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Barns & Bridges:

East Jordan ap-

and temporary

bridge closure

By Krystal Johnson

proves site plans

EAST JORDAN—East

plans for the Jordan Valley Barn be approved by the city commission. Located at 4542 South M-66, the barn was purchased by

James Scheer in May 2012 with the intended purpose

of developing the property for use as a wedding venue and to host other large

events. The property is on the outskirts of town and was once an active farming operation. The building

will primarily operate during summer and fall months on weekends. Commissioners were sked to approve the PUD

site plan with conditions that the parking lot be

paved and variances set

Commissioner Burr ex-

See Barns & Bridges —4A

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back.

Jordan City Commissioners met last week to ap-

prove a site plan which intends to give new life to an old structure and to announce the bridge closure on M-32 that will occur after fireworks on Saturday. After a June 12 meeting, the East Jordan Planning Commission made the recommendation that site

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> **PLAYER** OF THE YEAR:



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Sandy Clausen **Boyne City**

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It's a great big festival with a small town heart. Each year, the East Jordan Freedom Festival draws thousands to the area to enjoy a weekend of great music, food and fun. 2013 FIREWORKS PHOTO BY NELSON OGDEN

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN - The evening skyline overlooking the City of East Jordan is splayed with bright lights, a Ferris wheel and the sounds of music and happy chatter can be heard on the wind. This weekend begins with the Freedom Festival already underway and plenty of fun to be had in downtown East Jordan.

The Michigan based, family run Schmidt Amusements carnival is set up just off Main Street from 5p.m. Thursday until 11p.m. Saturday. Although the carnival is the loudest feature of the Freedom Festival it is only one of many great ways to enjoy the week-long event. A back to back lineup of events is scheduled all over town all weekend long.

This year's fireworks display will debut on Saturday night and promises to be as spectacular as ever. If you have already purchased your commemorative East Jordan Freedom Festival Button, Chamber of Commerce Office Manager Shannon Fender thanks you for your contribution to the \$18,000 fire-

For a complete schedule of Freedom Festival events see page 8A

works display. With each button purchased, supporters get a chance to win one of three prizes, plus one lucky winner will have the opportunity to ignite the Fireworks. Button drawings will be held on the hour during the Friday Night Block Party on Main Street at 7, 8 and 9p.m. You must be present to win. The Buttons are also good for special savings at participating East Jordan locations throughout the festival. They are on sale all over town and will also be sold at the Friday Night Block Party while sup-

plies last. On Saturday from 10-2, two Bounce Houses will be set up in Memorial Park and kids can bounce free of charge. The Grand Parade begins at 3p.m. giving folks just enough time to pick their spot along the parade route which will be the same as always in spite of construction on the bridge. Freedom Festi-

val organizers hope everyone will head to Sportsman Park to check out the Craft Show or stick around town and use the Freedom Festival Button to get great deals at restaurants, stores and gas stations offering discounts while waiting for the Lip Sync Contest to begin at the Main Stage in Memorial Park at 6p.m. Participants can dress up, dance or just mouth the words, but song choices must be approved prior to the event and contestants need to register by Friday, June 27 by dropping a registration form they can download from the Chamber website at the Chamber office or call Jackie at 231-536-7763 and tell her your song to guarantee your song choice. The winner takes home a cash prize. "Saturday is a day that is jam-packed full of things for everyone of all ages to do, lots of

See **Freedom Festival–8A**



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Mi., 6 grandsons,1 granddaugh-

ter, 5 granddaughters-in-law, 7

great grandsons, 7 great grand-

daughters and one great-great

granddaughter. He was preceded

in death by his parents Roy Cov-

Thelma (Jake) Morehouse, Vesta

(Tom) Miller, Audrey (Leonard)

Lackey and brother George (Jan-

Richard retired from Meijer

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27	81°F	53°F	95°F (2005)	35°F (1992)
28	81°F	53°F	96°F (2005)	40°F (1970)
29	81°F	54°F	93°F (1964)	36°F (1988)
30	81°F	54°F	92°F (1963)	38°F (1982)
7/1	82°F	54°F	95°F (1966)	36°F (1965)
2	82°F	54°F	95°F (1949)	37°F (1995)

Linda Lou DeWitt Watson, 73

(NOV. 7, 1959 - JUNE 18, 2014)

Linda Lou Watson of East Jordan passed away at 10:05 p.m. on June 18, 2014, at home with her family by her side.

She was the wife of Dale Watson, who survives.

Linda was born in Albion, Mich., the daughter of Iona Jean and Earl DeWitt. She went to school in Albion and Marshall,

On Nov. 7, 1959, she married Dale in Marshall. In 1966, they moved to Kalkaska, Mich., where she worked as a waitress and in nursing homes as an aide. She also had Cub Scouts there and helped Dale with their refuse business. In 1990, they moved to East Jordan, where she also worked as an aide.

She liked going to Gaylord for breakfast then going to Mackinaw City for a hot fudge sundae. She also liked knitting, reading books and playing on her com-

She was a great loving wife, mother and grandma. She will be missed by all. Linda is survived by her children, Melinda Watson, Phillip (Lori) Watson and Paige Watson of Oscoda, Mich., Lori (Denny) Ashley of Atwood, Mich., and Danny Watson of Traverse City, Mich.; and foster daughter, Mary (Paul) Hoffman, of Ellsworth, Mich. She also has 21 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her father-in-law and mother-in-law; three sisters, Shirley Barber, Margie Smith and Rosemary Watson; one sister-in-law. Kendra Watson: and two granddaughters, Ashley Goodman and Gina Watson.

The family would like to thank Hospice of Northwest Michigan, pastor Jim Jordan of the Lighthouse Missionary Church and Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

A memorial service will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 5, at the Lighthouse Missionary Church, 7824 Rogers Road, East Jordan.

Eldon Lake, 92

(JULY 7, 1921 - JUNE 22, 2014)

Eldon Lake of Boyne City died June 22, 2014 at his home in Bay Township.

Eldon was born July 17, 1921 in Muskegon, Michigan, the son of William Lake and Ada (Weiser) Lake. He grew up in the Boyne City area and attended school lo-

On October 7, 1950, he married Lolita Buckmaster at his parents' home in Boyne City.

While serving in the United States Army as a recon car crewman from 1942- thru 1945 in Ardennes, Rhineland, Central Europe, Eldon earned a World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Ribbon, European and Middle Eastern Ribbon, with three Bronze Battle Stars.

Eldon was preceded in death by brother Thurlin, and sisters Elsie (Pendleton) and Ocy (Moyer) and is survived by his wife of 64 years Lolita Lake, daughters Jeannette (Gilbert), Kathryn (Leon Sulak), Linda (John Marshall) from Boyne City and two sons Daniel, Baltimore, Maryland and Eldon (Bud), Ludington, Michigan, seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

A Memorial will take place on Thursday, June 26, 2014, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Stackus Funeral Home, in Boyne City with a luncheon to follow at the Boyne City Senior Center from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Richard J. Covell, 82

(SEPT. 21, 1931 - JUNE 21, 2014) Richard J. Covell passed away

at home on June 21, 2014 surrounded by his loving family.

He is survived by his wife Joan, sons James (Vicki) Covell of Cedar

Springs, Mi., JR (Sheila) Covell of Boyne City, Mi, and daughter



Our loving father, grandfather, brother, uncle and great friend, William (Bill) Joseph Taylor, passed peacefully into our heavenly father's hands on June 20, 2014 at the age of 76.

Bill was so much to so many. He is survived by his daughters Julie (Donnie) Newton of Augusta GA., Jami (Charlie) Miller of Lansing, Kristina (David) Cox of Grand Ledge, Nicole (John) Sosnowski of Lansing and Ashley (Keary) Schelling of Grand Ledge, his sister Carol Bennett McGeorge of Boyne City, 17 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and great friends.

Bill was born on March 30, 1938 to James and Garnet Taylor who preceded him in death along with his brother James and his wife Jean, in St. Johns MI. He was raised in Boyne City and graduated from Boyne City High School. He attended Alma College and then joined the army where he was a member of the

band and went on to join the Augusta Symphony Orchestra in Augusta GA. He returned to Michigan and raised his family in Lansing where he retired as a supervisor from General Motors in 2001 after 32 years of service. He then returned to his hometown and lived out the last years of his life being an active member of his community. Bill was an active member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church where he volunteered tirelessly. He was a proud member of the Knights of Columbus, played a big role in fundraising for his favorite charity Compassionate Hearts and was a good friend of Bill W.

Bill touched the lives of every person who's path he crossed. He will be forever missed and was tickled to death to have been on this journey. His servants heart will live on through all that knew him.

A funeral mass was held Tuesday June 24, 2014 at St. Matthews Church in Boyne City.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Matthew's Guild or Compassionate Heart in memory of Bill.

William Bruce "Bill" Briggs, 72

(JULY 19, 1941 - JUNE 11, 2014) William Bruce "Bill" Briggs of

Charlevoix died Wednesday, June 11, 2014, at his home.

He was born July 19, 1941, in Whitehall, Wisc. to Clarence M. and Ila G. (Hanson) Briggs.

Bill graduated from University of Wisconsin-Madison with Bachelor's degree in Engineer ing, and was employed by General Motors Detroit Diesel and Powertrain Divisions for almost forty years.

Bill married Kathie Mulcrone on May 30, 1975, in Southfield. Since the early 80's they made their home in both Novi and

Charlevoix. They lived in Charlevoix exclusively since 2002, where they belonged to Saint Mary's Church.

Bill served as Planning Board Chairman in Novi during its expansion and redevelopment years. He also worked for the last 11 years as the Zoning Administrator for Torch Lake Township. He was often on the road inspecting sites with his assistant, Charlie, one of the three family

An avid sports fan, Bill's passion for the Wisconsin Badgers was rewarded in the past few years. His long devotion to the Detroit Lions remained, as always, unfulfilled. Bill was a lifelong Sherlock Holmes enthusiast. He established and maintained an extensive website "McMurdo's Camp" devoted to Sherlock Holmes lore. One can learn a lot about Bill by spending an afternoon reading through it. He was active in numerous other Sherlock Holmes societies where he displayed his ability to compose limericks.

Bill is survived by his wife, Kathie of Charlevoix; brother, Jim (Vicki) Briggs of Wausau, Wisc. and nephews, Adam and Amos.

A mass in celebration of Bill's life will be held at St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Charlevoix on Saturday, July 19 at 11:00 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Mary's Church Debt Reduction Fund, 1005 Bridge Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Robert Rockney Hausler, 84

A memorial service for former Boyne City resident Robert Rockney Hausler 84 of Inde pendence, Mo., will take place at 11 a.m. Sunday, July 6, at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Boyne City.

A luncheon will follow the service at Chandler Township

Mr. Hausler passed away on Dec. 9, 2013.

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Wearable blankets donated to Safe Home

The Child Abuse Council of Charlevoix and Emmet Counties donated 12 wearable blankets, also known as sleep sacks, to the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan's (WRCNM) Safe Home. The sleep sacks replace loose blankets in the crib that can cover a baby's face and interfere with breathing. The donation is the launch of a two year program to provide sleep sacks to families making use of Safe Home services that have very young children.

According to the Michigan.gov website, nearly 150 infants in Michigan die as a result of unsafe sleep environments each year; these deaths are preventable. One way is to use wearable blankets to provide a safer sleep environment for infants and toddlers.

The donated, sleeveless sleep sacks are made of a soft fleece material that zips from the bottom to the neckline. Maggie Kromm, executive director of the Child Abuse Council said the use of a sleep sack, combined with placing babies on their backs on a firm sleep surface, is part of the American Academy of Pediatric guidelines for safe infant sleep and the reduction of SIDSrelated deaths. Kromm emphasized the importance of keeping soft objects or loose bedding out

of the crib. This includes pillows. blankets, bumper pads, stuffed toys and any other clutter.

Kim McQuistion, child advocate at the WRCNM's Safe home, was thrilled to receive the donation to share with domestic abuse survivors that come to the Safe Home with their young children. She said the Safe Home provided a secure, caring and supportive residence to 119 women and children seeking refuge from the perils of domestic abuse, last year alone. As the child advocate, she works to ensure a safe and comfortable environment for all the children at the shelter.

Kromm said the Child Abuse Council is motivated to get the sleep sacks into the hands of new parents and those with infants and toddlers. Those donated to the Safe Home are a gift meant to go with families when they are prepared to move on from the Safe Home. Additionally, the Child Abuse Council plans to distribute the sleep sacks to parents through other area non-profit organizations such as Christ Child Society and area hospitals.

For additional information and resources on infant safe sleep recommendations, visit www.michigan.go/safesleep or call the Child Abuse Council of Charlevoix and Emmet Counties at 231-753-8511.

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SOBO Arts Festival this weekend

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY—This week's Stroll the Streets is the official kick-off of Boyne City's signature Art Festival in the SOBO Downtown District, June 27. Boyne City's fifth annual celebration of the visual, performing, written and audible arts will continue through Saturday with "SOBO by the Shore" an all-day art fair at Peninsula Beach.

Beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, music and entertainment will be on every corner of downtown Boyne City with the added presence of a "meet and greet" of some of the artists as well as artist demonstrations and a wine tasting. Other activities include Spin Art, Mural Mania, Pottery and the Bay Area Big Band strikes up at 7p.m. Come ready to dance!

More art demonstrations and live music follows "SOBO by the Shore" to Peninsula Beach, on the shore of Lake Charlevoix from 11a.m. to 7p.m. Saturday,

June 28. "It's a rounded art festival for all ages and all people," said Festival Coordinator Beck Harris.

This year the culinary arts will be represented at the festival with multi food vendors including Ettas, Pigs Eatin' Ribs, Happy Tacos, and many others.

Kids events include an all day "Fizz Boom Read" with Miss Monica, June Bug the face painter, storytelling at noon and 3p.m., Balloon Twisting, Jania The Magic Lady, a Magic Show at 1:30, Cheri Leach & "Checkers" the snake from Raven Hill Discovery Center and at 11a.m. and 2p.m. Kirby for Kids entertains through musical storytelling

Festival exhibitors include artists that specialize in jewelry from semi-precious stones from nature, wood, canvas tiles, fiber, leather and mosaic arts. An impressive lineup of writers, photographers and even a sculpture with water will be on site demonstrating and selling their wares. "This festival is a great

representation of what Boyne City is," said Harris.

Awards Presented the day of the Show include Best of Show, \$500 or Best Booth, \$250. Last year's winners were Don Hunter, Best of Show and Luciano Duse, a Photographer from Petoskey, Best Booth Display. "Come spend the day on the beach as see what we're all about. There's always a reason to come down and enjoy Lake Charlevoix from our perspective," she said.

CAPTION: 2014 SOBO Art Festival Poster by Cindy Kujawski Posters, signed by the artist, are available for sale at the Boyne Arts Collective

and the artist will be present for signing on Friday night at SOBO Street Stroll.



Fresh food from your local farmer's market

By Jessica Boyce

Northern Michigan is in the perfect season for you to stop by your local farmer's market and see what fresh produce and other products they have to offer. When you shop at a farmer's market instead of a big grocery store, you are supporting local farmers and you know exactly where your food is coming from. All of the fruits and vegetables you can buy at a farmer's market are the freshest you can find and are minimally processed making them better for your health. At your local farmer's market you will not only find fruits and vegetables that are in season, but also meats, eggs, bread, jams, and many other fresh food products. This summer, there are many different farmer's markets that are taking place in Northern Michigan giving you plenty of opportunities to get some great locally grown food.

BOYNE CITY: The Boyne City Farmer's Market is every Wednesday and Saturday from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm in Veterans Park. These will continue through October.

CHARLEVOIX: The Charlevoix Farmer's Market is every Thursday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm in East Park.

CHEBOYGAN: Cheboygan has their Farmer's Market every Wednesday from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm in the Walgreen's parking lot and every Saturday from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm in the Opera House parking lot.

EAST JORDAN: The East Jordan Farmer's Market is every Thursday through October from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at Sportsman's Park.

Ellsworth: The Ellsworth Farmer's Market is every Tuesday from $5:00\ pm-7:00\ pm$ across from the high school.

FAIRVIEW: Nature's Best Farmer's Market takes place at Boney Park in Fairview every Saturday from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. This runs through September.

GAYLORD: Through June every Saturday from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm you can visit the Gaylord Downtown Farmer's Market. Then in July – October, they will also be open on



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I AND explains the goal of

Jeannie Voller of ISLAND explains the goal of the Preservation Station and its uses at the Charlevoix Farmers Market.

Wednesdays.

GRAYLING: The City of Grayling Farmer's Market is every Saturday from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm on Michigan Ave. and then on Thursdays from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Grayling City Park. This runs June – October.

INDIAN RIVER: The Indian River Grower's Market is every Wednesday from 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm and every Saturday from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Citizen's National Bank.

LEWISTON: The Lewiston Farm Market is every Saturday from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm on Kneeland Street in downtown Lewiston.

MANCELONA: The Mancelona Farmer's Market is every Thursday from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm at the Senior Center.

PETOSKEY: The Downtown
Petoskey Farmer's Market is every
Friday from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm on
Howard St. between Mitchell and
Michigan. This will run through
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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION, JUNE 24, 2014

Back to the Drawing Board on Food Truck Ordinance

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY-A second reading of a Food Truck ordinance ended with a ninety day moratorium prohibiting food trucks in the city and opposition to the removal of Fluoride from the city municipal water supply were denied a chance to vote on the issue at the June 24th Boyne City Commission meeting.

Commissioners faced a full meeting room Tuesday night and listened to public comment both for and against Food Trucks for over an hour before closing the public hearing. Since the May 13 meeting when Commissioners heard the first reading of the Food Truck ordinance, a considerable amount of negative feedback flooded City Hall including a letter in opposition of food trucks in the downtown restaurant district signed by ten representatives of local restaurants which sparked a meeting organized by Hugh Conklin Main Street Manager and Jim Baumann Chamber of Commerce Executive Director. The meeting was intended to reevaluate all perspectives on the issue and was held June 18. Twenty-seven people attended and all but one were opposed to allowing food trucks in the district. Consequently, city staff prepared a memorandum to disallow food trucks until a new ordinance that more accurately expresses the desires of the people can be drafted. "I think everyone there from the Chamber agreed that we need to start over," said Baumann. Most everyone who spoke at the meeting stated in one way or another

that the commissioners needed to be very careful when establishing the ordinance. "I think we have to proceed with caution, I think we have to do it right," said resident Tom Keena. The crowd's opinions concerning the issue were very diverse. Commissioners approved a motion to reject the proposed Mobile Food Vending ordinance and adopt a moratorium to provide the time necessary for research and development of new regulations to address mobile food vending. The moratorium ensures the continuation of past practices but prohibits new vendors for a period of ninety days. "We are a town that says yes, not no, I thought we could come to a consensus that can work-I agree with both sides- so our challenge is to come up with that consensus that would work for everybody but we're not there yet. The recommendation from staff is let's start over and I'm okay with that," said Commissioner Neidhamer.

During the opening public comment portion of the meeting four people made statements about the commissioner's decision to remove fluoride from the city's water supply and asked the board to place the issue on the November ballot. Mayor Ron Grunch asked his fellow commissioners to consider the possibility. Two motions were made by Neidhamer and seconded by Grunch, one to put the issue on an upcoming agenda for discussion and one to put the issue on the ballot. Both motions failed 3/2 with Sansom, Gaylord and Towne voting against.

A city owned lot on Lewis



Drew Wright co-owner of Happy Taco Food Truck held the entrepreneur of the year award he earned last year while he explained that he was raised in Boyne City and when he returned from college made a choice concerning how to put his degree to work. "When I considered what I would do I wanted to bring something new, trendy and fun to the city I love," he said. The Boyne City based vendor was voted the 6th best food truck in the nation.

Street was put up for bid. The irregularly shaped lot has an SEV of \$8,400. Only one bid was received from Indian Gardens Associated LLC for \$5,200. Commissioners accepted the bid. "I think it's a fair price given the interest. I think it's the best you're going to do," said Scott McPherson, City Planning/Zoning Administrator.

Phase one of the Boyne City/Charlevoix Trail which runs from town north of Young State Park is ready to begin. Certifications need to be in place in order to meet criteria for the \$565,900 MDOT Enhancement Act Grant to complete the phase to be administered. As part of the grant process a resolution stating that matching funds are in place, a maintenance commitment has been made and an agent to oversee the funds has been assigned needs to be approved. Matching funds have been committed from Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant, \$300,000, Evangeline Township, \$32,216, Charlevoix **County Community Foundation** \$26,800, Top of Michigan Trails Northern Michigan Bike Club, \$17,512, and \$11,072 from the City of Boyne City. A maintenance agreement has been made with Charlevoix County to maintain the portion of trail outside the city limits and the City of Boyne City has committed to maintain the trail within city limits. City Manager Michael Cain will serve as the agency agent for the grant. Commissioners approved the resolution. "There is all expectations that construction will begin this year, "said Ross Maxwell, Charlevoix county Parks and Recreation Director. He informed the Commissioners that Phase II is fully funded and will begin next spring.

The next meeting of the Boyne City Commissioners is scheduled for July 8. The City facilities project will be discussed at the meeting.

Barns & Bridges

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pressed concerns, while Parks Director Tom Cannon said he was glad to see the Planning Commission willing to work with Scheer.

"From a DDA standpoint, I want to be aware that we need to work with people who want to come in and invest in our community," said Commissioner Mark Penzien. "I'm not saying to bend the rules...but if we can reuse what we have and make it work, I don't see a problem with it. For [the Scheers] to tear down a building or move it back because of our rules, then the investment would not be there. As a city council, we have to protect the city, but we have to do it in two ways. One is to look at our ordinances that we have in place and do the best we can to accommodate the needs of the city. We also have to look at the needs of our city in terms of economic development, and sometimes we have to bend a little bit.'

The commission approved the site plan with conditions, as variances will have to be approved by the DDA.

Cannon also announced that the M-32 bridge will be closed to vehicle traffic following the fireworks display on Saturday at the Jordan Valley Freedom Festival.

The bridge is currently under construction by MDOT and is using temporary traffic lights to operate, which has been reduced to one lane.

All vehicles are being asked to use four-mile square (M-32, Rogers Rd., and M-66) after the fireworks show. The bridge will remain open for pedestrians on the sidewalks only. Once traffic slows to a normal flow, the bridge will reopen for all modes of transportation.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m., Tuesday, July 1,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To the Editor.

Our Grand Opening was just that - "GRAND". We had a large turn out and a very successful evening. A big "thanks" goes out to the many people who made this event happen.

Lisa Beeman was responsible for all the wonderful appetizers served. Cudos to her chef "Jeff"! Ed Strezlenski was the "man behind the scene" making sure all platters were filled and no one left hungry. Teri Rounds and Su Bishop made our gallery look great with tables, linens,

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and bouquets of flowers. Shannon Pearce put an extra touch on spaces everywhere. Diane Strezlenski and Bob Wollenberg added help throughout the evening. The ambiance was perfect with melodies emanating from Dan Farrow's piano a very classy addition. Also, thanks to all those who donated \$5 and a bottle

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To the Editor

THE OBAMA CONUN-**DRUM**

There's something wrong with Barack Obama. Even many blacks complain. We've heard the ruminations both obtuse and trenchant, from Obomination to anagogic onomastic. Certainly the fellow was placed on a pedestal at first. Nobel Peace Prize et al. But soon it became apparent that he was not about to fulfill campaign promises that got him elected, even joking about it on late night TV.

Rumors of impeachment got a jolt of energy with the revelations of the Osama bin Laden fiasco which included the helicopter deaths of many of the SEALs6 team that supposedly carried out the infamous raid. Since none of that was documented it remains vacuous. It does look staged. The gist, the accusation, is that the SEALs were killed to shut them up because it never happened. Nonetheless, if the 43rd presidential cabinet were not indicted for false premise of war, Obama is not likely a candidate for impeachment even though it appears that

found, all you have to do is quit.

Thus we are left with the conundrum of Obama, what's his problem? He's a figurehead and likes that role. Obamacare is a success at least for the formerly uninsured. The Iraq War is in limbo, Afghanistan still simmers, Guantanamo still seethes. We had as voters virtually no choice last election with Romney-Ryan dithyrambic. Obama is a panjandrum whose

ultracrepidarian proclamations are increasingly hollow. The person who taught constitutional law is bringing about the total dissolution of that docu-

ment. Of course the main adversaries are those who still back George Bush II, he who brought the torture issue back to the US. It has been intimated without actually saying it that it is simply prejudice on the part of white protesters and this is certainly plausible if not provable. Some commentators aver, with some verification, that segregation has again taken hold in select areas such as schools, neighborhoods and such where econom-

2008 election that John McCain would claim the top prize. That was a ground swell, a grass roots victory, that brought, well, "hope" to some people who were tired of Republican rule, wars, lies &c even as the country sank into the Great Recession which nearly inundated the civilized world in Depression again. Here we were waging two wars and sundry installations worldwide, a devastating Recession, and along came this black dude on a white horse to save the day. Au contraire. He extended yesterday.

Obama did bail out the culprits and the incompetents alike and warded off the otherwise inevitable railroad bums many of us would have morphed into. But this is happening anyway in more subtle ways, gradual paring of the middle class as per Marxian sociology. Not that this is turning to Socialism, capitalism is seguing, conflating with it because that's the way it seems to work best, as even China is finding.

Presidential elections are theatre, the main event in most countries that elect leaders. We should be very discerning about what we believe though because much of the verbiage is false or prevaricate. Slip-

pery slides such as birth records, heritage, etc. can easily be misconstrued. How can such a person have gone from the promised one to the one who broke promises with seeming ease almost immediately? That's the puzzle. Hope turned to hopelessness as if it were staged that way by screenwriters. Come to think of it, that theme holds true throughout, a Wag The Dog sort of dramaturgy. The supposition would then be that if it worked once, it'll work again. With all those layers of protection surrounding. intimidation of the press, the public doesn't see the inner workings except through those few who leak information and naturally are outlawed.

The black experience so bandied about since the 1960s doesn't quite apply to Barack Obama but he reaped the benefits of it mimetically or through memes. He seems impervious to criticisms as one in entertainment must be. Perhaps that's the most incisive evaluation: he's an actor, not uncommon in politics. We even had a real Hollywood actor once. Born more humbly he might have been an urban huckster, shuck and jive

raconteur. Maybe he is. Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan







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MEDICARE NEWS

Part 1 - How do I get Medicare benefits?

This is a two part series meant for people who are nearing the age of 65. Part 1 will cover the process of signing up for Medicare, and Part 2 will provide information about the plan selec-tion process considering the myriad of insurance options available to provide help with pre-scriptions drugs; health care supplements also known as medigap plans; and Medicare Ad-vantage plans.

You are closing in on the age of 65! Medicare benefits are just around the corner. How am I to proceed?

There are several important considerations. But first, you've worked hard to earn your Medi-care health benefits, so you want to be sure that the initial Medicare enrollment goes well. There are several important steps to follow. The first thing you want to be sure about is that you are signed up to start Medicare when you turn 65.

If you are already on Social Security benefits, you will automatically be enrolled. You will re-ceive a letter from that agency a few months in advance of your 65th birthday. The letter will include vour Medicare Health Insurance card stating the date that your Part A and Part B benefits will commence. If you have had a minimum of 40 quarters, or 10 years of work histo-ry, Part A will be free. The main features of Part A include coverage for inpatient hospital stays, nursing home care, home health care, and hospice.

Medicare Part B covers all other expenses such as doctor visits, lab expenses, radiology, dura-ble medical equipment and a large number of other items. You will be given the option to re-fuse Part B Medicare. People who are Medicare age, can delay taking Part B if they are still working and have employer group health coverage. They will avoid having to pay the Part B premium of \$104.90

per month. They can have the Part B coverage activated after they retire. In this case, the Social Security Administration may require a letter from the employer demonstrating that the retiree has had credible group health coverage. Medicare beneficiaries who refuse Part B and have no other credible insurance coverage will be faced with a penalty. For these people, a 10% penalty will be applied to the Part B base premium for every 12 month period of eligibility in which enrollment was refused.

If you are not collecting Social Security benefits and want Medicare to start when you turn 65, you will need to act on your own behalf to ensure that your coverage begins at the appropriate time. One option is to enroll online at Social Security's website

www.socialsecurity.gov/onlineservices and click on "Apply for benefits". You can also stop by your local Social Security office and request to be signed up.

The next step is a bit more difficult. Now is the time to decide what Part D prescription insur-ance, Medicare supplement, or Medicare Advantage plan you want. This is a bit more daunt-ing. There are very many options to consider. I will attempt to provide help in Part 2 of this series, entitled "How do I select a Medicare plan?'

In the meantime, Medicare beneficiaries can get help by contacting the Medicare/Medicaid As-sistance Program at 800-803-7174. MMAP counselors are trained and certified to provide help in all areas of Medicare health care insurance, Medicaid benefits, fraud and abuse, billing issues, and a number of other related topics.

By: Jim Verville, Region 10 Coordinator

Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program Area Agency on Aging,

Traverse City, Michigan

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Friday, June 27 11am Roger Hartson

Monday, June 30 Line Dance Brown-Bag Bingo Gift Certificate Prize

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Friday, June 27 Birthday Day!!! 9:30am Craft Class

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Diabetes & Summertime Eating

Summer foods can easily fit into your meal plan. This list will help you enjoy the summer season. Please note the following serving info:

1 carb. = 15 grams carbohydrate 1 meat = 7 grams or 1oz proteir 1 fat = 5 grams of fat

Due to variations in food ingredients and serving sizes, use nutrition labels as a guide if available. Ask your Registered Dietitian for more information about any other holiday foods you may like to eat.

Beverages		Fruits	
Regular Soda, 4 oz	1 carb	Each of the following servings equal 1 car	
Diet Soda	Free	bohydrate choice	e.
Lemonade, 8 oz	1½ carb		
Sugar Free Lemonade	Free	Apricot	4 whole
Sweet Ice Tea, 8 oz	1 carb	Blueberries	¾ cup
Unsweetened Ice Tea	Free	Blackberries	¾ cup
Juice, 4 oz	1 carb	Cantaloupe	1 cup cubes
Punch, 4 oz	1 carb	Cherries	12 large
Fruit Slush, 4 oz	1 carb	Fruit Salad	¾ cup
Sugar Free Drinks	Free	Grapes	12-15
		Honeydew	1 cup cubes
Alcohol*		Kiwi	1 large
Beer, 12 oz		Mango	1 small
Beer, Light, 12 oz		Nectarine	1 small
Liquor, 1½ oz		Papaya	1 cup cubes
Wine, 4 oz		Peaches	1 medium
Wine Cooler, 12 oz		Pineapple	% cup chunks
		Plums	2 small
*Check with your physician before drinking		Raspberries	1 cup

Strawberries

Watermelon

1 cup whole

1 cup cubes

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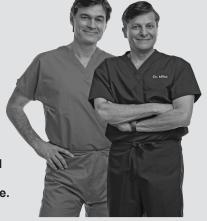
TAKING HEART **OR BLOOD SUGAR MEDS?** EAT LIKE THIS, **NOT LIKE THAT!**

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

If you're among the 24 million Americans who take a statin or the 13 million considering it, now hear this: Taking that cholesterol-lowering, inflammation-cooling med is not a license to overeat, gain weight or ask for steak instead of planked salmon! But that seems to be what many of you think. A recent UCLA study reveals that today's statin users eat 10 percent more calories and 14 percent more fat than statin users did 15 years ago. (They also weigh more than non-statin users.) Those bad food choices increase your risk for high blood pressure and diabetes, and make your RealAge older, even while the statin keeps your lousy LDL cholesterol in check.

But if you take a second or even third look at your plate, you can take advantage of the remarkable health benefits of statins. Try a meal makeover that adds more proven, heart-smart edibles while subtracting nefarious food felons that boost your risk for everything from ticker trouble and high blood sugar to dementia and a lousy sex life. We think this meds-plus-food strategy works for everybody concerned about their lousy LDL numbers, as well as the 47 million North Americans taking blood pressure drugs, and the 10 million or more who take medications to help control Type 2 diabetes. Here's why:

Heart meds work way better with a healthy diet. People who take statins and other drugs for cardiovascular disease can slash their five-year risk for a heart attack an extra 22 percent by eating more healthfully, increasing physical activity and cutting out smoking. If your blood pressure is still high despite medication (a problem for 20 percent to 30 percent of people taking BP meds), slashing sodium and simple sugars while nixing processed foods and opting for fruit, veggies, whole grains and lean protein could help you lower your blood pressure numbers by 9 to 22



points -- all without taking more drugs or increasing your doses.

Blood sugar falls in line. If you take medication for Type 2 diabetes but still have high blood sugar levels, a plate makeover could help you bring your A1c (an average of your blood sugar level over 6-12 weeks) down to normal. In one University of Pennsylvania study, seven months of healthy foods lowered A1c levels from 8 percent (that's high) to 5.8 percent (that's healthy!) for people taking diabetes meds.

To accomplish this, we suggest you banish the five food felons: refined flour, added sugars and syrups, saturated fat and trans fats. Munch on these five delicious foods

1. Leafy greens. Just 1 1/2 servings a day can slash diabetes risk up to 14 percent. And a diet that includes greens and olive oil (another power food) subdues blood pressure by raising levels of compounds called "nitro fatty acids." The lutein in greens such as spinach helps prevent plaque buildup along artery

2. Five servings of vegetables and fruit. Eating that every day slashes heart attack and stroke risk by 20 percent. Bump it up to eight or nine, and you'll cut your risk by at least 30 percent. Produce is packed with satisfying fiber that helps control appetite and weight, soluble fiber that helps lower cholesterol, and minerals that help regulate healthy blood pressure. The same stellar nutrients help keep blood sugar in line, too.

3. Nuts and olive oil. In moderation, the good fats in nuts and olive oil help by contributing to healthy cholesterol levels. The fiber and protein in nuts (especially walnuts) help smooth out blood sugar spikes after meals.

4. Beans. A cup a day can lower your A1c, reduce blood pressure and -- thanks to a big dose of soluble fiber -- helps whisk LDL cholesterolladen bile acids out of your body when you have a bowel movement.

5. Seafood. Fish like salmon and wild trout can help cut your risk for diabetes while pampering your

eyes, brain, joints and sex organs. Now you're primed to get the body do-over benefits of statins that you've been hoping for all along.

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Charlevoix Area Hospital board votes to pursue closer affiliation with Munson Healthcare

The Charlevoix Area Hospital Board of Directors has announced a decision to build on the hospital's current affiliation with Munson Healthcare and pursue a closer relationship. The Board voted unanimously to "authorize management to enter into a letter of intent with Munson Healthcare to explore a fuller affiliation agreement without specific detail as to the ultimate structure of such affiliation."

The Board agreed strengthening the hospital's relationship with Munson Healthcare could be the most effective way to ensure ongoing hospital success in the changing health care environment.

"This decision was a result of the Charlevoix Area Hospital Board's proactive evaluation of the strategies needed to ensure the hospital remains a successful provider and economic engine for the region," said Ruth Hoppe, M.D., chairperson of the hospital board.

Dr. Hoppe said in the face of an uncertain economy, declining reimbursement, increased regulation, and unfunded mandates, many rural community hospitals are struggling to survive. While Charlevoix Area Hospital has remained viable through many of these changes, it is time to take the next step to ensure sustainability for the long term, before being faced with a crisis.

"With this decision, the CAH Board is focused on positioning the hospital for a strong and sustainable future and

maintaining the right mix of close-to-home health care services in Charlevoix and surrounding communities," said Lyn Jenks, CEO of Charlevoix Area Hospital.

The hospital Board and leadership believe their present ties with Munson Healthcare make it a logical strategic partner.

"Because of the strong history of regional collaboration with Munson, it made sense to talk with their organization about our hospital goals and to look very closely at the full range of options we have available to us. This is a wise next step," Dr. Hoppe said.

Munson Healthcare Presi-



dent and CEO Ed Ness said he looks forward to working with the Charlevoix Area Hospital Board toward a non-binding letter of intent between the two organizations.

"Our 2012 agreement with Charlevoix Area Hospital gave it access to a broader range of services from Munson," he said. "It also created an ongoing conversation about how the two organizations could best work together to serve patients with local health care services. We are excited to work with them to more clearly define the steps needed to secure their vision for local health care."

Wellness Wednesday Health Screening July 2nd

Charlevoix Area Hospital will be hosting the Wellness Wednesday Program from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. on July 2nd. The Wellness Wednesday Health Screen includes: Total Cholesterol, HDL, ratio, and Glucose levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure reading. No fasting is required. However, if individ-

uals are fasting, LDL and triglyceride levels can also be obtained.

Cost for the service is \$15. For those who are diabetic an A1C level can be obtained for an additional \$5. Participants will receive a blood pressure log and pedometer and all test results at the time of the screening. A Registered Nurse will adapt health consultation

and educational materials to individual results.

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July 4 - Blue Shadow Band, David Cisco, Harbor Hoe Down, Kellerville, Kowalske Family Band, Melissa Welke, RFD Boys, Twister Joe

July 11 - Bob Garza Duo, Craig Cottrill Band, Horton Creek, Jon Archambault Band, Kowalske Family Band, Neil Sauter Michigan Stilt Walker, Off Duty, Ty & Cody

July 18 - Dwain Martin And Friends, Full Circle, Kowalske Family Band, Randy Reska, Rustic Heart, The Sunshine String Band, The Vermeers, Twister Joe

July 25 - Jania Taylor, Keith Scott, Kowalske Family Band, Night Shade, Smith & Puroll, The Pistil Whips, Wyatt & Shari Knapp, Zeemo

August 1 - Bruce Walker, Don Judd & Friends, Frontiers Men, Kayla Jo Cross, Kowalske Family Band, Plumville Project, Sky & Signal, Twister

EAST JORDAN

Summer meals for children

East Jordan Public Schools announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program for Children. Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or person up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. Meals will be provided at East Jordan Elementary School, 304 Fourth St. from June 16 through August 15. Breakfast will be served from 9am - 9:30am and lunch will be served from 11:30am - 12:30pm, Monday through Friday. Neighborhood children are welcome to participate.

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 thru 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 www.charlevoixcircle.org/events--ex-

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Music in the Park

2014 Summer concert series at 7pm at the Memorial Park bandshell

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July 25 – Kitty Donohoe

Aug. 1 – Blood Sisters Aug. 8 – Family Reunion

Aug. 15 - Snyder Family

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BOYNE CITY

Evenings at the Gazebo

Summer Wednesday evenings, 6:30 p.m. Free concerts in Old City Park, at the corner of Park and River Streets. The Evenings at the Gazebo free concert series is brought to you by the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, our generous sponsors and in-park donations made on the night of each performance. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic basket and maybe a bottle of wine. No pets, please. In case of rain, concerts will be held at an alternate location - check this website or call the chamber at 231-582-6222 for details.

This year's performers:

July 2 - Apple Seed Collective July 9 - Moors and McCumber

July 16 - The Plumville Project July 23 - The 126 Army Band

July 30 - The Hand Me Downs Aug. 6 - Trombones Plus

Aug. 13 - Billy Strings and Don Julin

CHARLEVOIX

Yoga in the park

Heidi Dietrich of Charlevoix Yoga teaches Yoga in the Park, 8:30 A.M. Thursday, June 26 during the Charlevoix Farmers Market on Round Lake at East Park in Charlevoix. Cost \$10. Public welcome. Phone 231-373-6033 for more information.

ELLSWORTH

Retirement Open House for Carole

Thursday, June 26, 3-6 p.m. Moms and Tots Center 9100 Pleasant Hill Rd. She has held many babies, listened to clients with compassion and love, and spoke genuine words of encouragement to young moms. The Center will be open for all friends to come and thank Carole for her years of dedication to the ministry of the Moms and Tots Center. Refreshments will be

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Leadership Charlevoix County

A front-row seat to witness and interact with the community's most influential leaders. Is someone on your staff ready to be a part of an acclaimed leadership training program? Business men and women looking to enhance their leadership skills are encouraged to apply for the Leadership Charlevoix County program. LCC is a comprehensive training experience for community members seeking to play a more active role in leadership and their communities. Entering its fourth year, the program creates community awareness, networking opportunities, and focuses on leadership skill development through an educational and hands-on curriculum. Applications are available online and are due June 27. For further information contact Scott Gillespie, Program Coordinator, at 989.444.1695.

BOYNE CITY

SOBO Arts Festival

2014 SOBO Art Festival held on Saturday, June 28 at Peninsula Beach Park. Arts collective artists will occupy two booths at SOBO to display juried fine local art. This third annual Art Festival is open to the public and includes music, children's activities, art demonstrations, and food with free admission and parking. www.soboartfestival.com .

CHARLEVOIX

The 16th Annual Summer Solstice Art Show features quality art and fine crafts displayed in East Park in downtown Charlevoix. The popular art show will be in downtown Charlevoix on Saturday, June 28 from 10am - 5pm and on Sunday, June 29 from 10am - 4pm.

BOYNE CITY

History of the Wolverine-Dilworth Hotel

Charlevoix County History Preservation Society presents "The Wolverine-Dilworth Hotel - The History & The Vision" on Saturday, June 28, beginning at 1pm at the Boyne District Library Community Room at 201 E. Main St. A guided tour of the hotel and an invitation to share memories, pictures, and memorabilia will follow the program. The Wolverine Hotel in downtown Boyne City opened its doors to the public in 1912. Historian Bob Morgridge will present the history of the hotel, offering a unique glimpse at some of the highlights of the hotel's first 100 years. Current owner Bob Grove will share his vision for the preservation of the hotel and as a special treat, he has agreed to allow tours of the building as it stands today. In addition to tours of the building, CCHPS volunteers, led by family history researcher Patrick McCleary, will be on hand until 5pm at the library community room to record stories and memories and copy and scan photographs and any other memorabilia that you may be interested in sharing. Sharing them will assist in the creation of a fully documented history of the building. Call Georganna Monk at 231-582-5326 if you have questions or have something to share but can't attend the event. This event is free and open to the public.

PETOSKEY

Winery anniversary celebration

Mackinaw Trail Winery will host their Ten Year Anniversary Celebration from noon to 8pm Saturday, June 28. Kari Holmes and The Modern Day Drifters will perform from noon to 5 p.m. All day activities include food, demonstrations, wine specials and children's activities including the fishing pond. There is no cover charge, but you can taste 10 vintage wines from their cellars for \$20. After humble beginnings in 2004 in Manistique, Mackinaw Trail Winery has settled nicely into their new facility located just south of Petoskey at 3423 US Hwy 131. They moved into the new location in January of 2013 and have been busy planting and tending to the 15 acres of vineyards at their new site. "We made the right choice settling here," says owner Raffaele Stabile. "We've had a great response from the local community, and would like to use this event to show off our new vineyards and provide a nice afternoon with music, wine and food," said Laurie Stabile.

BOYNE CITY

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

Organizers of the Boyne City 4th of July Celebration remind area residents and visitors that it is time to register

for the parade and running races. The

celebration features a giant parade at

10 a.m., evening fireworks plus a dozen other activities including the Annual Waterside Arts and Crafts Show, 2mile and 10k running races, a wacky raft race and duck race in the Boyne River, Soapbox Derby for kids, lots of food, and children's games. The festival is centered in Veterans Memorial Park on the shore of beautiful Lake Charlevoix. There will be live music from 1 to 7 p.m. in the park all day. and full schedule: www.boyne4thofjuly.com.

BOYNE CITY

Alternative school will be renamed Morgan-Shaw School

Boyne City Public Schools have announced that they will be changing the name of Boyne City Alternative -Boyne Valley Campus. For the upcoming year, the school will be known as the Morgan-Shaw School. The change comes to reflect the many changes seen over the last year including changes in location, facility, programming, student population, and culture. The name was chosen in homage to two prominent families from Boyne's past and the former 4th Ward School on Morgan Street that first held the name. The staff here is excited about the progress made over the last year by our students and we're looking forward to working with the first graduating class from the Morgan-Shaw

BOYNE CITY

Summer Tai Chi Classes

Morning Tai Chi classes will continue to meet on Wednesdays at The Boyne District Library in Boyne City. Classes are held in the downstairs Community Room. Classes are \$5 each class, open to everyone. Tai Chi at the Boyne City District Library - Community Room - Wednesday Mornings June 25 and July 9. 16, 23, 30. 9 - 9:50am Tai Chi Fundamentals - Beginner's class. 10 - 10:50am Yang Style 37 Posture Form - Continuing/advanced class. Classes are \$5 each session; open to

BOYNE CITY

Senior dinner

The Boyne Area Senior Center is now hosting Wednesday night dinners (instead of Wednesday lunches). Suggested donation is \$3. Dinner from 5-6pm. Music from 5:30-7pm. The senior center is located at 411 Division St.

EAST JORDAN

Senior dinner

The East Jordan Community Center is now serving Dinner every Wednesday. Dinner and entertainment - Entertainment begins at 4PM and dinner is served at 5PM. Lunch will not be served on Wednesday throughout the summer. The senior center is located

CHARLEVOIX

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CHARLEVOIX

Farmers Market

Held every Thursday in East Park on Bridge Street, downtown from 9am - 1pm. Free 20-minute parking along Bridge Street for market shoppers!

BOYNE CITY

Farmers market

The Boyne City Farmers Market continues its outdoor season at Veterans Park from 8am to noon every Saturday and Wednesday.

BOYNE CITY

Farmers market moving around

The Market will be moving to Peninsula Beach Park on the following days: Wednesday, July 2; Saturday, July 5; Wednesday, July 9 and Saturday, July 12. We are moving due to the many activities going at Veterans Park, We hope that you will find the parking much easier. Vendors will be set up the same way for your convenience.

EAST JORDAN

Farmers market

Every Thursday at Sportsmans Park,

BOYNE CITY

Free computer classes

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

BOYNE CITY

Grief support group Survivors of Suicide [SOS] is a grief

Summer Jam The historic Porter Creek Grocer is now hosting "Summer Jam" sessions every Sunday at 5 p.m. Bring your instrument, your family, your friends and your chairs. Join in the local "Summer Jam" every Sunday at 4672 Lakeshore Rd (across from Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club). All musical genres are welcome. It's a great place to showcase your talent or just relax and listen to

some great local musicians. Porter

Creek Grocer will be open for your

convenience, cold beer and the best

support group for support and under-

standing after the loss of a loved one

or friend. Meetings are held at the

Boyne Area Senior center conference

room, 411 East Division St., Boyne

City, on the first Wednesday of the

month from 6:30-8 p.m. For more in-

formation call Hospice of Little Traverse

Bay 231-487-4825.

ADVANCE

BOYNE CITY

pizza around.

New Boyne Volunteer Network

The Boyne Volunteer Network is a joint project of the Boyne District Library, Boyne City Main Street Program and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce. Our goals are to Help area residents find volunteer opportunities that suit their skills and connect them to the community. Help local organizations find volunteers that will assist them in fulfilling their mission. It's easy to participate, just go to www.boynevolunteers.org and fill out the application form, which will tell us your skills, interests and contact information. We will contact you later about volunteer opportunities that may interest you. If you have questions or would like to learn more about how to include your organization and volunteer needs in this new network, contact Monica Kroondyk at the Boyne District Library by phone at 231-582-7861 or by email at kroondykm@boynelibrary.org.

CHARLEVOIX

Music classes

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts offers music classes this summer. Beginning Guitar is Tuesdays in July, 10:30-Noon. Cost is \$10. Jazz sessions are Tuesdays July 1 - Aug. 5, 3-4:30pm. Cost is \$5/session in East Park. Wind Instruments for 7th & 8th grade students are Tuesdays July 1 - Aug. 5 from 12:30-2pm. \$8/session at East Park. To register call 231-547-3554.

EAST JORDAN

Library summer program

Jordan Valley District Library's Summer Challenge: READ program will be held each Wednesday in July at 10:30am in the library's community room. Registration will be held only on Tuesday, June 24th and Wednesday, June 25th from 1-5pm on both days. Free t-shirts will be given to each reader who registers as well as fabric markers will be available to color tshirts. Registration will allow readers to be put into a drawing for local donated gift certificates from area businesses in which winners will be picked each Wednesday before the entertainer's performance. A book sale will be available to purchase used children's books during these two days. Readers who don't have a library card should sign up to get one during this time. The summer challenge to continue reading gets underway. The library would suggest readers get hooked on a book series, choose a book of a topic of interest, check out a magazine or read a newspaper for expanding their horizon. Book lists are available on the library's website and at the library. Children's ebooks are also available to download from the library's website.

BOYNE CITY 4th of July parade

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CHARLEVOIX 4th of July parade

Organization of a Fourth of July parade is underway in Charlevoix. Any group, organization, band, etc. interested in participating, please contact Joe Seidel at 231.547.4444. Featured in the parade will be the Charlevoix City Band that is celebrating their 100th Anniversary this year. Help is also needed to organize and pull off this parade. Contact Joe Seidel at 231.547.4444

BOYNE CITY

Duck Race

\$10 tickets are now on sale at the Chamber office for the Boyne Chamber's annual Duck Race at 2:30pm on

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

CHARLEVOIX

ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

Arm Chair Theatre

Ruth Willis is a noted Drama Instructor and Director from Pittsburgh who resides in Charlevoix during the summer months. Ms. Willis will be Presenting "ARMCHAIR THEATRE" twice a month, Sundays early evening gathering at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts located at 109 Clinton Street. Participants will explore creative theatrethought, written, read, spoken, acted, sung, performed and enjoyed. The first program will be on Sunday, July 6, from 6:30 - 9:00 pm. Armchair Theatre is free to the public. Programs will cover many moods: July 6, 20, and August 17, 31, September 14, 28. Armchair Theatre is presented by the Performing Arts Committee

BOYNE CITY

Republican picnic

Charlevoix County Republicans are holding their 75th Republican Picnic at Whiting Park in Boyne City on July 6th at 1pm. Candidates for the State House District 105th, Senate District 37th will be in attendance along with the US Congress 1st District also all the County Commissioners and County Officers. The Sheriff Don Schneider and Prosecutor Allen Telgenhof group will be cooking the famous Don Meggison Chicken. Bring a dish to pass. Congressman Dan Benichek will be the key note speaker. Pre-Registration cost is \$20 or \$25 at the door students are \$5 and children under 10 are free. Please call John Haggard at 231-547-4046 days or 547-6600 at night or Wes Dilworth at 231-675-6886. Look for Oscar the Elephant.

BOYNE CITY

Boyne Thunder

Speed, excitement and fun return to Northern Michigan for the 11th annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run on July 11 and 12 in Boyne City. This unique boating event will showcase 100 high performance boats roaring through the waters of Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan on a 130-mile excursion. Card stops during the journey on Lake Michigan include Northport, Elk Rapids, Harbor Springs and Bay Harbor, with a lunch stop in beautiful downtown Charlevoix. Boaters wrap up their day on the water with a final card stop near Horton Bay and a reception at Sommerset Pointe. The day concludes with a dinner at Veterans Park where participants play their cards to see who has the best hand. The Poker Run is the highlight of the weekend, starting at 9:30 a.m., but the event offers much

FRIDAY EVENTS begin with a dinner for the boaters at the Veterans Park Pavilion. That same evening, downtown Boyne City comes alive for an expanded Stroll the Streets. Displays of Boyne Thunder boats and classic cars, combined with music on every street corner, will make for an exciting evening in downtown

Boyne City from 6-10 p.m. SATURDAY FESTIVITIES include a Champagne Cruise for people to get an up-close view of the spectacular boats. Guests are invited to come aboard one of the yachts, generously donated for the day by area boat owners. Tickets for the Champagne Cruise are \$75 and reservations can be made by calling 231.582.2400.

RAISING FUNDS - Boyne Thunder is an important fund-raising event for Camp Quality, Challenge Mountain and the Boyne City Main Street Program. The major sponsor for this year's event is Downs Custom Motors of Grand Rapids. For more information, visit www.boynethunder.com or email mainstreet@boynecity.com

EAST JORDAN

Class reunion 1950 and earlier

East Jordan class of 1950 is sponsoring a picnic and get together for members of classes that have graduated 50 or more years. The event will be held at the VFW hall on M-32 in East Jordan on Saturday, July 12. Please bring a dish to pass, your own table service and beverage. We will gather at 11am and lunch will be at noon. Be sure to bring a camera and don't miss this wonderful chance to see friends and renew acquaintances. If you have any questions please call 231-536-2553 or 231-536-0335.

CHARLEVOIX

Bouquet design

Kari Davis of Petals in Charlevoix is teaching a bouquet design class 11 A.M. Thursday, June 26 at East Park during the Charlevoix Farmers Market. Cost \$10, includes flowers. Bring a small vase. Call 231-237-9335 to preregister.

2014 Freedom Festival kicks off summer in East Jordan

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live entertainment and we're going to end it all with a great fireworks show," said Fender.

During the Lip Sync Contest those who purchased raffle tickets at the Block Party will have a chance to win over 40 prizes. The raffle begins at 6p.m. and last minute tickets can be purchased at the band shell beginning at 5. Works of art, gift certificates and nearly everything in between will be given away intermittent

with the entertainment of lip sync musicians. All prizes have been donated by area businesses and individuals. You must be present to win.

The grand finale to the festival will be launched from a barge in the middle of the Beautiful South Arm of Lake Charlevoix and synchronized to music. This fireworks display can be viewed best from Memorial Park, The Marina Docks, The Old Boat Launch or the Bridge Area. Set up your lawn chairs and spread out your blankets just before dust. It's a

perfect ending to a wonderful day at the East Jordan Freedom Festival.

A perfect beginning to the day after the fireworks is the Freedom Lovers Breakfast, Sunday from 7a.m. - Noon at the Sno-Mobilers Club House on Mt. Bliss Road. "The Works" breakfast is a meal not easily forgotten, Adults \$6, Children \$3. "We've given you the works of a week of events and you can finish it off with The Works of a breakfast," said Fender. "We want to thank everyone who comes out the festival

for making it such an awesome event and all of our sponsors, donors, individuals, organizations, businesses and the Freedom Festival committee for not just a week of hard work but the entire year it takes us to plan this event. And a special thank you for the City of East Jordan and all the departments for their hard work," she said. Next year's Freedom Festival is already on the calendar for June 23-28, 2015. Save the date.

Bridge closed following fireworks

On Saturday, June 28 the bridge in East Jordan will be closed after the completion of the East Jordan Freedom Festival fireworks until all traffic is clear. All traffic on each side of town is asked to use Rogers Road. The bridge will be re-opened later in the evening after traffic has gotten back to normal flow.

If you need any information please contact City Hall at 231-536-3381.



schedule of events

JUNE 24 - TUESDAY

7pmOutdoor Movie "Despicable Me" Adult Softball field - rain date Wed. June 25. Sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank Special Button Drawing By - Ernst Construction LTD

JUNE 25 - WEDNESDAY

4:30 pmWebcam Ribbon Cutting - at Coldwell Banker Schmidt Office (cake & water served)

5-7pmOld Time Kids Games (Memorial Park) Sponsored by Burnette Foods, Inc . Twister Joe, Northern Michigan's Favorite Balloon Artist. Sponsored by Marty's Cones & Carry-out/Sodalicious

7-9pmWii Dance Competition (Memorial Park) Sponsored by White Birch Valley Farm, Ren & Nicole Graham. Winner gets the Wii-2nd Place wins a bean bag chair 8pmSpecial Button Drawing By: Therapy First Choice Physical 9:30pm.......... Glow Bowling for Teens (Grades 9-12, Gemini Lanes)

Pre-registration recommended & available on the website.

JUNE 26 - THURSDAY

9am-1pmFarmer's Market (Sportsman's

5pm-10pm ... Carnival - Schmidt Amusements (Main and Esterly Streets)

6pmOpen Play Horseshoes - Offering outdoor seating and service, other games for adults - Open for bowling all weekend, \$2 per game. Contact Bill for details 536-2411. Sponsored by The Zone/Gemini Lanes Connie's Karaoke will also be entertaining at 9:30 pm. 8:30-10:30Live Entertainment AUDIO CIRCUS (Memorial Park)- Spon- sored by EZ Storage

9pmSpecial Button Drawing By Jordan Construction Group

JUNE 27 - FRIDAY

Noon-9pm Crafts and Things (Sportsman's Park)

Noon-11pm... Carnival (Main and Esterly Streets)

6-9:30pm Friday Night Block Party "Proud To Be an American" (Main St.) - Sponsored by Mobile Marine, Inc. Food/Game booths by various non-profits • Button Drawing. The Michigan Stiltwalker By Hall Dental - Sara Hall DDS

Super Heroes" Reg. in Memorial Park at 5:30pm. Start at Marina parking lot, head north up Main St., left on Williams St. Prizes will be awarded on the Northern Logistics Main Stage. Sponsored by Northwestern Bankof Charlevoix 6pmHorseshoe Tournament Doubles-\$5 per person, trophies awarded. Offering outdoor seating and service, other games for adults, Lanes open for bowling all week-

end, \$2 per game. Sponsored by The Zone/Gemini Lanes. Info.: 536-2411 7pm-9:30Live Entertainment at the Northern Logistics Main St. Stage featuring TOM ZIPP AND THE BULL PEN Sponsored by East Jordan Plastics & Fox Charlevoix Rain location for all applicable events: Downtown at The Civic Center. * All registration forms available at the Chamber or can be downloaded from www.East-JordanFreedomFestival.org.

JUNE 28 - SATURDAY

9am Jordan Valley Triathlon 10am-2pm Maddie's Petting Zoo (Murphy Field Area) Blueberry Hill Amusements -Pony Rides

Castle Bounce House (Murphy Field Area) Noon-2:30 Grand Parade Line-up check in by The East Jordan Lioness Club at the E.J. Family Health Center on Bridge St. Noon-9pm Crafts & Things (Sportsman's

Noon-10pm .. Food Vendors in the Park (Memorial Park) Outdoor seating Noon-11pm... Carnival (Main & Esterly

Streets) 3pmGrand Parade Sponsor: East JordanTrue Value

Grand Marshall: Shoe Club Route: West Side of the Bridge to Main, Main to Division, end at Watson Field

4-4:30pm Sault Ste. Marie Pipe Band in Memorial Park Bandshell

4:30 - 5:30..... Live Entertainment PISTIL

5pmHorseshoe Tournament Singles-\$5 per person, trophies awarded. Outdoor seating & service, other games for adult. Lanes open for bowling all weekend, \$2 per game. Call Bill for details 536-2411. Sponsored by The Zone/Gemini Lanes

6pmLip Sync Contest on stage in Memorial Park, sponsored by Brett's Firewood Processing & Tim's Tire and Offroad Center, Must be registered by Friday, June 27th with song approval.

Forms available at the Chamber office or by calling Jackie at 536-7763. Check in at 4:30pm.

6pmPrize Raffle (Memorial Park) Over 40 Great Prizes! Must be present to win. Drawings begin at 6pm during the Lip Sync Contest. 8pmFestival 500 Drawing (Memor-

ial Park) One \$500 Prize / Ten \$50 Prizes, Sponsored by Michigan Snowmobile Magazine 8:30pm-......Dusk Live Entertainment DONNY AND THE DORSALS (Memorial Pk) Sponsored byNorthern

DuskFABULOUS FIREWORKS by Great Lakes Fireworks From barge in Lake Charlevoix, Synchronized to music - 88.9 FM, Best viewing Memorial Park, City Harbor

* Rain Date Sunday, June 29

June 29 - SUNDAY

Michigan Dust Control

7am-noonFreedom Lovers Breakfast East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Inc, \$6 The Works / \$3 Children

A very Cre8tive Sign



PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE/GRAPHIC

Justin Micheau of Cre8tive Cupcakes in Charlevoix (from left) artist Todd Warner and Alfred Soriano, all of Charlevoix, hang the custom sign artwork made by artist Todd Warner recently at the new storefront on Bridge Street in Charlevoix.

Whiplash? Back Pain?



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Breezeway Cruise honors Banks Township Citizen of the Year



Banks Township Citizen of the Year Larry Essenberg and his wife Laura were the center of attention at the June 19 Breezeway Cruise. Essenberg was honored with a plaque lead the C-48 procession from Boyne Mountain in Boyne Falls to Friske's Orchards in Atwood.



Take Care of **Your Pets**

Deb Hagen-Foley

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

Don't leave your pet in the car. You probably know the dangers of leaving a child in a car on a hot day - in 2013, 44 children died of heatstroke as a result of being left in a car. Since 1998, at least 468 children have died after being left in a vehicle during summer months. Don't leave your pets in the car either.

If your pet can't come with you when you get out of the car, leave your pet at home. On a 90-degree day, it takes only 10 minutes for the interior to become 110 degrees. Even on a moderately warm day, the interior temperature of a vehicle can rise rapidly.

According to a study by The Animal Protection Institute, a temperature of 82 degrees in a shaded area at 9:00 a.m. resulted in a temperature of 109 degrees in a closed automobile. And, it isn't enough to crack a window - the interior temperature will quickly rise to a hazardous level. The combination of heat and humidity is even more dangerous for your pet. Humidity makes it even more difficult for your dog to cool off.

Four-legged pets perspire around their paws and rely on panting to help cool off. Trapped in the enclosed space of a car or truck, the panting adds to the heat when the pet exhales and the pet only gets hotter. Pug-nosed dogs are more prone to heatstroke because their smaller nasal passages make it even harder to cool down by panting. Overweight, younger and senior animals are particularly limited in the ability to regulate their bodily temperatures. In fourteen states, including Minnesota and Illinois, it is illegal to leave a pet in a parked car. If you can't take your pets with you when you get out of the car, leave them safely at home.

Heatstroke can quickly result

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

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

able to move to a shady location during the hottest time of the

Protect the Paws! On hot days, pay attention to where and when your dog is walking. The bottom of a dog's feet will burn if the dog walks on hot pavement. To avoid burns, walk the dog in the early morning or evening and walk the dog on the grass when possible. If you need to walk a

dog on the pavement, help prepare the dog for hotter summer days by frequently walking the dog on cooler days. This will help toughen the dog's paw pads. Follow this guideline - if the pavement is too hot for you to comfortably walk barefoot for very long, it is too hot for your pet also.

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

Follow these tips to keep your pets safe and healthy all summer

Don't leave your pet on the car! The interior of a car can become dangerously hot in less than 10 minutes. If your pet can't come with you when you get out of the car, leave your



The Power of Partnership

Bay Winds Federal Credit Union & Members Credit Union announce partnership

Charlevoix, MI / Traverse City, MI – The volunteer Boards of Directors of Members Credit Union of Traverse City and Bay Winds Federal Credit Union of Charlevoix today announced their intent to partner, creating one of the strongest member-owned financial institutions in Michigan.

"Bay Winds and Members have outstanding traditions of superior member service and financial stewardship" stated David Leusink, CEO/President of Bay Winds. "Our memberscome-first attitude drives our staffs to provide high quality, personalized service that keeps our satisfaction ratings among the highest in the country.

The partnership will enhance convenience by offering 13 branch locations from Manistee to Petoskey. Combined operations will result in cost-savings; ensuring members will continue to enjoy the lower loan rates, lower service fees and higher returns on deposits they've come to expect from both institutions. The strength resulting from combined deposits exceeding \$400 million and more than 75,000 total members will offer an incomparable level of financial safety and stability for northern Michigan families.

"Every single effort our credit unions undertake is rooted in providing exceptional value to our memberships. This proposed partnership is no different," said Andrew Kempf, CEO/President of Members. "We will provide increased long-term value to our membership by offering more relevant financial products, user-friendly technology solutions, and additional service locations."

After an extensive third party review of both organizations, the institutions' boards of directors recently approved a merger agreement, allowing the proposal to proceed towards a necessary vote of the Bay Winds membership this fall. The partnership will re-

quire approval by the Bay Winds membership and consent from the Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation and National Credit Union Administration. Upon securing these necessary approvals, the partnership would begin operating in late 2014 under a new name representative of the promising future awaiting the combined membership.

"Our institutions were created to serve our members and we couldn't do so without our excellent teams," added Kempf. "This partnership is expected to result in cost savings, but no staff layoffs or reductions are planned. In fact, the partnership will provide our staff members with enhanced professional development channels and opportunities for specialization in areas of their interest."

Bay Winds' Leusink is slated to lead the new organization as its CEO, while Members Kempf will serve as its President. Members' board of directors chair Michael Slater will head the new combined board and his Bay Winds counterpart, Bridget Brown-Powers, will be named vice chair.

"Our members value who we were before and who we are now. At the same time, they also expect us to anticipate and provide timely products and services to meet their families' needs," Leusink noted. "Our credit unions are excited about this opportunity to offer the same types of conveniences found at national financial institutions, while maintaining the same high-quality, personalized service that has made us the preferred partners of thousands of families across northern Michigan."

More information about the proposed partnership can be found by visiting www.baywindsfcu.com/partnership orw ww.memberscu.com/partnership.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

Monday, June 9, 2014

1:09am Removed road hazard from road at State and Brown

1:13am Arrested subject for OWI 3rd 9:20am Complaint about barking dog on W Michigan

10:05am Assist subject locked out of his rental home

Assist Middle 10:17am School in removing disruptive parent Report of stolen 11:15am ceramic pot from the 500 block of N

Lake St Subject in with 11:55am found hearing aid. Returned to owner. 12:53pm Alarm in the 400

block of N Park St 2:00pm Scam letter received in the

1000 block of S Lake St 2:15pm Stray kitten dropped off at PD. Lodged at shelter

7:15pm Vehicle unlock in the 1300 block of Nordic Dr

7:29pm Civil dispute in the 300 block

of Silver St **Tuesday, June 10, 2014**

8:04am Vehicle unlock in the 500

block of Grant St 10:24am Report of lost cell

phone 12:29pm Parking complaint

on Water St near Park Report of possible 12:31pm B&E to garage in the 400 block of State St. Unfounded.

4:41pm Driving complaint on State

6:04pm Driving complaint on Pleas-

ant Av 7:23pm Assist EMS in the 500 block of N Lake St

7:52pm Larceny of cash and ATM card in the 400 block of N Lake St 8:52pm Assist Otsego County in returning found wallet

9:43pm Arrested subject on outstanding Antrim County warrant 11:34pm Audible alarm in the 400 block of N Lake St

Wednesday, June 11, 2014

Report of disturbance in the 600 block of W Court St 11:15am Report of 2 juveniles fighting near the river mouth 11:25am Report of paint in the road at Marshall and Anderson

12:10pm NSF check complaint from the 100 block of S Lake St

Thursday, June 12, 2014

1:05am Found wallet turned in. Was returned to owner. 8:49am Found trailer plate turned

into PD. Owner notified. 11:47am Parking complaint

received in the 800 block of State St 1:00pm Report of lost cell phone 1:17pm Vehicle unlock in the 900 block of Brockway

2:10pm Report of vehicle travelling in the wrong lane of Pleasant Av

2:19pm Assist to Petoskey schools 4:10pm Report of damage to vehicle at unknown location

7:31pm Complaint of ice cream truck in Veteran's Park

Friday, June 13, 2014

1:08am Skateboarders in the road at East and River St 1:18am Skateboarders in the road at

Park and State St 2:13am Citation issued for speed at lake and Cedar

4:35am Assist Sheriff Dept on Glenwood Beach

4:53am Noise complaint in the 500 block of N Lake St 7:10am Driving complaint from the

Industrial Park 10:15am Arrested subject on outstanding Emmet County warrant Vehicle unlock in 11:04am

the 1300 block of Boyne Av Harassing text 11:04am messages received in the 500 block of N Lake St Gasoline drive off 11:47am

from the 1300 block of Boyne Av Arrested subject 11:58am for PPO Violation as an assist to Emmet County SO

1:03pm Neighbor dispute in the 600 block of Jefferson St 2:03pm Report of bike left along cemetery fence

following tourists on Lake St 4:30pm Dog found in Park. Owner picked up

6:13pm Located overdue motorist 9:14pm Found Ipod turned into PD. Returned to owner

Saturday, June 14, 2014 2:45am Intoxicated subject in the

100 block of S Lake St 8:55am Assist Sheriff Dept with dis-

turbance on Addis Rd 11:37am Report of two dogs running at large on Jersey St 1:15pm Report of large group of

bikes creating a road hazard on Pleas-4:45pm Vehicle unlock at Lake and

Sunday, June 15, 2014

1:28am Assist EMS on Marshall Rd

1:38am Noise complaint in the 1000 block of Second St 10:27am Noise complaint

on Leroy St 3:05pm Suspicious situation in the 800 block of S Lake St

3:44pm Driving complaint on State 9:45pm Unattended fire in the 700

block of Wenonah St 9:57pm Civil complaint in the 300 block of Silver St

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Alarm	4
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Waterskier injured on Walloon Lake On Saturday, June 21, 2014 at ap-

proximately 3 p.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office investigated a water skiing accident with injuries on Walloon Lake, near Barrel Back Restaurant in Melrose Township.

Robert Maskill, age 37 of Grandville, Michigan, is a member of Grand City Show Skiers out of the Grand Rapids, Michigan area. Maskill attempted to hit a jump while skiing and took a hard fall while landing. Maskill suffered strains in his back and was treated at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital.

The accident remains under investi-

One injured in golf cart acci-

On Saturday, June 21, 2014 at approximately 9:00 p.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to an injury accident on Addis Road North in Melrose Township. The accident involved a golf cart operated by a 14 year old male from East Jordan, there were four other juvenile passengers on board the golf cart at the time of the crash.

The driver attempted to make a Uturn on Addis Road when the passenger side tires caught the ditch causing the golf cart to leave the roadway and begin to overturn. Two of the occupants were able to stop the vehicle from overturning completely, however, one of the occupants fell on another causing a shoulder injury.

The injured passenger was transported to the Charlevoix Area Hospital via Boyne City EMS for treatment. She was later transferred to DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids.

The accident remains under investi-

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Smart Commute Charlevoix County Winners



Winner of the Large Division challenge was EJ. Pictured are, from left to right: Dan Harris, John Snyder, Gary Ciszewski, Mark Guy, Kalie Tyree, Fred Therlander, Nancy Tyree, Shawn Hauck, John Doebel, Matt Malpass, Saulo Rozendo, Lindsey Malpass-Skop, Deb Graber, Erin Nickel, Rhonda Drenth, Rhonda Brennan-Buckholz, and Martina Peterson.



Boyne Area Medical Center was the winner in the medium division. Pictured are, from left to right: Meg Johnson, Valerie Vanvolkenburg, Metchelle Bootsma, Diana Garlitz, Carey Loper, Sue Woodward, Michelle Williams, Amy Cihak, Micki McHugh, and Donna Looze.

Winners of the Smart Commute Charlevoix County Challenge were announced recently. The winner in each of three divisions was presented with a traveling trophy, the Smart Commute Clock and winner's plaque.

Smart Commute Charlevoix County is a friendly competition to encourage co-workers and friends to bike, walk, car-pool or use transit to get to work. The week-long event is designed to increase awareness of, and demonstrate the ability to use, alternative methods of commuting that provide health, economic and environmental benefits. Overall, the county saw

a 23% participation rate. In the Small Division (1-5 em-

ployees), there were two businesses with 100% participation:
Logo Pros and Ralph W. Gillett, CPA, both of Boyne City. Using the estimated total miles saved, the Smart Commute Clock was awarded to Ralph W. Gillett, CPA.

In the Medium Division (6-25 employees), with 82% participation, Boyne Area Medical Center of Boyne City was the winner.

In the Large Division (26 and more employees), with 73% participation, EJ Corporate of East

Jordan is the winner of this year's Smart Commute Clock.

Event sponsors included: Charlevoix County Transit, Roush CleanTech, Irish Boat Shop, Bay Winds Federal Credit Union, The Grain Train, Charlevoix Area Hospital, and Castle Farms, Revolution Bike, and North Country Cycle Sport. Breakfast sponsors included: Scovies, Johan's Café Charlevoix, Charlevoix Area Hospital, Harbor View Café, Safe Haven Ministries, Subway (Boyne City and East Jordan), Café Sante, Local Flavor/Wildwood Rush, Lake Street Market, Darlene's Restaurant, East Jordan Senior Center, and EJ.

Winners of the small division are Ralph Gillett and April Bellant of Ralph W. Gillett, CPA.



Holly Nierman Named Manager of East Jordan Coldwell Banker Schmidt Realtors

East Jordan, MI-June 2014— Coldwell Banker Schmidt Realtors has just named Holly Nierman as the new manager of their East Jordan office. Holly has been a licensed real estate agent since 1988 and served friends, neighbors and visitors in northern Michigan for 21 years. She has experience with everything from first time homebuyers to vacation, waterfront, commercial and investment properties.

Matt Case, VP of Business Development says Holly is a natural fit for the position. "As we welcomed the Stark Realty team into our family, it quickly became clear that Holly has the passion and expertise that are hallmarks of a great leader. It's been a joy to watch her lead the charge in implementing our marketing resources, both for her own business and by helping the other agents in the office grow their business. I truly look forward to working with Holly." Holly enjoys all that the area has to offer including, boating, fish-



HOLLY NIERMAN

ing, camping, reading and travel.

Coldwell Banker Schmidt Family of Companies was founded in 1927. CBSFOC operates 43 offices in Michigan and southwest Florida with 750+ sales associates. The company's Michigan web-

is CBGreatLakes.com and the Florida website is CBFloridaHomes.com. The company was ranked number three nationally of the approximately 1,400 Coldwell Banker companies in total units closed for 2013. Total company dollar volume closed was nearly \$1.7 Billion

Charlevoix Summer Solstice Art Show this weekend in dowtown Charlevoix's East Park

The 16th Annual Summer Solstice Art Show features quality art and fine crafts displayed in East Park in downtown Charlevoix. The popular art show will be in downtown Charlevoix on Saturday, June 28 from 10am – 5pm and on Sunday, June 29 from 10am – 4pm. Participating artists are carefully selected to ensure a well-rounded show offering a variety of fun and unique creations. It's the perfect opportunity to meet the people that create the beautiful pieces on display.

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

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

Over 75 artists will display their work in East Park during this two

day event. From contemporary to whimsical, it is a wonderful representation of craftsmanship and artwork with many wonderful items to choose from

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

For details, contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at or visit

The 23rd Annual Invitational Arts Exhibition

The 23rd annual Invitational Arts exhibition opened Sunday, June 22 with many artists and art patrons in attendance. Over 110 works of art were on display by 45 member artists. Jim and Rose Shannon, both long time JRAC exhibit patrons who rarely miss an exhibit were all smiles when leaving. Jim stated, "This is an exceptional show not to be missed." Others expressed it is one of the best shows exhibited at JRAC.

Every year the curator, Howard Ellis, selects a member artist to honor. This year Sherry Kay Marshall, a prize winning pastel artist from Bellaire was selected. Pastels are her favorite media and many were on display. Her work can be found in many collections. She has exhibited widely and has taught pastel workshops. More recently she has been working with children making little shadow boxes in which natural materials have been collected then arranged in abstract designs.

Other member artists participating are: Kathie Albring, Roberta Amstadt, Peter Balestrieri, Prudy Barber, C. M. Brown, Beth Bynum, Nancy Carey, Lynn Carson, Phyllis Childs, Diane Cox, Rodka Dammeyer, Heidi Dietrich, Chuck Foreman, Mary Guntzviller, Margie Guyot, Rusty Hart, Karen Kimmell, Meredith Krell, Richard N. Lentini, Bill Luptoswki, Jan Luptowski, Julia McLemore, Charlene Michael, Peggy Midener, Mary Ellen Murphy, Michael Murphy , Nelson Ogden, Beth Raddatz, Yasmin, Richmond, Margaret Schroeder, John Stevens, June Storm, Steve Toornman, Gil Treweek, Cynthia Tschudy, Ron Tschudy, Guy Veryzer, Paula Vivyan, Karen Walker, Sylvia Walworth, Shann Wojtowicz, and Babs Young.

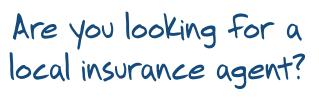
The exhibition runs through July 18 and is open Tuesday through Sunday from 1 — 4 pm at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan. For more information contact Howard Ellis, 231 536, 2152 or jracinfo@att,net.



Sherry Kay Marshall, honored artist with Sylvia Walworth, JRAC president standing in front of Sherry's work.



Exhibiting artists Margie Guyot, Steve Toornman, and Meredith Krell, with Howard Ellis, exhibit curator (third from left).



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United Way volunteering growth rate outpaces U.S.

Char-Em **United Way** seeing rise as well

Charlevoix & Emmet Counties While American volunteer rates are declining, United Way is seeing a dramatic increase in volunteering with more than double the rate of growth in volunteers compared to the U.S. and predicted increases next year, according to a new community leaders' survey by United Way Worldwide.

These results are a reflection of United Way's unique role in bringing together individuals, companies, government, labor, nonprofits, faith communities and more to create community solutions that drive lasting change and results in communities around the world.

Char-Em United Way is dedicated to mobilizing volunteers in our communities and has hosted Volunteer Connections, a "virtual volunteer center" on their website for the past 4 years. Char-Em United Way continues to help connect volunteers with local non-profits through an updated and user friendly version of Volunteer Connections. Non-profit agencies in Charlevoix and Emmet County post their volunteer needs on an online database where volunteers search based on their skills, interests, and availability and can track their hours spend in volunteer efforts. Agencies on the Volunteer Connections website vary in interests from environment and animals, arts and history, festivals and construction to education, health and safety, and emergency needs. Many opportunities are appropriate for youth, seniors, families, teambuilding, and professional development.

In May 2014, United Way Worldwide's research team surveyed 74 U.S. and international United Way CEOs. The survey found

The United Way network has seen a bigger increase in the growth rate of volunteering than the nation as a whole.

There's a gap between what most volunteers are doing and the kind of volunteer activities United Way leaders say is most needed in building stronger communities.

The role of businesses, schools and faith institutions in engaging volunteers has great potential for solving community challenges.

America's volunteer rate is at its lowest point since the federal government started measuring this 12 years ago, down from 27.5% in 2002 to 25.4% in 2013. Despite the declining proportion of people volunteering, population growth still translated into a 9% gain in actual volunteers from 2002 through 2012. But United Way saw a 23.8% increase in volunteers in the same time period. And 73% of the global panel of United Way CEOs who responded predict volunteering will continue to rise in the next year.

The survey findings were released today as part of a report, Volunteering: The Force Multiplier for Community Change.

Download the report at www.unitedway.org/volunteeringreport.

United Way released its report right before its annual day of volunteering, called Day of Action. Every year on June 21, United Way hosts hundreds of events across the world that bring thousands of people together to volunteer in their local communities. This year, some 280 United Ways in all 50 states and 9 countries will mobilize volunteers for projects focused on education, income and health.

Volunteers are a strong part of the community-building effort in our community, said Lorraine Manary, Executive Director Char-Em United Way. "This weekend, we'll see people from all walks of life coming together to learn more about how to make life better for their neighbors,"Manary said. "But it's not a one-day undertaking. Over the last year, more than 1100 volunteers have been giving their time to read with elementary students, to build playgrounds so kids in all parts of town can play safely, and to help low-wage families access tax credits they've worked hard to earn and more."

Why is United Way seeing so many more volunteers and a dramatically bigger rate of volunteer growth? In most communities, United Way is the only nonprofit galvanizing people around community solutions improving education, financial stability and health, and the connection between all three.

As Dee Vincent, Char-Em United Way Board President put it, United Way brings people and organizations together to acceler-

ate community change that goes beyond short-term charity. "United Way spotlights education, in-come and health because they're building blocks for a good life and a strong community,' Vincent said. "We've made it a priority to ask people all across the community to get involved. People donate to United Way, of course, but more and more people are answering the call to step up and give their time to make their community a better place. We're working to connect people with what matters most to them and creating positive impact all across our community."

Here are other findings from United Way's report on volunteering:

What Americans tend to volunteer most for isn't what communities say they most need to drive lasting change. Among U.S. volunteers, only 7% of their main activities revolved around mentoring. Meanwhile, 89% of United Way CEOS say mentoring is what's most needed to make lasting change in their communities.

Tutoring struggling students is also critical, according to 62% of the United Way CEOs. Last year, 10% of volunteer activity was related to tutoring or teaching, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Here's what the Bureau reported as top volunteer activities: collecting, preparing, distributing or serving food, 11%, fundraising, 10%, general labor or transportation, 8%, serving on boards, 7%.

Nationally, United Way has been working to recruit mentors, tutors and volunteer readers for struggling students. So far, more than 300,000 people have signed

up at www.unitedway.org/volun-

Char-Em United Way has recruited 102 literacy volunteers to support struggling students. Recently they piloted a summer program with the Boyne District Library, matching literacy volunteers with students throughout the summer and will be expanding this to the Harbor Springs Library in the near future.

Businesses, schools (including universities) and faith institutions hold great potential to boost volunteering and build stronger communities. Some 61% of United Way CEOs say local employers are the best source for boosting volunteering and creating opportunities at a scale where communities actually improve. Some 50% of the CEOs pointed to schools, including high schools and universities, as holding great potential to scale up volunteerism. And 43% pointed to religious communities as strong partners in this area.

Char-Em United Way partners with a wide variety of employers and nonprofits to engage citizens in community solutions. Businesses such as Circuit Controls, East Jordan Public Schools, Bay Winds Federal Credit Union, Consumers Energy and 31 other businesses and organizations allow their employees time away from work to assist with a projects all over the two county area during our Day of Caring, held on the national day of service, September 11th each year. "These are critical partnerships that are helping to building a thriving community here in Charlevoix and Emmet County," said Vin-

You can find everything and more at A-2-Z Resale in Gaylord

By Jim Akans

With approximately 4,000 square feet of fully stocked resale space, and new inventory arriving daily, customers can shop for just about anything starting with any letter in the alphabet at A-2-Z Resale in Gaylord.

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