserved tickets are available at or by calling 231.347.4337.

"Artists North" CCA Exhibit opens February 1, 2014

The "Artists North" CCA Exhibit will go through March 29. Who thought we didn't have fun and exciting events in the winter.

Please join the Charlevoix Circle of Arts for a wonderful evening of beautiful art, hospitality, and new friendships at the

Charlevoix Circle of Arts. February 1, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. There will also be another reception on February 15 so that those coming up for

Valentine and Presidents' Day can enjoy this fabulous exhibit. The Circle of Arts is located at 109 Clinton Street.



ABOVE: Cal Kempainen Paintings in CCA Artists North Show

LEFT: Todd Warner sculpture

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THURSDAY



HIGH: Mid 20's
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FRIDAY



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LOW: Low 10's

SATURDAY



HIGH: Low 20's
LOW: Upper 00's

SUNDAY



HIGH: Low 10's
LOW: Upper 00's

snowfall

2012-13	Am t	2013-14	Am t
1/28/2013	28.4	1/20/2014	39.7
1/28/2013	39	1/20/2014	84.1
1/28/2013	49.4	1/20/2014	99.7
1/28/2013	66.6	1/20/2014	135.4
1/28/2013	23.7	1/20/2014	47.5
1/28/2013	41.2	1/20/2014	86.3
1/28/2013	54.8	1/20/2014	123.7

record temps

Day	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Record High	Record Low
1/30	30°F	13°F	48°F (1988)	-33°F (1994)
31	30°F	13°F	49°F (1988)	-16°F (1980)
2/1	30°F	13°F	51°F (2012)	-28°F (1962)
2	30°F	13°F	46°F (1991)	-31°F (1961)
3	30°F	13°F	52°F (1991)	-18°F (1996)
4	31°F	13°F	50°F (2005)	-25°F (1996)
5	31°F	13°F	56°F (2005)	-14°F (1974)

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Local Real Estate agents donate to Veterans

BOYNE CITY - Pat O'Brien & Associates are grateful to have enjoyed a prosperous 2013, helped by a strengthening economy and a lot of hard work. As is their tradition, each agent reserves a percentage of his or her commissions from every transaction, and that money is collected and donated quarterly. Cumulatively, the agents have donated more than \$40,000 since 2010.

The 2013 fourth quarter donation was split between Boyne City's VFW and American Legion. Pat O'Brien & Associates felt this was a good way to show their gratitude to our veterans. Accepting the donations were Commander Henry Erber of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), and Commander Dean Kleinschrodt of the

American Legion. Presenting the checks were veterans Gary Roberts and Don Toffolo. The VFW admits veterans who have served in combat, while the American Legion is open to all veterans. Erber and Kleinschrodt will work together to best serve local veterans and their families.

As they enter their fifth year of donating commissions, the agents at Pat O'Brien & Associates are looking forward to doing their small part to help their community in 2014. So far recipients have included county food pantries, the Charlevoix County Humane Society, Boyne City's free clinic, Mobi-mats, help with heating bills in Charlevoix County, Unity Hall, and Dressed for Chill.



From left, Pat O'Brien, Christina Roberts, Brett Binkley, Beth Anzell, Jim Evans, Martha Mishler, JP Gerster, Henry Erber, Gary Roberts, Dean Kleinschrodt, and Don Toffolo.

5 Energy Saving Tips to Keep You Green in 2014

— Consider Including Your Home in Your 2014 New Year's Resolutions

As 2014 approaches, the go-to resolutions remain unchanged; weight loss, time spent with family and friends and budgeting. One way to cut back on funds is to invest some time and a little money into your home to save on energy bills in the long run.

Here are 5 habits that custom homebuilder Nate Abbott, of Falcon Custom Homes, encourages his clients to implement in 2014 that will affect your energy bills in a positive way:

— Invest in energy technology, like a programmable thermostat, power timers or a smart charger.

— Vow to never again leave your electronic devices in standby mode. Here are a few items that you probably have in your home along with the amount of money wasted annually by leaving the devices in standby mode instead of shutting them off entirely:

- LCD monitor: \$2.51
- Computer: \$34.21
- Laptop: \$15.90
- Laser printer: \$12.43
- Plasma TV: \$159.76
- DVD player: \$8.67
- Game console: \$25.73
- Convection microwave: \$3.85
- Rechargeable toothbrush: \$1.35

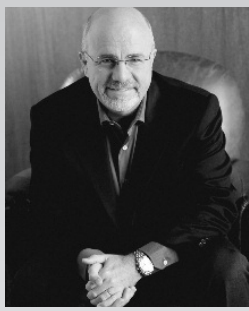
— Caulk or weather-strip air leaks around doors and windows to keep the warm or cool air in, depending on the time of year.

— Replace your furnace filter at least every three months for high air quality.

— Turn off water when brushing your teeth or doing the dishes.

Although some of these tips only save pennies here and there, putting all these tips to use could save you hundreds of dollars annually. By putting these home-oriented resolutions into place, you will begin to find yourself with extra spending money to accomplish your other resolutions.

DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

Protect yourself

Dear Dave,
I've heard you say to never give collectors access to your checking account. Does that include payments with a debit card too?
Susan

Dear Susan,
Absolutely! If you're doing something like scheduling utility payments to come through your debit card or out of your personal checking account, that's perfectly fine. But collectors are looking to get as much as they can on a bad, late debt. Never, under any circumstances, give them electronic

access to your account. I've been doing financial counseling for a long time now, and I've seen numerous situations where collectors have taken more than the agreed-upon amount from someone's account once they gained access. This sleazy move left people without the money to pay their rent, the electric bill or even groceries. In fairness, the collection business does have a few good people in it, but it also has a high percentage of people who are scum—especially on the credit card side of collections. Some of them will lie and even make threats. It's a huge problem. There are other, much safer ways to handle these kinds of

situations. Send a money order overnight or wire the cash to them. You can also send a cashier's check. Some folks have even used a pre-paid debit card that isn't attached to any of your accounts. This isn't my favorite way to handle things, but it's better than giving them the opportunity to clean you out and mess you over!
—Dave

Diversification and risk

Dear Dave,
I'm a little worried about investing in the market due to volatility. Are there safer investments?
Matt

Dear Matt,
You're right; the market is volatile. It's not as volatile as some things, but you have to remember that anywhere there's money to be made—including long-term investing—there are ups and downs. For instance, I like real estate. It's not as volatile as the stock market, but there are no guarantees. We experienced that big dip over the last few years, and it was probably one of the largest dips ever in the real estate market, except for the Great Depression.

Aside from real estate, I also like mutual funds. When it comes to these, one way to smooth out the volatility of the market is through diversification. That means you spread your money around instead of investing in one or two things. That's how I handle my mutual funds, and I recommend others do the same. Spread your investments across these four types of mutual funds: growth, growth and income, aggressive growth and international.

I can't say it enough, Matt. There are no guarantees when it comes to long-term investing. But diversification can help make the ride a little bit smoother!
—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He's authored four New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover and EntreLeadership. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 6 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, January 13, 2014

- 8:00am Prisoner transport to Benzie County to pick up subject arrested on one of our warrants
- 2:15am Assist citizen in the 300 block of N Lake St
- 3:50am Report of possible extortion complaint
- 8:08am Arrested subject for driving without insurance

Tuesday, January 14, 2014

- 1:12am Assist Sheriff Dept. DWLS and warrant arrested at Lake and North St
- 8:30am Report of harassing text messages
- 3:50am Report of suspended driver coming into town on Boyne City Rd
- 3:50am Report of vehicle in the ditch in the 100 block of W Division St
- 5:03am Vehicle in the ditch at High St and Boyne Av
- 11:58am Welfare check in the 400 block of E Division St

Wednesday, January 15, 2014

- 2:00am Vehicle cited and impounded for snow removal.
- 4:54am 2 vehicle property damage accident at East and River St
- 6:48am Vehicle in the ditch on Robinson St
- 11:09am 2 vehicle private property damage accident in the 700 block of Pleasant Av
- 11:47am Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of E Division St
- 12:57am Vehicle unlock in the 700 block of N Park St

- 12:59am Warrant arrest on Hannah St
- 2:55am Parking complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
- 3:43am Found debit card turned into officer. Returned to owner.
- 6:20am Welfare check requested on subject walking on Park St near Division
- 8:40am Assist EMS in the 800 block of S Park St

Thursday, January 16, 2014

- 11:10am Found credit card dropped off at BCPD. Owner contacted.
- 1:01am Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of E Water St
- 1:56am Report of lost cell phone
- 5:27am Assist Fire Dept. in the 300 block of E Division St

Friday, January 17, 2014

- 8:55am 2 vehicle property damage accident in the 400 block of Boyne AV
- 8:57am Burn permit issued for the 1200 block of Marshall Rd
- 1:20am Report of dam aged mailbox in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
- 2:07am Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of Bay St
- 2:44am Report of assault that had occurred in the 200 block of Vogel St. Suspect was later located and arrested by Charlevoix PD
- 3:39am Assist to DHS in the 400 block of E Division St
- 6:36am Assist Fire Dept. in the 700 block of E Main
- 6:55am Suspicious situation in the 400 block of Harris St
- 7:47am Arrested subject for DWLS
- 7:56am Suspicious situation in the 400 block of Hemlock St

Saturday, January 18, 2014

- 12:56am Gasoline drive off from the 1300 block of Boyne Av
- 5:37am Suspicious vehicle in the 900

- block of Edmund St
- 9:43am Disturbance in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
- 10:13am Located suspects from the disturbance. One arrested for MIP.

Sunday, January 19, 2014

- 2:01am Assist Sheriff Dept. with 2 assault complaints at Boyne Mountain
- 2:19am Assist Sheriff Dept. with Car deer accident on 131
- 10:45am Private property damage accident in the 500 block of N Lake St
- 11:30am False alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St
- 12:56am False alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St
- 3:35am Gasoline drive off from the 200 block of S Lake ST
- 6:45am Civil property dispute
- 9:38am Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of E Division St

CHX. COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT.

January 20-26, 2014

- 911 Hang Up Call0
- Abandoned Vehicle.....3
- Abuse0
- Alarm8
- Animal Complaint8
- Annoyance.....1
- Assault.....1
- Assist Citizen4
- Assist Motorist.....5
- Assist Other Agency.....16
- Attempt to Locate.....0
- Attempted Suicide.....3
- Bank Alarm0
- Boating Accident0
- Boating Violation0
- Breaking & Entering.....0
- Car/Deer Accident.....7

- Citations Issued.....12
- Civil Complaint1
- Criminal Sexual Conduct.....1
- Death0
- Disorderly Person0
- Disturbance0
- DNR Complaint1
- Domestic Dispute1
- Driving Complaint.....1
- Fireworks Complaint0
- Found Property.....0
- Fraud2
- Health & Safety.....3
- Hit & Run0
- Intoxicated Person0
- Juvenile0
- Larceny1
- Lockout.....8
- Lost Property.....0
- Malicious Destruction of Property2
- Mental Subject2
- Minor In Possession.....0
- Miscellaneous Criminal2
- Missing Person0
- Noise Complaint.....0
- Operating Under the Influence.....0
- Paper Service10
- Parking Violation.....0
- Personal Injury Accident.....0
- Personal Protection Order.....0
- Private Property Accident.....2
- Property Check.....22
- Property Damage Accident14
- Prowler0
- Road Hazard.....2
- Stalking.....0
- Suspicious Situation.....6
- Threat1
- Traffic Stop28
- Trespassing0
- Unknown Driving Accident1
- Unlawful Driving of Automobile 0
- Vehicle in the Ditch13
- Violation of Controlled Substance Act.....1

Two vehicle Crash on US 131

Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to a two vehicle crash on US 131 near Boyne Mountain Road on January 27, 2014. Deputies were assisted on scene by Michigan State Police and Boyne Valley Township Fire/EMS personnel.

The vehicle crash occurred around 2:09 p.m. in Boyne Valley Township when two vehicles collided head on. Weather conditions of blowing snow made for poor visibility.

The vehicle number one was occupied by Laurie Andree, age 52 from Bellaire, was traveling Northbound on US 131. Andree states she lost control and slid into the Southbound lane. She states she could not avoid hitting the vehicle traveling Southbound. Andree was seen by EMS and refused treatment. Andree was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash and the vehicle air bags deployed.

Vehicle number two was occupied by Cass Morgan, age 60, and Nancy Morgan, age 54, both of Atlanta, Michigan. They were traveling Southbound on US 131 when a vehicle came into their lane. Nancy sustained injuries to her head and arm, she stated she was having difficulty breathing. Cass had injuries to his hand and foot and complained of chest pain. Both Cass and Nancy were transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital for treatment of their injuries. Both Cass and Nancy were wearing seatbelts.



Charlevoix County Commission on Aging

"The mission of the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging is to provide the highest quality senior services in partnership with the community. We focus our efforts on advocacy and support for seniors and their caregivers by promoting health, wellness, and education to achieve a dignified and enriched quality of life."

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Area February Happenings!

**2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22,
Saturdays, 9am – 1pm
Farmers' Market**

Indoors for the winter season at the Red Barn next to the Boyne District Library on S. Park Street
www.boynechamber.com

**2/2, Sunday, 12 – 4pm
Super Bowl Sunday Party**

East Jordan Downtown Businesses Stop in to participating E.J. Businesses for SUPER fun, food, games, specials, prizes, and much more.
www.ejchamber.org

**2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, Sundays, 7am – 12pm
Snow Lovers Breakfast**

Sno-mobilers Club House, Mt. Bliss Rd
www.ejchamber.org

**2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27, Thursdays, 9am – 1pm
Winter Farmers' Market**

Charlevoix Public Library, Community Room A
www.charlevoixlibrary.org

**2/7, Friday, 7 – 9am
State of the Community/Awards Presentation 2014**

Help us honor the recipients of the Chamber's Annual Awards at a presentation at Castle Farms. \$30 person/\$50 table.
www.charlevoix.org

**2/7, Friday – 2/9, Sunday
33rd Annual Winter Sno-Blast Festival**

Antique Sno-Mobile Show, Sno-Sculpture Contest, Pa-rade, and many more fun family events.
Call Chamber Office for more info @ 231-536-7351.
www.ejchamber.org

**2/8, Saturday, 12 – 4pm
Raven Hill Discovery Center**

2d Saturday Series: A Family Affair – Free Admission
www.ejchamber.org

**2/11, Tuesday, 6:30 – 7:45pm
Navigating the new health care law**

An overview of the Affordable Care Act resources, your options, and how to sign up for a plan. Meeting held in the Trustees Conference Room, Charlevoix Public Library
www.charlevoixlibrary.org

**2/13, Thursday, 9am – 1pm
Winter Farmers' Market**

East Jordan Civic Center
www.ejchamber.org

**2/14, Friday – 2/16, Sunday
4th Annual Ellsworth Shiverfest**

Fishing contest, Dark Sky Snowshoe Hike, Cardboard Sled Contest & Sledging Party, and much more. For more info, contact Alana @ 231-360-0676.
www.ejchamber.org

**2/14, Friday – 2/15, Saturday
Chocolate-Covered Boyne**

Boyne City will be full of fun and chocolate this Valentine's Day weekend. Chocolate-Covered Boyne will celebrate chocolate and romance at more than 30 businesses.
www.boynechamber.com

**2/15, Saturday, 8pm
Wine, Women and Chocolate Concert**

Concert held at Freshwater Art Gallery.
www.boynechamber.com

**2/22, Saturday, 12 – 2pm
2nd Annual Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race**

A 2-hour, fast/challenging 2-mile loop through the trails of Mt. McSauba Recreation Area and North Pointe Nature Preserve. Call Revolution Bike at 231-237-0900 for details.

**2/24, Monday, 6:30-8:30pm
Winter Folk Free concert**

Local folk performer followed by an Open Mic. Charlevoix Public Library, Community Room A
www.charlevoixlibrary.org

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 30 Wii Bowling	Friday, January 31 11am-12pm Ernie Mindel Raffle	Monday, February 3 Line Dance Brown-Bag Bingo	Tuesday, February 4 10am Advisory Bd Mtg Brown-Bag Bingo	Wednesday, February 5 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program	Thursday, February 6 Wii Bowling
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CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 30 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle	Friday, January 31 9:30am Craft Class 1pm Rummy	Monday, February 3 1pm Pinochle 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	Tuesday, February 4 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Paint Class 1pm Rummy	Wednesday, February 5 1pm Bingo	Thursday, February 6 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 30 Karaoke Day! 12:30pm Movie Day	Friday, January 31 10:30am Exercise Bingo/Raffle	Monday, February 3 8am-1pm Walking M-F 10:30am Exercise	Tuesday, February 4 11am Line Dancing 12:30pm Bingo	Wednesday, February 5 10:30am Exercise 11am Wii FUN!	Thursday, February 6 Karaoke Day!
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, January 30 CHICKEN	Friday, January 31 BAKED FISH	Monday, February 3 CHICKEN & DUMPLING	Tuesday, February 4 HAMBURGER W/BUN	Wednesday, February 5 BAKED CHICKEN	Thursday, February 6 LIVER & ONIONS
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