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## City of Charlevoix lifting of Run Water order

Effective Friday, April 25, 2014, the City of Charlevoix is requesting that all water customers stop continuously running their water.

Questions or comments can be directed to the City Manager's Office at 231-547-3270. We sincerely thank you in advance for your cooperation in this important matter.

## SPORTS



Ellsworth's Maddie Steenwyk makes this grab in one of the Lancers recent contests.

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# Hundreds attend Boyne Business Expo

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—The Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce once again hosted one of the largest business networking events in Northern Michigan including 95 business booths and 13 Taste of Boyne booths on April 24 at the old Carter's building.

An estimated 1,300 people visited booths set up by local businesses and for \$5 participated in the Taste of Boyne. The venue included a cash bar with 3 varieties of Petoskey Brewing Co. beer and Mackinaw Trail wines and music from A+ Digital DJ's who also announced winners of gifts given away by the exhibitors every thirty minutes.

The Taste of Boyne included goodies from the Alpine Chocolat Haus, B.C. Pizza, BCHS Team Hospitality, Boyne Mountain Restaurants, Barrel Back Restaurant, Glen's Market, Grain Train Natural Foods Market, the Jordan Inn, Mackinaw Trail Winery, Petoskey Brewing Co., Porter Creek Fish House and Spicy Bob's Italian Express.

The business networking event is held annually on the fourth Thursday in April. New vehicles were on display from Bob Mathers Ford, Dave Kring Chevrolet and Fletch's GMC Buick Audi. Charlevoix Area Hospital provided blood pressure screenings, Boyne Mountain Solace Spa had two chair



Students from Concord Academy Boyne promoted the Wizard of Oz at the Business EXPO. The performance is at the school May 1 - May 3

masseurs working on tired backs and the Charlevoix Area Humane Society gave away two pet gift packages valued at \$200.

Because of the popularity of the event exhibitor Charlevoix County Transit provided free parking shuttle serv-

Joe Krumholz from the Jordan Inn serves up something delicious at the Taste of Boyne and Business EXPO



ice between the St. Matthew Catholic Church and the expo. Boyne City High School Business Teacher and students manned the Boyne City Public Schools booth.

The booth was a project of Mr. Tony Cutler's marketing students and featured an interactive

walking tour. "My students organized an interactive tour to showcase Boyne City Schools this year," stated Cutler. "Students worked in groups and displayed such features as Co-Curricular, Athletics, and the Community."

See Business Expo -7A

Porter Creek Fish House at Somerset Pointe were one of many area restaurants at the Taste of Boyne and Business EXPO



Reminder  
**SPECIAL ELECTION MAY 6TH**  
See Page 5 for Details

## Limited service for County Transit this weekend

Due to moving the business and dispatch office to a temporary location, Charlevoix County Transit will be without regular phone, computer and radio service on Friday, May 2nd, and will have limited service Saturday, May 3rd. Because there will be little or no phone service available these days, the County Transit is requesting that passengers pre-schedule any rides needed for Friday, May 2nd, Saturday, May 3rd and Monday, May 5th no later than 12 noon on Thursday, May 1st. For ride cancellations while our regular phone service is down, please call 231-373-2363. Service is expected to be back up and running at full strength on Monday, May 5th.

## Charlevoix Farmer's Market opens May 1



M. CHRIS LEESE

Find David Siegrist of Boyne Falls (far left) once again selling honey products and flowers on the corner of Bridge Street and Clinton Street every Thursday this summer, 9am - 1pm as the many vendors at Charlevoix Farmers Market make East Park a nice place to shop. Support your local farmers and enjoy the benefits of fresh produce and baked goods.

By Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: The 2014 Calendar Year for the Charlevoix Farmer's Market will begin Thursday May 1 in East Park located downtown at 9 am to 1 pm.

The market has seen wonderful changes in past years, and this year is no different as local photographer Chris Leese steps into the role of Charlevoix Farmer's Market Manager Assistant. This newly created position will help the market to grow and flourish.

See Farmer's Market -7A

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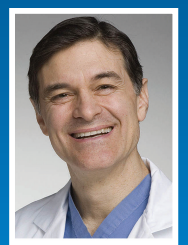


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## Taste of Spring luncheon at Methodist Church

The Charlevoix United Methodist ladies are hosting its first Taste of Spring luncheon with crafts, vendors and bake sale on Saturday, May 10 at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church, 104 State St.

Luncheon is served 11-1:30PM. Crafts, Vendors, Bake Sale 11-3:00PM

Come and enjoy many delicious salads, sandwich meats & cheeses, to-die-for brownie trifle dessert and beverages. Cost is \$8.

No need to bake for Mother's Day! We'll have many yummy baked goodies. Do last minute shopping for Mother's Day (or yourself!) from a nice variety of crafts, vendors and yummy bake sale. "Upper Case Living" home décor accents, "Just Us" clothing & crafts, jewelry, beauty care, adorable children's items describe just a few of the crafts & vendors.

Proceeds go to many local outreach missions. For more info call



Sharon Velding, Donna Hodgkinson, Gail Seidel, Linda DeGrow display the Taste of Spring banner

Linda at 231-547-4109. Sunday worship service is at 11am. Everyone is welcome! Church phone is 231-547-2654. Website is chxumc.com.

## Seely earns title of First Vice President-Investment Officer

Wells Fargo Advisors is pleased to announce that Steven Seely has been named First Vice President-Investment Officer. Seely has been with Wells Fargo Advisors for 14 years and has 41 years of experience in the financial services industry.



STEVEN SEELY

Seely holds a Bachelor's Degree from Michigan State University; an MBA from Central Michigan University and a Graduate Degree from the University of Oklahoma. He is the Chairman of the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce; Trustee with the Charlevoix Knights of Columbus; Handicap Official with the United States Golf Association on behalf of the City of Charlevoix; Certified Coach

and Masters Racer with the United States Ski Team; and a Certified Instructor/Accredited Trainer with the Professional Ski Instructors of America. Seely lives in Charlevoix.

## ISD Career and Technical Education Recognition Dinner

By Tina Sundelius

Boyer Mountain—Students who excelled in Char-Em's Career and Technical Education classes were honored at a special recognition dinner held at the Boyne Mountain Conference Center on Tuesday, April 22.

Following a catered dinner, ISD Superintendent, Rick Diebold opened the ceremony by thanking the teachers, students and parents for a "job well done." "You're being recognized tonight because you're the top of the top," he said. The students were called forward and presented certificates by their instructors and pins by their school's superintendents for achievement in programs such as Agri-science and Natural Resources, Business Administration and Management, Health Occupations, Construction Technology, Culinary Arts, Marketing, TV and Film Production and Broadcasting, Drafting and Design Technology, Automotive Technology, Woodworking and Furniture Making, Graphics and Printing Technology, Information Technology, and Creative Teaching.

The ISD serves fourteen schools in Charlevoix, Emmet and Antrim

Scott MacKenzie, Director of the Charlevoix County Humane Society was Master of Ceremonies



The Little Traverse Association of Home Builders gave the schools that are currently running the Garage Build Project (Charlevoix, Boyne City, Petoskey, Pellston) a check for \$8,000. That's \$2,000 per school



Students from eleven school districts were recognized by administrators within the Char-Em Intermediate school district

counties with eleven schools represented at the ceremony, each offering a varying number of programs. Career & Technical Education includes academics, work experience, occupational training, career counseling and joint activities between business and education.

The highlight of the ceremony was a speech of praise and encouragement from keynote speaker, Blue Cross Corporate Secretary, Tricia Keith. She shared her career journey and offered the students four pointers for success. First,

leverage the past and stay close to it and let it guide you. Second, Maintain friendships as you go up and down the career ladder. Third, know who the decision makers are. And finally, every move isn't always the direction 'up' when you're making life choices, sometimes sideways or down is the way that leads up. "Your selection to be here is a major accomplishment, however, this is but one step in the journey to where you're going, so celebrate it, but keep on going," she advised.



## Fit-4-Life for Kids Receives Grant

Community Foundation presents award to CAH

Fit-4-Life for Kids, a program of Charlevoix Area Hospital (CAH), has received a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. The grant was awarded to CAH, during a Fit-4-Life for Kids session, taking place at the Boyne Falls Public Schools.

Funds from the grant are used to bring the CAH Fit-4-Life for Kids Program into Charlevoix County Schools. Through the program, CAH school nurses are able to provide education in the areas of obesity management and prevention, nutrition, fitness, disease prevention and risk factor management. The goal of the program is to identify students who are at a high-risk for cardiovascular disease and obesity and to

provide follow-up education. Kathy Jacobsen, Director of Community Health Education, believes that the "Fit-4-Life for Kids and the CAH School Nurse Program are great additions to area school systems. We are helping to teach students about the importance of health management, nutrition, fitness, and disease prevention."

The CAH School Nurse Program and the CAH Fit-4-Life for Kids programs are made possible through the support of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. By providing students with the information and tools they need, students are able to make healthy life choices that will last a lifetime.

For more information about Charlevoix Area Hospital, the School Nurse Program and the Fit-4-Life for Kids Program please visit cah.org. More information about the Charlevoix County Community Foundation may be found at c3f.org or by calling 231-536-2440.







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By Tina Sundelius

## The former Boyne Valley Lodge is now the Elvyn Lea Lodge

BOYNE CITY— After a long, hard winter with record snowfall and sub-zero temperatures, the new owners of the former Boyne Valley Lodge, located on Highway M-75 between Boyne City and Walloon Village are sprucing, clearing and cleaning in preparation for the opening of an exciting new venue they have rechristened the Elvyn Lea Lodge.

Michael and Monica Farrier, chose to rename the 44-acre property, the Elvyn Lea because of what they see when they look over the property. “We were looking for a name that captured the enchanted feel of the lodge and grounds and to give the property a new identity. In the beginning we just played with words and meanings. Eventually we hit upon Elvyn Lea and liked the lyrical sound of it. Then we discovered that it means roughly “meadow of elf friends,” which seemed perfect, as there is a huge lawn space in the trees that we see as just that – a magical gathering place. I have also written a couple of books about elves and so there was a personal connection too,” said Monica. The new name became official on January 1, 2014.

Besides writing, Monica has a background in officiating at weddings. “I’ve been to some fabulous wedding venues, and when I saw this place I saw the potential immediately,” she said. The flat, football field sized open lawn area located in the woods above the lodge was previously used as a training field for sports, but Monica sees it as a spectacular space for outdoor weddings and special events. “It is surrounded by hills and trees, which makes it very private, and the creation of the field also produced a natural amphitheater that is ideal for music and theater,” she said.

Elvyn Lea was built during the early years of Northern Michigan’s ski boom in the late 1950s. Through the years, as the lodge has changed hands, its name has changed as well. It was first opened as the Village Inn then more recently as the Boyne Valley Lodge. It was used as a ski lodge and a retreat for youth groups, athletic teams and marching bands.

The lodge itself also provides a uniquely private venue for guests in that they can choose to be surrounded only by those who are part of their group. With just 22 rooms and a capacity of around 85, the Farriers can provide an ideal environment for people who want to spend their



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time with only those who share their purpose.

The two lodge areas offer cozy communal spaces inside, in addition to the private event space and trails on the grounds. “To have all of this available, and in such close proximity to Walloon Lake and Boyne City is really extraordinary. There is no other property in Northern Michigan that offers this unique combination of features,” she said.

Since purchasing the lodge this past September the Farriers have been working hard upgrading rooms and adding amenities while conscientious to maintain the building’s rustic charm. Some changes to the property include the removal of sports equipment and arcade games, new carpet, kitchen upgrades, alterations of some rooms to include free-standing queen size beds and the redecorating of rooms and quiet areas with an emphasis on nature themes by adding the work of local and regional artists as well as pieces

BELOW: Monica Farrier takes a walk through the gorgeous property at the Elvyn Lea Lodge



from the period of the lodge’s original 1950’s construction.

The main lodge has log-beamed ceilings with original knotty pine walls and a large central newly installed gas log fireplace surrounded by rocking chairs for guests to visit and relax. The second lounge is available for multi-purpose use such as presentations or quiet time. Free Internet access is available throughout and there is a special room set aside for massages and facials where guests can arrange for a little pampering. There are also a number of pet-friendly rooms available for those traveling with their dogs. Leashed dogs and their humans are also welcome on the 2.5 miles of walking trails on the property. Breakfast is included in the lodging fee, and additional meals can be arranged on site with the lodge’s commercial kitchen.

The new owners have a desire to support artists and local businesses and are expanding the lodge’s outreach to appeal to more adult groups with interests in arts and education. They also hope to utilize the trail system on the property for guests and events. They intend to do this by tapping into Northern Michigan’s rich supply of talented artists, writers, educators, entrepreneurs, and visionaries. “They are a tremendous resource for us because we want guests to see our property as a place where they can have an experience they can’t get anywhere else - a uniquely Northern Michigan experi-

ence. So we support these talented local people by bringing them together with our guests for programs here, providing them with supplemental income and new opportunities to promote their work. We also buy local art, music recordings, and books for our guests to enjoy while they are here,” Monica explained. Groups such as family reunions, weddings, educational programs, retreats and community events are now the focus of the Elvyn Lea.

They do however, offer opportunities for individual lodgers during what they call “theme week-

ends,” which are based around special events hosted by the lodge or that are taking place in the community. The first theme weekend will be the first weekend in May, with a May Day Celebration planned for Sunday, May 4. “It’s going to be spectacular!” said Monica. May Day is usually celebrated on May 1 and is an ancient traditional spring holiday in many cultures.

The Elvyn Lea will welcome spring with the traditional May Pole celebration and an impressive line-up of Northern Michigan talent. Including the use of Petoskey artist T.L.

Baumhardt’s beautiful fairy images in the event publicity, local musicians Vocalist Meghan McCullough and Odawa flutist Aaron Otto with May Pole activities accompanied by the lively music of “Sneaky Pete,” along with some music students from the area. Seamus Norgaard, a teacher at North Central Michigan College, will be leading a dedication ceremony. Local businesses and organizations will be participating too. “When publicity about the event goes out and people come, everyone benefits. At the same time these shared experiences help to foster a sense of community,” she said.

Please call if you’re planning to attend or register online. There is no charge, but having some sense of how many people are coming will help with preparations.

For more information on this and future events, visit the Elvyn Lea website at or call (231) 535-2475.

The Farriers are looking for old photos and information on the Lodge’s past. If anyone has anything that would be helpful please contact them.

Michael Farrier and Seamus Norgaard carefully select the May Pole for the upcoming May Day celebration at the Elvyn Lea Lodge Sunday, May 4.



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## weather

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FRIDAY



HIGH: Upper 40's  
LOW: Upper 30's

SATURDAY



HIGH: Low 50's  
LOW: Mid 30's

SUNDAY



HIGH: Upper 40's  
LOW: Mid 30's

MONDAY



HIGH: Low 50's  
LOW: Mid 30's

TUESDAY



HIGH: Low 50's  
LOW: Upper 30's

## record temps

Day	Avg.	High	Avg.	Low	Record High	Record Low
1	.....64°F	.....36°F	.....85°F	(1951)	.....22°F	(1963)
2	.....65°F	.....37°F	.....85°F	(2010)	.....21°F	(1990)
3	.....65°F	.....37°F	.....87°F	(1955)	.....13°F	(1986)
4	.....65°F	.....37°F	.....87°F	(1955)	.....21°F	(1967)
5	.....66°F	.....37°F	.....86°F	(2000)	.....22°F	(1958)
6	.....66°F	.....38°F	.....86°F	(2000)	.....18°F	(1968)
7	.....66°F	.....38°F	.....87°F	(1986)	.....20°F	(1968)

## OBITUARIES

### Betty Lou Kewagshken, 76

(DEC. 1, 1937 – APRIL 20, 2014)

Betty Lou Kewagshken of Charlevoix passed away Sunday, April 20, 2014, at Bortz Health Care in Petoskey. She was born December 1, 1937, in Charlevoix to Guy and Susan (Tepakeyah) John. She married Hersel Kewagshken in October of 1958, and he preceded her in death on 1975.

She enjoyed bead-work, arts and crafts, bingo, garage sales, and going to the casino, but most of all, she enjoyed her grandchildren. She was a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

Betty is survived by her son, Ronald L. John of Traverse City; daughter, Anna (Gary) Smith of Charlevoix; brothers, George McClellan of Bay Shore, Thurlow (Joyce) McClellan, Steve McClellan all of Traverse City; sisters, Evelyn Didrickson of Anchorage, Alaska, Elizabeth Crockett, Carol Fields, Virginia Fields all of Bay Shore; half-brother, Patrick Shomin of Elkhart, Ind. She was preceded in death by her son, Kenneth; sister, Arlene, and brothers, Levi and Randy.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, April 23, at Greensky Hill Indian Mission United Methodist Church in Charlevoix. The Reverend Sam McClellan and Tribal Shaman Joe Mitchell conducted the service. Interment will take place near Betty's grandfather, Peter John Wabanimkee, at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix this summer.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewagshken family. Please sign Betty's guestbook at [www.winchesterfuneralhome.com](http://www.winchesterfuneralhome.com)

### Linda McElroy, 65

(MAY 7, 1948 – APRIL 26, 2014)

Linda McElroy of Allen Park passed away peacefully April 26, 2014 at Georgia House in Charlevoix after a three-year battle with cancer.

On May 7, 1948 Linda Tornga was born to the late Jacob and Alice (McElroy) Tornga in Charlevoix. She grew up in rural Ellsworth and graduated from Ellsworth High School in 1966. From there she began a 41-year career with the airline industry and retired from Delta Airlines in 2009.

On September 28, 1970 on a Hawaiian beach she married Andries Stekete, and 15 years later they divorced.

Her career provided her with opportunities to travel to many places that were of interest to her. She continued to explore the world. She and her sister traveled to Ireland, and she decided to change her last name to McElroy to reflect the love of her Irish heritage.

Her favorite color was pink and she enjoyed adding the color pink to items that were not pink or needed more pink.

Flower gardening was a hobby as was decorating elaborately for social events and holidays. She loved nature and pets and recently became involved with the pet rescue Shelter to Home.

She will be missed by her brothers Jack (Ardith) Tornga, Jerry (Sharon Earle) Tornga, sister Laurel (Don) Owen, aunts and uncles Mary (Bob) Best, Grace and Albert Tornga, nephews Scott Tornga and Derek (Stephanie) McDaniel, nieces Nicole (Ron) Johnson and Andrea Earle, great niece Renee Johnson and great nephew Ryland McDaniel, cousins and friends, especially Rosie Huber who was always there for her when her family was unable.

The family wishes to recognize the staff at Georgia House for the loving care, understanding and compassion shown to Linda during and are also grateful to Hospice of Northwest Michigan.

Visitation will be Wednesday, April 30 from noon to 1 p.m. at Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth with a service at 1 p.m. The Rev. Chris Wallace will officiate. Final resting place will be At-

wood Cemetery.

### Lawrence Leon Nemecek, 80

(August 21, 1933 – April 28, 2014)

Lawrence Leon Nemecek died on Monday, April 28, 2014 at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix, MI.

He was born on August 21, 1933 at the family farm in Jordan Township, the son of Francis and Jennie (Trojanek) Nemecek.

On September 25, 1965 in Jackson, Michigan, he married Sandra Vogt.

Lawrence was a member and Elder of St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church in Jordan Township. He worked as a clerk for the United States Postal Service. Most of his life, Lawrence worked as a dairy farmer and retired on April 28, 2014.

He enjoyed farming, hunting, fishing, reading and traveling.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Nemecek of East Jordan; three children, Lawrence A. (Jackie) Nemecek of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Philip J. (Patty) Nemecek of East Jordan and Laura L. (Kevin) Harmelink of Grand Rapids; eight grandchildren; three brothers, Otto (Joan) Nemecek of Nunica, Ivan (Marlene) Nemecek of Cedar Springs and Leon (Patricia) Nemecek of Kalamazoo; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial mass will be held on a date to be announced. Memorial contributions may be given to St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, East Jordan Ambulance Association or Otsego, Memorial Hospital Foundation.

### Douglas Elisha Kile, Jr., 28

(AUG. 17, 1985 – APRIL 23, 2014)

Douglas Elisha Kile, Jr. of Traverse City passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, April 23, 2014.

Doug was born on August 17, 1985 in Charlevoix, MI the son of Douglas Elisha Kile and Susan Nachazel. He grew up in southern Indiana and the East Jordan area. Doug had the ability to fix anything from electronics to cars. He was a very caring, loving and outgoing person; it was often that he would know all of his neighbors names before they knew his. Doug's family will remember him as caring for others more than himself and the love he had for his two sons.

Doug is survived by his two sons; Dolan Elisha Kile and Karsten Aaron Kile; mother Susan (Nachazel) Ouellette; father Douglas Kile; fiancé Danielle Ramirez; sister Deanna Kile; brother Matthew Kile; sisters Erica Morse and Hannah Gerrie; nieces Kyleigh, Savanna, Alayna and Lunabelle; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Private family services have been held and a graveside service for family and friends will be held at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Boyne City, MI times to be announced. In lieu of flowers family request donations to be directed to Matthew Kile, C/O Stackus Funeral Home 417 Elm Street Boyne City, MI 49712 for use towards a memorial tribute at the cemetery.

Mary Elizabeth Hall (NOV. 5, 1928 – APRIL 26, 2014)

Mary Elizabeth Hall longtime resident of Petoskey, died April 26, 2014 at McLaren Northern Michigan at the age of 85.

Mary was born the daughter of William E. and Elizabeth E. (Perrin) Dunstan on November 5, 1928 in Detroit. She grew up in Detroit until the age of 16 when her parents moved north to Petoskey eventually opening the business that would bear the family name, Wm. Dunstan Supply Company. Mary continued her education in Petoskey and was a graduate of Petoskey High School. She worked in the family business for more than four decades, becoming co-owner with her brother William after the death of their father.

On April 11, 1954 she married George Hall, the two shared 53 wonderful years of marriage; he preceded Mary in death on August 8, 2007.

Mary loved her family, cottage life on Lagoon Lake, her friends and her church community. She was a member of the Petoskey

United Methodist Church. Her latest passion was playing Rummikub.

Mary is survived by her children Linda (Tom) Goozen, Laurie (Glenn) Groselak, and Steven Hall (Carrie Woodthorp). Her nine grandchildren include Julia (Andrew) Cummings, Megan (Derrick) Green, Cassi Goozen, Jake, Ben and Nick Groselak, Melissa (Andy) Mayer, Ryan Hall, and Kim (Scott) Crapo; great grandchildren include, William, Madeleine, Logan, Lucy and Olivia. She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Nancy Dunstan, brother-in-law, Harold Hall; close friends, Virginia Wilbur, Katy and Paul Varga and Jay and Clem O'Neil. Including her husband George, Mary was also preceded in death by her brother, William A. Dunstan.

Mary's life will be remembered, honored and celebrated during a funeral service which will be held this Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Petoskey United Methodist Church. Visitation will be held at the church on Saturday from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Dr. James Mitchum will officiate. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

Those wishing to remember Mary with a charitable contribution are asked to consider donations to Brother Dan's Food Pantry.

### Lawrence Joseph Martin, 92

(SEPT. 23, 1921 – APRIL 20, 2014)

Lawrence J. Martin passed away on Easter Sunday morning, April 20, 2014.

Lawrence "Larry" was born in Grand Rapids, MI to Lawrence and Rose Martin. He attended Davis Tech High School.

During World War II, Larry served as a High Speed Radio Operator in the Army 245th Signal Operation Corps. He served in the Asiatic - Pacific Theatre, primarily in China. He obtained the rank of Technical Sergeant. Upon being honorably discharged from the Army, he bought a wooded parcel on Little Platte Lake, near Honor, where with the help of family and friends built a cabin and a road to the lake. After 10 years and 99 sticks of dynamite, the road was completed. The cabin remained a favorite place to entertain family and friends throughout his life.

Larry met his future wife, Marian Johnson, on a blind date. Although Marian accidentally broke his portable radio on the hayride, Larry was undeterred. In 1949, Marian and Larry were married in Grand Rapids.

After working as a fireman for a year, Larry attended Grand Rapids Junior College. He gained employment as an engineer at Lear. In 1962, the Martin family moved to Boyne City. Larry worked as a process engineer for United Technologies until he retired in 1987.

Known for his hospitality and generosity, no visitor ever went hungry at the Martin house. Larry made sure that each person had more than enough food. "No, thank you" was not an acceptable answer.

Larry was a member of St. Matthew's Church and VFW. He participated in several community activities and was a charter member and past president of the Boyne Valley Lions Club.

Hunting, fishing, boating, playing pinocle, woodworking, and tending to his vegetable garden were some of his favorite past hobbies. Most of all, he treasured time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by Marian, his wife of 64 years, brothers Richard (Margaret) Martin, Wayne (Phyllis) Martin, sister Rosemary (Robert) McIntosh, and daughters Laura (Dean) Johnson, Nancy Martin (Charlie Gann), Julie (James) Wilhelm, grandchildren Joshua, Nicholas, & Lauren Gann, Mark & Michael Wilhelm, step-granddaughter Heatherlyn (Cory) Reamer, and step-great grandchildren Emmalyn and James Reamer. Larry was preceded in death by his parents, sister Eleanor Black, and brothers Donald, Clayton, and Gordon Martin.

The Martin family would like to thank all those who provided such compassionate care for Lawrence over the last several years.

A memorial mass will be held Monday, May 12, 2014 at St. Matthews Church at 10:00 AM. Visitation Monday will be from 9:00 AM until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Matthew's Church in Boyne City or to the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Middle School

scholarship fund in Traverse City.

### Bryan W. Spaniak, 53

(AUG. 7, 1960 – APRIL 28, 2014)

Bryan W. Spaniak of Boyne City died on Monday, April 28, 2014 at home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced later.

### Mary Ella Patton, 93

(SEPTEMBER 14, 1920 – APRIL 26, 2014)

Mary Ella Patton of East Jordan passed away on April 26, 2014 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Mary was born on September 14, 1920 in Grand Haven, MI, the daughter of George and Lillian (Bryant) Nickerson.

Mary was a long time resident of East Jordan where she was instrumental in building the Full Gospel Truth Church, currently known as the Celebrate Church in East Jordan. She is currently the eldest member of the church.

She loved her church and being an active part of it. She also enjoyed traveling, crocheting, reading and spending time with her grandchildren and her family.

On November 9, 1936, in Central Lake, she married Herman "Bo" Patton who preceded her in death. Also preceding her in death were 2 sons, Thomas Patton, George Patton, a grandson Jerry Patton, brother Chuck Nickerson, sister Ruby Austin, a son-in-law Arnold "Butch" Frohriep as well as her parents.

She is survived by 6 children, Jim (Diane) Patton of Kingman, AZ, Willard (Mary) Patton of Pikeville, TN, Karen Frohriep of Boyne City, Sharon (Mike) Murphy of Henager, AL, Randy Patton of DeSoto, IL, Chris (Diane) Patton of Pikeville, TN, 23 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, several great-great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, a sister Ruth (Richard) Fales of Wyoming, MI, and a daughter-in-law Norma Patton of East Jordan.

Funeral services will take place on Wednesday, April 30 at 11:00 a.m. at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Visitation will be on Tuesday from 3-7 p.m. also at the funeral home.

Interment will follow in Southern Cemetery, Central Lake Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Please sign our online guestbook at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com).

### Lawrence Joseph Speigl, 90

(APRIL 10, 1924 – APRIL 22, 2014)

Lawrence Joseph Speigl of Bay Shore died Tuesday, April 22, 2014, at his home. Rite of Christian Burial was Saturday, April 26, at Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix, with the Reverend Matthew Wight officiating. Burial at St. Francis Cemetery in Petoskey.

Lawrence (Larry) was born on April 10, 1924, in Hayes Township to Jake and Margaret (Shodtz) Speigl. He grew up on the family farm on Murray Road and attended the Murray School. Larry enlisted in the Navy in 1943 and served in both the European and Pacific Theaters.

After the war, he began working for Brunswick Corporation and ended up building bowling alleys for the better part of 40 years in locations that stretched all across the United States and from Germany to Tokyo.

On February 11, 1961, Larry married Elinor Howe in Petoskey. They were members of Saint Frances Solanus Church in Bay Shore, where they made their home.

Larry was also a member of the Eagles, Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the American Legion. He was also a member of the Detroit Carpenter's Union. When he wasn't building bowling alleys, he constructed numerous houses for himself or for family, made improvements at the church and

built too many additions and garages to mention. But a lifetime of hard work was balanced by an appreciation of a good time.

He played ball for the Toledo Mud Hens and had a lifelong love of baseball. He definitely enjoyed happy hour with the guys.

Earlier this month, family and friends gathered to toast Larry with his beverage of choice, a Miller High Life, when they helped him celebrate his 90th birthday.

Larry is survived by brothers: John (Mary Lou) Speigl of Charlevoix and Fred (Betty) Speigl of Petoskey; sisters-in-law, Ardeth Wieland of Charlevoix and Arvilla Bates of Baldwinsville, NY; his nieces and nephews from the Simon, Moore, Speigl, Ager, Bates and Wieland Families; his cousins Phillip (Janet) Speigl and Helga (Volker) Binder.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Elinor, his brother, Leo; his sisters: Mary, Anne and Clara; his brother-in-laws, Ted, Herb, Terry, Bill and Tom; and his sister-in-law Vonda.

Special thanks go to the team of devoted family and dedicated caregivers, whose efforts allowed Larry to live out his final years on his own terms, in his own home. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan.

### Frances H. Pletz, 93

A graveside service for Frances H. Pletz of Charlevoix will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix. The Rev. Neil Wilson will officiate. Frances passed away on Dec. 3, 2013. Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is serving the family.

### Lorna Beishlag, 102

Lorna Beishlag of East Jordan died Friday, Feb. 14, 2014, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

A memorial service will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in East Jordan.

Arrangements were handled by the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc. in East Jordan.

### Pauline L. Goodburn, 76

Pauline L. Goodburn, 76, of East Jordan, died Friday, March 14, 2014, in Albany, Ga. A graveside service was held Tuesday, April 29, at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan. The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Homes Inc.

### Lyle S. King, 85

Lyle S. King, 85, of Charlevoix, died March 21, 2014. A graveside service will take place at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 2, at the Barnard Cemetery in Charlevoix. Arrangements were handled by Winchester Funeral Home, Charlevoix.

### David Vance Sirmons, 79

(JULY 21, 1934 – APRIL 20, 2014)

David Vance Sirmons of East Jordan passed away April 20, 2014, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix with family by his side. David was born in Sherman, Texas, on July 21, 1934, to William and (Essie) Sirmons. They moved to Altus, Okla., where David grew up. David met Janet Coe and they married Nov. 9, 1951. She was the love of his life and they were married for 63 years. Together they had six children, Sherman, George, Lynn, Dale, Keith and Sherry "Sissy."

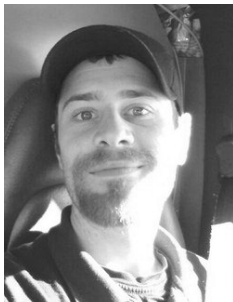
David was a farmer most of his life but he had many trade skills; but farming was what he loved. He enjoyed tractors and everything about them. He also enjoyed his family and all the time he could spend with them. David met many people on his journey through life and made a very big impact on them; he will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate to have met and known him.

David is survived by his wife, Janet; sons, Lynn, Dale and Keith; daughter, Sherry; 18 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his sons, Sherman and George; and grandson, Bruce.

A celebration of David's life with a luncheon will take place at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, at the VFW Hall in East Jordan and all are welcome to share memories.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family. Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of David are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com).





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## Special Elections May 6th



By Jessica Boyce

There are upcoming Special Elections for many of the counties in Michigan on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Here is a list of what your County will be voting on.

**Emmet County:** This County will vote on the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Area Vocational-Technical Education Millage Renewal Proposal. The proposal states, "This proposal will allow the intermediate school district to continue to levy vocational-technical education millage previously approved by the electors." The millage would last from 2014 to 2017 and would allow the school district to collect approximately \$3,763,440 from local property taxes.

**Cheboygan County** will also vote on the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Proposal.

**Otsego County:** On the ballot for Otsego County is a Sportsplex Millage as well as the Vanderbilt Area Schools Operating Millage Renewal Proposal.

The Sportsplex Millage states, "This proposal is for a new millage and will permit the County to levy up to 3/16 of one mil (\$0.1875 per \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) to provide funds for the maintenance and any capital improvements at the Otsego County Sportsplex." The millage would last from 2014 to 2018 and would raise approximately \$218,417 for Otsego County in 2014.

The Vanderbilt Area Schools Proposal states, "This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by the law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance." This millage would last from 2014 to 2023 and would provide funds for operating purposes. The estimated revenue the school district would collect is approximately \$950,000.

**Antrim County:** This County will also be voting on the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Proposal as well as the Ellsworth Community School Millage Renewal Proposal Building and Site Sinking Fund Tax Levy. The Ellsworth Community School Proposal would be for a period of 5 years, 2014 to 2018 and would provide money for sinking fund purposes to be used for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law. The revenue the school dis-

trict would collect from the millage is approximately \$126,236.

**Charlevoix County:** County residents will vote on the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District Area Proposal, the Vanderbilt Area Schools Operating Millage Renewal Proposal, the Ellsworth Community School Millage Renewal Proposal, and the Beaver Island Community School Operating Millage Renewal Proposal. The Beaver Island Community School Proposal states, "This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 15.7908 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance." The millage would be good for 2014 and 2015 and would provide funds for operating purposes. The school district would collect approximately \$1,440,902 from the millage.

**Crawford County:** This County will be voting on the Roscommon Area Public Schools Operating Millage Proposal. The millage that collects the non-homestead taxes expires at the end of 2014, so this is a renewal of the previous millage that will expire. The millage will be good for 2015 through 2017 and the school district would collect over \$7,000,000.

**Presque Isle County:** There is no millage to vote on for Presque Isle County, but there is a recall for two Onaway City Commissioners from their positions as City Commissioners of Onaway.

**Oscoda and Montmorency County** will not be holding Special Elections on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

For more information on the upcoming May 6<sup>th</sup> Special Elections, call your County Clerk or visit your County's website.

## The Anatomy of an Election

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY—This May 6, forty-one polling stations will gear up for a single issue on the ballot. For many who are familiar with the election process this raises questions. What does it take to hold an election of any kind? How many man hours are involved and how much taxpayer money is spent? Is it really worthwhile to conduct an election with just one issue? Is this mismanagement of funds and if so on what level, local or state?

Until 2012 school board members were also on the May ballots which made the elections more worthwhile. The single issue on this year's ballot is a renewal .75 mileage for Char-Em ISD's Career and Technical Education Program for a period of four years, 2014-2017. The proposal was originally approved by voters 18 years ago and has been renewed by voters three times since then.

The ISD serves fourteen schools in four counties. That means forty-three polling jurisdictions are required by law to have their polls open for this one issue. Some townships like St. James in Charlevoix County and Banks in Antrim will have another school related issue on the ballot but most are opening the polls for only one issue.

The four counties served by the ISD includes Charlevoix, Antrim, Emmet, and Cheboygan. Staff members at each of the four counties are required to spend time preparing for and operating the election. So, what does it take to run an election? According to Lori Parris with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office, on the county level, their office receives candidate filings, receives proposal wording, verifies petitions qualification (required number of registered voters), prepares and publishes notices for last day to register for election, writes and submits notice of election to the media, conducts public accuracy test, holds a Board of Canvass meeting, enters information into the qualified voter file (offices and items on ballot, including number of openings and length of term, candidate information and proposal wording), forwards information to ballot printer, tests tabulator programming for accuracy, sends proof ballots to candidates and to city/townships, orders precinct kits, orders ballots, programs flash drive for AutoMark machine (voter assistance machines), prepares instruction paperwork for precincts, notifies Board of Canvass of meeting, delivers precinct supplies, is available to all precincts on election day for support, receives sealed election results from precincts, prints all certification paperwork for Board of Canvass, attends Board of Canvass meeting, notifies top vote receiver, certifies proposal results, compiles and bills all precincts for election costs, and files and maintain records. "I would have to say this process takes approximately 100 hours give or take a few depending on the size of the election," said Parris.

During the month before the election the forty-three township Clerks will be required to process absentee ballots, find inspectors to work the polls and be available the Saturday and Monday before the election. Their job includes setting-up and tearing down the polls, processing the ballots and delivering them to the county. This averages to around forty hours according to Hissong-Berry. Multiplied by the forty-three clerks that's another 1,720 man hours.

The local precincts that will operate the polls include 3 in Cheboygan County, 2 in Antrim, nineteen in Emmet, and nineteen in Charlevoix County. If you multiply the forty-three polling locations by the minimum required 3 election inspectors that will work just the day of the voting that equals 1,939 man hours at an average wage of \$11 per hour. That's an expense of \$21,285.00 in wages for May 6. "Election workers are usually community minded citizens. They are well known active community members. The waste of time and money for a very limited issue election will be talked about in many places and the risk is voters being disturbed with this wasteful use of tax dollars is a NO vote. These are challenging times for all. We must invest the time and money our community has wisely," said Melrose Township Clerk,

Robin Hissong-Berry.

According to Cheri Browe, Charlevoix County Clerk, the taxpayers aren't paying for anything the county puts into this election. "As far as the May election is concerned the ISD will be charged 100% of the costs for ballots, programming the election equipment, notices, precinct kits and the Canvass Board per diems, with the exception of sharing these expenses with St. James Township only, as they are the only unit that has anything on the May ballot," she explained.

Donna Heeres, Banks Township Clerk noted that it isn't good to hold a single issue election and emphasized the amount of work involved. "This is coming to the point of diminishing returns for them, it isn't good to have an election with one question on it," she said. She also said that expenses incurred at the township level, postage and inspector's wages will be billed to the ISD. The only expense not reimbursed by the ISD, or whatever entity is on the ballot, is the clerk's invested time. "It's part of my salary. The years there is not an election I get paid the same as the years when there is an election," she said. Heeres estimated her time spent on election matters higher than Hissong-Berry did, she figures she invests closer to one hundred hours in an election no matter what's on the ballot.

If the ISD or whatever entity chooses to hold a single issue election has to absorb such a large cost why not wait until August or November? In an email, Char-Em ISD Superintendent Rick Diebold explained, "This year we explored the option of delaying until an August election in order to reduce the cost of the election because we thought it made sense. We discovered, however, that this delay would actually be more costly and significantly problematic from several perspectives," he said.

A series of events would unfold if the ISD were to delay the election from one fiscal year into the next by switching from May until August. According to law without voter approval the revenue would not be allowed to be included in the 2014-15 budget which is required by law to be approved prior to the start of the school fiscal year July 1. "As a result, every one of the eleven local constituent districts within our service area would be unable to include their portion of these revenues in their 2014-15 budgets as well," he said.

Michigan law prohibits inclusion of unapproved revenues in budgets. That means, the ISD plus all 11 districts would be unable to provide reasonable assurance to any employees whose positions are supported through these Career Tech millage funds. Consequently, all twelve school districts would have to layoff these employees prior to the end of this school year, making them immediately eligible for unemployment benefits over the course of the entire summer. This expense is far greater than any additional election day related costs. "Moving an election into a future fiscal year would add many costly hours and legal fees for all schools related to layoff and recall procedures, revising and amending budgets in August, configuring then re-configuring student class schedules and then re-scheduling students, etc. Generally speaking, school districts who pushed traditional May school elections into the next fiscal year would also suffer significant complications related to summer tax collections since Michigan's General Property Tax Act requires that county and township treasurers be notified of millage rates prior to June 1. These complications would negate the purpose of summer tax collection and would force schools to borrow against anticipated tax revenues adding legal and interest costs and forfeiting any investment revenues," said Diebold.

It appears that the May election date is the only date allowing schools to comply with various Michigan laws. "When viewed in full context, it (holding a May vote) is most certainly a more financially responsible option," said Diebold. Perhaps the change that would make the process more economical needs to come on the state level.

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EAST JORDAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

## The Insurance Shop is the East Jordan Business of the Month

by Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—The Insurance Shop of East Jordan has been serving the needs of the East Jordan area since 1981. They have earned the prestigious 5-Star Agency Award presented by Fremont Insurance. It is the highest honor that Fremont Insurance offers within its annual recognition program and is a tribute to The Insurance Shop's dedication to its customers, community and business partners. Owner Nikki Skrocki doesn't only possess a good mind for business but loves and supports

PICTURED(l-r): Jackie Cutler, Brenda Bingham, Nikki Skrocki and Kim Brooks

her community.

The Insurance Shop was founded in 1981 by Michael Burr, Skrocki's father. She is a graduate of East Jordan High School and with two of her three children still in school she remains a dedicated Red Devil fan. She studied business at Michigan State University before coming home and taking over the family business. Skrocki coaches JV softball and is in her own words, "head over heels involved with little league." Her business is a constant sponsor of community and chamber events. "We may even be a little excessive in that area," she said. But mentioned that she is especially proud to sponsor the Freedom Festival.

What makes The Insurance Shop different from other agen-

cies around town? Skrocki says it's diversity. The Shop represents fourteen different markets and specializes in property and casualty insurances. "We cover anything other than health care," she explained. She says helping people is the heart of her business. "Really, all you have to sell is your service because you can get the pricing everywhere especially when you are dealing with online agencies," she said. Usually, the consumer is uneducated as to what they need and don't need when it comes to insurance. "They either over purchase or under purchase, we guide them through the process, they aren't going to get that from an online agency," she said.



## Downtown Charlevoix will be a Hot Spot

### DDA, City and Chamber moving forward on Wi-Fi

By Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: Want to watch a movie in East Park during a warm summer day? How about look up details on the local band playing in the pavilion without worrying about going over your data? Soon you can!

The Charlevoix Downtown Development Authority met on April 28 to approve moving forward with a wireless internet study that would allow visitors and business owners alike to tie into Wi-Fi downtown. Monday, John Childs of Child's Consulting Services explained to DDA members that the project is in fact technically and financially feasible; a seeming green light for those wanting the project to get underway.

Childs has been working on the first stage of the project by researching other areas that have chosen to offer free downtown Wi-Fi to visitors and by looking into what options would be available to Charlevoix to do so. According to his research, 15 other cities in Michigan are offering Wi-Fi in downtown areas and report benefits from doing so. Areas as close as Traverse City are launching plans to offer Wi-Fi in the hopes of adding a new element to visitors experience to strengthen tourism.

In Charlevoix the Wi-Fi network would initially range from Bridge St, East Park, and the Marina. These areas are the most densely visited in the summer months, which makes them prime candidates for this type of service. Childs stated at the meeting that his research has found the project to be completely manageable for the DDA, City, and Chamber.



PHOTOS BY NORMA JEAN BABCOCK

The devices used to create the network would be unobtrusive; either hanging on power cables or mounted to telephone poles. Childs stated that many vendors are already excited about bidding on such a project, including companies that have done this type of wiring previously. According to some of their estimates, once the contract is secure Wi-Fi could be up and running as soon as 6 weeks later.

The cost of the project is only estimated currently; Childs indicated that the project could range from \$20,000 to \$70,000 depending on the company chosen to install and maintain the devices. At this point, the project needs to be so-

lidified and a contract needs to be written up for companies to bid on. At the meeting DDA Board members indicated a desire to do so and to do so quickly.

"I'm all in favor of fast tracking this thing...let's get wired for wireless," stated John Yorach.

For the second stage of this project to progress, the DDA will give \$1,900 towards creating the contract and bidding out. The City and Chamber will also contribute toward the project to the tune of \$5,700 between all three entities. If this second phase moves quickly Charlevoix could see downtown Wi-Fi as soon as mid July.

## Area schools participate in fiber art project

The Rare Threads 2014 Committee has sponsored an in school program, dying silk scarfs with bleeding tissues paper, presented to area fifth grade students. The process consists of creating a design of the students choice by either tearing or cutting shapes of different colors of tissue. Half of the scarf is covered with the tissue, then it is spritzed with a vinegar/water mixture, the other half of the scarf is folded onto the first half and then spritzed again. The scarf is then covered with plastic and rolled tightly. The instructors take the scarves for the final process. They rest overnight, opened and then allowed to dry. The tissue is removed and the scarf is pressed, then washed and pressed again. The finished scarves are returned to the students. Some will be selected for exhibit in the Rare Threads—MERAKI Exhibit Scheduled at the Jordan River Art Center, September 28 through November 9.

This was an in school fiber art project with volunteer instructors going to the participating schools. Schools participating were Charlevoix, Elk Rapids two elementary schools, East Jordan, Central Lake, Boyne City, Ellsworth, Bellaire, Boyne Falls, Mancelona, and Beaver Island. Roughly 600 student were reached. The supplies were all furnished by grants from the Charlevoix County community Foundation, Elk Rapids Rotary, Torch Area Artists Guild and individual donations.

The Rare Threads, MERAKI committee are: Sylvia Walworth Chair, Nancy Carey, Sharon Gardner, Julie Hurd, Julia McLemore, Yasmin Richmond, Cynthia Tschudy, Marcia Waara, and Christine Simmer. Other volunteers helping in this project are: Mary Ann Rivers, Betty Easley, Susan Mabee, Lind More, Howard Ellis. For further information Call Sylvia, 231 599 3065 or e-mail sylwalworth@charter.net.

BANKS TOWNSHIP BOARD, APRIL 22, 2014

## Which roads will be resurfaced?

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH—Which roads are to be resurfaced by the township this year was decided and discussion was held on the new ambulance authority and the Township Day Park's missing deed.

A court hearing regarding the title lawsuit over the improperly filed deed to the Banks Township Day Park is scheduled for May 12 at the Bellaire Court House. Clerk Donna Heeres and Treasurer Katie Postmus were formally invited to the hearing. The deed was never properly filed. "It took us two years and hopefully Monday it will be done," said Heeres. The board had applied for two grants in hopes of making improvements to the park, the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund and the Recreation Passport Grant. Many hours of planning went into designing plans that would benefit the park and meet grant criteria. The grants both have an April 1 deadline. "So, we'll have to be in next year's run maybe, it just kind of knocked the wind out of our sails," said Heeres.

A new updated five year plan was received from the Antrim County Road Commission which included recommendations for the upkeep of existing roads. Roads cited for tar, chip and seal (like what was done to

Farrell Road) this year are Brown, Banks Township Park and Joliffe Roads. The County made suggestions for gravel road work in 2015 for Slough and Scott Roads. The estimated share for the township is \$35,811. A motion to accept the recommendation was unanimously passed.

Supervisor Mann gave an update on the incoming Jordan Valley Area Ambulance Authority. He is now President of the JVAAA board. He reported that the JVAAA is meeting weekly to put together the language to place a .5 mil on the August ballot. If the millage passes the average home in Banks Township will pay \$25 annually for ambulance service. "I am thrilled with the teamwork of the participating townships and the City of East Jordan. This committee has been such a pleasure to work with, this group has been diligently working to continue to provide top notch ambulance service at the lowest possible cost to our citizens," he said.

Cody Randall attended the meeting to introduce himself to the board. He is the new EMS Director of the Banks Township Fire Department.

Clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, May 10 from 8-11 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Banks Township Board is set for May 19 at 7 pm.

## Spring open house at Raven Hill

Raven Hill Discovery Center is pleased to announce its 23rd annual Spring Open House. On Sunday, May 4, from noon to 4 pm, visitors can play in the museum, see the animals and explore outdoors. The Earth Tones Music Garden, Jurassic Park Walk, Schoolhouse, Treehouse and Ancient World exhibits will be open.

There will be light refreshments and a short program at 1:30 pm to acknowledge the 2014 operations grant awarded by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts and to dedicate the new Trumpeter Swan exhibit made possible by the Petoskey Regional Audubon Society and taxidermist, Jim Haveman.

Some of the art created by Boyne Falls middle school students will be on display. Fifth through eighth graders are participating in the CASH (Connecting Art Science History) for Kids program also funded by Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. The CASH for Kids program is a collaboration between Raven Hill and Boyne Falls School and promotes the connections between science, history and the arts in cultures throughout the world.

Visitors can register for the special Luke Buck Water Color Workshop (June 26 & 27), sign



The new Trumpeter Swan exhibit at Raven Hill Discovery Center. The exhibit was made possible by the Petoskey Regional Audubon Society and taxidermist, Jim Haveman.

up for a Raven Hill membership, buy tickets for the Center's annual Summer Magic Fundraiser and shop the gift shop for a Raven Hill T-shirt or Astronaut ice cream. Information will also be available regarding the 2014 for summer classes for children and adults.

Raven Hill Discovery Center is the only place in northern Lower Michigan where children and adults can link science, history & the arts with hands-on activities and explorations both indoors and outdoors. Connections emerge through classes, exhibits and facilities that provide opportunities for all ages to learn, create, grow and play. Raven Hill is located between East Jordan and Boyne City, just off C-48 at Pearsall Road. Call 231-536-3369 for more information.



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## Farmer's Market

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ish with continual direction and support by Leese throughout its busy season.

The market will see an exciting year; with environmental awareness events, kids days, food demonstrations, and entertainment all summer long. Patrons of this year's market will be delighted to find live acoustic music at each market this summer as the sun rises behind them on Round Lake. The first market of each month will feature a booth by Charlevoix Area Hospital where health screenings will be offered free of charge.

The Northwest Michigan Health Department will also offer food demonstrations throughout the summer, including an asparagus cooking recipe back by popular demand on May 29. The demonstrations will give patrons the opportunity to see local produce transform into culinary deliciousness with quick and easy recipes.

The focus isn't just on produce however, a "Green Market Day" is set for June 19 and will feature recycling stations, "upcycling" booths and a focus on ways to be environmentally conscious while using what you have at home. Throughout the market will be information on environmental issues and how citizens can make small adjustments to keep Charlevoix beautiful.

For kids, August 14th will be a must attend. East Park's Odmark Pavilion features a puppet show by Kevin Kammeraad's Cooperfly Puppet Troupe. The event is sponsored by the Charlevoix Library and was attended by over 500 kids last year! The whole theme of the market for that day is "Kid's Day" and children and parents are invited to wander through the booths which will have special offerings for kids.

This year will have awesome happenings every Thursday during market hours. Join instructor Heidi Dietrich for Yoga in the Park from 8:30 am to 9:30 am beginning June 26 through October 2 by the East Park Pavilion. Not into morning exercise? Bring the kids and settle in for stories by the big rock from 11:00-11:30 am compliments of Round Lake Bookstore.

Make sure to schedule in a weekly visit to the Charlevoix Farmer's Market this summer! Support local farmers, learn more about keeping Charlevoix gorgeous, and enjoy delectable tastes of locally grown food. If you can't make it every week, make sure to follow along for photos of the fun at the Charlevoix Farmer's Market Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/CharlevoixFarmersMarket](http://www.facebook.com/CharlevoixFarmersMarket).

## Business Expo

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A break from the traditional expo both, people were invited to watch an introduction video then were helped with an iPad and custom "Boyne Beats" headphones. Using the iPads and an app called "Aurasma" the pictures would come to life and a video would play on screen to talk about different areas of what Boyne City Public Schools offered.

Students spent several weeks filming and editing video as well as designing the layout of the tour. "This tour showcased what Boyne City has to offer and incorporated the new technology we use to provide a first class education," stated Cutler.

This year's expo truly highlighted how much Boyne City has to offer.



This family is four generations of men who attended the Father Son event, and the oldest father to attend with his son, grandson, and great grandchildren. Pictured is of Denny Aenis, Brenden (7), Ken Watson, Mike Aenis, and Trevor (3). Four generations of men who have come to the event for 12 years.

# Rotary celebrates the bonds between fathers and sons

By Norma Jean Babcock

EAST JORDAN: Rotarians and citizens of East Jordan came together for the 94th year in a row to celebrate the bonds between father and son at this year's Father & Son Banquet held at the East Jordan Public High school Cafeteria on April 26.

The Father & Son banquet served as an opportunity for generations of men to gather and appreciate the unique bond between a father and his son through a delicious dinner served by East Jordan Lionesses and Girl Scout Troops 4119 and 10364. The dinner was followed by the awarding of Father of the Year, a comically entertaining yo-yo and spinning top artist, and the much anticipated Kentucky-Style Derby.

"This banquet is about honoring the father and the son and the relationships (they have)," said former Rotary President Tom Teske.

Generations of East Jordan men turned out to do just that, as well as to enjoy the exciting prize giveaways and entertainment that the event is known for. One such giveaway gave two young East Jordan students, Jesse Peters and Cody King, \$70 dollar prizes in the annual 50/50 Raffle. Additionally, in the speech "Toasting the Father-Son Relationship" Tim and Andrew Drenth spoke of the love between a father and son.

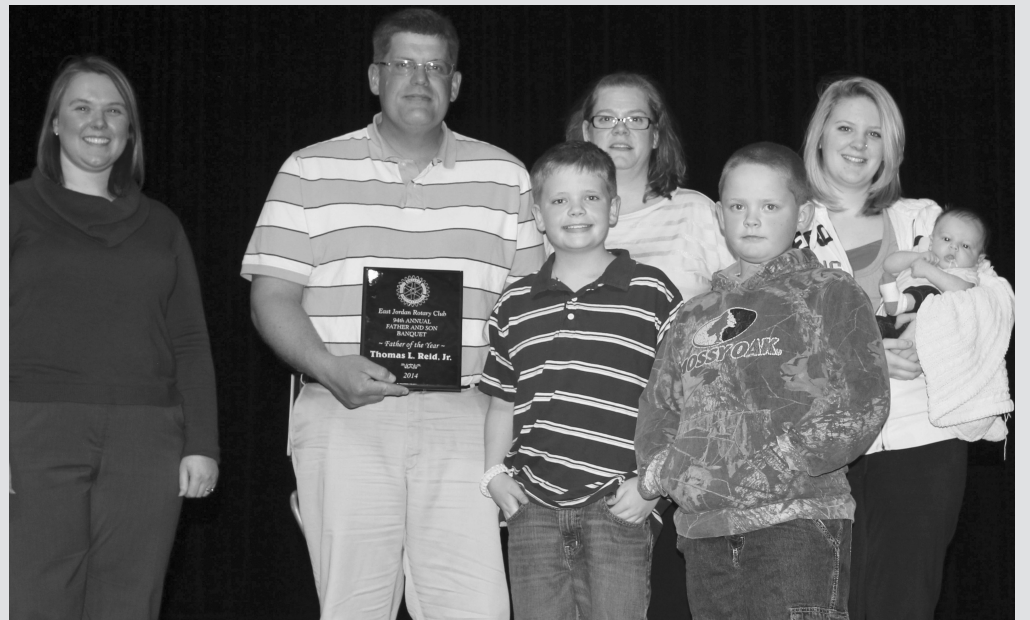
When the crowd moved to the East Jordan Community Auditorium the 2014 Father of the Year award was presented to Tom Reid, an East Jordan alumnus who is the current head coach of the Red Devils Baseball team. Mr. Reid is the father of six children and two grandchildren.

After the award was presented, Zeemo or Paul Kyprie took the stage and tickled attendee's funny bones with his impressive yo-yo skills and zinging jokes.

However, the main event had to be the Kentucky Style Derby, a tradition dating back to early in banquet history that all the young men in the room raised to their feet for. From ages 2 to 85 fathers and sons alike clambered onto small wooden horses to race around the stage in a race to finish first and gather the \$10 prize money and bag of delicious M & M's. The race had men, little and big, hollering for their favorites for first place for over 45 minutes.

Highlights of the evening included learning of the newest father to join the group; Matt McCloud who now has an eleven year old to join the festivities with him, to the oldest father, Ken Watson who came with 4 generations of his family.

## TOM REID NAMED FATHER OF THE YEAR



Jamie Fischer, East Jordan Rotary President presented the award to Thomas L. Reid, Jr., East Jordan 2014 Father of the Year. Proudly standing by Tom are his wife Michelle; his sons, Thomas and Benjamin; his daughter, Caitlyn holding grandson, Cole

The East Jordan Rotary Club announces that Thomas L. Reid, Jr., long-time resident of East Jordan, has been selected as East Jordan's "2014 Father of the Year". The award was presented by club president, Jamie Fischer, at the 94th annual Father-Son Banquet on Saturday, April 26, 2014.

Tom and his wife, Michelle, are parents of six (Josh, Tyler, Kortenaar, Caitlyn, Tommy and Benjamin) and grandparents of two (Parker and Cole). His family calls him "our rock, the

foundation that keeps us together". Michelle says "Tom is the most amazing man I have ever met and is truly deserving to be awarded father of the year". She continues ... "While serving on the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life committee, Tom is teaching our children the valuable life-lessons of volunteering for their community, organizing events that are meaningful to people and fundraising to meet goals which will benefit others."

A 1992 graduate of East

Jordan High School, Tom remains a Red-Devil. He is currently employed by East Jordan Public Schools as head of maintenance and is the head coach of the East Jordan Red Devils Baseball team. His spare time is spent coaching Little League baseball, Pop Warner football, bowling, and volunteering at the Lighthouse Missionary Church.

East Jordan is proud to recognize Tom Reid as 2014 FATHER OF THE YEAR.

The event highlights the amazing relationship that men have with their sons in a truly positive way. For more family fun Rotarians invite any interested community members to

their upcoming Variety Show which will be held June 6th and 7th at the EJPS Community Auditorium.

## Kayak for a Cause launch party takes place May 8th in Petoskey

By Jessica Boyce

The 6th annual Kayak for a Cause on Walloon Lake is coming up this summer and in order to kick things off, there will be a launch party on Thursday, May 8th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Mackinac Trails Winery in Petoskey. The launch party is a good opportunity for people who are already registered for Kayak for a Cause to meet other kayakers and enjoy entertainment, wine tasting, and snacks. Registered participants are also eligible to win door prizes. People who are interested in participating are welcome to attend the event to learn more about what

they can do to help the Camp Daggett Adventure Center programs where all proceeds raised from Kayak for a Cause will go. The actual Kayak for a Cause event will take place this summer on Saturday July 19th, from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, and on Sunday July 20th, from 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. The whole purpose is to raise money for the Camp Daggett Adventure Center so they can continue to give scholarships to children who want to be a part of the programs. The Doll Loesel Foundation has agreed to match all money raised up to \$25,000. This means that whatever amount is raised from Kayak for a Cause will be doubled in order

to benefit children in the community. Kayak for a Cause on Walloon Lake features 30 or more kayakers who will participate in either a one-day (15 mile) or two-day (30 mile) paddle of the shoreline on Walloon Lake. It is non-competitive tour that is accompanied with optional challenges to make the day more exciting. Seeing the event is non-competitive, there will be short rest stops and chances to jump in the lake to cool off throughout the day. If you want to be a kayaker, you can either pay your own fee to participate or you can get others to pledge to support you and earn the money that way. If

kayaking isn't for you but would still like to be a part of the event, you can also be a part of the land crew. To do this you can either make a pledge to a kayaker, purchase a custom designed dock flag for \$50, or become a sponsor for the event. Some of the sponsors for 2014 are Bear Cove Marina, Bulmann Dock & Lift, Bearcub Outfitters, Personal Graphics, Edgewater Design Group, and Dr. Patrick Alguire. For more information on the Launch Party that will take place on May 8th, or the 6th Annual Kayak for a Cause this July, you can call the Camp Daggett Adventure Center at (231) 347-9742.



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## BOYNE CITY

### Wizard of Oz

Concord Academy Boyne is pleased to announce their spring musical, "The Wizard of Oz", opening April 30. This is the 75th anniversary of the MGM studios movie. Dorothy, played by Bethany Priest, lives in Kansas. During a tornado, she is transported to the Land of Oz where her house kills the Wicked Witch of the East much to the delight of the Munchkins. They help Dorothy get started on the yellow brick road that leads to Oz. On her way she meets Scarecrow (Josiah Schmidt), Tinman (Joshua Meicher), and the Lion (Noah Jergenson) who accompany her on a quest to find the wizard (Michael Balch). Other lead roles are the Wicked Witch of the West (Hannah Gerrie), the Jitterbug (Hannah Irwin), and Glinda, the beautiful Witch of the North, (Rachel Van Hoesen). The cast of 43 high school drama students and 8 elementary children showcase over 95 characters. The cast has been in rehearsal and designing sets and costumes since January. It is the largest cast that Concord has had in recent years. The show opens Wednesday, April 30, with an afternoon matinee at 12:30. May 1st through the 3rd are evening shows at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$10 for reserved seats at Concord Academy Boyne, located on Dietz road between Boyne City and Boyne Falls. Call (231) 582-0194 for tickets or more information.

## EAST JORDAN

### Salad Luncheon

Thursday, May 1 at the East Jordan United Methodist Church, corner of 4th and Esterly, 11am-1pm. Featuring dozens of delicious salads. \$7 adults, \$3 school age children, 5 and under free. Take-outs available

## BOYNE CITY

### Beauty & the Beast

The Boyne City Middle School Drama Program presents Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 1 and Friday, May 2, plus a 2 p.m. show on Saturday, May 3. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, available at the door. The show will be presented in the Performing Arts Center.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Farmers Market to Start Up Again May 1st

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

## PETOSKEY

### Free workshop with free child care and a free meal

This workshop is for parents and professionals who either have a child with special education needs or work with children who have special education needs. Michigan Alliance for Families is a non-profit organization who

will be presenting the workshop called Understanding the Content of the I.E.P. It will be held on Thursday May 1 at Taylor School in Petoskey from 5pm-7pm. The Charlevoix Emmet ISD will be providing free childcare along with the free meal.

## EAST JORDAN

### Will work for sugar

Wagbo Sugaring workdays are on! Volunteer opportunities at the Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center in East Jordan. Contact the Wagbo Farm at 231-536-0333 or info@wagbo.org for more information and our workday schedule. Come join the Friends of the Wagbo Sugarbush for our group workdays and events during the Maple Syrup season. The "Friends" is an all-volunteer-run community group that enjoys participating in and sharing the agri-cultural heritage known as sugaring. There are lots of ways to partake in the fun, from tapping trees and boiling sap to serving pancakes and painting signs. No experience is necessary and all hours are eligible to earn syrup. Added bonuses include hot beverages and homemade treats while you work, general camaraderie and supporting community traditions!

## CHARLEVOIX

### Cash Raffle Party

The Annual Knights of Columbus Cash Raffle Party is Saturday, May 3 at Castle Farms. Tickets remain \$150 for a wonderful, fun-filled event with over \$15,000 in cash prizes available. Early Bird ticket buyers will be entered into a special drawing for \$500 with the winning ticket returned for the big prizes. Please contact: Steve Seely 231-499-3674; Ed Linse 231-547-4526; John Haggard 231-547-4046; Roger Nesburg 231-547-5111.

## BOYNE CITY

### Buff Up Boyne

Boyne City's annual community-wide spring clean-up, is Saturday, May 3, from 9 a.m.-noon. Volunteers will be sweeping, picking up trash and raking up debris from the city's sidewalks, parks, alleys, and along the waterfront. Volunteers are asked to meet at Sunset Park in downtown Boyne City next to the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce to sign-in, get instructions on what areas need to be cleaned, and receive trash bags and gloves. All volunteers are asked to bring their own rakes, shovels and brooms.

## BOYNE FALLS

### First Lake Louise Fishing Tournament

The new Lake Louise Fishing Tournament will be held May 3 in support of summer camp scholarships. Entry fees are \$75 cash only on May 3. The event includes: lunch and dinner on Saturday, awards, and a t-shirt. Ages 10 and under may enter free with an adult entry. Overnight accommodations for the weekend are available for a reasonable price with entry. Call 231-549-2728 for avail-

ability and pricing. Lake Louise Camp and Retreat Center is located at 11037 Thumb Lake Road, Boyne Falls. Prizes (determined by total caught weight) are: 1st place \$350, 2nd place \$250, 3rd place \$100, and kids prize \$50. Details, rules and entry forms are available at lakelouisecommunity.org

## EAST JORDAN

### Polish Dinner

Sunday, May 4 from 1PM - 3PM in the St. Joseph Church Social Hall, 205 Nicholls Street. Great Homemade Polish Food, Polish Raffle, Bistro Table & Chairs Raffle. Suggested dinner donation \$8.00

## CHARLEVOIX

### Bergmann Center 12th Annual Live and Silent Auction

Come join our "Reach for the Stars" fundraising event. All proceeds raised will benefit Bergmann Center's mission statement, which is to "provide services that enable individuals with mental and physical challenges the opportunity to become active, involved members of the community." This year's event will take place in the Kings Ballroom at Castle Farms in Charlevoix on Sunday, May 4th from 1:30-4:00pm. The live auction will feature some amazing items including: A trip to the top of the Almighty Mackinac Bridge and works by local artists. Several area merchants will be providing a dine around experience. Tickets are available for \$30 and can be purchased by calling 547-2979 or by visiting our website at www.bergmanncenter.org

## BOYNE CITY

### Leaf Pick-up

On Mondays & Fridays will run through May 5 Place biodegradable paper bags filled with leaves only by the curb for pick-up.

## CHARLEVOIX & EMMET COUNTIES

### School Election May 6

Char-Em Vocational Ed. Millage renewal. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

## CHARLEVOIX

Meet the President Reception

Please join us at The Weathervane on Thursday, May 8th from 4-6pm to welcome our new Chamber President, Alison Hubbard. Jeff Spreksell and the Weathervane Restaurant have graciously offered to host this reception. Hors d'oeuvres will be served and a cash bar is available

## EAST JORDAN

### Mother of the Year

The East Jordan Lions Club will host the annual Mother/Daughter Banquet at 6pm on Saturday, May 10, at the East Jordan High School. For more information, contact Sherry Pursel at 231-536-7117.

## BOYNE CITY

### Flushing Hydrants

The City Water Department

will be flushing hydrants from April 28 through May 11. If your water becomes discolored, open a cold water faucet that does not have a screen and let the water run until it's clear. For questions or concerns call City Hall at (231) 582-6597.

## EAST JORDAN

### Celebrity Dinner

May 12, 5 - 8PM at Murray's Bar & Grill. Local celebrities serve dinner and wait on customers. The dinner is always a wonderful evening to meet friends and family.

## PETOSKEY

### Winning Wines of Northern Michigan

Fundraiser for the Student Emergency Fund of the NCMC Foundation - Wednesday, May 14 from 5 - 7pm. Wine Tasting, Hors d'oeuvres, Entertainment, Awards ceremony, Silent Auction. Iron Horse Cafe in the Student Center 1515 Howard Street, Petoskey. \$25/person in advance, \$30 at the door. Reservations preferred - Call Sharon Dulaney at 231-439-6218

## BOYNE CITY

### Farmers market delayed moving outdoors

The cold weather and wet conditions at Veterans Park will delay the opening of the outdoor season for the Farmers Market. The market will continue from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday at the Red Barn next to the Boyne District Library through May 10th. "We hope to return to our outdoor home at Veterans Park on May 17th," says market manager Becky Harris, noting that the market will be open from 8 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays and Saturdays once they move outdoors.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Chamber Scholarship

Do you know a high school Senior in need of financial help for college? The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship is intended to provide financial support and assistance to a high school senior that deserves assistance covering tuition expenses associated with higher education. This is a \$500 scholarship. The applicant must be either an employee of a company which is a member of the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce or the child of an employee. For a list of requirements and/or to get an application, go to www.charlevoix.org or stop at the Chamber office. Deadline to submit application is Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at 5:00pm.

## EAST JORDAN

### Business after hours

May 15 at Korhase Flinn Insurance (New Location, Main Street Center, Suite 10) 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

## BOYNE CITY

### 5k run/walk

Get those sneakers out of storage and prepare to Run for Their Lives to support the Charlevoix Area Humane Society during the Mushroom

Festival on Saturday, May 17. The 5K fun run/walk starts behind the Boyne Chamber office with registration at 7 a.m. and the race at 8. Friendly dogs are welcome to run or walk with their owners. Registration before May 1 guarantees a shirt in your proper size. To register online, complete the registration form and return it to runfortheir-lives@charter.net. Then you can pay by credit card through PayPal. For questions or further information call Jamie at (231) 675-8792.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Literary Delights Luncheon

Charlevoix Area Zonta Club hosts its annual Literary Delights - a Michigan Women Authors' Luncheon - Saturday, May 17, 11am - 3pm, at the Charlevoix Public Library. \$40 ticket includes catered lunch and basket raffle drawings. Three Michigan women authors, Natalie Taylor, Peg Herring, and Suzanne Malpass Rogers, will speak at the event. Copies of their books will be available for sale and signing. All proceeds of the event go to support projects to advance the status of women locally, nationally and internationally. For more information or to purchase a ticket, contact Joy Halverson at (231) 547-4813. Reservations for the event are required.

## BOYNE CITY

### Fun run

The second annual Boyne City PD and East Jordan PD D.A.R.E. 5K/1 mile Fun Run will start and finish in Sunset Park, behind the Chamber of Commerce in downtown Boyne City May 24. Registration forms are available at Boyne City Police Dept, East Jordan Police Dept, Boyne Chamber, East Jordan Chamber. All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to continue the D.A.R.E. programs in Boyne City and East Jordan schools. The D.A.R.E. program is presented to 5th grade students and focuses on drug and violence prevention as well as promoting safe and responsible decision-making. The D.A.R.E. program continues to foster a strong positive relationship between schools, law enforcement and the community.

## BOYNE CITY

### Rubbish Pick-up

Starts May 28. Main Street and areas south of Main are scheduled for Wednesdays (May 28 and June 4 & 11). Homes north of Main Street are scheduled for Thursdays (May 29 and June 5 & 12). A list of acceptable and prohibited items will be released at a later date.

## BOYNE CITY

### Mystery dinner postponed

"Murder, Mayhem, and Politics," the mystery dinner benefiting the Charlevoix Area Humane Society has been postponed to Friday, May 30 at 6:30 p.m. The dinner includes salad, choice of beef ribs, salmon, or vegetarian entrée, and a dessert. Cost for the evening is \$60 per person. For further information contact Jamie at (231) 675-8792 or Carla at the Humane Society (231) 582-6774.

## BOYNE CITY

### Free computer classes

Classes are held at the Boyne District Library at 10am every Friday. Classes are tailored to your skill level, beginner to advanced. Help is available for iPads and Windows 8. For help with downloading e-books, as well as other information about using tablets and readers, the library also offers digital Learning sessions on Tuesdays from 2-3 p.m. Library cardholders can borrow and download e-books and audio books from the library at no charge on a variety of devices. For more information, call the Library 231-582-7861.

## EAST JORDAN

### Variety Show

The 2014 East Jordan Rotary Club Variety show is June 6 & 7. Tickets available from any Rotary club member.

## BOYNE CITY

### Graduation celebration committee seeks donations

Boyne City's Graduation Celebration Committee, previously known as BACPAC, is busy making plans for the 27th annual All-Night Graduation Celebration. This year's party will celebrate the Boyne City High School graduating class of 2014 on Sunday, June 8, graduation night. The all-night graduation celebration provides a safe and drug-free opportunity for seniors immediately following the graduation ceremony. With help from businesses, churches, service organizations and residents, the parties have been extremely successful. All donations are welcomed and appreciated and can be mailed to the attention of Graduation Celebration Committee, BCHS, 1035 Boyne Avenue, Boyne City, MI 49712 with checks made payable to Boyne City High School. If your organization would prefer to donate a prize or gift card and would like a committee member to pick it up, contact Frank Minier at 231-675-6507.

## CHARLEVOIX

### Little League Teams Up With Retired Major League Players

The Charlevoix Little League is teaming up with retired Major League Baseball players the weekend of June 14th and 15th. On Saturday the 14th there will be a clinic for boys and girls ages 8-14 to learn fundamentals from former Major League ball players at the Shanahan Sports Complex. Sign in will be at 9am. The clinic will be from 10am-1pm. After the clinic, there will be a cook out and the players will be available to sign autographs for participants in the clinic. Saturday evening there will be a reception/fundraiser and auction at the Weathervane Restaurant from 6pm-9pm. Sunday the 15th will be a golf outing/fundraiser tee time 9am.

## PETOSKEY, CHARLEVOIX

### Business start up classes

Northern Lakes Economic Alliance and SCORE team up to provide a series of business start-up courses that can assist you in evaluating the potential of your idea and learn the process of putting a business plan together. "How to Really Start Your Own Business: Practical information from those who have done it" covers ways to start a business, business legal structure, permits and licensing, marketing and more. Future classes are May 15 at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey and June 19 in Charlevoix. The fee is \$20 per business, and reservations can be made by calling (231) 582-6482 or emailing [tammi@northernlakes.net](mailto:tammi@northernlakes.net).

## CHARLEVOIX

### Fine Art Juried Photography Exhibition

Announcing the 2014 Annual Fine Art Juried Photography Exhibition to be on display at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts in downtown Charlevoix June 19 - July 27. The theme is "Michigan: Places, Spaces, People and Things". Artists should submit images that show what is special to them as they look about our "pleasant peninsula". For more information, please find the complete Call for Artists and the required entry form: [www.charlevoix-circle.org/events--exhibits.html](http://www.charlevoix-circle.org/events--exhibits.html)

## BOYNE CITY

### Tribute concert

Enjoy the music of the Bee Gees, Neil Diamond and Tom Jones by tribute performers at the Boyne City Performing Arts Center June 21 at 8pm. Tickets at [www.poundstone.net](http://www.poundstone.net) or stop by Boyne City Ace Hardware.

## BOYNE CITY

### Paula Poundstone in concert

Paula Poundstone returns to the Boyne City Performing Arts Center for a night of laughter August 8 at 8pm. Purchase tickets at [www.poundstone.net](http://www.poundstone.net) or at Boyne City Ace Hardware. Call 231-582-6532. Proceeds benefit the Boyne Country Community Center.

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## Students of the Week Boyne City High School Cortney Caverly



**GRADE:** 11  
**PARENTS:** April and Scott Caverly  
**HOBBIES & INTERESTS:** Babysitting, Hanging out with friends  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Basketball  
**FUTURE PLANS:** "Go to NCMC for nursing; after a couple of years there figure out what nursing."

### STAFF COMMENTS

"Cortney is a quiet but dedicated worker in my class. She really cares about her work and a caring student is a teacher's best friend." – Mark Pontoni, Economics Teacher

"Cortney is a highly responsible, respectful student who has been working hard for the last three years to become the best student she can be." – Aaron Fritzsche, English Teacher

"I have never had Cortney Caverly in my Hospitality class so I don't know her as a Boyne City student. I have watched her interact with other students and I have witnessed her take-care of (babysit) a mutual family friend's little boy on more than one occasion and I saw a caring, sweet, young lady who put this child first. That is an awesome quality. Good Job Cortney." – Dennis Crissman, Hospitality Teacher

"Courtney is extremely pleasant to have around. She is always willing to go the extra mile. Courtney is kind and generous and always greets you with a smile." – Linda King, Counseling Secretary

## Boyne Falls Public Schools Amber Cool

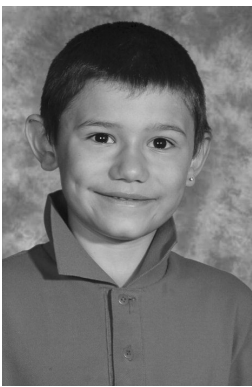


**GRADE:** 3  
**PARENTS:** Roy and Karen Cool  
**HOBBIES & INTERESTS:** clean and organize the bedroom, ride bikes, play computer games, make crafts, and take care of her four cats  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Saturday basketball and Girl Scouts  
**FAVORITE BOOK:** any book that has animals in it  
**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?:** A veterinarian

### STAFF COMMENTS

"Amber is a hard-working student who loves to learn. She is excited about trying new things, and never complains even when things get tough. She is persistent and not easily discouraged. Amber is a friend to everyone and the first to try to make others feel comfortable. Our 3rd grade class is blessed because of Amber." – Dianna Brown, 3rd grade teacher

## Devon Greathouse



**GRADE:** 2  
**PARENTS:** Mathew Greathouse & Elysia Armock  
**HOBBIES & INTERESTS:** I like playing dodgeball.  
**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?:** When I grow up I would like to be an engineer or a video game maker.  
**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:** Arts & Crafts in the After-School Program  
**FAVORITE BOOK:** I enjoy Magic Tree House books.

### STAFF COMMENTS

"Devon has become a top-notch student. He comes to school ready to learn every single day. He quickly gets started on his work and takes his time to always do his very best. Devon is polite and courteous to staff and friends. I am so proud of Devon for earning this honor of being 'Student of the Week!'" – Ms. Disney

## Easter Fun and Games



The East Jordan Lions Club held its annual Easter Fun and Games at the EJ High School April 19th, hosting 150 plus children for a morning of fun, games, candy and prizes. Peeking over the handle bars of her newly won bicycle, Audrey Joyner joins Aiden Hall, anticipating spring with their grand prize bicycles.

## Scholarship fund established for Ellsworth students

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH - Ellsworth High school graduates now have a greater opportunity to follow their ambitions than ever before. An endowment scholarship fund has been established to assist them with their post-secondary education expenses.

An endowment is set up so that most of the money in the fund stays in the fund to generate interest and according to law only 5% can be distributed annually. "The idea behind this is that once you build this fund, it's there forever," said Ellsworth Schools Superintendent Aaron Gaffney. A balance goal of \$2.5 million has been set. Once the balance is reached the fund can distribute \$125,000 annually forever without having to raise another dime.

Gaffney and a committee of Ellsworth community leaders consisting of Michelle Fox, EHS teacher, Fire Chief and school board member, Mark Groenink, Mary Peterson, Jodell Danbert, Entrepreneur Scotty Bruce, and past village board member Dave Rasmussen, with the assistance of the Charlevoix Community Foundation took one year to work out details and establish criteria for the Scholarship Fund.

"The best part about this is that every student graduating from EHS

who meets a minimal criteria will get a scholarship," said Gaffney. The scholarship can be used for any post-secondary education that is accredited. "We know how expensive it is to go to college or attend a trade school and how each year it is getting more out of reach for our students. We want them to imagine all the possibilities there are, invest in themselves to reach their potential and inspire each one of them to know that their dreams can come true," said committee member Jodell Danbert. The Charlevoix Community Foundation will administer the fund including making the decision as to how much each student receives based on the established criteria starting with the 2014-15 school year. Although the goal balance will not be reached that soon the committee hopes to provide 1,000 scholarships to graduates who meet eligibility requirements based on academic merit, financial need, the number of years of continual enrollment as an Ellsworth Community School student and an oral presentation about how the scholarship will benefit their future.

The criteria breakdown is 35% earned simply by the length of time a student has been in the district, another 35% based on a minimum 2.75 GPA, 15% earned through community involvement. "It's not just commu-

nity service, it's how long have you worked at the co-op or been involved with a youth group, this isn't an EHS scholarship it's an Ellsworth Community scholarship," he said. The final 15% will be based on an oral presentation that outlines the student's future plans. For example, a student who has been in the district for 13 years, has a 4.0 GPA gives a good presentation and is active in the community can receive \$16,000 while a student coming out of Ebenezer Christian school after the eighth grade, like so many of Ellsworth's students do, with the same grades and community involvement would receive \$12,000 because of less years in the district.

Fundraising efforts to reach the \$2.5 million endowment will be kicked off with an all School Reunion on Saturday, July 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym. Committee members are asking that if you are an alumni, formerly attended Ellsworth Community School, or are a current/former staff member please visit the school website and leave your contact information so everyone can be kept updated for this event. "We believe that the Ellsworth Community School Scholarship Fund will help all our students reach their dream for higher education," said Lambert.

## Students of the Month

### East Jordan Public Schools



(L-R) JOEL LIESENBERG, ZOEVY CAVERLY, LILLY BLACK

#### Joel Liesenberg

It is my pleasure to present Joel Liesenberg with Student of the Month.

I have had the pleasure of having Joel in Chemistry, Anatomy and Physiology and this year in Advanced Placement Biology. Joel is an extremely motivated and talented student. He takes pride in his work and pays attention to details he also helps or corrects my pronunciation of words in class. In addition to AP Biology he is also taking AP Stats and English. Joel is using high school to prepare himself for his next step this coming fall where he will be entering Central Michigan University to study Journalism.

Other teachers also mentioned a few things about Joel, one was from

Student Council advisor Paul Nac-hazel he stated that Joel was the most dependable student council member and that when he was in charge of something he knew it would go well and there was nothing to worry about. Mr. Essenberg who has Joel in AP stats said Joel added greatly to discussion because he is so well read and he adds great perspectives to any topic.

In addition to his academic achievements Joel is also a member of the State Championship Quiz Bowl team and participated with the Young Americans when they were at our school.

Joel is a great member of the East Jordan High school and I am proud to present him with this award.

#### Lilly Black

"Lilly is proof that Everyone Can Improve simply by taking small actions towards a goal. Her dedication, hard work, and positive attitude in English have helped her become a skilled writer, reader, and thinker. Lilly is a great example of a student who advocates for her own learning. She asks questions when needed

and holds herself accountable, making certain that she understands the expectations. Adding to her studious nature is Lilly's sense of PRIDE. She is kind-hearted and respectful to everyone throughout the school day...a true example of a student with integrity. Congratulations Lilly!" – Mrs. Bergquist

#### Zoel Caverly

"She is hardworking, quiet and sweet as she can be. She is a great artist and good in math and lan-

guage arts. It is an honor to have Zoey as the April student of the month." – Mrs. Drenth

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## Central Drug Store is Celebrating 100 years of Ochs Family Pharmacists

At Central Drug Store, 2014 marks 100 years of Ochs family pharmacists serving the Charlevoix and Beaver Island communities. The store was founded by F.N. Chapel in 1897, who sold it to B.A. Herman. In 1914, after completing a six month pharmacy program at the Ferris Institute (now Ferris State University), Harley Ochs came from Roscommon to work at the store as a pharmacist apprentice. He would take a steam train to Boyne City, where he boarded a steam boat that brought him to Charlevoix.

Harley worked at the pharmacy for Mr. Herman until 1929 when he bought the business. Shortly thereafter, the Great Depression set in. There were times that Harley had very little money, but his family still ate well as many of his patients paid in produce and livestock.

He married Mildred Shockley in 1916, with whom he had two sons: Frank and James W (Bill). Both sons worked at the store from age 13 until they graduated college. Both also served in Europe during World War II: Bill was in the army, and Frank, after completing the pharmacy program at Ferris in 1941, was a pharmacist mate in the Navy.

During the War, Mildred posted a picture of each of her sons in the front window. When asked about the pictures, she said that "her sons were serving in the War, and that their pictures would remain there until they returned." Others asked to post pictures of their children and loved ones as well, and before long, the entire window was full of pictures of young men (and perhaps women) from the community who were serving in the military!



The familiar smiles of pharmacists John and Lani Ochs of Rexall Drugs in Charlevoix are seen looking over the prescription counter as their family has done for the past 100 years at this very location.

After returning from the war, Frank worked for Harley, partnering with him in 1954 until buying the store outright in the mid-1960's. Frank continued working at the store until his death at age 88, a total of 75 years!

Frank's children, John and Virginia, also worked at the store from an early age through college graduation. Both attended Ferris State; John graduated in 1969 and Virginia in 1973. After working as a research pharmacist for Up-

john until 1982, John bought the store from his father and moved his family (wife Lani, and sons Tom and Michael) to Charlevoix. John and Lani have shared the pharmacist duties for 32 years, and are proud to have carried on the Ochs legacy at the corner of Bridge and Clinton Streets! Make sure to stop in and see the staff dressed in outfits from the era, displays of downtown Charlevoix from the early 1900's, and even a few goodies styled after the times

for sale!

Every Thursday in June Central Drug Store will host a celebration event:

June 5 - the first 100 customers will receive a gift bag

June 12 - view our display of photographs of the community from World War II and earlier. Community members are invited to drop off copies of old photographs for the display, and those who do, will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate.

June 19 - "What is it?" contest! Several vintage utensils will be on display for customers to guess their names and uses. A \$25 gift certificate winner will be drawn from those who get all of the answers correct.

To wrap up the celebration, June 26 will be an old fashioned ice cream social from 1:00 until 3:00, or until the ice cream runs out!

## Workshop on raising chickens May 6 in East Jordan

EAST JORDAN - At the third workshop in the ISLAND series on raising chickens, seasoned farmers and first time chicken growers alike can learn about the craft of pasture-raised chickens. Participants will tour Bluestem Farm with owner Aaron Brower, and learn how pastured chickens produce both delicious eggs and healthy soils. Designs for mobile housing are included.

Donations will be accepted at the door, and pre-registration is not required. For more informa-

tion, call 231-622-5252 or email .

The Chicken Series: Pasture-Raised Laying Hens will be held May 6 from 6 - 7:30pm at Bluestem Farm, 4218 M-32 (at the Adams Road intersection) about seven miles east of East Jordan.

This workshop is held in partnership with USDA RMA. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender

identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.

## U.S. Veteran Alan Arcand to challenge Congressman Dan Benishek in primary

By Izzy Lyman



ALAN ARCAND

Alan Arcand (R) filed over 1,300 nominating signatures with the Secretary of State's office in Lansing last month. The Iron River native is challenging Republican incumbent

Dan Benishek in the August 5th primary for the House seat in Michigan's largest Congressional district, the First. The thirty-six-year-old Arcand is an Air Force veteran who operates an auto repair business in the Upper Peninsula.

"Washington is definitely broken, and I've been fixing things all my life. It's time for some serious repair of the federal government. We need to enforce the Constitution and regain control of the government to ensure the future

and prosperity of our children," states Arcand.

Arcand, who received a bachelor's degree in professional aeronautics from Embry-Riddle University and is married with three young sons, also says he's a firm believer in liberty.

While not eschewing social media, Arcand is running an "old-fashioned" grassroots campaign traveling to communities and shaking hands at gun shows, American Legion breakfasts, Lincoln Day Dinners, and sportsman events.

The First Congressional District includes the northeastern part of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, as well as all of the Upper Peninsula.

To learn more, visit [www.arcandforcongress.com](http://www.arcandforcongress.com).

## Oxford man convicted of CSC in Charlevoix County

By Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: Oxford man Jesse Louis Royster (26) was convicted on four charges of criminal sexual conduct on April 25 following a four day trial held in Charlevoix County.

Criminal sexual conduct in the third degree is a felony which carries a maximum penalty of fifteen years in prison. The crimes listed against Royster involved "sexual penetration of an adult victim accomplished by force or coercion."

These charges stem from an incident in early December of 2012 when a young woman at Boyne Mountain reported that she had been raped by Royster in the early morning hours of December 1. According to the Affidavit of Probable Cause Royster was staying at a condominium at Boyne Mountain Resort for a bachelor party made up of eight men. Royster was the groom.

The affidavit states that the young woman was at a night club with a friend in Petoskey that evening when the group of men invited them back to Boyne Mountain. The affidavit reads



JESSE LOUIS ROYSTER

that during the evening Royster grabbed her and raped her.

When the events were reported to police they obtained a search warrant for the scene, and interviewed numerous people who were still in the condominium, one of whom was Royster who at that time indicated to the police he felt that the acts were consensual.

According to a press release from the Charlevoix County

Prosecuting Attorney's office the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department and Lieutenant Mike Wheat conducted an investigation into the matter which resulted in the case being tried.

The case was tried by Angela Povilaitis of the Michigan Department of Attorney General and Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof. The jury deliberated for a little over three hours before returning unanimous verdicts.

"We are very fortunate to have a resource like Ms. Povilaitis available to Charlevoix County. She tries these types of cases all over the state and her position is funded by a Federal grant authorized by the Violence Against Women Act," said Telgenhof.

Royster is to be sentenced on May 23rd.

Telgenhof expressed gratitude to the jury for their time and consideration in this case as it was "very difficult and sensitive."

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## Boyer City Food Truck regulations getting closer

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—Recommendations for a food truck ordinance were accepted, design engineering costs for Court and North Streets were approved, a presentation on becoming a Redevelopment Ready Community was held and the city approved taking on a larger emergency service area in Eveline Township at the April 22 City Commission meeting.

Assistant Planning and Zoning Administrator Annie Doyle presented Commissioner with recommendations that city staff created from the input gathered at public informational meetings and other research. “The majority of citizens in the food truck informational sessions advised us that they were in favor of incorporating food trucks into the community,” said Doyle. The recommendations included the exemption of local non-profit mobile vending such as the Lions food trailer, allowing community events to include mobile food vending, allowing them on commercially owned private property where restaurants are a permitted use, a permit fee will be charged unless they are a Boyne City based food service establishment, annually renewed applications will require a \$25 fee, each vendor must make provision for the disposal of trash, hours of operation of 7:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m., no unit may be left unattended for more than two hours, no flashing, blinking or strobe lights or crying out to get attention, they must carry liability insurance and comply with all city rules and ordinances as well as federal, state and county regulations. Commissioner Laura Sansom expressed concern for existing restaurants and stated that she wanted to see something included in the rules where distances from existing restaurants is established. “When we started to put

in those types of classifications, it basically excluded the downtown area,” said City Manager Michael Cain. After a lengthy discussion on the recommendation to allow the trucks on commercially owned private property during which two owners of brick and mortar businesses voiced concerns of private property located very close to their businesses that could potentially be lent to food trucks under the present recommendations. A motion was made by Commissioner Derek Gaylord to postpone the process. “I’ve heard some information tonight that needs to come back so we can further tweak what we’ve heard,” he said. City Manager Cain explained that there would still be opportunity for input and the option to postpone or stop at any point is still open if the commission progresses with the process. “This recommendation is to start preparing the ordinance language, I don’t think we’re there yet,” said Gaylord. The motion failed. A second motion was made by Commissioner Tom Neidhamer to authorize staff to prepare an ordinance to implement the recommendations for introduction and to set a public hearing. That motion passed unanimously.

Joe Meyers and Dan Leonard with the MEDC Community Assistance Team gave a presentation that included an assessment of findings and implementation strategies for the city to receive Redevelopment Ready Community Certification. The certification program supports community revitalization and the attraction and retention of businesses, entrepreneurs and talent throughout Michigan. The certification is verification that a community is development ready. Through a scoring system provided by the MEDC, the city is 3-12 months away from reaching RRC certification in only 13 of the forty-eight areas of

“Best Practices” that need to be adopted. “These are just estimated time lines you can take as long as you want to do, it’s just what we deem as a semi appropriate time line,” said Meyer. The city received top recognition on all points but the 13. “Boyer City does a great job of engaging its stake holders, you are the first community in the program to adopt a public participation program so that was a good accomplishment,” he said. “You guys do an excellent job of marketing yourself and getting the community on board,” said Leonard. “It’s really exciting to see you guys grow.” Leonard explained that the RRC program can benefit the community through establishing a welcoming image, identifying what the community wants for new investors, and meeting state planning and zoning requirements. “It tells the developer community that you are open for business and tells the state you are in compliance with state laws,” said Leonard. “I believe this is a great tool to help build a foundation for the City of Boyne, it will perhaps give us a competitive edge by using best practices,” said Commissioner Gene Twine.

A contract with C2AE for design engineering services in the amount of \$121,000 was approved for the full service design engineering of 2,900 feet of Court Street from Lynn Street to Park Street and North Street from Lynn to Court Streets including installation of storm sewers, curbs and gutters. “As everybody in town is aware Court Street from Park Street over to Lynn Street needs to be repaired it’s in rough shape...we spend a lot of time up there working on it,” said Andy Kovolski, Parks and Streets Supervisor. According to Larry Fox from C2AE the project total cost is estimated at just under a million dollars. Evangeline Township will cost

share on the project, the numbers haven’t been finalized yet. “It’s great that we’re finally getting to this road,” said Neidhamer.

A request by Eveline Township to expand the service area of the Boyne City Fire and EMS Departments to areas previously covered by the East Jordan EMS and Fire Departments was approved. The change takes effect Thursday, May 1. The added territory will increase fire department revenue by \$53,954. The new boundaries would include to the entire length of Ferry Road north to Lake Charlevoix and the entire length of Sanderson Road west to the South Arm of Lake Charlevoix. “They feel they can service this area as well without any need for equipment or a significant increase in runs,” said Cain about representatives from the Fire and EMS departments. Eveline Township has been covered by Charlevoix, Boyne City and East Jordan emergency services but East Jordan has covered two-thirds of the township in the past, this would divide the township into even thirds as far as emergency services are concerned. “It’s a shorter run for you than for them to make that run,” said Eveline Township Supervisor John Vrondran.

In May 2013 the city applied for a \$140,000 grant to assist with funding for the rehabilitation of the William H. White house. At that time Northern Homes CDC, who owns the house, also applied for a \$500,000 grant. Both grants have been approved and according to the guidelines of the grant a public hearing must be held. The house will be converted to apartments for low or moderate income households including young seniors aged 55 and older. “One of our goals here is job retention and affordable housing...there is definitely a need there, based on the employment and

need in this community,” said Grunch. Gaylord raised questions on whether an elevator would be included in the house, it would not due to costs. The need for this type of housing was also discussed. “There’s a lot of things being talked about this is the first one approved,” said Cain. Although there was a great deal of discussion among city staff and commissioners there was only one public comment on the benefit of senior housing being within walking distance of downtown. I think it will serve a need and improve the appearance,” said Gaylord. The public hearing was closed. “It’s wonderful to get grants but as you know there are lots of strings attached, this is a list of requirements,” said Jane MacKenzie, Executive Director, Northern Homes CDC. Mayor Grunch made a motion to accept the list of requirements which included appointing City Manager Michael Cain as the certifying officer for the project, adopted the fair housing resolution, adopted the program guidelines for the grants, adopted the third party administrator management plan, adopt the grand administration agreement, and adopt the section three plan. The motion was approved.

Rubbish Pick up starts May 28th with Main St. and areas south of Main scheduled for Wednesdays (May 28 and June 4 & 11) and homes north of Main St. scheduled for Thursdays (May 29 and June 5 & 12). Leaf Pick up is scheduled for Mondays and Fridays, April 14 - May 5. Place biodegradable paper bags filled with leaves only by the curb for pick up.

Char-Em Vocational Ed. Millage renewal is May 6. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at City Hall for City residents. The next scheduled City Commission meeting will be held Tuesday, May 13, at 7 p.m.

## BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

### Monday, April 14, 2014

3:27am False alarm on W Water St  
9:41am Citation issued for speed at Front and Lake St  
10:07am Motorist assist at Boyne Av and High St  
10:35am 3 vehicle property damage accident at Water and Front St  
2:40pm Citation issued for speed at Front and Pleasant St  
3:00pm NSF check complaint from the 100 block of N Park St  
4:55pm Request for civil standby in the 200 block of E Water St

### Tuesday, April 15, 2014

8:49am 911 hang up in the 500 block of N Lake St  
9:10am Vehicle inspection in the Industrial Park  
9:38am 911 check in the 500 block of N Lake St  
3:36pm Welfare check on 11 year old male at Boyne Av and Hemlock  
8:23pm 911 hang up in the 500 block of N Lake St  
9:13pm Dispatched injured deer on Boyne City Rd near city limits

### Wednesday, April 16, 2014

1:25pm Suspicious subject reported on N East St  
2:48pm Animal complaint from the 400 block of Groveland St  
5:10pm Assist citizen at Ottawa

and Groveland  
5:41pm Report of limb on trees at Pleasant and Trent  
6:05pm Civil standby in the 400 block of Trent St

### Thursday, April 17, 2014

12:10am Assist East Jordan PD in the 600 block of Jefferson St  
9:20am Report of threat complaint from the 1000 block of Boyne Av  
10:23am Juvenile complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av  
11:10am Report of suspicious subject in the 1000 block of Boyne Av  
1:30pm Private property damage accident in the 400 block of N Lake St  
9:09pm Driving complaint received from North Boyne  
11:50pm Lodged stray dog at the

### Friday, April 18, 2014

11:10am Harassing phone calls complaint from Jersey St  
11:16am Domestic dispute in the 500 block of N Lake St  
11:56am Driving complaint in the 900 block of Brockway  
12:40pm Property damage accident in the 100 block of E Water St  
1:38pm Larceny from the 300 block of S Park St  
6:39pm False alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St  
8:45pm Vehicle unlock in the 900 block of Pleasant Av

### Saturday, April 19, 2014

1:00am Arrested subject for OWI in

the 400 block of E Main. Subject was also given citation for speeding on Boyne Av near Division St  
1:17pm Citation issued for expired registration  
2:43pm Citation issued for speed at Boyne Av near Division St  
4:02pm Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of Ray St  
6:40pm Report of larceny of buckets from Grace Ln  
10:03pm Vehicle unlock in the 800 block of S Park St

### Sunday, April 20, 2014

8:22am Arrested subject for driving without a license at East and State St  
8:20pm Arrested subject for driving without a license and no insurance at N Park and River St

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# Health

## Surviving Seasonal Allergies

By Deb Hagen-Foley

The arrival of spring, for many of us, means the arrival of seasonal allergy symptoms. The ground is thawing and the trees are budding – all welcome signs of spring. It is also an opportunity for grass, weed, and tree pollen to spark allergic reactions, officially termed seasonal allergic rhinitis. If you are experiencing itchy eyes, sneezing, nasal congestion, skin rash and/or wheezing, how do you enjoy spring and find some relief from allergy symptoms?

### Control your environment

Your first line of defense against allergies is to take steps to reduce your exposure to whatever substance is causing your symptoms. While you can control the trees and grasses, you can try to control the allergens you bring into your home.

One obvious way to control pollen: Keep the windows closed. Open windows can be refreshing, and I know I am looking forward

to airing out the house, but open windows also let in pollen. Use the re-circulate option in your car, keep windows and sunroofs closed, for the same reason. Use the air conditioner instead of the vent to help reduce the amount of pollen in your car.

Other ways to reduce the amount of pollen in your home – leave your shoes at the door. If you have a dog, wipe down your dog's coat before coming in the house. Similarly, wash your hair before bed. Washing your hair at night instead of in the morning means that the pollen that may have collected on your hair during the day won't end up on your pillow. Dry your clothes in a clothes dryer, rather than on a clothesline, to reduce the risk of carrying pollen with you.

Pollen levels are highest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Minimize the time you spend outdoors during the highest pollen levels. Pollen is higher in moderate temperatures and low humidity. Rain washes pollen away.

### Relief from allergies

Although allergies can't be cured, they can be treated effectively. The two most commonly used medications for allergies are antihistamines and decongestants. Antihistamines, as the name implies, targets histamine, the chemical your body makes in response to an allergen. Taken regularly, antihistamines protect against allergens and prevent the release of histamines. They work best when taken before allergy symptoms begin. Decongestants relieve swollen nasal passages and congestion by reducing the fluid in the lining of your nose. Decongestants can be taken in pill or spray form.

### Treating allergies naturally

Allergic symptoms can be reduced through proper nutrition. A low-fat, high-complex-carbohydrate diet is recommended, including plenty of water, half of your body weight in ounces (for example, a 150 pound person

should drink 75 ounces of water per day).

Include large quantities of dark green, leafy vegetables, onions, garlic, ginger, cayenne and horseradish. Eliminate alcohol, caffeine, dairy, chocolate, peanuts, red meat, sugar and wheat. A number of supplements are also recommended. Daily doses of a multivitamin, Vitamin A (25,000 IUs), Vitamin C (up to 1-3 grams 2 to 3 times daily), and Vitamin E (400 IUs) and Zinc (30 mg). Bioflavonoids, which are natural antihistamines, (including quercetin, catechin, hesperidin) 2-3 grams daily, up to 6 grams when symptoms are severe.

As always, consult with your physician before making substantial changes in your diet or supplementation. Perhaps one or more of these tips will help you to enjoy spring while you cope with seasonal allergy symptoms.

Caption: Symptoms of seasonal allergies include sneezing, watery eyes, and nasal congestion.



Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) has been selected by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women to participate in an 18-month advocacy course through the national Advocacy Learning Center. Pictured are WRCNM team members enrolled in the course (from left) Stacey Walsh-Hoobler, Gail Kloss and Chris Krajewski.

### Women's Resource Center selected for National Advocacy Learning Center

The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) has been selected by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women to participate in the national Advocacy Learning Center. The team includes Gail Kloss, chief operation officer; Chris Krajewski, domestic abuse and sexual assault program director and Stacey Walsh-Hoobler clinical director and therapist.

The Advocacy Learning Center (ALC) is offered by Praxis International and Manavi in partnership with the Office on Violence Against Women. The 18-month course is designed to strengthen how advocacy programs engage with survivors, address institutional responses to violence against women, and involve the community in ending violence. Team members travel to three in-person events and participate in numerous distance learning activities.

The WRCNM was selected as one of only 20 programs in the new class. They join 158 programs and 415 advocates who have participated in the ALC.

The Centers for Disease Control reports that one in five women will be sexually assaulted in her lifetime and one in three women will be a victim of domestic violence. The programs participating in the ALC are working to end sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, prostitution, and human trafficking. The WRCNM work includes support, counseling and advocacy to survivors of domestic abuse, sexual assault, child abuse and child sexual assault. The organization also operates a 24-hour crisis and information line and Safe Home emergency shelter.

Everyone in the community has a role to play in ending violence against women. For more information about how you can help, contact the WRCNM at (231) 347-0067, or online at wrcnm.org.

## May is Mental Health Month – activities planned

Petoskey – North Country Community Mental Health is announcing, "May is Mental Health Month." Mind your Health, this year's theme for May is Mental Health Month, the initiative is from Mental Health America and calls attention to the importance of mental health to overall health and wellness.

"We know that mental health is integral to overall health," said Alexis Kaczynski, Director, North Country Community Mental Health. "People need to care for their mental health so they can respond to the stress of daily life and the challenges it presents."

"This Mental Health Month, we are encouraging everyone to learn about steps they can take to protect their mental health and balance both mind and body. For example, building social support, eating with your mental health in

mind, and stress management are important steps that promote good mental health," Kaczynski said.

North Country CMH has planned the following activities during the month of May:

□ Saturday, May 10, 2014 – 17th Annual 5K Run/One Mile Walk at the Bayfront Park, Petoskey Waterfront Area. Online registration and professional timing for the run. Late registration will take place on the day of the run/walk from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. at the Petoskey Waterfront. The Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports has endorsed the event. The run will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the walk at 10:10 a.m. Registration fee for the run is \$20 before May 5 and \$25 after. Trophies will be awarded to the overall male, female and master winners – medals to the first

three finishers in each age group. There is no charge for the walk. Other events during the Run/Walk include: door prizes for all registered participants; consumer recognition awards; community recognition awards; and live music. Log on to for race/walk registration forms and more information on May is Mental Health Month or call North Country CMH at 231-347-0740.

□ Wednesday, May 14, 2014 – Consumers from North Country CMH will participate in the 10th statewide "Walk a Mile in My Shoes Rally" in Lansing from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. at the State Capitol. Michigan's 46 Community Mental Health agencies are hosting the rally. A number of consumers plan to attend the event to lobby state legislators about mental health issues and to help combat the stigmas and prejudices associ-

ated with mental illness, intellectual/developmental disabilities and substance use disorders. Eighty-three people who use CMH services, one from each county in the state, will deliver brief statements from the capitol steps about the status of the public mental health system in their counties.

North Country Community Mental Health provides services to residents of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Kalkaska and Otsego Counties experiencing a serious mental illness, severe emotional problem, or intellectual/developmental disability, including individuals with a co-occurring substance use disorder. Persons wishing to know more about the organization are encouraged to visit.

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## Drs. Oz and Roizen

Television's Dr. Oz and Cleveland Clinic's Dr. Roizen report on health, wellness and quality of life.



## PICK THE BEST TRACKER FOR YOU

BY MICHAEL ROIZEN, M.D., AND MEHMET OZ, M.D.

It used to be, if you wore your heart on your sleeve it meant you were sentimental and easily bruised. Not anymore. Now colorful bracelets, watches, clip-ons and other gizmos track your steps and heart rate, not to mention your workouts, calories consumed and burned, sleep habits, intensity of effort, degree of muscle fatigue, even your distance in an open-water swim. Welcome to the world of "fit tech." Get hip to it.

These fitness trackers are turning up everywhere. You can catch a glimpse of them on the wrists of CEOs, Olympic athletes and celebs like Gwyneth Paltrow and Katy Perry. The National Basketball Association recently announced some players will soon wear a 1-ounce disk under their uniforms that monitors performance data such as muscle fatigue, speed and number of jumps. The NBA wants to become the first U.S. professional sports league to quantify and analyze every movement during every game. (Dr. Mike hopes this will pump up the Cleveland Cavaliers, and Dr. Oz has similar hopes for the Knicks.) There are even fitness trackers, such as FitBark, for dogs.

While you probably don't need to track your jump shots or how many times you retrieve a stick, you can make big fitness gains using monitors that help you stay enthusiastic about being active. But it's hard to know which to choose, so here's how to make a smart choice before plunking down \$50 to \$200 (the average price for a tracker).

Ask yourself: "Do I really need a fitness tracker?" If you're dedicated to your daily walking routine, you already should have a simple pedometer or accelerometer that counts your steps and monitors your motion. The FitBit and Yamax Power Walker get good reviews. If you don't have one of these devices, get two -- one for your desk at work and one for home! They can make it much easier to reach your daily goal for steps, heading for 10,000 (or equivalent, one minute of aerobics equals 100 steps) and help you walk your way to better health.

But if you are doing other activities (biking, swimming, running, playing tennis) or you want to shake up your routine, create new challenges and increase your motivation, then today's multi-function fitness trackers are a smart investment.

Look for the features that matter most to you. Some trackers upload your latest results to compete with other users (the Nike+ Fuelband SE). And most, like the UP24 and FitBit, sync with your smartphone, sending your data wirelessly for tracking your progress over time and sharing your info with friends and workout buddies or your doctor.

Now there are a few, like Moov, that offer personalized, computer-generated advice based on your own habits (the trackers can tell when you're short on sleep or analyze your footfall and suggest you change your gait).

Want to know your heart rate (check out Basis), speed or exercise intensity (Polar

Loop) during your workout? Many, but not all, trackers will show you how hard you're working, in numbers, words or flashing lights. Others let you set goals, then monitor your efforts on your phone or computer with clever charts and graphs.

We're fans of trackers (like Jawbone UP) that alert you when you've been sitting too long (fitting in more everyday movement is a great way to stay slimmer and healthier). Some trackers let you set alarms for morning wake-ups and naps, too.

Other trackers work with apps that help you monitor what you eat, use barcode scanners and provide food lists, so you don't have to type in everything you munch. Many trackers measure how long and how well you sleep, and others let you add info about your moods. These can help you see connections between working out, feeling depressed or happy, eating well or poorly, sleeping or not, and how it all affects your health. Smart!

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## Healing Arts program promotes recovery, health, and wellness

Art therapy is the therapeutic use of art making, within a professional relationship, by people who experience illness, trauma, or challenges in living, and by people who seek personal development. Through creating art and reflecting on the art products and processes, people can increase awareness of self and others; cope with symptoms, stress, and traumatic experiences; enhance cognitive abilities; and enjoy the life-affirming pleasures of making art. The American Arttherapy Association ()

Petoskey – McLaren Northern Michigan presents its Heart and Healing Arts Program, promoting the mind, body, and spiritual connection to overall health and wellness. While twenty-first century health care has made stunning advances in technology, procedures, and medications, providers look also to history and the healing arts, the ancient methods that treat the mind, body, and spirit — specifically yoga, meditation, and hands on creativity — to complement current medical treatments and procedures. The healing arts are proven methods to reduce stress, increase strength, and nurture mindfulness and well-being. "The mind/body connection, and in fact, the whole idea of Eastern practices are thousands of years old," says McLaren Northern Michigan Healing Arts Program Instructor Joey Haderer, RN, BSN, DNP. "The fact that traditional Western medicine and advancements can work in tandem with yoga, meditation, and creativity is a great benefit to both patients and providers."

Hands-on expression yields numerous benefits for the participants. Art therapy helps patients reduce stress, understand behavior in themselves and others, increase self-esteem, enhance self-awareness, and promote insight. Different mediums appeal to the creative side, and at the same time promote well-being. No skill or training is necessary to appreciate the benefits of creativity.

Another activity practiced for thousands of years, yoga instruction takes participants through a series of postures and fluid movements, each one beneficial in its own way. Focused, rhythmic breathing enhances the effectiveness of each position. "Yoga is very accessible for people of all physical abilities," adds Haderer. "I urge everyone to experience this life-changing practice."

Meditation and the practice of mindfulness create an overall sense of well-being. Meditation uses the mind and the breath to lower blood pressure, reduce stress, and increase the production of beneficial chemicals in the brain. Once considered an exotic practice, health professionals now concur that meditation has a valid place in effective healthcare.

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- the body.
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- Art and Yoga: September 18 — Practice and observation of basic postures with art.

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Funding for this program is made possible by McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation through the Meengs Heart Failure Clinic Fund. Additional information about classes, support groups, and other health-related programs can be found at [northernhealth.org/classes](http://northernhealth.org/classes) or call (800) 248-6777.

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5/7, 14, 21, 28 Wednesdays, 8am - 12pm

5/3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Saturdays

**FARMERS' MARKET**

Outdoor market in Veteran's Park on Lake Street. [www.boynechamber.com](http://www.boynechamber.com)

5/15, 5/22, 5/29 Thursdays, 9am - 1pm

**FARMERS' MARKET**

Sportsman's Park

5/11, Sunday, 2-4pm

**MOTHER'S DAY ROYAL TEA @ CASTLE FARMS**

Elegant afternoon features a variety of savory treats & assorted teas. Professional portrait photographer available. Spa services & massages, plus activities, crafts and door prize. Tickets \$20 per person. Must be purchased in advance. [www.charlevoix.org](http://www.charlevoix.org)

5/15 - 5/18

**54TH ANNUAL MOREL MUSHROOM FESTIVAL**

The festival features a competitive hunt, guided hunt, live music, a beer tent, a gourmet Taste of Morels, carnival rides, and much more, including the Wine & Dine gourmet dinner and wine tasting at Veterans Park.

5/22, Thursday

**OPERATION PETUNIA**

Petunia Planting Day  
[www.charlevoix.org](http://www.charlevoix.org)

5/24, Saturday, 8:30am - 12pm

**PLANT SALE**

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale. All plants have been tenderly dug from local gardens and donated to this annual fundraiser, held @ Ferry Beach. [www.charlevoix.org](http://www.charlevoix.org)

5/26, Monday, 11:30am - 12:30pm

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & SERVICE**

In Boyne City the parade begins @ 11:30am on Lake Street, continues to the waterfront and ends at Veterans Memorial Park. A 12pm service will include music, bell ringing, gun salutes, and addresses. (231) 459-4220.

5/26, Monday, 9:00am

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & SERVICE**

In Charlevoix services begin at 9am, Brookside Cemetery, followed by a 10am parade ending at East Park. A service follows the parade and includes a firing party and taps. (231) 675-4444.

5/26, Monday, 9:30am

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & SERVICE**

In East Jordan a Veterans' breakfast begins @ 9:30am at the American Legion. The parade takes place at 10:30am followed by a 11am service with a gun salute, music, addresses, and wreath placement.

5/29, Thursday, 5:30 - 7:00pm

**MAY SWIRL**

Join us for wine tastings in our galleries. Mingle among beautiful art, listen to local musicians, and sample fine wines and food from local restaurants. Tickets may be purchased on-line, telephone, or at the door. Event takes place at the Crooked Tree Arts Center in Petoskey. [www.crookedtree.org](http://www.crookedtree.org)

5/30, Friday, 6:30pm

**"MYSTERY DINNER"**

Murder, Mayhem & Politics Fund-raiser sponsored by Charlevoix Area Humane Society at Boyne Mountain. For details, call (231) 582-6774. [www.boynechamber.org](http://www.boynechamber.org)

**BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Thursday, May 1  
Wii Bowling

Friday, May 2  
11am Cousins Raffle

Monday, May 5  
Foot Clinic  
Line Dance  
Brown-Bag Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize

Tuesday, May 6  
9:30-11:30am Ed May Advisory Board Mtg  
Brown-Bag Bingo - Free Lunch Prize  
7-9pm Ed May

Wednesday, May 7  
Night Dinner!  
5pm MEATLOAF  
5:30pm Adolph Cwik  
50/50 Raffle

Thursday, May 8  
Boyne School Kids' Visit!  
Wii Bowling

**CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Thursday, May 1  
11am Chair Yoga Class  
1pm Pinochle

Friday, May 2  
1pm Rummy

Monday, May 5  
1pm Woodcarving  
7pm Bible Study

Tuesday, May 6  
11am Chair Yoga Class  
1pm Paint Class  
1pm Rummy

Wednesday, May 7  
Foot Clinic  
3pm Bingo  
Night Dinner!  
5pm MEATLOAF

Thursday, May 8  
11am Chair Yoga Class  
1pm Pinochle

**EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Thursday, May 1  
Karaoke Day!  
12:30pm Movie Day

Friday, May 2  
Birthday Day!  
10:30am Exercise  
11am Backwoods Maestros  
Bingo/Raffle

Monday, May 5  
8am-1pm Walking M-F  
10:30am Exercise

Tuesday, May 6  
11am Line Dancing  
12:30pm Bingo

Wednesday, May 7  
4pm John Slough  
Night Dinner!  
5pm MEATLOAF

Thursday, May 8  
Foot Clinic  
Karaoke Day!  
12:30pm Movie Day

**CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU**

Thursday, May 1  
SWEET 'N SOUR PORK

Friday, May 2  
DIJON CHICKEN

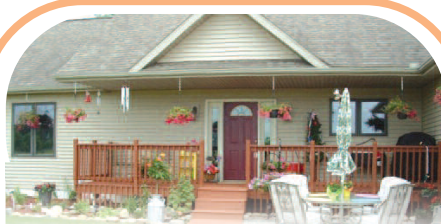
Monday, May 5  
CHICKEN ENCHILADA

Tuesday, May 6  
HAMBURGER w/BUN

Wednesday, May 7  
Night Dinner!  
5pm MEATLOAF

Thursday, May 8  
GARLIC CHICKEN

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