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its, but is still very close to town. It fea-tures an open floor plan and three bedrooms, two baths. Home has some great updates, including kitchen and used as a multiple kids bedroom, but is better suited for a very large master with private bath. Home also features a 15 x 20 balcony. Interesting property. The very large yard is perfect for future growth and expansion. Beautiful setting. \$99,900



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Commissioners approve county recreation plan

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: At their evening meeting on Wednesday, February 25 Commissioners approved a county wide recreation plan after a public hearing which involved questions regarding a proposed boat launch at Whiting Park that will deplete funds set aside to accomplish park projects in 2016 and 2017.

The meeting revolved around the Recreation Plan, which can be found on the County website, and details what projects the county plans to tackle in the next several years. According to Kiersten

Stark of the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Planning Department, the goals prioritized were chosen based on a county wide survey. Stark estimated there were "roughly 90" responses to that survey, which asked specific questions such as "What Charlevoix County parks do you and your family use?" and asked responders what activities they would like to see added to specific parks in the area. The responses were then compiled and used to create specific goals with the funds available.

Though most of the plan was considered agreeable by Commis-



sioners, discussion arose over the installation of a boat launch in Whiting Park. That project was

slated for 2017, but was moved to 2016 by GIS making it a priority goal. Commissioner Chris Chris-

tensen expressed concern over the project and the amount of money it will take to create. According to the plan, \$50,000 will be put toward the project in 2016 and an additional \$43,000 will come out in 2017. That money would come from a portion of the millage passed in November that was earmarked for the Recreation

"I'm not opposed to the boat launch, it's about the principle of spending the \$50,000 that's been collected in the first year," stated Christensen.

See **Recreation Plan**—8A

sports



Miranda Burks (30) gets off a 15 foot shot as the Harbor Springs defense closes in. (PHOTO BY CHRIS FIEL)



Red Devils sharpshooter, Jordan Weber, launches a triple from the left corner. Weber would connect on his first four three points attempts in the contest. (PHOTO BY CHRIS

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Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney secures funding for Domestic Violence Prosecutor

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: On Wednesday, February 25 Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof secured funding for a Domestic Violence Prosecutor (DVP), a position that recently lost funding from the Federal Government.

Telgenhof approached the board with the plan to hire a new DVP on a trial basis which would bring the number of prosecutors in Charlevoix County to four. Telgenhof explained that having a prosecutor specifically for Domestic Violence cases originated from a grant through the Federal Government in 2008. In 2010, when the State decided not to re-apply for the grant, Charlevoix County joined together with Cheboygan and Emmet Counties to have a DVP that would travel between all three and be jointly funded. That cooperation funded the position until September 2014. Due to changes at that time, Telgenhof chose to look into bringing a part time DVP on staff on a trial basis to see if having the additional prosecutor would be beneficial for the county.



CHARLEVOIX COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY ALLEN TELGENHOF

Telgenhof explained to the board that domestic violence is a continuous problem for Charlevoix County, and that 73 cases of it were reported last year. Domestic Violence is so prevalent that only three other offenses are reported more often. Those offenses are; drunk driving, traffic offenses, and minors in possession.

"We already have to wear a lot of hats since there is only three of us...We're not doing the best job we can possibly do," stated

Telgenhof of why having a fourth prosecutor was needed.

He explained that simply retraining a current prosecutor to handle these cases would spread the office thin, and may mean that other areas were neglected. Having a specified DVP would eliminate that problem. According to his plan, the DVP would be an independent contractor with a salary of roughly \$30,000 a year without benefits. At the close of the fiscal year Telgenhof would report to the board whether having the additional Prosecutor was worthwhile.

The board decided to support the hire of a DVP on a trial basis. Commissioner Joel Evans went so far as to state that he felt he didn't think they "could do enough" to try and work with the victims of Domestic Violence.

"I am very grateful to the Commissioners for their consideration on this important issue... " stated Telgenhof, "This hire will allow us to keep the positive momentum we have built in the last couple of years fighting Domestic Violence in Charlevoix County."

Set Clocks Ahead Before Going to Bed

Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 am this Sunday



By Jim Akans

Blame it on Benjamin Franklin, who first suggested the idea of moving the clock ahead an hour each spring to save candle wax in an essay titled "An Economical Project for Diminishing the Cost of Light" back in 1784. It took awhile for the idea to take hold, with the first Daylight Saving Time being imposed in the United States during World War I to help alleviate the effects of wartime coal shortages and nightly air raid blackouts.

The practice of moving clocks forward an hour in the spring and back again in the fall was spotty for a while, with Congress reinstating the concept from 1942 until 1945 to, once again, save energy during wartime. Some states continued this ritual after World War II, and some did not. When Congress made this seasonal time warp official by the passing of the Uniform Time Act of 1966, only Arizona, Hawaii and parts of Indiana decided to opt out.

This year, Daylight Saving Time (DST) will begin at 2 am this Sunday morning, March 8th. The DST period now extends from the second Sunday in March until the first Sunday in November, or nearly nine months. If that seems like a

See **Daylight Savings**—3A

Two Boyne City Commissioner seats open for November election

Nominating petitions due April 21st

Two Boyne City Commissioner seats are open for the upcoming November elections. The seats are available as terms for existing commissioners Tom Neidhamer and Derek Gaylord are expiring. Each of the seats are four-year terms which will expire in 2019.

Nominating petitions are due at the City Clerks office by 4pm on Tuesday, April 21st. nominating petitions must have the signatures of not less than 20 or more than 40 registered voters of the city. Also, the nominating candidate "shall have been a resident of the

city for at least one year, shall not have been convicted of a felony, is a qualified and registered elector of the city and shall not be in default to the City.'

If more than four candidate petitions are filed for the seats a primary election will be held on August 4th to narrow

the field down to four for the November 3rd election ballot.

For petition forms or additional information or petition forms, contact the City Clerk's office at 231-582-6597 or email

cgrice@boynecity.com.

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HIGH: 30

LOW: 23

HIGH: 31 LOW: 6



HIGH: 35 LOW: 24

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| Onawa | 3/2/201557.2 | 3/3/2014109.7 | 3/4/201363.7 |
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| MAR 817° | 39° | 19° (1982) | 80° (2000) |
| MAR 918° | 40° | 20° (1963) | 72° (2000) |
| MAR 1018° | 40° | 13° (2008) | 60° (1977) |
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| MAR 1219° | 41° | 15° (1980) | 68° (1990) |
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OBITUARIES

Fritz John Hizelberger, 97

(AUG. 31, 1917 - FEB. 26, 2015)



Fritz J. Hizelberger of Ellsworth died Thursday, February 26, 2015 at Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility in Bellaire where he was lovingly

He was born August 31, 1917 in Mannheim, Germany to Karl and Elizabeth (Ochsmen) Hizelberger. The family came to the United States in 1922.

On December 7, 1946 he married Carol Jean Everett in Hanover, Michigan and they made their home in Dearborn. In 1971 they moved to Ellsworth. Carol died October 9, 1971.

On May 12, 1979 he married Barbara Berwald in Grand Haven where they made their home. Barbara died September 10, 1991.

Fritz worked at Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn and later Tishkin Roll Design in Detroit, Morweld Steel in Ellsworth, and Shape Corp. in Grand Haven. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, golf, reading and collecting rocks.

Surviving are his children, Jean Alward of Ellsworth, Karl (Susan) Hizelberger of The Villages, Fla., Mark (Jennifer) Hizelberger of Lake Orion, Joan (Max) Bolser, and Paul (Irene) Hizelberger of Ellsworth; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; sister Emma Bozinoff of Wasilla, Alaska.

The funeral service was Monday, March 2, 2015 at Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth with the Rev. David Kroon officiating. Burial will be in Ellsworth Cemetery.

For those wishing to make memorial contributions the family suggests Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility.

Myrtle "Mae" Horn, 86

(APRIL 22, 1928 - FEB. 27, 2015)

Myrtle "Mae" Horn of Boyne City passed away at her daughters' home surrounded by loving family Friday, February 27,

Mae was born on April 22, 1928 the daughter of Frances and Agnes (Bishop) McGlone in Battlecreek, MI.

She is survived by her two daughters Linda (Roger) Erber and Laure (James) Bell; grandchildren James, Angela, James III, Teesha, Eddie, Matthew, Jason and Nicki; and ten great grandchildren.

Mae is preceded in death by her parents; husband Albert Horn; son Edward Horn and one sister.

A memorial service will be held 1:00 pm Thursday, March 5, 2015 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City with Pastor Jeff Ellis officiating. The family request memorial donations to be directed to Hospice of Northwest Michigan.

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

Carol Stephens Anderson, 89

CAROL STEPHENS ANDERSON DIED MONDAY, FEB. 23, 2015, IN HER HOME.

Born in Charlevoix to Howard and Lenora Stephens, she grew up on the family farm in Hayes Township, with her sister, Muriel, brother, Douglas, and foster brother, Lyle Demorest. She attended Undine School. Boyne City High School and graduated from Western Michigan University.

After several years of teaching school in Michigan and California, she married Donald Anderson. They spent the next year in Japan where he taught in the Attached Middle School of Nagasaki University. Returning to the states, they lived in Palatine, Ill., where they raised three children. They retired to the Stephens' family farm near Horton Bay.

Carol is survived by her husband, Donald; children, Bruce (Cynthia), Leta, Sara (Daniel); and grandchildren, Stephen and Katherine Anderson, and Luke and Elise Harlow.

A memorial service was Saturday, Feb. 28, at Horton Bay United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Horton Bay United Methodist Church or Hospice of Northwest Michigan, Charlevoix.

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

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City served the family.

Local organizations receive \$57,370 in People Fund grants

Great Lakes Energy (GLE) members who support the cooperative's People Fund program made possible 21 grants to local community non-profit organizations. The People Fund Board of Directors awarded \$57,370.16 in grants in February to the following non-profit organizations throughout the GLE service area.

- 1. Lake County Historical Society, Baldwin: \$2,228 to make a museum restroom ADA compliant.
- Fixing Furry Friends, Scottville: \$1,229.76 for communications materials for tag days and other events.
- Tallman Lake Senior Center, Fountain: \$1,600 for insulation in building addition.
- 4. Sauble Township, Irons: \$5,889.73 for a well for a community garden that would harvest food for a local food bank.
- Caritas Food Pantry, Custer: \$3,570 for driveway renovations that would provide handicapped accessibility and better access for food truck deliveries.
- White Cloud United Methodist Food Pantry, White Cloud: \$500 for food pantry stock.
- 7. Lily's Frog Pond, Howard Christensen Nature Center, Kent City: \$1,000 for new exhibits.
- 8. Ensley Township Baptist Lake Park, Sand Lake: \$2,169 for tables and fencing.
- The Starting Block, Hart: \$2,000 for a food processing training class, contingent on the group raising the rest of the funds needed.
- 10. Love INC of Oceana County, Shelby: \$1,000 for baby pantry supplies.
- 11. Newaygo County Museum &Heritage Center, Newaygo: \$1,000 for chairs.
- 12. Grandvue Medical Care Facility, East Jordan: \$10,000 for the Horizonvue Greenhouse, part of Phase I of the Grandvue Terrace and Recreation Park that will provide outdoor living and activities for elderly residents.
- 13. Third Day Fellowship & Outreach, Charlevoix: \$2,000 for food pantry stock and benevolence programs that assist with laundry vouchers, medical trans-
- portation and emergency needs. 14. God's Garden, Kalkaska: \$1,697 for fencing for a community garden that provides harvested food to local food pantries.
- 15. Alpine Regional Tennis Association, Gaylord: \$5,000 for ten-

- nis court facilities, contingent on raising the rest of the funds needed.
- 16. Otsego County Child Welfare Alliance, Gaylord: \$1,000 towards car seats, lice kits and safety kits.
- 17. Otsego County Sportsplex, Gaylord: \$1,875 for facility equipment.
- 18. Acme Christian Thrift Store & Food Pantry (ACTS), Williamsburg: \$2,500 for food pantry stock.
- 19. Kalkaska County 4-H Leaders Association, Kalkaska: \$1,111.67 for small animal cages that will be constructed as part of a service learning project.
- 20. Little Traverse Conservancy, Harbor Springs: \$5,000 towards a new parking area project.
- 21. Otsego Conservation District, Gaylord: \$5,000 for a sound system for the amphitheater.

The People Fund is able to award grants three times a year to local community groups due to the generous contributions of Great Lakes Energy members who voluntarily allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dollar. More than \$2.67 million in grants have been awarded since 1999 to charitable and community organizations throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26-county service area, which stretches along the western side of Michigan.

"The People Fund is one of the easiest ways our cooperative members can help their community," says President/CEO Steve Boeckman. "The average contribution is only 50 cents per month yet when combined with contributions of other members the funds benefit so many in need."

Great Lakes Energy members can enroll in the People Fund by calling 888-485-2537 or visiting gtlakes.com. One hundred percent of the funds collected are used for grants.

Non-profit organizations in the Great Lakes Energy service area can apply for a grant through the People Fund by calling Great Lakes Energy, 1-888-485-2537, ext. 1313 or by requesting an application online. The next grant application deadline is June 1, 2015.

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DNR NEWS

Charges pending in elk-poaching case

County man has confessed to the illegal killing of a small bull elk during the firearm deer season in Otsego County, according to Michigan Department of Natural Resources conservation officers who investigated the incident.

A passerby discovered elk parts dumped along a rural road Nov. 29, 2014. A DNR conservation officer investigating the scene located a grocery store receipt among the entrails of an elk. A six-week investigation ensued, with a suspect being identified and interviewed. A confession was obtained, and charges are now being reviewed by the Otsego County prosecutor.

According to Lt. Jim Gorno, DNR law enforcement supervisor in Gaylord, conservation officers from the DNR's Gaylord Customer Service Center were assisted in the investigation by officers from southern Michigan, a diligent Report All Poaching (RAP) Hotline dispatcher, and a detective from the department's Special Investigations Unit.

"This case started with very limited clues and evidence, but through solid investigative followup, in conjunction with excellent teamwork being displayed by sev-

OTSEGO COUNTY - A Jackson eral of our officers around the state, it was brought to a successful conclusion," said Gorno. "It shows diligence and tenacity in investigating cases involving our high-value fish and game species."

Elk poaching carries fines of up to \$2,500, restitution to the state of up to \$1,500, loss of the firearm used in the incident and loss of hunting privileges for up to three years.

Conservation officers continue to investigate a number of poaching-related incidents involving elk in northern Michigan. Anyone with information regarding any incidents is asked to call the **DNR Law Enforcement Division** at the Gaylord Customer Service Center at 989-732-3541 or the 24hour RAP Line at 800-292-7800.

Any fish, game or natural resources violation can be reported to the DNR's RAP Line or with the online reporting form available at the DNR website www.michigan.gov/conservationofficers.

Information leading to an arrest and conviction is eligible for a cash reward funded by the Game and Fish Protection Fund. Information also may be left anonymously.

News

CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 2, 2015

EMS volunteer wages could receive grant funding

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: On Monday night City Council approved of Police Chief Gerard Doan applying to FEMA for a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant that would help improve the wages that current volunteer firefighters and emergency responders receive for their 12 hour shifts.

The need for the grant was brought to council during their semi-monthly regular meeting when Chief Doan came before the board to ask for support of applying for a grant through FEMA that would open up funds for the Emergency Medical Service Department. Doan stated that the EMS Department is currently understaffed, and that he believed

this was because other municipalities, such as Boyne City and East Jordan, are offering better wages to trained EMS on call volunteer personnel. He stated that this FEMA grant may help the city to recruit and retain these paid on call personnel, which would reduce the problems the department is currently having.

"It's not just the EMS person that we are losing, 11 of our 24 people are cross trained, so when you lose one person from EMS you are also losing one of our firefighters too," stated Doan.

Doan brought the application which is requesting \$584,000 worth of funding from FEMA for the council to consider. He told council that currently an on call paid volunteer will only receive \$6.66 per twelve hour shift if no

emergency calls are made. That rate is extremely low, as some areas offer \$100 or more for a similar shift.

City Manager Rob Straebel quickly addressed the discrepancy between the two by stating the City Staff is currently working on creating an "incentives" for these personnel to stay and that they are hoping to address the issue. Ultimately, council approved of applying for the funding. The application is due March

New DDA Director Introduced

Annie Doyle was introduced as the new director of the Charlevoix DDA. She began her new position March 2, 2015.

In other council news, Todd

Wyett resigned from the DDA board, and his position was filled by John Kurtz of Beaver Island Boat Company. Council then heard the details of how the City Manager position will be filled, applications for which are due on March 6. Council also set a public hearing for proposed Ordinance that will amend the Planning and Zoning Ordinance. The ordinance includes amendments to the allowance of displayed merchandise outside of retail businesses, and changes in standards for outdoor portable signs. For those interested in more information on those changes, visit www.cityofcharlevoix.org. That Public Hearing is set for March 17, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.



Annie Doyle was introduced to City Council members as the new director of the Charlevoix DDA

Daylight Savings

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longer stint than it was a few years ago, those instincts are right on target.

Prior to the enactment of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, DST began on the first Sunday in April and ended on the last Sunday in October, so the duration was about a month less than it is now. With three-quarters of the year on the DST clock, it makes one wonder if it wouldn't make more sense to forget about "falling back" altogether.

Proponents for DST argue the extra hour of sunlight saves energy, cuts down on crime, and boosts the economy. Those opposed cite the havoc shifting time twice a year has on the internal body clock, disrupting sleep patterns and biochemical, psychological and behavioral processes.

Perhaps the problem isn't the hour shift; it's the actual time designated for this shift to occur. Why not make the change effective at 4 pm on a Monday, bringing the much-anticipated 5 pm end of the workday around a whole hour earlier every spring? This might make Daylight Savings Time a very popular idea, indeed.

For now, don't forget to move those clocks ahead one hour before going to bed this coming Saturday night. Hopefully the programming instructions for the DVD player, stove and microwave clocks are still close at hand.

East Jordan 'Father of the Year' nominations sought

The East Jordan Rotary Club is accepting nominations for 2015 Father of the Year. The deadline for father of the year nominations is Friday, April 10. Nominations can be sent to P.O. Box 195, East Jor-

dan. Nominations should include biographical information and a brief summary of why the individual is worthy of this honor as well as the name, address and phone number of the person making

the nomination. The award will be presented during the club's 95th annual father / son banquet at 6 p.m. on April 25, 2015 at the East Jordan High School.

For more information, contact Dick Hartrick at (231) 350-8025.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING, FEBRUARY 25, 2015

ORV travel could become easier throughout the county

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: At the meeting of County Commissioners on February 25, a public hearing was set for a proposed off road vehicle ordinance that could allow those types of vehicles more access to side roads throughout the county, making travel easier and more legal.

The ordinance as it reads currently describes the terms that apply to the specific changes, the prohibited conduct associated with using and ORV in Charlevoix County, what operations are permitted, the signs that will be used, penalties for disobeying the ordi-

nance, what entities will enforce the ordinance, and where the money gathered through any type of fining will go to.

According to the ordinance an ORV is a "motor driven off-road recreation vehicle capable of cross-country travel without benefit of a road or trail, on or immediately over land, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, or other natural terrain." Currently operators of these types of vehicles are limited in what roads they can be on and which they can't. The limitations have made the use of ORV's especially difficult in instances where a person may be driving on an allowed road, but comes to

road not allowed that he needs to traverse to get to the next allowed road. This issue results in frustration for the driver, but also potential illegal activity.

The not yet passed ordinance reads that people could operate an ORV on the "far right of the maintained portion of all county primary and county local roads.' The ordinance then specifies how the ORV must be operated, including ages, speeds, and lighting required.

The ordinance also expresses that the County will "procure and have posted" signs that will indicate which roads are acceptable for ORV use.

These changes, if accepted, will be enforced by the Charlevoix County Sheriff, and those violating the terms could pay up to a \$500 fine, and be responsible for any damage they cause. Those fines will be put into a fund called the "ORV Fund" which will be split evenly between the County Road Commission for repairing damages caused by ORV's and the County Sheriff's Department for enforcing the policy.

These changes are only proposed until the public hearing, which is set for April 22.

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Prevent cancer by getting screened during Colorectal Cancer **Awareness Month**

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in the United States, with about 140,000 new diagnoses per year. However, through screening, this disease is highly preventable. During March's Colorectal Cancer Awareness campaign, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is offering free colorectal cancer screenings for eligible patients throughout Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties.

Screening tests help prevent colorectal cancer by identifying abnormal growths for removal, or by catching cancer early enough to be successfully treated. The Centers for Disease Control advise regular screening for people ages 50-75, as risk increases with age. More than 90% of colorectal cancers occur in patients older than 50 years. Routine screening is essential because colorectal cancer can exist without symptoms. When symptoms do appear, they may include blood in the stool, stomach pain or cramps, and weight loss.

There are multiple types of screenings available, including simple at-home tests like the Fecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT). People are encouraged to speak with their doctor or medical provider about their best option. Most health insurance plans cover the cost of colorectal screening. For those without insurance or who have high deductibles, the Health Department may be able to help. Individuals who are 50-64 years old and meet income requirements may receive free preventative service.

Feel free to drop in during the following times at these Health Department locations:

- Mancelona 9am-noon March 4, 2-4pm March 25 - Bellaire 1-4pm March 4

- Gaylord 9am-noon March 2, 1-4pm March 16 & 27

Harbor Springs 1-4pm March 5 & 12, 9am-noon March

- Charlevoix 9am-noon March 3 & 25, 1-4pm March 11

Call the Health Department at (800) 432-4121 to make an appointment or to learn more about eligibility. The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego Counties.

Health Dept. receives grant from Delta Dental Foundation

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan recently received \$5,000 from the Delta Dental Foundation through its **Brighter Futures Community** Grant Program. The grant will help fund the purchase of infant oral health kits to be distributed regionally to 2,500 mothers. Local health departments serve more than half the infants born in Northern Michigan; through the Women's, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program these children will receive infant oral health kits, a dental education, and referral to

a dental home by age one.

"This grant gives us an opportunity to promote healthy oral care practices from an early age," said Linda Yaroch, Health Officer at the Health Department. "Dental health is very important for young children—even those younger than age one. Providing education at an early age can prevent early childhood tooth decay and encourage positive, life-long habits."

'We are very proud to recognize the work being done by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan by selecting it as one of our grant recipients," said Teri Battaglieri, director of the Delta Dental Foundation.

Grant recipients were selected based on multiple criteria, including the number of at-risk children or adults served by the program, the program's uniqueness, the level of community involvement in the program and the ability to measure results. The Brighter Futures grant program has provided a total of \$250,000 in funding to organizations that serve small communi-

For more information, visit

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If you are insured through the Healthy Michigan Plan, MIChild, or Healthy Kids, your child's dental treatment may be fully covered. To obtain care for yourself or your child—or to see if you qualify for one of these planscall Dental Clinics North at (877) 321-7070. Dental Clinics North, a partnership of local health departments and Michigan Community Dental Clinics, has eight locations in Northern Michigan.

Daylight Savings Time & Your Health

By Deb Hagen-Foley

Daylight Savings Time (DST) begins this weekend, March 8. Daylight Savings Time began in the U.S. in March, 1918, "to preserve daylight and provide standard time..." The importance of this effort to "preserve daylight" was to reduce the demands fuel needed to produce electric power by encouraging people to go to bed earlier. The law was unpopular initially, for pushing people to get up earlier and go to bed earlier, earlier than most people do today.

The law was repealed in 1919, and Daylight Savings Time was a state-by-state decision. During World War II, Daylight Savings Time was practiced year-around, from February 1942 to September 1945. Daylight savings time was implemented irregularly until President Nixon signed the Emergency Daylight Savings Time Energy Conservation Act into law in January 1974. The exact timing of the start and end of Daylight Savings Time has been adjusted numerous times, from beginning in February to the first Sunday in April. Currently, Daylight Savings Time in the U.S. begins at 2:00 a.m. on the second Sunday in March and continues until 2:00 a.m. the first Sunday in November.

You might look forward to the start of daylight savings time. It signals to me that winter is nearing the end and spring will arrive soon. For my husband, Tim, it is his least favorite weekend. To him, daylight savings time means only losing an hour of sleep.

Research suggests that his complaint may be well justified. German researcher report that the disruption in

circadian rhythm, the body's internal clock, is disrupted with the start of Daylight Savings Time. The circadian rhythm follows the sun, adjusting according to where you live, changing in fourminute intervals. The fourminute intervals are significant as that is the amount of time for the sun to cross one line of longitude. Adjusting the clocks does not adjust our circadian rhythms. This attempt to artificially adjust our internal clock disrupts our normal rhythms. This disruption is maintained until daylight savings time ends in November.

The researchers base their findings on the study of over 55, 000 people in Central Europe. Their sleep pattern was consistent with the progression of dawn during standard time, but was disrupted during daylight savings time, returning to normal when standard time resumed. The changes to and from daylight savings time have noticeable impacts on sleep quality and productivity. Disruption of sleep pattern results in sleepiness during the day, a loss in productivity and an increase in unproductive activities, such as "cyberloafing," unproductive computer activity.

The loss of an hour of sleep is also related to an increase in neart attacks and automobile accidents, the result of sleep deprived drivers. Workrelated accidents are more severe following the change to daylight savings time.

While you enjoy the extra hour of daylight in the coming weeks, make extra efforts to get enough sleep and use caution while driving and take action if you recognize the signs of a heart attack so that you are not a victim of daylight savings time.

CCCF grants to help Hospice of N.W. Michigan improve online services and care for veterans

Hospice of Northwest Michigan has announced it will receive two (2) grants from the Charlevoix **County Community** Foundation (CCCF). Amy Wieland, Executive Director, said the funding will be used to support the agency's We Honor Veterans program, and to improve the Web resources it offers to its patients and to the public.

"We are extremely grateful to the Charlevoix County Community Foundation for supporting our community services through these grants," Wieland said. "They have enabled us to directly benefit veterans and others who depend on Hospice of Northwest Michigan to provide the best possible care."

According to Wieland, the We Honor Veterans program is a collaborative effort with the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and the Department of Veterans' Affairs. It empowers hospice and other healthcare providers to meet the unique needs of seriously ill veterans and their families. More information can be found at www.We-HonorVeterans.org. Local veterans are needed for volunteer efforts as well. Presentations to local organizations can be arranged by contacting Wieland at (231) 547-7659.

CCCF funding in



ald Worden who served in the Army during the Korean War. Photo from Left to Right: Gary Curtis (seated with cane), W.F. Maurer (seated in wheelchair), Joseph Seidel (standing), Christina Lamont (daughter of Donald Worden) (standing), Donald Warden (seated), Matthew Blythe (standing) doing the pinning). COUR-

partial grant from the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation will also enable Hospice of Northwest Michigan to revamp its Web site, www.hospicenwm.or g, and to purchase iPads, tablets and other devices that will allow bed-bound patients and their families to access Internet resources. Online grief support and bereavement services will be enhanced.

conjunction with a

Wieland said Hospice of Northwest Michigan is the only non-profit, community-based, locallymanaged hospice in northern lower Michigan, meaning it is not owned, operated, regulated or supported by corporate interests. "That gives us the flexibility to make decisions that serve our own communities' unique and ever-changing needs," she ex-

plained. "Of course, it also means we're much more dependent on local support to survive." The Charlevoix

County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all citizens of Charlevoix County by building permanent endowment, addressing needs through grant-making, and providing leadership resources to serve the community. Learn more about CCCF online at www.c3f.org Hospice of North-

west Michigan is a 501(c)3 non-profit, community based hospice, serving Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego Counties. Call (800) 551-4140 toll-free for more information on hospice services, or to learn more about how you can help.



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EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, MARCH 3, 2015

8th Annual Project Connect

The 2015 Project Connect will be held on Wednesday, March 18th from 1:00 to 7:00 pm at the Odawa Casino in Petoskey. Project Connect is a day of service for those in need right here in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. If you or someone you know is struggling with financial problems, housing issues, employment challenges or health concerns please join us for a day of free services!

This event will connect individuals with a range of health and human services provided by over 60 local non-profit agencies and other business. Free services are available in areas such as: Kids & Parenting; Veterans Affairs; Health including screenings and vaccinations; Housing including utility support; Finance including tax preparation; Food Assistance; and much more. Sit in on presentations with topics such as resume and interview skills, nutrition, repairing your credit and

A small hot meal will be prepared and served with the help of students from Boyne City and Petoskey High School's Culinary Arts programs. Guests can receive gifts of household and personal care items.

If you wish to register for assistance at the event it is recommended that you bring picture ID, social security number, Medicaid or private insurance information and/or proof of income. Free transportation is available to and from the event, call your local transportation agency to schedule a ride.

We believe that by helping people on the road to a more self-sufficient life, we will in turn strengthen our community as a whole.

Volunteers are also needed to help with Project Connect. You can register to help and find more information on United Way's Volunteer Connections, go to www.charemunitedway.org and click on the Volunteers link.

Project Connect is a project of the Charlevoix-Emmet Human Services Coordinating Body.

East Jordan discusses a balanced budget for 2015/2016

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN—The East Jordan City Commission kicked off Tuesday's meeting with discussions surrounding the 2015/16 fiscal year city operating budget—a budget which City Administrator Tom Cannon presented as being both balanced and a labor of collective efforts.

"My focus in the budgeting process was to submit a true balanced budget which doesn't require cuts to our city's foremost services and business entities," said Cannon.

Each commissioner present at the meeting had the opportunity to discuss thoughts and questions pertaining to the proposed budget prior to Tuesday's meeting with Cannon, allowing commissioners to dive into potential changes they wanted to see.

Commissioner Penzien sug-

gested the commission review the cemetery rates and recommended an increase from \$375 for grave opening charges to \$400, keeping city charges at par with neighboring townships. Commissioners were in favor of establishing a small cost increase rather than a big jump later on down the road and passed the \$25 increase.

Cannon offered a brief introduction of water and sewer rates, suggesting major increases to both rates. The proposed budget suggests a water rate increase from \$3.05/100 cubic feet to \$4.91/100 cubic feet, a 61% increase. Proposed sewer rates increased from \$4.05/100 cubic feet to \$9.97/100 cubic feet, more than doubling the current rate. However, Cannon made it known that he does not expect these proposed rates to be adopted.

"I don't feel that the recom-

mended number is actually where we will be," said Cannon. "But that number is a real number. That's what it costs to run our water and sewer."

These recommended rates are due to factors including no rate increases for the past two years and run water notices issued by the city.

Water and sewer rates will be discussed at the next city commission meeting on March 17.

Some commissioners also expressed concerns about the police department budget, suggesting they would like to see more cuts than the already reduced proposal. However, commissioners agreed it would not be possible to make additional reductions in this year's budget.

With part-time labor and fuel reductions already proposed, Cannon commented that the 2015/16 budget has the smallest police budget the city has proposed in at least a decade.

The commission unanimously approved the balanced budget as presented, excluding water and sewer rates. Commissioners also noted that they were pleased to see a \$31,297 increase to the general fund.

Cannon reminded the commission of major improvements that the city has seen in 2014/15 and will continue to work towards, including a sediment diversion wall for the marina, a disc golf course at Community Park, wastewater treatment plant engineering designs, and Safe Routes to Schools development.

Budget discussions for the 2015/16 fiscal year will continue at the next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission, scheduled for 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2015.

Drs. Oz and Roizen

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



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE FOR A DO-OVER

If you've ever given up on a New Year's resolution, said "yes" to junk food (again and again) or whispered to yourself, "I can't do it," this column is for YOU, because you can have a healthier, happier life. We've seen proof.

We have met amazing folks through Dr. Mike's work at The Cleveland Clinic Wellness Center and Dr. Oz's work with his patients and guests on "The Dr. Oz Show." They've accepted the do-over challenge and are living proof that ANYONE can turn his or her life around and stick with it! The most important thing they've learned: A health do-over doesn't take superhero willpower. There are sciencebased, real-world-tested strategies that can get you past the rough spots.

So here are four of our favorite people who were able to overcome physical and mental challenges (by using those real-world-tested strategies) to achieve successful do-overs. We'd like you to meet them and be empowered by them -- so you can do it too!

VAL: BREAKING FOOD ADDICTION

When Val's weight soared from 135 to 215 after two pregnancies, she developed Type 2 diabetes. She was scared she'd lose her health and her marriage to her loving, fit husband Calvin.

The do-over strategy that made the difference: Getting a buddy. Val contacted her best friend and asked her to be her daily supporter using email, texts and phone calls. Every day, Val let her know

when she'd completed her 30 extra minutes of physical activity and sent her a daily diary of her meals and snacks. "It kept me from lying to myself, because I couldn't lie to my friend!" And sharing your daily achievements with a buddy creates a natural high that helps you construct new brain pathways to replace the old, addictive ones.

ROCCO: BOUNCING BACK FROM A BACKSLIDE

We'll never forget Rocco, a 270-pound man with diabetes and serious cardiovascular disease. He appeared on the show and agreed to let Dr. Mike coach him through a major do-over. Rocco shed plenty of pounds, and in the process got his diabetes, high blood pressure and arthritis under control.

The do-over strategy that made the difference: Having a purpose. Like all humans, Rocco backslid now and then. Dr. Mike would step in to help him get right back on track, with a simple reminder: "Rocco, think about your grandchildren." Having a "why" is a huge incentive to stick with healthy habits: Rocco was determined to stick around to see them grow into happy, healthy adults with kids of their own. GRANDMA: EVERY LIT-

Dr. Mike met this grandma who wanted to drop pounds and clear up a laundry list of health issues. The challenge? She was in a wheelchair almost all the time, taking just 64 steps on her own in a typi-

TLE STEP COUNTS

The do-over strategy that made the difference: Small changes. Dr. Mike suggested she add a few more steps every day. Over two years, she made it to 10,000 a day -- the number recommended for great health and weight control. She got rid of her wheelchair after two years, and her walker after that. She dropped 40 pounds, virtually eliminated her arthritis pain and got better control of her diabetes.

JANELLE: STAY IN-SPIRED

Janelle was plagued with gastrointestinal problems and other nagging health issues. So she overhauled her diet, got a buddy, started walking and logged every bite of food she put into her mouth.

The do-over strategy that made the difference: Staying inspired. She taped this motto to her bathroom mirror: "We simply have two choices each day: Make excuses or make something happen. The choice is yours."

These may seem like simple tricks, but they have complex, profound effects on your willpower. So enlist a buddy, identify your purpose, set realistic goals and get inspired! Your do-over can start today.

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BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

0230 Assist Sheriff Dept with property damage accident and OWI arrest on Mountain Pass Rd

0815 Report of snowmobile left at Peninsula Beach over weekend.

0910 Driving complaint on N Lake St. Vehicle driving extremely slow with flashers on. 1047 Found debit card dropped off at PD. Was re-

turned to owner.

1309 Motorist assist in the
700 block of E Main St.

1326 Arrested subject for parole violation in the 500 block of N Lake St
1619 Gasoline drive off

from the 1300 block of Boyne Av. 1733 Report of possible

OWI in the area of Jefferson and State.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

1142 Assist Mauston, Wisconsin PD with investigation.
1402 Closed Account checks complaint from the
1300 block of Boyne Av

1514 Property damage accident at State St and East St. 1905 Assisted EMS in the 800 block of S Park St. 2045 Assisted Sheriff Dept with traffic control M-75N and

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Old State Loop.

State Park.

0007 Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of W. Lincoln St. 0157 Assist Sheriff Dept with accident and OWI arrest

on Boyne City Rd near Young

0859 Vehicle unlock in the 800 block of S Lake 1149 Semi stuck in road at

1149 Semi stuck in road at State and Lake.

2204 Citation issued for Disregarding stop light at Lake and Water.

2324 Assist Sheriff Dept at Boyne Mtn. with a report of vehicle stuck near the pond on Circle Dr.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

0940 MDOP to fence reported in the 400 block of State St.

1157 Welfare check and standby in the 400 block of N

East St 1810 Assist EMS in the 400 block of State St.

400 block of State St.
2320 Report of suspicious activity in the 400 block of

Poplar

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

0143 Alarm in the 1400 block of Boyne Av
0332 Alarm in the 100 block of River St.

0821 Report of red blinking light coming from house on Brockway St

1400 Assist EMS in the 1000 block of Robinson St 1451 Welfare check in the 300 block of E Division St 1756 Assist Fire Dept in the 400 block of Boyne Ave.

1810 Fraud complaint in the 800 block of West St 1830 Hit and run reported from the 300 block of Silver St.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

0046 Alarm in the 100 block of E Water St 0227 Subject arrested for

assault in the 300 block of W Morgan St. 0951 Property damage ac-

0951 Property damage accident at Park St and River St. 1052 Report of a subject pushing a shopping cart with suitcases in the road on Lake St. near Vogel.

1223 Assist Sheriff Dept with traffic control for a rollover at Boyne City Rd and Timber Ridge.

1232 Property damage accident at S. Park St and Mor-

gan St

1346 Assisted citizen with

ORV questions. 1502 Assist EMS with lift

assist in the 100 block of W. Michigan Ave.

1833 Report of driving violation on State St. No violation was on private property

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

1121 Arrested subject for
DWLS at Park and River
1150 Vehicle unlock in the
400 block of N Lake St.
1402 Vehicle unlock in the

600 block of E. Main St. 1435 Vehicle unlock at Avalanche.

1800 Assist citizen in the 300 block of N Lake St 1801 Assist citizen in the

300 block of N Lake St 1915 Report of possible intoxicated driver on S. Lake St. 2205 Assisted EMS in the 500 block of Jersey St.

CHX. COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT.

February 23-March 1911 Hang Up Call......3

 Abandoned Vehicle
 1

 Abuse
 0

 Alarm
 4

 Animal Complaint
 4

 Annoyance
 4

Assist Motorist......3 Assist Other Agency16 Attempt to Locate4 Attempted Suicide1 Bank Alarm0 Boating Accident0 Boating Violation.....0 Breaking & Entering0 Car/Deer Accident7 Citations Issued5 Civil Complaint.....5 Criminal Sexual Conduct0 Death0 Disorderly Person.....0 Disturbance.....1 DNR Complaint.....1 Domestic Dispute3 Driving Complaint4 Fireworks Complaint0 Found Property0 Fraud4 Health & Safety0 Hit & Run.....2 Intoxicated Person.....1 Juvenile.....2 Larceny2 Lockout.....8 Lost Property0 Malicious Destruction of Property0 Mental Subject.....0 Minor In Possession.....0 Miscellaneous Criminal0 Missing Person0 Noise Complaint0 Operating Under the Influence...1

Paper Service.....19

Assault1

Assist Citizen2

Parking Violation0 Personal Injury Accident1 Personal Protection Order0 Private Property Accident2 Property Check......65 Property Damage Accident4 Prowler.....0 Road Hazard......7 Stalking.....0 Suspicious Situation4 Threat.....1 Traffic Stop......16 Trespassing......0 Unknown Accident.....3 Unlawful Driving Away of Automobile.....0 Vehicle in the Ditch13 Violation of Controlled Substance Act...3

ACCIDENT ON M-66

Sheriff W.D. (Don) Schneider reports this date at 11:35am members of the Charlevoix County Sheriff's office, Charlevoix City EMS/Fire and East Jordan EMS responded to a two vehicle accident that occurred on M-66 near Saunders Rd. in Eveline Township. The accident occurred when a southbound vehicle driven by 24 year old Charlevoix resident (Rachel Bosley) lost control of her vehicle, crossed the center line and struck a northbound vehicle driven by 62 year old Charlevoix resident (Janis Currey). Both drivers sustained injuries and Currey was transported to Charlevoix Area Hospital for further evaluation. The accident caused M-66 to be shut down for about an hour.

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News

Make it at your Library during Teen Tech Week™ 2015

Local teens will be tuning in at the library as Boyne District Library celebrates the annual Teen Tech Week™ March 8-14. They join thousands of other libraries and schools across the country who are celebrating this year's theme, Make it at Your Library to raise awareness about how Boyne District Library creates a space to extend teens' learning beyond the classroom where they can explore, create and share content.

Teen Tech Week is a national initiative of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) aimed at teens, their parents, educators and other concerned adults. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that teens are competent and ethical users of technology, especially the types offered through libraries. Teen Tech Week encourages teens to take advantage of the technology at libraries for

education and recreation, and to recognize that librarians are qualified, trusted professionals who can help them achieve greater digital literacy.

Cliff Carey, feels that "Getting teens into libraries is essential. Offering gaming, access to computers, and online homework help is important, and letting them know that we can help educate them on how to use these resources will get them in the door. Once they're in the door, we can show teens that with technology at the library, anything is possible.'

From maker spaces, to coding classes to 3D printing now offered by libraries across the country, the do-ityourself theme shows how libraries provide meaningful contributions to the educational and social development of the teens in the community. "

Teen Tech Week is a way for librarians and educators to collaborate with and educate teens about technology," says Carey. "Over the last several years the library's role in increasing digital literacy has become more and more important, equal to that of reading literacy."

Teens are encouraged to celebrate Teen Tech Week. The Boyne District Library hopes to attract a wide variety of teenagers and increase teen technology literacy locally by offering a series of programs including:

- An Introduction to Electronics class March 7th from 2-4
- A 6 week Arduino micro-controller class beginning March 16th
 - 3D printing Services

For more information on any of the above mentioned programs please contact the Boyne District Library at 582-7861 or visit the library's website at boynelibrary.org.

Boyne City High School band earns First Division rating at district festival



or the third year in a row, the Boyne City High School Band earned a First Division rating at the MSBOA District Band and Orchestra Festival.

For the third year in a row, the Boyne City High School Band earned a First Division rating at the MSBOA District Band and Orchestra Festival! Our students continue to earn excellent marks in all areas with many positive comments aimed not just at their outstanding musicianship but also their work

ethic, dedication, and professionalism.

The 8th Grade Band also earned high marks in various categories in their overall Second Division rating at District Festival. Many positive comments were made regarding their behavior and sight-reading skills.

Congratulations to all! Boyne Pride!!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters may be submitted by e-mail to office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com.

TOAST TO LITERACY, PUBLIC THANK YOU

To the Editor,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Char-Em United Way, I would like to thank the many donors, sponsors and volunteers who helped make our 2nd Annual "Toast to Literacy" a huge success. We want to extend a special thank you to our sponsors - Castle Farms, Consumers Energy, Northern Michigan Review, Petoskey Plastics, Charlevoix Cinema III, Odawa Casino, and 4 Front Credit Union-for helping to make the evening so special. The event was made spectacular by the caterers who donated their time and talent, as well as their food and we appreciate each of them greatly. A Matter of Taste, B.J.'s Catering, The Grey Gables Inn and Pigs Eatin' Ribs each provided a "soup, savory, and sweet" dish to share with attendees. Those attending voted for their favorite and awards were given in each category as well as to an overall winner.

Awards went to: B.J.'s Catering for their soup, chicken mushroom bisque, Pigs Eatin' Ribs for their savory dish, shaved brisket arepas topped with mango & black bean salsa with roasted poblano crema, Grey Gables for their sweet dish, a traditional crème brulee, Overall winning caterer: Pigs Eatin' Ribs

We would also like to thank all of the local breweries, wineries and meaderies who attended, providing samples of their product for all to enjoy. Joining us were: Acoustic Mead, Beards Brewery, Cheboygan Brewing, Cherry Republic, Crooked Vine Vineyard and Winery, Harbor Springs Winery/ Tunnel Vision Brewery of Pond Hill, Petoskey Brewing, Petoskey Farms, Right Brain Brewery, Seasons of the North, St. Ambrose, and Walloon Lake Win-

A special thank you is given as well to the Toast to Literacy committee, who spent many hours planning and coordinating this event. Our event Co-Chairs also deserve a special thank you, so if you see Dee Vincent from Harbor Industries, Jennifer Rekasi from Huntington Bank, and Anora O'Connor from Castle Farms,



please help us thank then and let them know their efforts are appreci-

The Toast to Literacy raised funds to help support Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, which mails one new, age-appropriate book every month to each child registered. Children in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties are eligible to receive books from birth through age five.

While the books are delivered free to participating families, the program is funded by Char-Em United Way. Donations, grant monies, and fundraising events such as the "Toast to Literacy" help Char-Em United Way to fund this program. Books for each child cost \$30 each year or \$150 if a child is enrolled at birth and remains in our community through their fifth birthday, a very economical investment in the future of our community. If you'd like to support

this program, send donations to

Char-Em United Way, P.O. Box 1701, Petoskey, MI, 49770, and indicate DPIL or visit www.charemunitedway.org and click on the Donate but-

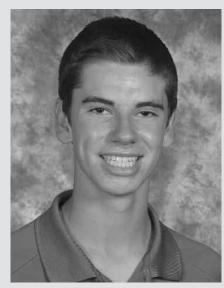
This program directly impacts one of the Char-Em United Way priority areas: helping children achieve their potential, with a focus on early literacy and grade level reading proficiency in third grade. One of the most powerful resources any community has is its people – the power of US; connecting, volunteering, contributing in whatever way we can. This is what improves our community and the lives of those living here.

Thank you so much! Together we have made our communities a better place to live, work, and play.

Lorraine Manary **Executive Director** Char-Em United Way Boyne City High School

ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

Student of the Week



Derek Willis

Grade: 11

Parent(s): Lori and Dale Willis

FUTURE PLANS/GOALS: :

"Hopefully be able to play baseball in college and get a degree in engineering.

School Activities:

Basketball, Baseball, Cross Country, Robotics, DECA, National Honors Society, SAFE, Pride Team

Hobbies and Interests:

Playing sports **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:**

"I am thankful for the great staff, teammates and friends

we have here at Boyne City High School.'

Staff Comments: "Derek is the kind of student every classroom needs: He's always prepared, always involved, and doesn't need to hear the sound of his own voice every 10 minutes. He's the picture of quiet leadership in the classroom and on

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"Derek is an ideal student-athlete. He works hard both in the classroom and on the court or field. Best of all, he comes every day with a good attitude." – David Smith,

"Derek is great kid. Pleasure to have in class. Good role model for other students." - Todd Shumaker, Machine Tool Tech Teacher

"Derek's athleticism was a big part of our history making boys Cross Country season." - Andy Bryant

Ellsworth Schools to receive two new busses

Norma Jean Babcock

ELLSWORTH: A recent bond issue will allow Ellsworth Community Schools to replace two older school busses with new busses in spring of this year and in the spring of 2017.

The bond issue came before voters as a millage of .35 mills to be collected over a 7 years period. The busses that need replacement are models from 1997 and 2003, which required a total amount of \$190,000. That total covers paying for the busses but also pays for the interests on the bonds.

The older busses need replacement due to general wear and tear, but also to be up to date in handicap specifications. The newer busses will be equipped with handicap lifts, and will have a several integrated child restraint seats to make transportation of preschool age children possible and safe.

Of the millage, Ellsworth Community Schools Superintendent Aaron Gaffney expressed his thanks to the community and the support they have given by passing the millage.

'We are very thankful for the continual support of education shown by the Ellsworth community. It would not be possible to operate our school system and proved opportunities to students without the aid and commitment shown by local residents," says Gaffney.

Gaffney noted that that not only did the community support the bond proposal for the busses, but an 18 mill operating millage was passed as well. According to Gaffney, this millage is periodically passed in order for the school to receive state aid financing. This millage was a five year renewal.



News

Boyne City Irish Heritage Week includes music, dance, food, history March 10-17

Boyne City's 8th annual Irish Heritage Week returns March 10-17 to celebrate the community's history, which began when Irish immigrants John and Harriet Miller settled there in 1856. Here are the sponsors and the sched-

Shamrock Sponsors Pat O'Brien & Associates Real

Family Fare Supermarket Leprechaun sponsors 4Front Credit Union Boyne City Hardware Tuesday, March 10

- Irish History Lecture and Discussion with Dr. George Colburn,

who will discuss "Why Ireland is Not a Part of the United Kingdom," Boyne District Library Community Room, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 13

- Irish Heritage Dinner featuring a traditional Irish feast, Jeannine Sladick's Irish dancers, live music from an Irish band Ron fowler story teller and Irish dinner provided by the Boyne City High School Hospitality Program, \$13 in advance for adults, \$7 for children ages 6 to 12. 101 River St., doors open 5 p.m. Tickets available at the Boyne Chamber, Country Now & Then/Up the Lazy River.

Saturday, March 14

- Irish Step Dance Workshop (free) led by Jeannine Sladick in the Culinary Arts Room of the School Administration Building (321 S. Park St., across Main Street from the Boyne District Library). All skill levels can have fun learning some authentic forms of this rich Celtic tradition. Bring lightweight shoes, 10 to 11

- Irish Soda Bread Contest -Community cooks are invited to participate. Entry forms will be available online and at the Boyne Chamber, 28 S. Lake St. Entry forms should be turned in to the

Chamber by noon Friday, March 13. Rules and suggested recipes are available with the entry form. Breads should be dropped off on Saturday morning between 10 and 11 a.m. at the Culinary Arts Room of the School Administration Building (across Main Street from the Boyne Library) in a plain paper bag, accompanied by a copy of your entry form. Judging is by local professional chefs. Results will be posted on this web

- Tastes of Spring - It's time to "Think Green" with the Boyne City Farmers Market in the Red Barn next to the Boyne District

Library, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Surprises of Green tastes await you. www.boynecityfarmersmarket.or

Sunday, March 15

- Celtic Music Session - You are invited to join hostess Gaeyle Gerrie and other local musicians from 1 to 3 p.m. as they gather to play Irish music at the Boyne District Library, 201 E. Main St.. Musicians and listeners are encouraged to attend. For info, contact Gaeyle at (231) 883-7664.

NEWS BRIEFS

CHARLEVOIX

members.

First Friday Business Breakfast Friday, March 6, 7:30-8:30am. Smoke on the Water. \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members. Come and enjoy a great breakfast and network with your fellow chamber

EAST JORDAN **East Jordan Public Schools**

Extravaganza

The second annual EJPS Extravaganza, a guaranteed fun fundraiser benefiting East Jordan Public Schools, will take place Saturday, March 7 from 5:30 to 11pm at Castle Farms. The Extravaganza features a complimentary Happy Hour from 5:30-6:30 sponsored by The Landings restaurant, Good Eats, Cash Bar, Dance Band The Cookies, Fun and Games, Silent and Live Auctions, a Photo Booth and Free Childcare. Tickets are \$50 per person, available at all EJPS School Offices or by phone. Sponsors, Donations, Volunteers appreciated. For complete details

www.Facebook.com/EJPS X. For tickets, to donate, or volunteer, call call 231-536-2259.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY "Wellness Wednesday"

Charlevoix Area Hospi-"Wellness next Wednesday" will be from 8am until 11am on Wednesday, March 11th, at Boyne Area Medical Center, 223 North Park Street in Boyne City. Health Screens include: Total Cholesterol, HDL. TC/HDL Ratio, Glucose level, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, Fat Percentage, and a Blood Pressure reading. If you are fasting an LDL and Triglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$5. Participants will receive a blood pressure log and all test results at the time of the screening. No appointment is necessary. For further information, contact the office of Community Health Education at Charlevoix Area Hospital: (231) 547-8906 or by email: communityhealth@cah.org

EAST JORDAN

Business After Hours

March 12, 5 - 7pm, Jordan River Arts Council.

BOYNE CITY Community Housing Needs

Boyne District Library, 201 E. Main Street, Boyne City, on March 12th from 6:00-7:00 pm. The Housing Forum is being held to generate community discussion about housing needs in Boyne City. Issues to be discussed include current and future housing needs of the community, and barriers to quality housing for families and seniors.

BOYNE CITY Friday Night Film Festival at **Boyne Library**

The Friends of the Boyne District Library are starting a new Friday Night Film Festival with showtimes at 6:30 p.m. Snacks are available for a donation. March 13: The Sapphires, a comedy/drama, great music from 1968 (2013, PG-13).

EAST JORDAN Hoops for Hope

The annual Hoops for Hope Basketball Game will be held in the East Jordan High School Gym on Saturday, March 14 at 6:00 PM. Please join us to watch the East Jordan Teachers take on the East Jordan Coaches. Bake Sale, Concessions, Raffles and More!! Fun for the whole family. Proceeds support the Charlevoix County Relay for Life

Business After Hours

Pat O'Brien and Associates Real Estate will host the Boyne Area Chamber's next Business After Hours at 128 Water St. from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on St. Patrick's Day, Tuesday, March 17. Business people are invited to this festive St. Patrick's Daythemed event, which is also Pat O'Brien's birthday. Admission, hors d'oeuvres and beverages are complimentary. Food and drink will reflect the Irish heritage, and there will be door prizes and giveaways.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN **Project Connect**

Project Connect will be held from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 18 at the Odawa Casino in Petoskey. Project Connect is a day of service for those in need in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. If you or someone you know is struggling with financial problems, housing issues, employment challenges or health concerns, they are invited to attend this day of free services. This event will connect individuals with a range of health and human services provided by over 60 local non-profit

CHARLEVOIX

Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce Business Expo and Taste of Charlevoix

agencies and businesses.

The 5th Annual Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce Business Expo and Taste of Charlevoix, taking place at Castle Farms on Thursday, March 19, 2015, from 4:00 7:00pm. \$5 admission.

BOYNE CITY

Friday Night Film Festival at **Boyne Library**

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BOYNE CITY

(2014, PG-13).

Business Expo & Taste of Boyne

The Expo will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 23, at the former Carter's store. This expo is always one of Northern Michigan's largest business networking events, as 1,300 people come to see 95 local exhibitors, including a dozen Taste of Boyne food booths. Admission to the event is \$5. Soft drinks, Michigan wine and beer will be available.

ELLSWORTH

Pig Roast/Ellebration

The Pig Roast/Ellebration tradition continues! This year's event will take place on Saturday, June 20th. It will feature a hometown parade, a great meal, lots of games for children and teens, the annual horse pull and archery events and lots more. New this year will be a tractor cruise and a motorcycle tour.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Junior Achievement volunteers Junior Achievement's local Board of Directors is looking for volunteers that would like to share their leadership skills to increase the growth of Junior Achievement programs in area schools. For more information on numerous opportunities, contact the area's District Director Pankner janso@ja.org or call 231-582-4660.

BOYNE CITY

Boyne Volunteer Network

Boyne volunteer network is a joint project of the Boyne District Library, Boyne City Main Street Program and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce. 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.

EAST JORDAN

Christian coffee house

Open Door Christian coffee house will be held every first and third Saturday at the East Jordan Community Center on Main St. Refreshments are available; free coffee and a small charge for pizza and soda. We have a lot of wonderful talent right here in northern Michigan. Great fellowship, everyone is welcome

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Playgroups

Playgroups for children 0-60 months and their preschool aged siblings are offered free through the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan. Playgroups will help you find out more about your developmental child's stage; learn new games and activities to play with your child; and share ideas, parenting experiences and concerns with the playgroup facilitator and other parents. This fall/winter, Playgroups are held: 9:30-11am Tuesdays at Jordan Valley District Library Community Room, East Jordan; 9:30-11am Wednesdays at United Methodist Church, Alanson; 9:30-11am Thursdays at Christ Lutheran Church, Boyne City; 9:30-11am Fridays at United Methodist Church, Petoskey. Call (231)347-0067 or visit wrcnm.org for more informa-

CHARLEVOIX

Messy church

This is a fun way of doing church for families. There are crafts, Bible stories learning about the God who loves you, songs, and free meal. Children must be accompanied by parent or adult. This is a non-denominational event which takes place on the first Sunday of each month at 4 – 6 pm at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church, 104 State St. Your call is appreciated for meal count at 547-2654.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Seniors ride free

Residents aged 60 and over will now be able to ride the Charlevoix County Transit free of charge within Charlevoix County. Seniors please contact the **Charlevoix County Transit** for your ride at 231-582-6900. This program is made possible through the cooperation of Charlevoix County Commission on Aging and the Charlevoix County Transit.

CHARLEVOIX

Story time

Weekly Story Time is hosted every Thursday at 10:30am and all children and their parents or care givers are invited to attend. Story Time at the Charlevoix Library is geared towards children birth to five years old. Ms. Laura, story teller extraordinaire, reads stories, sings songs, interacts with finger plays, and sometimes even dances with the kids.

Boyne City Legion Post 228 forms an **American Legion Riders Chapter**

Ernest Peterson Post 228 of The American Legion is looking for eligible veterans who like to ride motorcycles to help establish an American Legion Riders Chapter at the post. Joining more than 1,250 other ALR chapters that ride in support of America's future, this family oriented motorcycling activity helps promote and maintain American Legion programs. The ALR is not a motorcycle club, but rather an association of like-minded Legion Family members who enjoy family activities and the opportunity to advance the aims and goals of The American Legion.

As a very visible activity of The American Legion, Riders raise and donate funds to national, state and local programs and charities for veterans, military families, and local communities. The 2014 Legacy Run to the National Convention by the Riders raised one million dollars for the Legacy Scholarship Fund, which provides college funding for children of service men and women killed on active duty since 9/11.

The new ALR Chapter will hold an organization meeting on Saturday, March 21 at 1 o'clock in

the afternoon to set up operating procedures, select officers, and discuss rides and events. This meeting will be held at the Ernest Peterson Post Home, 302 S. Lake Street in Boyne City. Membership in American Legion Riders is open to current members of TheAmerican Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, and The Sons of The American Legion (the American Legion Family) and is not restricted to membership in the Chapter Sponsor Post. Any motorcycle riders who are wartime service veterans, wives, mothers, sisters and female descendants or male descendants of wartime veterans are invited to learn more about the American Legion Family and ALR by attending this meeting.

The Boyne City Chapter of the American Legion Riders will be one of five existing Chapters in North Central Michigan. The others are at Lewiston, Onaway, Fife Lake, and Sault Ste. Marie. For more information,

contact Post Adjutant Brian Morrison at adjutant@boynelegionpost228.org, or leave a message at the Post, 231-582-7811.

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Portside Arts Fair Committee announces 2015 Fair Dates and Call for Artists

The Portside Arts Fair Committee recently announced the dates for the 53rd Annual Arts Fair. This year's juried show will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 1-2 at the historic Elm Pointe Estate located on the shores of the beautiful South Arm of Lake

Charlevoix. Beside a wide range of original artwork and crafts the show features live entertainment, an opportunity to tour the historical museum and display

gallery, as well as delicious

pies and food offerings from

the East Jordan Lutheran



The historic Elm Pointe Estate, located on the shores of the beautiful South Arm of Lake Charlevoix will be the site of the Portside Arts Fair in August. COURTESY PHOTO

Church members. Applications for artists are now available online at www.portsideartsfair.org or by calling Kim Prebble at

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Community partners and collaborations are building strong leaders and access to local resources

Leadership Charlevoix County's Class of 2015 has announced it will be doing a community service project in collaboration with the City of East Jordan and the Little Traverse Conservancy. The 2015 Class will be building a trailhead on the north side of the nature preserve owned by the City of East Jordan.

"In an effort to draw visitors to the area and bring awareness to the land conservancy, we're partnering with the Little Traverse Conservancy and the City of East Jordan to provide a safe place to park at an easily accessible trailhead within walking distance of downtown," said Nick Pulver, a member of LCC's Class of 2015. "The area will be outfitted with benches and signs that will define the use of the trail, and it will be lined with repurposed, natural boulders.'

Pulver added that the new Rogers Family Homestead North Trailhead will allow access to the picturesque hiking trail that is now only accessible at the southwest edge of Rogers Family Homestead Nature Preserve, located on Rogers Road approximately three miles from East Jordan. Fundraising for this project has begun and donations are needed in order for Leadership Charlevoix County to reach its goal. Funding needed for this project may reach as high as

"That means community support is vital to our success," said Amy Wieland, a fellow LCC member. "We're grateful for the opportunity to give back to the community, while applying skills we've gained through Leadership Charlevoix County.'

Fundraising opportunities, donations and presentations to local organizations can be arranged by contacting Justin Weisler, 2015 Class Member, at (231) 350-0224 or by email at

jsweisler@hotmail.com. Developed in 2011, Leadership Charlevoix County is a nine-month program that exposes emerging leaders to various aspects of the county, ranging from government to human services agencies, and

from environmental issues to philanthropy. In addition, participants are teamed with a community mentor and the class takes on a community service project. It is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, sponsored by the Boyne City, Charlevoix and East Jordan Area Chambers of Commerce with support from the Beaver Island Chamber and the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. More information about the program can be found at www.leadershipcharlevoixcounty.com or by contacting leadershipcharlevoixcounty@gmail.com.



Leadership Charlevoix County 2015 Class Participants are: Front Row, left to right: Tina Simmons, Meagan Krzywosinski, Justin Weisler, Ethan Winchester, Amy Wieland, Dustin Arp, Kathy Ackerman, Bob Jess. Back Row, left to right: Doug Marvin, Waja Berarducci, Billie Solgot, Kyle Smith, Jack Laurent, Troy Thomas, Nick Pulver.) COURTESY PHOTO

Recreation **Plan**

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Christensen's opinion is based on what the ballot stated; that the majority of the millage money will be used to upkeep existing parks and keep them operational; however a smaller amount will be used for development and expansion projects. That smaller amount is roughly \$50,000 for 2016. This means that if the boat launch project is

started, the money set aside for new park projects in 2016 will be completely used by one project instead of going toward several smaller projects.

However, those who developed the plan felt that the larger boat launch project was a good starting point despite the amount of funds needed. Bryan Williams of GIS, told commissioners that the boat launch will aid Whiting Park in being self sustainable which could eliminate the need for funding it in the future.

"We can't do everything in one year...everyone's not going to get their equal share right off the bat," stated Williams.

His sentiments were echoed by Commissioner Joel Evans, who expressed that as citizens of Charlevoix County, people needed to focus on benefitting the whole county, not just the areas they happen to live in.

"We are as a county putting (the money) into the best places we can for Charlevoix County," stated Evans.

Ultimately the council

approved the Recreation Plan for 2015-2019. Christensen again expressed his concerns about using the money for just the one project, but stated that he wouldn't be "shortsighted" and vote no which would make getting grant money difficult. He did however state that he would continue to advocate for utilizing it in such a way as to make the millage budget neutral.

The entire plan can be seen at www.charlevoixcounty.org, where a link is found on the first page.

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News



Dressed as "Patch Adams", Paul Andrzejewski of Scovies in Charlevoix, serves strawberry pecan salads to a crowd of viewers participating in a HOSPICE of Northwest Michigan fundraiser, "Dinner and a Movie" Saturday evening.

Those attending enjoyed a tasty dinner of several courses while the movie Patch Adams was projected onscreen.

A silent auction also helped boost the total raised for Hospice of Northwest Michigan, a free service program.

Hill House Artist Residency

Deadline April 1 for residencies that run from June through November

The Hill House Artist Residency supports talented artists with a two, three or four week stay in a semi-secluded log cabin near East Jordan, Michigan. It includes a well-stocked kitchen, a selection of instruments and some basic recording gear, as well as opportunities for community exchange through performance, readings and workshops (by request). Emerging musicians are offered a small stipend to aid in professional development.

The Hill House Artist Residency presents an extraordinary opportunity for talented artists who are often excluded from typical residencies. Parent artists

are encouraged to apply, as are collaborating artists, including those from different disciplines, who wish to be in residence together. Artists who wish to bring a pet along are also welcome to apply. In addition, emerging musicians who are accepted to the program are awarded a stipend, supported by the David Fetzer Fund.

Applications will be juried by a rotating panel selected by ISLAND. Residency awards are merit driven, based primarily on the quality of your existing work, using the following criteria, in order of priority:

- the creativity and integrity of the work

- the strength of the artist's statement and the perceived fit with the Hill House residency

- the availability of the artist in the dates still open for residents

Never applied to a residency before? Find an excellent overview at the Alliance of Artists Communities website - www.artistcommunities.org. We are happy to help you with this process! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Yvonne Stephens (231) 622-5252 or yvonne@artmeetsearth.org.

The Hill House Artist Residency presents an extraordinary opportunity for talented artists who are often excluded from typical residen-CIES. PHOTO BY FORMER HILL HOUSE ARTIST IN RESIDENCE SCOTT HOCKING



A blend of old, new and homemade too at Gaylord's Homespun Antiques & Crafts

By Jim Akans

For shoppers seeking at spot to find antique, vintage, new as well as homemade craftitems, look no further than the wide array of fascinating goods offered at downtown Gaylord's Homespun Antiques & Crafts, located right next to the historic Sugar Bowl Restaurant. Established by Sue Nowak in May of 2010, the shop has a wide array of items conveniently organized by product type.

'Customer's regularly comment how nicely organized the store is," affirms Sue Nowak. "Many people also tell us that we have a lot of inventory so I keep wondering if I should change our name to the "lots of stuff" store!"

Nowak originally started out renting booth space at downstate craft shows. She opened a store

location on South Otsego Avenue in Gaylord and relocated to Elmira in 2009. Pursuing an interest to have a store in downtown Gaylord she surveyed the space connected to the Sugar Bowl and was motivated by the idea people might browse her store while waiting to enjoy a meal at the restaurant. She decided to make the move in 2010

She recalls, "On opening day we did more business than we did in several months combined at the Elmira location. This is a great

Items on display at Homespun Antiques & Crafts represent several vendors, many of which are local, who rent space in the store as well as items Nowak and her husband Larry find at auctions and estate sales. Among the items customers can find are dishware,

glassware, tons of books, CD's, DVD's, vinyl records and home décor products and accessories. They have American Doll clothing, handmade knit sweaters, socks and mittens, hand woven rugs, crochet top dish towels have recently added brand new and collectable Christmas decorations.

"We will also be introducing craft supplies in the near future," notes Nowak. "We truly do offer a blend of the old, the new and the handmade too at Homespun Antiques & Crafts."

Homespun Antiques & Crafts is located at 230 West Main Street in downtown Gaylord. Winter hours are 11 am until 5 pm Monday through Saturday and Summer hours are 10 am to 5 pm Monday through Saturday and 12 pm to 4 pm on Sunday. They can be reached by calling (989) 731-4305.



Homespun Antiques & Crafts is located right next to the historic Sugar Bowl Restaurant in downtown Gaylord. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS



of 2010, downtown Gaylord's Homespun Antiques & Crafts is a must see destination for shoppers seeking antique, vintage, new as well as homemade craft items. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS



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3/8, Sunday, 4pm

MONTHLY ADULT GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Support program held at the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix. Please call to register or for more informa-tion at 231-547-7659. www.hospicenwm.org

3/8, Sunday - 3/17, Tuesday

IRISH HERITAGE WEEK

Irish music, food, history and more in Boyne City. www.boynechamber.com

3/13, Friday - 3/15, Sunday

BOYNE MOUNTAIN -

KIDS' FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Village party with a cookout, coloring contest, wagon rides, and many more fun family events. Visit www.bovne.com.

3/13, Friday, 6:00pm - 3/15, Sunday, 10:00am

CAMP DAGGETT -

FATHER/SON WEEKEND

Fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers or big brothers are in-vited to bring their sons/grandsons (ages 7-14) for a fun filled weekend. For more info or to register, contact Ed Leverenz at 231-347-9742, ext. 112.

www.campdaggett.org

3/14, 20, 21, 7:00pm; 3/15, 2:00pm

"HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL"

Produced by Boyne City High School Drama Department, Performing Arts Center.

www.boynechamber.com

3/18, Wednesday, 1 - 7pm **PROJECT CONNECT**

A day of free services for those in need at the Odawa Ca-sino, Ovation Hall, in Petoskey. Volunteers needed. For more info, call Char Em United Way @ 231-487-1006 or visit the website @ www.ProjectConnect231.org.

3/19, Thursday, 4:00 - 7:00pm

CHARLEVOIX BUSINESS EXPO One of the largest business net-

working events, the expo will feature 75 booths in a wide range of categories, includ-ing retail, professional, industry, service, tourism and more. The expo will also feature the Taste of Charlevoix where area

restaurants will set up and offer attendees a sampling of their culinary specialties. Admission \$5. www.charlevoix.org

3/20, Friday – 3/22, Sunday

BOYNE MTN. - CARNIVAL WEEKEND Carnival Kick-Off Party, On-Hill Party, Adult Costume Con-test, Slush Cup, and much more. For more event details, visit

3/24, Tuesday, 10:00am

www.boyne.com.

COFFEE WITH JANIA TAYLOR: THOSE MAGICAL DAMES

Jania Taylor is an award-winning magician whose wit and charm have pleased audiences throughout the country. She has been classically trained in the art of prestidigitation (skill in performing magic/conjuring tricks with the hands).

www.crookedtree.org. (Gilbert Gallery)

3/26, Thursday, 5:30 – 7:00pm **MARCH SWIRL**

Join us for wine tastings in our galleries. Mingle among beautiful art, listen to local musicians, and sample fine wines and food from local restaurants. Tickets may be pur-chased on-line, telephone, or at the door. Event takes place at the Crooked Tree Arts Center in Petoskev.

www.crookedtree.org

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 5

Wii Bowling 11am Knitting & Crochet

Friday, March 6 11am Dollar in a Jukebox Raffle

Monday, March 9 Foot Clinic (by Appt) Line Dance Brown-Bag Bingo -Gift Certificate Prize

Tuesday, March 10 Brown-Bag Bingo -Free Lunch Prize

Wed., March 11

Thursday, March 12 Wii Bowling 11am Knitting & Crochet

Charlevoix Seniors for

Lunch & Wii Bowling

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 5

11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle

Friday, March 6 9:30am Craft Class 1pm Rummy

Monday, March 9 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study

Tuesday, March 10 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Paint Člass 1pm Rummy AARP TAX PREP 9am-1pm

FOOT CLINIC 12:45pm Bingo

Wed., March 11 Thursday, March 12 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle Wii Bowling at Boyne City

EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 5 KARAOKE DAY!

Friday, March 6 Birthday Day! 11am Backwoods Maestros Bingo/Raffle

Monday, March 9 8am-1pm Walking M-F

Tuesday, March 10 10:30am Line Dancing 12:30pm Bingo 1pm Paint Class

Wed., March 11 GAME DAY!

Thursday, March 12 Foot Clinic KARAOKE DAY! 10am Advisory Bd Mtg

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, March 5 **VEAL & MUSHROOMS**

Friday, March 6 VEGETABLE LASAGNA

TATER TOT CASSEROLE

Monday, March 9

Tuesday, March 10 **DEVILED PORK**

Wed., March 11 COOK's CHOICE

Thursday, March 12 HAMBURGER w/BUN

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