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Wings of Wonder to release bald eagle in East Jordan

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN—This Presidents Day weekend, commemorate the holiday by joining the City of East Jordan and Wings of Wonder as they come together to honor a national symbol with the release of a rehabilitated bald eagle. A female eagle will be released at Sportsman's Park in East Jordan around 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 15.

Wings of Wonder is a non-profit raptor sanctuary based out of Empire, MI. Founder and director, Rebecca Lessard, will release a rehabilitated female eagle from a 5-foot high snow stage erected by East Jordan city employees at the park.

"With (raptor) releases, I need to have some kind of a buffer between the bird and the audience," said Lessard.

The snow stage will serve as the necessary buffer and will also showcase the bird for everyone to see. This is a rare opportunity for the public to see a bald eagle up close and get photographs, said Lessard.

And winter is a "good time" to release an eagle in this area, she said.

"Eagles are just beginning to set up their territories, and they can be pretty feisty about setting them up," she commented. "[This eagle] might have to battle adult [eagles] if she were released later in the year."

By releasing her now, the young eagle is less likely to have to battle older and stronger birds over her territory. She is thought to be roughly 3 years old and was likely injured by a motorized vehicle, as she was found injured alongside the road earlier this winter.

Initially unable to stand on her own, it took 7-10 days before the eagle was finally able to walk on her leg again. Under the care of Lessard and Veterinarian Pamela Graves, the female bird proved alert and wild despite her injuries.

"She was very reluctant to eat at first, and I had to hand feed her for about three days," said Lessard.

As the eagle gained strength and began to heal, she was progressively moved into larger flight pens.

"She has been a really lovely patient," said Lessard. "She was really tolerant of my presence, and I could walk within a couple feet of her."

This release will be Wings of Wonder's first release in East Jordan.



"My heart is so warmed by the community (of East Jordan)," Lessard said. "It's been a really wonderful experience. I'm really looking forward to this (release) and watching her fly free."

The public is encouraged to arrive early. Parking will be available downtown and at Harvest Barn Church. A shuttle will begin transportation from Harvest Barn at 10 a.m., and Sportsman's Park will be reserved for handicapped parking only.

Businesses of East Jordan will be celebrating the eagle release on Saturday with assorted specials and promotions.

For more information on Wings of Wonder or how to donate, visit their website at www.wingsof wonder.org or call Rebecca Lessard at (231) 326-4663. For more information on the upcoming release, contact East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at (231) 536-7351.

Indoor Sidewalk Sale in Charlevoix

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For more information, call the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231.547.2101 or visit .

Chocolate Covered Boyne Valentine's weekend

By Tina Sundelius

Boyne City's Chocolate Covered Boyne takes the traditional flowers and chocolates to a whole new level. Friday and Saturday, February 14 and 15 Boyne City will once again celebrate the romantic holiday with chocolate, chocolate, chocolate.

More than 30 businesses are participating in this year's sixth annual ode to romance. The sweet event is expected to be sweeter and livelier than ever. "It's a great winter celebration and opportunity to introduce new spring clothing and accessories," said The Bird's Nest owner Holly Watson. Many in-store specials and something chocolatey can be found at the women's clothing store over the weekend.

Saturday at 8 P.M. The Freshwater Art Gallery will once again present Wine, Women and Chocolate. The four-women-in-a-round style concert includes Blake Elliott, DarleneYa, Ruby Williams, and gallery co-owner Robin Lee Berry. "We each take cues from each other's materials, the stories weave from one artist to the other and it's a really fun show," said Berry. Musicians and poets Glen Wolf, Norm Wheeler and friends will accompany the ladies. "You get four women together and chocolate and wine it's a pajama party. It's so much fun we can't help it," she said. Tickets are \$20 and includes appetizers call to reserve tickets (231) 582-2588.

Of course chocolate specials. See **Chocolate-6A**



Rayder Austin Putman (43) goes up with the left hand shot as the Red Devils Jordan Weber (32) tries to defend.
 (PHOTO BY SCOTT RICHARDS)



Rambler senior Ryan Carson (10) throws down another monster jam as teammate Bradley Fouchia (3) gets a birds-eye view of the action.
 (PHOTO BY CINDA SHUMAKER)

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ELLSWORTH VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2014

Ellsworth prepares for Shiverfest this weekend

By Norma Jean Babcock

ELLSWORTH: At the regular monthly meeting of Ellsworth Village Council on Monday city officials were gearing up for the festivities of this weekend's Shiverfest.

With a season of quiet governmental meetings for Ellsworth, council members took time to focus on the fun aspects of winter in Northern Michigan. Pointing to the efforts of Alana Haley who has been coordinating the festival, council discussed the events they were most looking forward to this Saturday and Sunday.

The council approved for the 4th Annual Shiverfest to be held at the Ellsworth Community Park, and discussed their excitement over the Snowmobile Fun Run which takes place on Sunday between 9 am and 4 pm. The run stops at five different places including; the East Jordan Snowmobile Club, Mallard Golf Course, House on the Hill Bed & Breakfast, the Flight Deck Bar and the Gold Nugget. It costs \$15 dollars to enter the run and you can be entered by calling Jerry Rasmussen at 231-675-2828.



In addition to excitement over the festival, council discussed the addition of new groomed snowmobile trails throughout Charlevoix County. Jerry Rasmussen, a member of the Charlevoix Snowmobile Club explained to council that the club hopes to find a way to get to Central Lake, and is concerned over the condition of the trail running to Charlevoix. He did state however that Charlevoix would have a new trail, although at this point its location is in question.

"They need a new (trail), I know that," said Rasmussen.

Rasmussen explained that the efforts to create more trails would require a lot of time and legwork, but that having more trails could lessen the amount of trespassing on nearby farm properties.

The council also asked about the issue involving snowmobilers riding down city sidewalks which had come up at the last council meeting. Ellsworth Police Department Chief John J. Morris explained that after addressing the issue with those doing so, he had not heard anymore complaints.

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HIGH: Upper 20's
LOW: Upper 10's

FRIDAY



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

SATURDAY



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

SUNDAY



HIGH: Mid 20's
LOW: Upper 10's

snowfall

2012-13	Am t	2013-14	Am t
2/11/2013	34.9	2/10/2014	46.2
2/11/2013	70.5	2/10/2014	94.1
2/11/2013	81.2	2/10/2014	109.5
2/11/2013	90	2/10/2014	140.8
2/11/2013	32.5	2/10/2014	50.8
2/11/2013	50.7	2/10/2014	90.9
2/11/2013	73.5	2/10/2014	139.7

record temps

Day	Avg. High	Avg. Low	Record High	Record Low
13	32°F	14°F	49°F (1990)	-22°F (1982)
14	33°F	14°F	48°F (2002)	-27°F (1971)
15	33°F	14°F	56°F (1999)	-25°F (1963)
16	33°F	14°F	50°F (1981)	-28°F (1963)
17	33°F	14°F	52°F (1981)	-41°F (1979)
18	34°F	14°F	57°F (1994)	-13°F (1989)
19	34°F	14°F	56°F (1994)	-21°F (1979)

OBITUARIES

Nancy A. Bartholomew, 63

(FEB. 2, 1951 - FEB. 8, 2014)

Nancy A. Bartholomew of East Jordan died Saturday, February 8, 2014, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

She was born on February 2, 1951, in Central Lake. She graduated from East Jordan High School in 1969. On August 13, 1997, in Indiana, she married Rex A. Bartholomew, Sr.

Nancy had worked at Dura in East Jordan for many years. She enjoyed gardening, painting and creating crafts as well as time spent with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Rex A. Bartholomew, Sr. of East Jordan; two children, Karla Rosendall of Alto and Kim McKinnon of Grosse Pointe Woods; four step children, Roxann Bartholomew of Kalamazoo, Rex A. Bartholomew, Jr. of Ellsworth, Teresa Bartholomew of Traverse City and Virginia Murphy of East Jordan; many grandchildren and great grandchildren; four sisters, Marjorie Spence of Central Lake, Patricia Berends of Central Lake, Betty Spence of Central Lake and Linda Hilt of Central Lake; two brothers, James (Jeana) Harter of Boyne City and James (Nona) Spence of East Jordan; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, James Harter; her mother, Dorothy Spence; and two sisters, Valda Gardner and Marian Spence.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. at the Light-house Missionary Church. Rev. Bart Adams will be officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Lupus Foun-

ation of America, Inc., 2000 L Street, N.W., Suite 410, Washington, DC 20036. Arrangements were handled by the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

Johanna Doctor, 97

(DEC. 5, 1916 - FEB. 6, 2014)

Johanna Doctor of Ellsworth died Thursday, February 6, 2014 at the home of her son in East Jordan.

She was born December 5, 1916 in Banks Twp. the daughter of John and Wilhelmina (VanderHeide) Veenstra.

On July 3, 1936 she married Silas Doctor in Banks Twp. where they made their home. Mr. Doctor died in 1993. Mrs. Doctor was a member of the Central Lake Bible Baptist Church for over 50 years where she taught Sunday school and also a leader in AWANA for many years. She was employed as head cook at Ellsworth Schools for 21 years. She also was a 4-H leader for many years and volunteered at Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility.

She enjoyed cooking, reading and traveling: twice to Brazil, Italy, Israel and Alaska where she went white water rafting at age 82.

Surviving are her children: Robert (Peg) Doctor of Oden, Kenneth (Donna) Doctor of Otsego, Fay (Ted) Sessler of Jamestown, Ohio, Vangie (Mel) Willie of Bay Minette, AL and Si (Mary) Doctor of East Jordan. 14 grandchildren, 32 great

grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded by Sisters Gezina Aardema, Christine DeVries and brothers Mike Veenstra and John Tornga.

The funeral service will be held Friday, Feb. 14, 2014 at the Central Lake Bible Baptist Church at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Si Doctor and Rev. Jason DeVrou officiating. Burial will be in Atwood Cemetery, Banks Twp., MI.

Friends may call at the Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth Thursday 4-7 and Friday at the church from 10:00 a.m. until time of service. Memorials may be made to Good Samaritan Family Services, P.O. Box 206, Ellsworth, MI 49729. Please sign her guestbook at hastingsfuneral.com.

Paul Niedling, 64

Paul Niedling of Boyne City passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2014, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

A memorial service to celebrate Paul's life was held Saturday, Feb. 8 at Grandvue.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Sarah Mae Foster, 33

(FEB. 17, 1980 - FEB. 4, 2014)

Sarah Mae Foster of Charlevoix died February 4, 2014 at the McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital following a lengthy and valiant fight against cancer.

Sarah was born on February 17, 1980 in Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, the daughter of Mark and Jennifer (Cameron) Robert and was raised in Sault, Ontario where she attended the Sir James Dunn High School. She later attended Lake Superior State University before attending the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, MI. In 2008, Sarah graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School and performed her residency in Grand Rapids at Spectrum Health Systems before moving to Charlevoix, MI and going to work as a General Surgeon.

On April 5, 2003, Sarah married Chad Foster in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan and he survives.

Sarah was a member of the Alpha Theta Omega Sorority and enjoyed watching and feeding her wild birds, spending time with her pet birds and dog, and playing hockey.

She is survived by her husband, Chad Foster; their son, Nolan Foster; parents, Mark and Jennifer Robert; brother, Jason (Shaina Young) Robert; father and mother-in-law, Allen "Ick" and Kim Foster; grandparents, Maurice Robert, Don (Rose) Cameron, and Nellie Foster; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Sarah was preceded in death by 5 grandparents, Shirley Robert, Ruth Cameron, Al Foster, and Dale and Nancy Kuebler.

A memorial gathering celebrating Sarah's life was held on Sunday, February 9th at the Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey. An additional memorial service will be held at a later date in Sault Ste Marie, Ontario. Those wishing to honor Sarah's memory are asked to make a donation to the new Infusion Center at the Charlevoix Area Hospital C/O

the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

Sandra Ann Enbody, 77

(DEC. 8, 1936 - FEB. 2, 2014)

Sandra "Sandy" Ann (McKerracher) Enbody went to be with the Lord on Sunday, February 2, 2014, at her home surrounded by her loving family. Sandy is survived

by her husband of 25 years, Kenneth "Dale" Enbody; six sons, Denny Kruzul of Boyne City, Randy (Karen) Kruzul of Boyne City, Jeff (Mindy) Kruzul of Palos Heights, Illinois, Ken Kruzul of Boyne City, Kerry (Lisa) Kruzul of Brighton and Mitch Kruzul of Dearborn Heights; grandchildren Keisha (Adam) Fettig, Tyler Kruzul, Trevor Kruzul, Tanner Kruzul, James (Marleah) Kruzul, Andrew (Rebekah) Kruzul, Austin Kruzul, Jasmine Kruzul, Kelsey Kruzul, Collin Kruzul, Carly Kruzul, Kendra Kruzul, Amanda Kruzul, Ryan Kruzul, Aaron Kruzul; great grandchildren Odessa and Lucian Fettig; Stepchildren, Kenneth (Shauna) Enbody of Ludington, Tamla Plowe of Ludington, Alice (Vince) Pope of Alanson, Teal (Terry) Enbody of Dayton Beach, Florida, and Thomas (Shelly) Enbody of Ludington.

Sandy's parents were Genevieve (Cadwell/McKerracher) McKenzie and Elmer McKerracher. Preceding her in death were her sister, Barbara (McKerracher) Everest, her brother, Robert McKerracher, and her former spouse, Michael Kruzul.

Sandy was born December 8, 1936, in Redford Township and lived in Boyne City most of her life. She also lived in Ludington and East Jordan. She graduated from Boyne City High School in 1955.

Sandy worked several years at the Perry Davis Hotel, Gocha's Casuals, and retired from Courter/Honeywell. Also, she supported her husband Dale with his mail delivery service for the Ludington area. Sandy loved the many house renovation/construction projects and always enjoyed providing a helping hand. She had an extraordinary work ethic that was unmatched and admired by all.

Sandy was a very passionate and loving woman. She was the glue that bound her family together. She was a wonderful cook and loved to prepare food for her family and friends. Sandy wouldn't let anyone out the door without feeding them. She was so proud of her family and their many accomplishments. She loved them very much, and they deeply loved her.

Sandy enjoyed supporting her children and grandchildren in various sporting and community events. She was always their number one fan. She was known for preparing tailgate meals for the team which was truly enjoyed by all.

Sandy was a home repair "handy woman" and had many hobbies including sewing, quilting, crocheting, refinishing antique furniture, camping, touring lighthouses, swimming,

fishing, morel mushrooming, and wild berry picking. She loved her dogs Trinket, Pinky, and Princess which brought her much joy and companionship.

Our heartfelt thanks to the many friends, family and health care professionals for their prayers, support and love for Sandy.

A memorial service was held at St Matthew Catholic Church in Boyne City on Saturday, February 8, at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, 1 Highland Drive, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Raymond Anthony, 88

(AUG. 24, 1925 - FEB. 2, 2014)

Raymond Anthony of Boyne City died peacefully Sunday, February 2, 2014 at his home.

Raymond was born on August 24, 1925 to Lee and Bernice Anthony of Boyne City. He graduated from Boyne High School and enlisted in the Army in 1944 and was medically discharged in 1945.

On September 11, 1948 he married the love of his life June E. Johncheck. Together they had four children Raymond G. (Loretta) of London, OH, Vivian K. Anthony of Traverse City, Mark D. (deceased), Brian K. (Pat) of Harbor Springs; and daughter-in-law Toni Prevo of Waterford, MI. He is also survived by his six sisters Arlene Kuzmik of Boyne City, Ruth Anthony of Sidnaw, Jean Millstrom of Iron River, Jane Mundt of St. Ignace, Doris Potter of Houghton and Lucille Guessey of Honey Brook, PA.

He is preceded in death by his two brothers Lyle and Ned Anthony.

Raymond had a deep love for his family and most of all for his Lord Jesus and church family. He helped out by being a greater and bell ringer for many years. He enjoyed driving trucks. Raymond worked for Charlevoix County, Hodgekiss & Doma and East Jordan Co-op hauling gas and fuel. He ended his work years by working twenty-six years for Boyne Mountain.

The family would like to give a special give a special thanks to the Boyne City Medics for all their assistance.

A funeral service was held Saturday, February 8, 2014 at the Horton Bay United Methodist Church.

Family request memorial in Raymond's name be directed to the Salvation Army or the Horton Bay United Methodist Church.

Serving the family is Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City.

Robert L. Bean, 80

(JAN. 10, 1933 - JAN. 06, 2014)

Former Boyne City resident Robert L. Bean, 80, of Chicago, Ill., died Jan. 6, 2014.

Beloved husband of 54 years, Noreen (nee Plesic); devoted father of the late Robert L. Bean, Jr., Kris Bean and Patti (Ralph) Buelling; cherished grandfather of Kayla and Ella Buelling; loving brother, uncle and friend to many.

Mass of Christian Burial took place at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Crest Hill, Ill. A graveside service is planned at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, Ill., in the spring.

Arrangements were handled by the Overman-Jones Funeral Home, Crest Hill, Ill.

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Villager Pub named Charlevoix Chamber Business of the Month

Congratulations Terry and Patti Left, owners of the Villager Pub, for being awarded the February Business of the Month by the Charlevoix Chamber Ambassador Committee.

The Villager Pub has been in business since 1981. The staff at the Villager love to serve, and have become good friends with many customers whether local or visitors. They have enhanced the community with their longevity. Having been in Charlevoix 33 years and providing employment to 45 full time, year-

round citizens of Charlevoix, along with 75 jobs every summer. Most of their employees have been there more than 15 years with two of them being there the full 33 years. They have supported many projects in the last few years including: The Historical Society Annual Spaghetti Dinner (raising \$30,000 to date), the bike trail, Venetian Festival Fireworks, Bridge Drop, and winter fireworks - and will hold a benefit dinner for the Joppa House on March 12th.

The Villager Pub is a long-standing member and sup-

porter of the Charlevoix Chamber and its programs. Congratulations to the Villager Pub for this well-deserved award. The Villager Pub will be a contender for the Chamber's Business of the Year Award. This prestigious award will be presented at the State of the Community Address & Awards Presentation in February of 2015.

Pictured left to right: Nona Szczepanski, Amanda Wilkin, Dennis Kusina, Shelly Ferguson, Terry Left, Jean Musilek, River Pease, Haley Behan, Rick Malamed, Jodi Shepard



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 9:28am Assist citizen in the 1000 block of E Main St
 10:43am Assist EMS in the 700 block of West St
 4:00am civil dispute in the 1400 block of Pleasant Av
 5:00am Assist Parole officer in the 500 block of N Lake St

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

12:02am Vehicle unlock in the 1200 block of Boyne Av
 3:20am Citation issued for failure to yield right of way
 11:17am driving complaint on Division St
 1:58am Hit and run accident in the 400 block of N Lake St
 3:10am parking violation reported in the 100 block of E Water St
 4:38am Private property dam age accident on Lakeview Dr
 5:30am Assist EMS in the 100 block of N Park St
 5:50am Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of S Lake St
 8:37am Report of dog being hit on State St
 11:39am suspicious situation in the 300 block of Callings St

Wednesday, January 29, 2014

6:45am Motorist assist at Pine and Lake St
 6:50am Motorist assist at Pine and Lake St

1:03am 2 vehicle property dam age accident at Hannah and Vogel. Citation issued for no license.
 3:14am Property dam age accident at park and E Lincoln
 4:38am Property dam age accident at Pleasant and Trent
 10:04am 3 car private property dam age accident in the Industrial Park

Thursday, January 30, 2014

3:49am Noise complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
 10:29am Harassment complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
 11:00am Barking dog complaint in the 500 block of Michigan Av

Friday, January 31, 2014

11:02am Report of stolen meds from the 300 block of E Division St
 2:14am Report of dam aged Charter box on Deer Run Ct
 4:00am Juvenile complaint in the 700 block of Wenonah
 4:53am Assist Sheriff Dept in the 500 block of N Lake St
 6:33am Arrested subject for operating vehicle without insurance
 9:09am ..Arrested subject on warrant

Saturday, February 1, 2014

3:55am Report of possible B&E in the 500 block of N Lake St
 9:48am Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of E Water St
 10:27am Report of subjects with drugs in the 400 block of N Lake St
 10:51am Assist citizens in the 1000 block of E Main St
 11:39am Trespass complaint in the 1300 block of Boyne Av
 12:03am Citation issued for expired plate
 12:20am Civil complaint in the 300

block of Silver St
 1:20am Trespass complaint in the 1300 block of Boyne Av
 8:00am .Assist citizens on W Main St
 10:27am Report of vehicles speeding on S Lake St

Sunday, February 2, 2014

1:11am Suspicious vehicle in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
 2:12am Arrested subject for domestic assault in the 900 block of West St
 1:15am Assist citizen in the 300 block of N Lake St
 3:45am Report of subject throwing snow at cars in the 1400 block of Pleasant Av
 5:59am Assist Fire Dept in the 1200 block of Boyne Av
 6:11am Report of 2 subjects fighting on Division St
 7:33am Civil dispute in the 300 block of E Division St

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911 Hang Up Call2
 Abandoned Vehicle.....3
 Abuse0
 Alarm4
 Animal Complaint12
 Annoyance.....2
 Assault.....0
 Assist Citizen.....5
 Assist Motorist.....1
 Assist Other Agency.....8
 Attempt to Locate.....2
 Attempted Suicide.....1
 Bank Alarm.....0
 Boating Accident.....0

Boating Violation0
 Breaking & Entering.....0
 Car/Deer Accident.....7
 Citations Issued.....6
 Civil Complaint4
 Criminal Sexual Conduct.....2
 Death0
 Disorderly Person0
 Disturbance1
 DNR Complaint0
 Domestic Dispute2
 Driving Complaint.....1
 Fireworks Complaint0
 Found Property.....1
 Fraud1
 Health & Safety.....0
 Hit & Run0
 Intoxicated Person1
 Juvenile2
 Larceny.....7
 Lockout.....5
 Lost Property0
 Malicious Destruction of Property0
 Mental Subject0
 Minor In Possession0
 Miscellaneous Criminal0
 Missing Person0
 Noise Complaint.....0
 Operating Under the Influence0
 Paper Service13
 Parking Violation.....1
 Personal Injury Accident.....0
 Personal Protection Order.....0
 Private Property Accident.....2
 Property Check.....40
 Property Dam age Accident4
 Prowler0
 Road Hazard.....4
 Snowmobile Violation1
 Stalking.....0
 Suspicious Situation.....6
 Threat1

Traffic Stop75
 Trespassing1
 Unknown Accident0
 Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile 0
 Vehicle in the Ditch2
 Violation of Controlled Substance Act3

Vehicle collides with propane truck, one person injured.

On January 28, 2014 the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Boyne City-East Jordan Road and Wilson Road in Wilson Township.

An Ellsworth Farmers Exchange propane truck was traveling Westbound when another vehicle failed to stop, sliding into the path of the propane truck. The driver of the propane truck, Joel Telgenhof of Ellsworth, made an attempt to avoid the collision, but was unable to do so.

The driver of the other vehicle, Gregory Baker of East Jordan, refused treatment by EMS at the crash scene, but was later transported by East Jordan EMS to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital for injuries sustained in the crash.

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was assisted on scene by East Jordan EMS. The crash remains under investigation.

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BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

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elves, and to the world, one important message - to Think, Experience, and Enjoy Charlevoix First! We have developed three logo designs so every Chamber member has an opportunity to use this message in conjunction with their own...to co-brand Charlevoix First! These logos and further details on the initiative are available online at www.charlevoixfirst.com.

4TH ANNUAL BUSINESS EXPO

Mark your calendar for Saturday March, 22, 2014 for the 4th Annual Business Expo at Castle Farms! The Expo is one of the largest business-to-business networking events in Northern Michigan and will feature a Taste of Charlevoix, Business to Business Networking event and Expo Celebration Party. Don't miss this great opportunity to put your company in front of hundreds of business owners, community members and consumers. The Expo will feature 100 booths in a wide range of categories, including retail, professional, industry, service, tourism, culinary and more. Booth space in available starting at just \$300. Call the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce for details on this exciting promotional and networking opportunity. Sponsored by: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.



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Schools

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Students of the Week

Boyne City High School

Abigail Pemberton



GRADE: 9
PARENTS: Maria and Stacey Hoover
HOBBIES & INTERESTS: "I love to shop. I also love doing my nails. And I love hanging with my best friend Emma Jason and Olivia Tackett."
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: "I don't do after school activities because I babysit. But I love to support all of the Boyne City teams."
FUTURE PLANS: "Going to college to become a teacher. After that I don't really know."

STAFF COMMENTS

"Abigail is a great US History student! She is enthusiastic about her learning and is always a pleasure! Great job Abigail!" – Michele Deming, History Teacher

"I especially enjoy having Abbie in English class! Her enthusiasm, dedication to her work, and her subtle sense of humor really contribute to the classroom environment." – Jeanne Heath, English Teacher

"Abigail is doing great in Physical Science. She is polite, friendly, and genuinely nice. Abigail is cooperative, dependable, hardworking, and she is always volunteering to help out." – Elizabeth Hemming, Science Teacher

"Abigail is a joy to have in class. She has come in early to complete assignments and gives her best effort on a consistent basis. She has a positive outlook on learning—one that will serve her well." – Don Nohel

Great Lakes Energy provides \$1,026 grant to St. Mary School



Students at St. Mary School in Charlevoix accept a \$1,026 grant award from Great Lakes Energy. Grant funds will purchase iPads for second and third grade students who will teach local senior citizens how to use the modern technology devices.

St. Mary School in Charlevoix received a grant of \$1,026 from Great Lakes Energy for iPads to be used in a joint project between students and local residents intended to strengthen the school's ties with its community. Second and third grade teacher Carol Deschermeier submitted the grant application and will implement the project during the 2013-2014 school year.

For the second year in a row, Great Lakes Energy awarded just over \$16,000 in grants to 13 schools serving students whose parents receive power from GLE. The cooper-

ative's association with Touchstone Energy makes the classroom grants possible and underscores GLE's commitment to local communities.

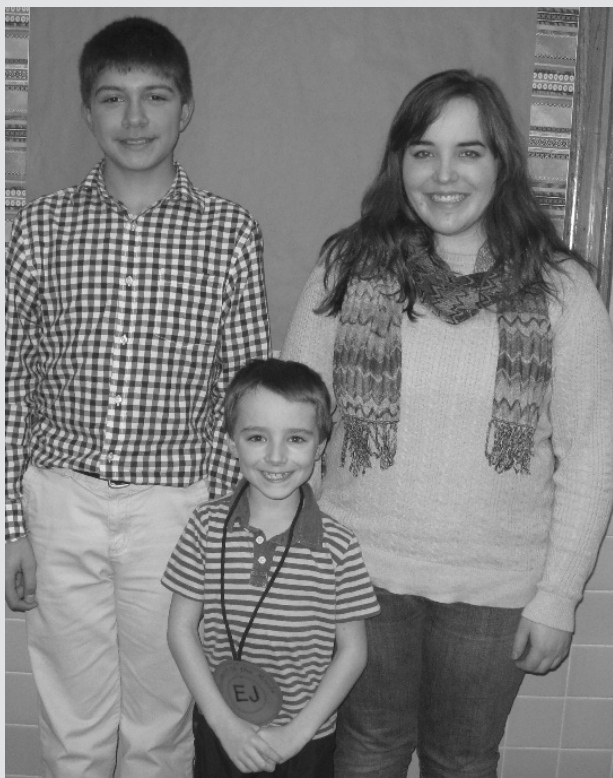
"Touchstone Energy cooperatives lead the way in being involved with the communities they serve and looking out for their members," says Shari Culver, GLE's vice president of communications and marketing. "This school grant program demonstrates GLE's commitment to its members through enriching education possibilities for their children."

To see a complete list of school grant recipients for the 2013-2014 school year, visit gtlakes.com/our-community/touchstone-energy-classroom-grants/. Schools that serve the children of GLE members will have an opportunity to apply for a 2014-2015 school year grant late in 2014.

Great Lakes Energy is a member-owned electric cooperative owned by over 125,000 members in 26 counties throughout western Michigan.

Students of the Month

East Jordan Public Schools
 January 2014



(l-r) Hayden Ferguson 8th grade, Blake Ruehle, 3rd Grade and Elena Musser, 12th grade.

Hayden Ferguson

Mrs. Petrie - Hayden Ferguson is a student truly deserving of the title "Student of the Month". Hayden is a very conscientious student who is focused on his work and always doing his best. When an assignment is given, you can be assured that it will be completed and it will be completed on time and in a quality manner. He also does his best when it comes to life. He strives to be a model student and acts in a way that should make the adults in his life proud. He is caring, helpful, polite, and inquisitive. He is active in school activities such as football, basketball, video productions, newspaper and is the president of the National Junior Honor Society, but also enjoys and is passionate about hunting when at home. It is always fun to listen to his stories whether it is about sports, hunting or his life in general. I have truly enjoyed having Hayden in my class this year

and know that as he progresses through school and life, he will continue to be a positive influence on those who pass through his circle.

Blake Ruehle

Blake is always listening, a conscientious student and eager to learn. He helps others, is polite, and forgives his teacher when she makes mistakes. East Jordan is fortunate to have Blake as a role-model third grader!!

Elena Musser

I have appreciated Elena's hard work and dedication in class over the last four years. She is an intelligent young lady with a very bright future in store. It is students like Elena that make my job so rewarding. Congratulations to Elena Musser on a well deserved recognition!

Bridge Magazine's third annual Academic State Champs report

By Tina Sundelius

In a statewide ranking of the 545 school districts in Michigan, Crawford AuSable was rated third overall and first among rural and small town school districts as reported in Bridge, a magazine of The Center for Michigan.

The Center for Michigan is a non-affiliated, non-profit public policy group who with the Lansing-based research firm of Public Sector Consultants created a ranking system measuring student achievement of schools enrolling students of comparable family income. The study included student scores on standardized tests in fourth, eighth and 11th grade over the last three years. Grayling's Crawford AuSable ranked seventh in fourth grade test scores, 12th in eighth grade scores and 21st in 11th grade test scores with all districts across the state.

How does a small Northern Michigan district achieve higher standards than other Michigan schools, some with greater resources? "Student success in our district is due to probably 50 strategies and philosophies," said Crawford AuSable School Superintendent, Joe Powers.

The district receives \$7,026 per student, the 2nd lowest funded schools in the State including ISD funding, and was ranked against all Michigan schools then against schools with comparable funding and whose students are from the same socio-economic background. "We try very, very hard to base all decisions upon the thought, "how does this affect kids,"" said Powers. Consequently, educators at Crawford AuSable have undergone significant poverty training and

have implemented that training. "For instance, we educators are almost all from a middle class world and respond to middle class motivations. Understanding a child from poverty has different resources, (emotional, social, and financial) our staff uses strategies in regard to personal interactions, home contacts, responses to student class work, etc.," said Powers.

An example of how the district has implemented this training is a shift in regard to their attitude toward homework. "We have homework every day and have significantly increased, not decreased, student academic expectations. Yet, we regard homework as practice, a step in the journey to reach the destination which is proficiency," said Powers. Homework is weighted lower than other assessments like tests and quizzes. This change was made because studies have shown that a zero for homework for a middle class student and their family serves as a positive motivator and they tend to do their homework the next time, whereas it serves as a negative motivator for a poverty child. A poor grade invokes an "I might as well not even try" attitude.

Another explanation of the districts success is their use of technology. Wi-Fi on buses is one of many ways the Grayling school district is raising test scores. While traveling to and from school, high schoolers can do homework on iPads and eighth-graders can use the Google Chromebooks provided to each student by the district. "Technology is the great equalizer for students of all backgrounds. Also, it is the great equalizer for poor schools vs. rich schools," said Powers. Crawford AuSable's neighboring ISD's have over a million dollars more than they do in funding each year. "Since we are at the bottom of funding with the ISD we are assigned, we have embraced technology to

level the playing field," he said.

Because they can't afford to hire language teachers and because brain research has shown that students learning a foreign language at an early age increases brain development, the district has instituted a k-12 world language program through the use of technology. Other ways the district has embraced technology include the use of 1-1 technology for students and its integration into everyday lessons.

Other reasons cited for the districts success include students "owning" their education and community participation. "We want students to own their education because education is the only gift that no one can ever take away from them," said Powers. To aid in this the school has implemented programs that provide students that do not have the means to pay, the opportunity to attend games, plays, or musicals. This way, they can be active participants in their school. "We saw that students were not attending the school functions because of the cost," said Powers. Students that feel a part of the school culture function at higher academic levels.

Through bonds, the community has purchased an entire new bus fleet and has paid for the student technology. "If we care about them, the students can invest and own their education to benefit themselves," he said.

Other schools in the Weekly Choice and Charlevoix County News distribution areas that made the lists are Fairview at 16th, Alanson at 73rd, Onaway at 46th who ranked second in the state in fourth grade test scores, Johannesburg/Lewiston coming in at 24th, and Mackinaw City who fell below over half the schools in the state at 284th but ranked fourth across the state in 11th grade scores.

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Pickers Exchange Celebrate Ribbon Cutting



Left to Right: front row – Shannon Fender, Jenny Cummings, Pat Gibbard, Marcia Gibbard, Peggy Beck, Holly Nierman, Mary Faculak. Back row from Left to Right – Herb Cummings, Dan Mckinnon, Andrew Gardner, Rex Gibbard, Chris Jacobs, Jerry Kelts, Linda Fineout, Shelley Miller, Mike Stark, Michael Stark, Eric Beck. PHOTO COURTESY OF KAREN WALKER STUDIO.

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce conducted a Ribbon Cutting on Thursday, January 30 at one of East Jordan's newest businesses, "Picker's Exchange" located at 507 Water Street. The business is owned by Marcia and Patrick Gibbard of East Jordan. Over

20 vendors are represented in the business featuring items of all interests. Picker's Exchange does buy, sell and trade, as well as, buy backs. They are open 5 days a week, Tuesday – Saturday in the Walker Building. For more information on the business call 231-803-4485.

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes this new business to our community. If you are interested in opening a business in our service area please contact the Chamber of Commerce Office at 536-7351 and ask for Mary.

Record your own Journey Story

CHARLEVOIX - In conjunction with the Smithsonian Journey Stories exhibit, the Charlevoix Public Library has an iPad with the Stories from Main Street app loaded for visitors to record their own 90 second memories. The iPad will be located in the foyer of the Journey Stories exhibit at the library. The app provides a step by step guide to record your favorite memory, eased through-out with question prompts. Assistance will be provided by guide, if available, or step into the library and ask at a service desk.

The Smithsonian's goal is to create an archive of stories that show the excitement, diversity, and creativity that exemplify life in America's rural communities. Even if it seems mundane to you, your stories fascinate many people. Your story can be anything from your favorite recipe to your memories of the Thanksgiving Day Parade. A good story is one that tells about your experience of being an American. The items stored on the Stories from Main Street, will give people who call rural America home a place to show everyone what makes each community unique and quintessentially American.

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 700 square foot Journey Stories exhibit includes six stand alone kiosks all with audio and interactive pieces. For more information about the Journey Stories exhibit, visit them at: www.museummainstreet.org/journeystories. For information about the Charlevoix Public Library, located at 220 W. Clinton St. in downtown Charlevoix, visit them at: www.charlevoixlibrary.org or call 231.237.7340.

CHOCOLATE

continued from 1A

Specials can be had at the Alpine Chocolat Haus and Kilwins with assorted samples of chocolates and truffles as well as Valentine specials but this weekend only chocolate themes can be found in less likely places like the library and hardware store. It appears that downtown Boyne City is this year's Valentine destination with both food and drink tastings of chocolate treats and goodies, special chocolate desserts, displays of chocolate-themed books and even jewelry featuring chocolate.

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JORDAN RIVER ARTS COUNCIL SPECTACULAR FEATURED EXHIBIT

THE SKETCHBOOK PROJECT

EXHIBIT AND WORKSHOPS

EXHIBIT: FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 21, 2014

OPENING RECEPTION FEBRUARY 23, 1:00 - 4:00

In 2013 the Jordan River Arts Council distributed over 100 sketchbooks to artists who committed to returning them for exhibit in a year along with a companion piece of art. The responses to this challenge are widely varied and give insight into the creative process. Essentially there were no rules or suggested themes. Sketchers of all ages and persuasions, working in many mediums, participated. Most worked individually, but others took on the challenge with partners, as a class or as a family group. Sketchbooks became workbooks, journals or stand-alone pieces of art. Some completed more than one sketchbook others left blank pages. Participants were asked to include statements reflecting their experience with this project. This exhibit opens on Sunday, February 23rd, 1-4pm and ends on March 21st. Following this, a small sampling of the sketchbooks will become a traveling exhibit. Eventually the books will be housed at the Jordan District Library for reference. This project was partially funded through a generous grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.



RELATED WORKSHOPS (All at affordable prices)

Taking Your Sketches to the Next Level, **February 22** with Cayla Tinney
 Mono-Prints to Multi-Prints: Printmaking, **March 1** with Beth Bynum
 Altered Book-Making an Alternative Sketchbook/Journal, **March 9** with Pat Tinney
 Sketching for Non-Sketchers, **March 15** with Cynthia Tschudy
 For more information contact Curator Nancy Carey 231-536-7812

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FUTURE EXHIBITS

APRIL 6 – MAY 2

Art Across Generations

MAY 11 – MAY 23

Scholarship Show

MAY 18, 1PM

Scholarship Show
 Awards Presentation

JUNE 1 – JUNE 13

Shanna Robinson & Barbara Bush 2 Members Exhibit

JUNE 22 – JULY 18

Annual Arts Invitational

JULY 26

Eats Jordan Garden Club Flower Show

AUGUST 3 – 11

Jim Witte's Traveling Road Show

AUGUST 24 – SEPTEMBER 19

Postcard 6x6 Fundraiser Exhibit

SEPTEMBER 14

Annual Meeting and Picnic

SEPTEMBER 28 – NOVEMBER 9

Rare Threads Fiber Exhibit

NOVEMBER 8, 10AM – 4PM

Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair at East Jordan High School

NOVEMBER 23 – DECEMBER 19

Members Christmas Art for Sale

STANDING EVENTS

EVERY OTHER SUNDAY, 3PM
 Socrates Café

SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
 7PM – Writers Group

All events are offered at the Jordan River Arts Council Center located at 301 Main St. in Downtown East Jordan unless otherwise indicated.

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Mancinelli earns state recognition

Jan Mancinelli, executive director of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) has received a Special Tribute from the State of Michigan.

The tribute details her commitment to both the community and the WRCNM during the past 35 years and her efforts to expand the center's programs and services to provide residents with a multifaceted range of resources. Her passion for justice, peace and fairness was noted in the document, as well as her work to encourage social change as it relates to violence against women and girls.

Frank Foster, State Representative of the 107th District said that he nominated Mancinelli for the special tribute after reading an article in the Petoskey News-Review about her 35 years with the Women's Resource Center. He said it was a personal privilege to nominate and honor Mancinelli for her tireless work with this tribute.

The proclamation was signed in Lansing during the 96th legislative session by Foster, Governor Rick Snyder and Senator Howard Walker.



Executive Director of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan, Jan Mancinelli (left), is pictured receiving a State of Michigan Special Tribute from State Representative Frank Foster. The tribute recognizes Mancinelli for her commitment and service to the community.

Jordan River Arts Council offers affordable workshops

The Jordan River Arts Council is offering affordable workshops related to the upcoming Sketchbook Show which can be rewarding to the beginning artist or professional.

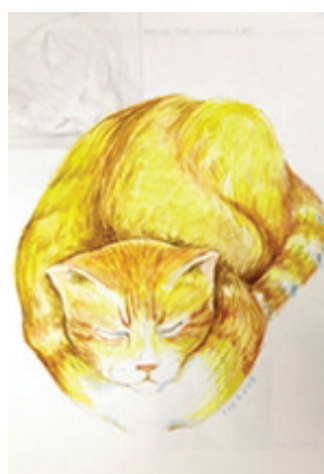
"Taking Your Sketches to the Next Level" will be Saturday February 22, 1-4 pm. Instructor is Cayla Tinney. Cayla will share her thought processes and techniques for developing sketches into more finished pieces of art. Some materials provided. Interested persons should bring basic sketching tools and old sketches. Cost is \$40.

"Mono-Prints to Multi-Prints" will be Saturday March 1, 12-4 pm. Instructors is Beth Bynum. The class is designed to explore printmaking techniques. These will include monotypes, collagraphs, and experimental relief printing. Most supplies provided. Bring found objectives as buttons, string, yarn, toothpicks, tissue paper, etc. Complete list of supplies upon registration. Class limited to 8 persons. Cost is \$60.

"Altered Books: A different Approach to Sketchbook/Journals" is Saturday March 8,

12-4 pm. Instructors are Pat Tinney and Carla Tinney. Students can create an up cycled sketchbook/journal that will be a work of art in and of itself. Demonstrations will include techniques for adding calligraphy, encaustic, gesso, torching and a variety of border treatments. Come with a theme idea and any small photos, clippings, and objects (small pieces of jewelry or rocks and grasses. All other materials will be provided. Cost is \$60.

"Sketching for Non-



Sample of art on display at the upcoming Sketchbook Show.

Sketchers" will be March 15, 1-4 pm. Instructor is Cynthia Tschudy.

Have you always wanted to learn to sketch but were afraid to try? This is the class for you. Cynthia will show you how to get started. You need not bring anything but your willingness to try something new and you will leave with a small sketchbook and some finished sketches. Cost is \$20.

All classes will take place at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main Street in East Jordan. To receive further information and to register go to www.jraarts.com or call .

Participating persons will be invited to explore to sketchbook show and art work related to each sketchbook in the upper gallery. Area artists including painters, photographers, woodworkers, fiber artists, calligraphers, and printmakers have participated. This project has been partially funded by a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. The show is curated by Nancy Carey.

Imagine Something Delicious

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: This May Charlevoix will gain a delicious new venue called Cre8tive Cupcake, a gourmet cupcakery that will serve up your every delicious desire!

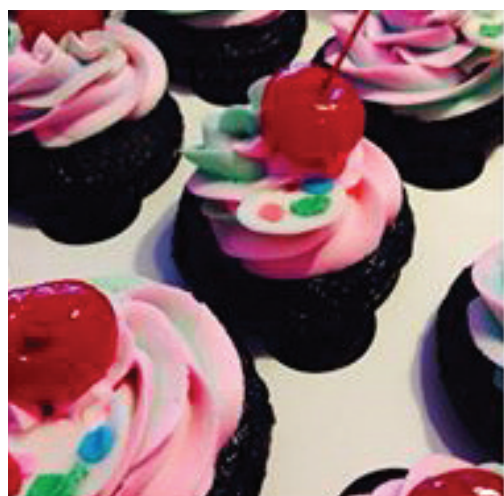
Cre8tive Cupcake is the come to life dream of Alfred Soriano-Micheau, who came to the United States from the Philippines three years ago for an internship in hotel management. A graduate of De La Salle College of Saint Benilde, Soriano-Micheau is a hotelier turned cupcake maker who delights in imaginative confections that everyone from young to old will enjoy.

The cupcakery will be located at 411 Bridge St and will open during the month of May to debut its tasty treats for locals and tourists this summer. In addition to having yummy cupcakes made fresh and decorated daily, Cre8tive Cupcake will offer cakes and a fun decorating opportunity for young ones who want to use their own imagination on their cupcakes.

"Cre8tive Cupcake will be a haven for every kid and kid at heart wanting to express their ingenuity and imagination through edible art as we will have a decoration area for kids to frost and design their cupcakes and cakes," said Soriano-Micheau.

Soriano-Micheau says the business will only use the finest ingredients available for the gourmet creations, and hopes that the cupcakes will serve as advertizing for Charlevoix. His cupcakes have been featured at recent Chamber functions and even at the Artists North event held by the Charlevoix Circle of Arts.

He states that the business will be an active part



of the community, and will work closely with the Downtown Development Authority to increase excitement about downtown and the City. He explains that in addition to government related functions, Cre8tive Cupcake will cater any function locals need and every order can be designed to a theme.

"Our cupcakery will have a whimsical ambience inspired by (local artist) Todd Warner, Char-

lie and the Chocolate Factory and Dr. Seuss," said Soriano-Micheau.

The hope of the owner is that the business will be an inspiration for young people around the town, and that it will encourage them to pursue their dreams. He hopes that the business will convey that anything can be done with hard-work, perseverance and faith. Hopefully the business will become a hotspot for tourists, but more than

that a refuge for locals looking for good memories and fun.

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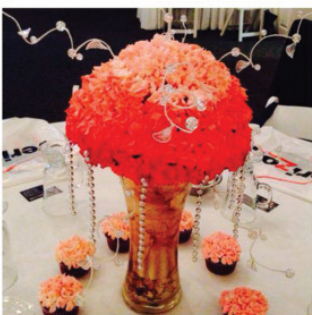
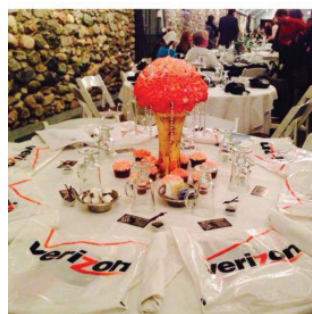
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Community Foundation awards a \$5,000 grant to Good Samaritan Pantry

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation awarded a grant to Good Samaritan Pantry and Resale Shop of Ellsworth. The grant will purchase fuel for heating and utility payments to keep fifteen Charlevoix County families warm and in their own homes this winter.

The Foundation has awarded grants for this purpose to Good Samaritan over the past eight winters to help needy Charlevoix County families. Good Samaritan Pantry is an important human service agency serving southern Charlevoix County as well as Antrim County residents providing: food, clothing, emergency heating fuel, and helping with utility payments for needy families.

Good Samaritan's ability to help neighbors in need is dependent on the generosity



A grant check for \$5,000 is presented by Maureen Radke, Foundation Program Officer [center] to Jerry Troyer, Board Chair of Good Samaritan Family Services, representing the Good Samaritan Pantry [left]. Chip Hansen, President of Charlevoix County Community Foundation looks on [right].

of members of the community. If you would like more information about the or-

ganization, go to www.thegoodsam.org, or if you are interested in helping with a

tax-deductible gift, please contact Good Samaritan Family Services, PO Box 206, Ellsworth, MI 49729, or by calling 231-588-2208.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life for all who live, work, or vacation in Charlevoix County. CCCF works to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come, by building permanent charitable endowments from a wide range of donors, addressing needs through grant making, and providing leadership on matters of community concern. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at www.c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.

HIDDEN TREASURES

Antiques, Art, Consignment and New at The Brickery in Grayling

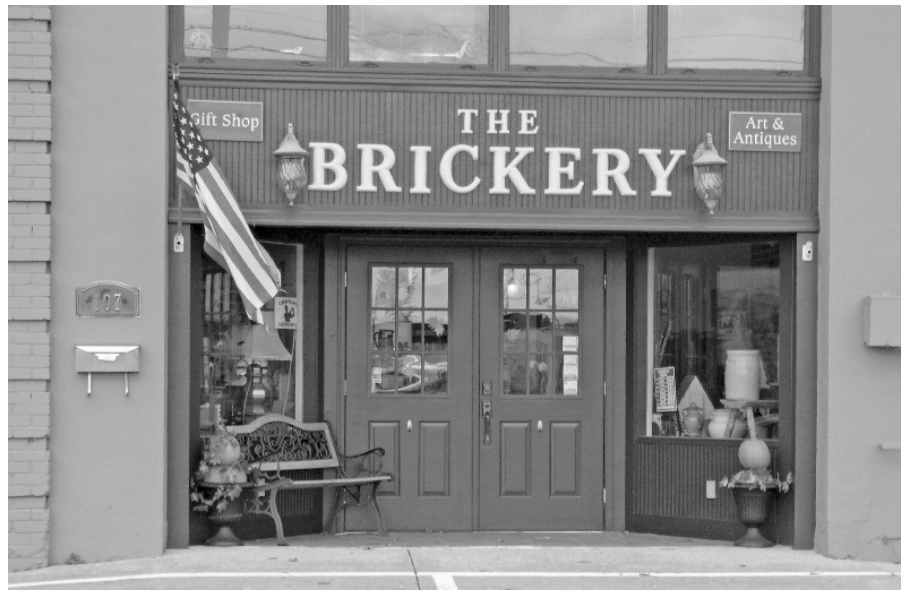
By Jim Akans

Shoppers in downtown Grayling will find two floors of treasures embracing a wide array of fascinating items at The Brickery. Established by Linda Nickert in June of 2007, items offered throughout the approximately 1,000 square feet of retail space in this historic building cover just about any interest or gift idea.

Nickert states, "We offer many items made by local crafters, Michigan-made products, lots of antiques, art, and more. We have new products and consignment items, gift items, scarves, hats and gloves, and we are beginning to offer salvage products so people can make their own crafts. Customers can spend an hour in our store and still not see it all."

The stately brick building that is now home to The Brickery was originally the International Order of Odd Fellows building, constructed in 1908. The downstairs held a theater that would put on plays for loggers and for Camp Grayling. The building has gone through many incarnations over the years, but shoppers at The Brickery can still see the original tin ceiling and hardwood floors.

Nickert recalls that the idea for her shop's name came from her daughter;



Shoppers in downtown Grayling will find two floors of treasures embracing a wide array of fascinating items at The Brickery. The store, located at 107 Ottawa in downtown Grayling, is open Monday through Saturday from 10 am until 6 pm, and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. COURTESY PHOTO

"We were trying to think of a name. Since there are so many bricks both inside and out; the walls are three bricks thick, my daughter suggested calling it The Brickery."

It's the perfect name, reflecting solidity and tradition; an apt representation of the enduring quality of the

wide variety of items offered at The Brickery. The store, located at 107 Ottawa in downtown Grayling, is open Monday through Saturday from 10 am until 6 pm, and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. Visit www.the-brickery.com or call 989-348-8999 for additional information.

Grand Valley State University Dean's List

Grand Valley State University announces the names of students who were placed on the dean's list for the Fall 2013 semester concluding in December. The list includes those students who have maintained a 3.5 grade point average and been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits. The honor is noted on the students' official records.

Grand Valley is dedicated to providing a rich learning environment for students, offering a wide range of majors and hands-on research opportunities. Highly credentialed and responsive faculty and individual advisors and mentors promote a liberal arts emphasis that teaches students critical thinking and problem solving.

Students honored for the fall semester include:

- Alanson: Skyler J. Morgan
- Boyer City: Ashley M. Reidel; Hannah M. Robinson; Nicholas C. Vellis
- Boyer Falls: Courtney A. Culver; Olivia M. Gibson
- Carp Lake: Claudia R. Alexander
- Charlevoix: Addison J. Amstutz; Lauren J. Bartling; Kaitlyn J. Boyko; Sydney E. Carlson; Connor J. Currier; Lynzie M. Gotshall; Lacey M. Greene; Allison R. Hankins; Julia E. Holdsworth; Jenna R. Kirby; Jordan S. McCarthy; Megan M. Peters; Samantha A. Reeves; Jarod M. Reibel; Kelsea M. Stevens; Glen P. Stolt; Corbin T. Turkelson; Kathryn G. Young
- Cheboygan: Taylor A. Barrette; Kayla M. Blaskowski; Michelle L. Castagne; James R. Crusoe; Kollin J. Currie; Joseph R. Ruemennapp; Nicole A. Stempky; Julia J. Sturvist; Ricci P. Swiderek
- East Jordan: Sarah K. Byce; Tyler R. Hines; Valerie J. Peters; Morgan M. Skop; Melyssa R. Skrocki
- Ellsworth: Jared J. Danbert
- Elmira: Trevor D. Shaw
- Gaylord: Jada R. Bebble; Emily A. Butcher; Christopher E. Churches; Chelsea N. Fox; Leah M. Hazlett; Sydney M. Johnston; Leah R. Marshall; Kelly T. Nemeth; Cody B. Rivers; Megan E. Thompson
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- Indian River: Bobbee J. Papi
- Levering: Madeline J. Buntin
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- Onaway: Megan J. Murphy; Derick T. PETERMAN; Kallie R. Shimmel; Ashton R. Veihl
- Pellston: Carly M. Crossley
- Petoskey: Audrie A. Bieganowski; Curtis A. Clark; Nathan L. Cook; Jean O. Forton; Abigail O. Fryczynski; Abigail A. Kalkman; Mackenzie J. Mainland; Keisha L. Olson; Elena J. Ongaro; Danielle N. Paquette; Madison M. Prescott; Chrystal J. Schemanski; Michael E. Suter
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BOYNE CITY

Valentines dinner

Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club is planning a Valentine's Dinner for Feb. 14. Sommerset's Porter Creek Fish House is hosting the Valentines Dinner from 5 to 9 p.m. for \$60 per couple including appetizer, salad, dessert, bottle of red or white wine and choice of entree (chicken Oscar, Parmesan Encrusted Walleye or Roasted Beef Tenderloin). Dessert is Triple Chocolate Mousse with a Raspberry Coulis. Call 231-582-9900 for reservations.

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.

BOYNE CITY

Freshwater concert

Wine, Women, Chocolate and Song will feature Blake Elliott, Ruby Williams, DarleneYa and Robin Lee Berry on Saturday, Feb. 15. Willy Porter is scheduled for March 15. Call 231-582-2588 for reservations; tickets are \$25 in advance. 213 S. Lake St., Boyne City. www.freshwater-artgallery.com

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 organizations are coordinating them. A list can be found online at www.michigan.gov/freefishing.

BOYNE CITY

US Senate candidate to speak

U.S. Senate candidate Gary Peters, a Democrat, will speak at the Boyne District Library from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18. Peters is running to replace retiring Senator Carl Levin. In addition Jerry Cannon, Democratic candidate running against Republican Congressman Dan Benishek, will also appear at the meeting. To RSVP to the Charlevoix County Democrats, call 231-753-8411 or email democrats.charlevoix@gmail.com.

CHARLEVOIX

Business After Hours

Join us for Business After hours at Kelsey B's Feb. 19, 5-7pm

BOYNE CITY

Business after hours

The Chamber's next Business after Hours will be held at the Boyne District Library from 5:30 to 7:30 Thursday, Feb. 20. Cosponsoring the event will be the Friends of the Library and the Boyne City Farmers Market, which will be providing hors d'oeuvres. Business after Hours is the Chamber's monthly business networking event, held at different members' locations each month. There is no charge for admission or refreshments.

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 McCauba Ski Hill. Riders will race Fat Bikes on a 1.5 mile loop through the trails of Mt McCauba 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, snowshoe 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. 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.

BOYNE CITY

Frostbite festival

Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club is hosting a Frostbite Festival for Feb. 22. The Frostbite Festival starts at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, and includes live entertainment, a hot-wing eating contest, indoor and outdoor activities and games, food and beverage stations, and local micro-brew tasting. Admission is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members, and free for ages 12 and under.

IRONTON

Wooden Nickels live at the Ironton Church

Sunday, Feb. 23 at 11am, the Wooden Nickels will be performing at the Ironton Congregational Church at 3805 Washington Street. There will be a luncheon following. Come and enjoy the blue grass/gospel music of John, Nancy and Chad.

BOYNE CITY

City asks for input on food trucks

Food trucks are growing in popularity in Northern Michigan and around the state. To date, the Boyne City Planning Department has had five inquiries from individuals interested in operating food trucks in Boyne City during the spring and summer of 2014. Currently, the City does not have a policy or set of requirements specifically regulating this type of business. With the approval of the City Commission, the Main Street Program and city staff are reaching out to the

public to gather input and share information. Please come learn about this new trend and give us your insight about incorporating them into our community. Two meetings will be held:

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 6 p.m. at the Boyne District Library Community Room

Thursday, March 6, 5:30 p.m. at the Boyne District Library Community Room

Businesses and the general public are invited to attend one of these meetings to discuss and share information about the potential for food trucks in Boyne City. Everyone interested is encouraged to attend. If you would like more information about this topic, contact Annie Doyle at 231-582-0337 or annie@boyne-city.com

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.

BOYNE CITY

Computer classes
Boyne District Library is offering free computer classes on Fridays at 10 a.m. Classes will continue every Friday in January and February, with help available for all levels of users. Participants may bring their own laptops or other devices such as e-readers and tablets, or use the library's computers.

CHARLEVOIX

Wellness Wednesday

Charlevoix Area Hospital's next Wellness Wednesday will take place from 8am until 11am on Wednesday, March 5 in the Hospital's Solarium. Cost is \$15.

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 volun-

teers! If you can help or have any info or idea leads, please contact the Petoskey Roller Derby League. www.facebook.com/petoskeyrollerderby

CHARLEVOIX

Recycle for the Community Food Pantry

Please recycle your old cookbook and kids' books! The Community Food Pantry would be happy to pass them out to our clients, so if you have any cookbooks or children's books (K-5) you no longer need, please drop them off at our drop box at 100 W. Hurlbut. And remember we really appreciate non-perishable food items and money donations too. 237-9490.

CHARLEVOIX

FARMERS MARKET to Start Up Again May 1st

The Farmers Market Committee met last week to discuss the future of the Winter Market. Due to low vendor and community/shopper involvement following the holiday season, it was decided to discontinue the market through the remainder of the winter months. The farmers market will start up again the 1st of May in East Park. Please contact Bethany Pearson at the City of Charlevoix regarding 2014 Market applications and information 231.547.3257 or bpearson@cityofcharlevoix.org

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

Snow Lovers Breakfast

Every Sunday during snow-mobiling season, 7am to Noon. Sno-Mobilers Club House - Mt. Bliss Rd.

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 north-west 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.

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.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

The Political Back Story (largely fiction built on a bit of truth)

It is 2014. An old debate about where the county seat should be located - Charlevoix, East Jordan or Boyne City - has sparked the interest of the county commissioners, who are gearing up for a vote to settle the highly contested issue. The Public Forum at Boyne Mountain will allow each city's advocates an opportunity to engage in a public debate at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 8. County commissioners, both real and imagined, will be in attendance to hear comments from the expert panel and the audience. All county citizens are aware of the great economic benefit to the community that is named the county seat. Thus, it would be appropriate for attendees to dress the part and to pass

out buttons. Picket signs and other political paraphernalia are encouraged. Throwing of rotten fruit, eggs or other foreign objects is strictly prohibited. We hope you will join us at the dinner/forum to speak your mind and be involved in this important topic.

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.

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Charlevoix Area Hospital hosts Heart-Healthy Grocery Store Tour

In honor of February as American Heart Month, the Cardiac Rehabilitation Department has teamed up with our Nutrition Services to bring the community a Grocery Store Tour that will help people to make smart and informed food choices when doing their weekly shopping. The tour will be held on Thursday, February 20 from 1:00pm to 3:00 pm at Glen's Market in Charlevoix.

Charlevoix Area Hospital Program Director for Cardiac Rehabilitation Tina Foltz said that they want to host this event to make healthy shop-

ping easier for the community. When life is busy, it can be overwhelming trying to plan and make healthy meals, and with so many health claims bombarding people, it can be difficult to sort through the labels to find the food items that are really best for you.

The tour will respond to some of these health claims, and will also give brief tutorials about label and ingredient reading, how to navigate the aisles, and general shopping tips.

The goal of the tour is to provide a new perspective for

how people approach grocery shopping, to answer nutritional questions that shoppers may have, and help shoppers learn easy ways to plan and make healthy meals at home.

Glen's Market is located at 111 M66 N in Charlevoix. There is no cost to attend, but space is limited, so registration is required. For more information on Shop for Your Heart or to reserve a spot on the tour call Tina Foltz in the Cardiac Rehabilitation Department at 231-547-8525.



Eating for Heart Health

By Deb Hagen-Foley

February is American Heart Month and Go Red for Women Month. The proclamation by President Obama marks the 50th anniversary of this recognition. These events are intended to bring attention to the fact that cardiovascular disease is the number one cause of death for both men and women.

The evidence suggests that it is working. Deaths from cardiovascular disease have dropped nearly 1 million per year since the 1960's, while the population has grown by more than 129 million. Women often do not believe they are at risk for heart disease. About one million people in the United States die of heart disease annually.

In the United States, someone dies of cardiovascular disease every 33 seconds. Cardiovascular disease is often preventable by changing the behaviors that can put you at risk, including changing your diet. Eating a diet low in saturated fats, sodium, and cholesterol can help to reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease. Numerous foods have been shown to improve heart health.

The commercials claiming oatmeal and other whole grain cereals are good at helping to control weight and in lowering cholesterol are true. People who report eating whole grains tend to be leaner and have a lower risk of heart disease. The antioxi-

dants, phytoestrogens and phytosteroids in whole grains protect against coronary disease. Add raisins or berries to your cereal for a doubly heart-healthy breakfast. Eating a cup of mixed berries daily for eight weeks was associated with increased levels of HDL or "good" cholesterol and lowered blood pressure in one study. Other studies have shown similar benefits from eating berries regularly. It is believed the polyphenols in berries increase levels of nitric oxide, helping to relax blood vessels and lowering blood pressure.

Antioxidants in raisins fight the growth of a type of bacteria that can cause inflammation and gum disease. Probiotics in yogurt are also protective against gum disease. Up to 50 percent of American adults are affected by gum disease. Persons with gum disease are twice as likely to have heart problems. Eating raisins and yogurt can help protect you from both gum disease and heart disease.

Eat beans to lower cholesterol. It is believed that the soluble fiber in beans binds cholesterol and prevents it from being absorbed in the body. Beans also contain flavonoids that slow the bonding of



Quitting smoking is one of the best things you can do for the health of your heart. PHOTO FROM WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

platelets in the blood, which can lower the risk of heart attack and strokes. Reap the benefits of consuming beans on heart health by consuming about one-half cup of beans daily.

Flavonoids are also found in chocolate and wine. Consuming moderate amounts of dark chocolate helps to thin the blood, improving heart health. Dark chocolate may also reduce inflammation and boost the immune system.

A compound in cocoa, epicatechin, increases nitric oxide and improves blood vessel health and helps prevent high blood pressure. Milk chocolate does not contain sufficient amounts of epicatechin. If you are going to eat chocolate for heart health, make sure to choose dark chocolate.

People who drink moderate amounts of alcohol are less likely to have heart disease than those who do not drink alcohol. Moderate alcohol use raises "good" HDL cholesterol, decreases inflammation and helps to thin the blood, preventing blood clots. Drinking moderately also increases estrogen, which protects the heart. This may be especially beneficial to postmenopausal women who are at greater risk for heart disease due to their reduced estrogen levels.

Include two or more servings of fish weekly to reduce your risk of cardiovascular disease. Fish, particularly the oily kinds, like salmon and tuna, contain omega-3 fats, which lower triglycerides in the blood. Omega-3s also lower blood pressure and can prevent irregular heart rhythms. Canola oil, flaxseed oil and walnuts also are good sources of omega-3s.

People who eat nuts two to four times per week have a lower incidence of heart disease. Walnuts, pecans, almonds, pine nuts, hazelnuts and peanuts contain monounsaturated fats that are good for heart health. Stick with raw, unsalted nuts for the most health benefits.

Another common snack, popcorn, is also good for heart health. Popcorn contains three times more of the antioxidant polyphenols than kidney beans. Other foods that contribute to heart health are apples, green tea, bananas, pomegranates, and tomatoes. For the sake of your heart, incorporate moderate amounts of these foods into your balanced diet, exercise moderately for thirty minutes five days per week, and quit smoking. Overall, smoking will reduce your life expectancy by 13 or more years.

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Boyne City Water System Customers urged to keep trickle of cold water running until further notice

All customers of the Boyne City Water system are asked to immediately begin running a pencil width trickle of cold water from one of their faucets to help prevent water lines from freezing. Frost in the Boyne City area has been reported to extend over six feet below ground in the last few days. The frost is the deepest under paved roads and other areas where the blanket of snow, and its insulating properties, has

been removed. The combination of extremely cold weather, clear sunny days and warmer weather ahead will probably lead to the frost being driven even further down in the days and weeks ahead. While most City water mains are not in risk of freezing due to their depth and the continual movement of water in them, service leads to individual customers may be more vulnerable. To the best of the City's knowl-

edge the last time frost conditions have been this severe was in the early 1990's.

To avoid the possible inconvenience of customers losing their water supply, possible damage from frozen pipes and the costs of having services restored, or pipes repaired customers are urged to take this voluntary action. The City will announce through the media and on its websites when this temporary

measure can be ended. Customer accounts will be adjusted to offset the additional water used during this period based on previous usage history.

Customers are urged to take special care in the cold parts of their buildings (basements, crawl spaces, outer walls) to avoid the freezing and bursting of pipes.

In addition as a further safety precaution the public is asked to help keep snow cleared from

around fire hydrants in or near their yards in case disaster strikes and a fire occurs. The buildings or lives you save may be your own or those of your neighbors.

Customers with questions on these matters are urged to visit the Boyne City webpage at www.cityofboynecity.com or call either 582.6597 or 582.0335 during office hours.

Local men take a stand to end violence against women

The 100 Men Campaign is a local effort born out of the belief that men have a crucial role to play in the movement to end violence against women and girls. It provides a way for men to become more actively engaged in the effort and to be part of the solution. Campaign dollars fund awareness and educational activities to help inspire and equip men and boys to make changes in workplaces, athletic arenas, schools, faith-based communities and within their own communities and neighborhoods.

Three years ago, 125 local men joined the inaugural 100 Men Campaign and last year that number increased to 165 contributors. The goal for the current campaign is to inspire 200 men to join the effort. The campaign was initiated by the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) after having held focus groups to learn what local men thought about the issue and if they wanted to get more involved.

"The overall feedback during those focus groups was that men wanted to help, yet didn't really know where to start or what actions to take," said Jan Mancinelli, Executive Director of the WRCNM. "I am thrilled men in the community are stepping up to help in the quest to recognize and end violence against women and girls. The effort they are making with their dollars and with their time is allowing us [WRCNM] to do so much more than we were able to do to raise awareness, hold events and reach out to men and boys messaging respect and non-violence in relationships."

The 100 Men Campaign provides men with a variety of ways to become more involved in the effort. The primary way is a \$100 donation used for local awareness, educational and prevention initiatives; donors also



Several contributors helped kick off the fourth year of the 100 Men Campaign, a local effort to engage men in the movement to end violence against women and girls. Pictured reviewing campaign materials are (from left) Matt Tamm, Steve Biggs, Chris Krajewski and Jan Mancinelli of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan, Steve VanDam, Matthew Font and Ben VanDam.

agree to take a public stand on the issue by having their name listed as a contributor in printed materials and advertisements. Some donors also volunteer at events, serve on the Violence Prevention Team, work with coaches and high school athletes during awareness-raising White Ribbon games, attend educational events or write letters to the editor.

"With each community event we sponsor, every panel discussion, coaches workshop or message directed to community members we reach more people and gain more support through a greater understanding of the issue," said Bill Wilson, a contributor to the campaign and member of the Violence Prevention Team. "It's crucial for men to realize that even though they are respectful and non-violent in their own relationships, if they don't also speak out against this violence their silence sends a powerful message, one that helps it persist."

To donate to, or learn more about the 100 Men Campaign, call (231) 347-0067, or visit wrcnm.org/100-men-campaign.

Recent activities of the 100 Men Campaign: More than 350 community members attended the Joe Ehrmann Lecture Series on building empathy, respect, appreciation and compassion in ath-

letes on and off the field.

Nearly a hundred attended a coaching workshop to learn how to make life-changing impact on players, other coaches and communities.

Hundreds attended two White Ribbon Campaign boys' basketball games which generated awareness of efforts to end violence against women and girls. Athletes took the pledge to never commit, condone or remain silent about violence against women and girls.

Educational, awareness and primary prevention promotional messages were placed in a variety of media; 93% surveyed said the messages made them feel they could make a difference.

Names of 159 early supporters of last year's campaign were listed in full page ads published in multiple local newspapers. A total of 165 men eventually contributed to the campaign.

Partnerships with other local organizations helped facilitate awareness-building, educational projects and events for men, boys and community members.

Greater web presence to further engage and educate. (<http://www.wrcnm.org/support/100-men-campaign>)

Boyne City School Board adjusts budget

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—The Boyne City School Board approved amendments to the general fund operating budget, accepted a resolution to award the purchase of refunding bonds and formally accepted donations to the Robotics Team.

A resolution to adjust the general operating budget approved back in June was unanimously passed. "We've been into this fiscal year for 6-7 months, revenues have changed, some expenditures have changed," said Peter Moss, Boyne City Schools Superintendent. The amendment reflects a 3% change in revenue resulting from a loss of state funds due to students leaving the district. Although the original budget suffered a net loss of \$266,141 due to the loss in state aid it also saw an unexpected increase of \$190,000 in local income tax sources. "We're still on track from last year," said Irene Byrne, Schools Finance Manager who reported to the board

that the district will be able to maintain a ten percent fund balance even after budgeting \$1,707,934 to balance the budget. "Preferably we won't spend that, but we may, we are lopsided," she said. The nearly \$200,000 inconsistency between revenues and expenditures was not new to the amended budget but had been accepted in the original.

In 1999 when the high school was built the district took out bonds for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and equipping a new high school, remodeling, refurbishing and re-equipping existing school buildings and developing and improving athletic and outdoor physical education fields and sites totaling \$18,815,000. The bonds were refinanced in 2004 reducing the debt payment to taxpayers by \$593,612. Another refinancing of the bonds was approved at the meeting saving taxpayers another \$240,775. "I think we need to emphasize that the voters of the district will see the savings not the dis-

trict, the voters," said Moss. The remaining \$4,145,000 has been refinanced at a .73% interest rate and will be paid in full by 2017. "So as we pay it off over the next three years we are going to take out less leaving more for the voters," said Byrne.

The board approved the acceptance of \$6,615 in donations to the BCHS FIRST Robotics Team. The team has been doing a great deal of fund raising to finance their three upcoming competitions. The team requires a budget of \$25,000. "For this year's season, thanks to the great donations, that will get us to the state competition, if we are heading to the nationals we will be in desperate need of more funds," said Karen Jarema, High School Principal. The team has built a robot that will compete on a team with two other school's robots. "This year's competition deals with teamwork," said Jarema.

Charlevoix School Board discussed food service

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: On Monday the Charlevoix Board of Education met to discuss budget issues that the food service program is facing in light of snow days and federal mandates concerning calorie intake for students.

During the meeting it was explained that the food service revenue at Charlevoix Public Schools is down this year by \$14,920.00. In part this decline is due to the amount of snow days the schools have seen this year, however, there are other factors causing the problem according to Superintendent Robert Gendron.

"We've got to get more creative, because these new food regulations are not helping us out," said Gendron of one of the issues creating problems.

Those regulations fall under the Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act which gives federal funding to schools to help create balanced lunches in cafeterias. The Act was passed in 2010 and sets strict parameters for

school food service. The Act allows the USDA to set nutritional standards for lunches, including calorie amounts in an effort to fight childhood obesity.

The calorie limitations for Charlevoix Public Schools range from 600 calories for high school students to lower amounts for elementary students. According to Gendron, these amounts are too little and have caused many students to voice frustrations over not getting enough food. Food Service Manager Mike Washburn has noticed that some children are buying two lunches in order to get full.

But for children who cannot afford two lunches, it's more complicated. For many the largest meal they receive in a day is lunch and with lower calorie mandates that lunch is no longer large enough to fill them up. Because of this, the trend is for children to bring sack lunches as opposed to buying a lunch through the school. This is happening more and more.

This is causing difficulty for the Board of Education

to maintain a strong food service budget. Across the board, revenues from food related sales are down, and expenses for increased food costs are up. CPS projects an increased amount spent for milk alone of roughly \$1,500. Which causes serious problems if it's considered that \$2,000 is lost each snow day in revenue. This issue is causing worries concerning how the budget will maintain itself. Director of Finance and Administrative Services Lori Martinchek explained that it was a concern but that Washburn is trying to find ways to combat the decline.

"It's a tight budget, we're going to have to watch it very close on the food service end, he is trying to bring revenue in," stated Martinchek.

At the meeting, a plan was created on how to amend the Charlevoix Public Schools budget to handle the deficit better, that plan will be presented at the regular Board of Education Meeting on February 17th.

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Is Your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Working?

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAAP) counselors have received several phone calls from Medicare beneficiaries in our 10 county region advising of unexpected changes with their Medicare Prescription drug plans in 2014. Some people are indicating that their monthly premiums have increased upwards to about 35% to 40%. Also, after making their first trip to their favorite pharmacy, some are finding that they are now having to make a co-pay for generic medications, where last year the same prescription was free to them.

Still other Medicare beneficiaries are advising us that they are unable to purchase a particular drug because the pharmacist is reporting that it is no longer on the insurance company's formulary. Yet, another variable is the list of medications that a person is prescribed. That can frequently change during a year and may result in a huge unanticipated co-pay with their current plan.

Medicare prescription drug plans can change substantially from year to year. Additionally some companies may stop offering coverage at the end of a year, or reorganize, resulting in a beneficiary

being auto-assigned to another plan that may not be best for them.

So how can these "surprises" be minimized? First, start by carefully reading the mail from your current insurance company. Medicare requires that all prescription drug plans send out an Annual Notice of Change to their members that will describe the changes planned for the upcoming year. Medicare requires that this booklet be received prior to the start of open enrollment on October 5th. Information about monthly premium costs, co-payments for drugs, formulary adjustments, and any other change that is planned must be reported in this annual notice. While the details in the booklet may be a bit daunting to read, Medicare beneficiaries are encouraged to spend some time reviewing it so they understand any changes that may affect them.

MMAAP counselors are also ready to help. MMAAP clients are always advised to contact their local MMAAP office in September of each year so that they can compare their drug list among all plans for the upcoming year. Beneficiaries are asked to furnish a list of their medications and other personal information so

a re-view can be done. There are about 34 individual prescription drug plans approved by Medicare, so the options are plentiful. MMAAP personnel can sift through all of plans and come up with recommendations that will work best for the client. MMAAP personnel can also help to enroll in a different plan if needed. Medicare beneficiaries are locked into their current plan through the balance of 2014 unless they are eligible for "Extra Help". If they are eligible, then they can change their drug plan at any time.

Medicare beneficiaries can get in touch with a representative of the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program by calling 800-803-7174. MMAAP personnel are trained and certified to provide help in all areas of Medicare health care insurance, Medicaid benefits, fraud and abuse, billing issues, and a number of other related topics.

By: Jim Verville, Region 10 Coordinator
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Thursday, February 13 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle	Friday, February 14 Valentine's Party! 9:30am Craft Class 11:30am Roger Hartson 1pm Rummy	Monday, February 17 1pm Pinochle 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	Tuesday, February 18 Wii Bowling Competition 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Paint Class 1pm Rummy	Wednesday, February 19 1pm Bingo	Thursday, February 20 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle
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