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## Operation Petunia Plants in its 34th Year

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: In its yearly effort to keep the city of Charlevoix a gorgeous place, the Keep Charlevoix Beautiful group planted flowers along U.S. 31 for the 34th year in a row on Thursday, May 28th.

The group gathers volunteers each year to plant more than 60,000 petunias around the city. Volunteers line the sides of U.S. 31 for a 5 mile stretch in order to

plant the brightly colored flowers that Charlevoix has come to be known for. Once planted, the flowers are maintained by the group whose founder, Dale Boss, is still an instrumental figure in the aesthetic beauty of the city.

The Keep Charlevoix Beautiful effort originated in 1982 when the first meeting of the group took place; there, Boss and several others worked on ideas that would enhance the city. Boss suggested a plan to line the streets from city

limit to city limit with boldly colored petunias. To finance the plan, Boss suggested selling license plates to those in the area. Boss

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**RIGHT:** Members of the Charlevoix U12 Soccer Traveling Team combine efforts and plant a row of petunias Thursday along US 31 during 'Operation Petunia', the city's annual planting day organized by Keep Charlevoix Beautiful. Read more on KeepCharlevoixBeautiful.org PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE



### this week in sports



Christian Matye, of Charlevoix, hauls in this Ironmen fly ball during District Baseball action. (PHOTO BY JANET SMIGIELSKI)



Boyne City softball assistant coach, Todd Shumaker, dons a set of braids the team presented him with to join in the fun following their third consecutive district title. In addition to coaching, Shumaker has helped the team relax throughout the season with jokes and the occasional shenanigan. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## RECOGNIZING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



### Area Students Receive Top Honors

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By Jim Akans

It is an exciting time for high school seniors throughout Charlevoix County, as graduation celebrates their many years of academic achievement and ushers in the next chapter of their lives. Graduating from high school is a milestone that all graduates and their families can be proud of.

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congratulates and commends each of these graduating students and to those achieving the level of academic excellence demonstrated by being named class valedictorian, salutatorian or senior scholar. Attaining this recognition is a reflection of each of these students dedication to their studies, and their steadfast com-

mitment to their goals.

We wish all graduating students continued success as they pursue their dreams.

*Note: This is part one of a two-part series. Boyne City valedictorians and salutatorians will appear in the June 11th edition of the Charlevoix County News.*

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING, MAY 27, 2015

### Help for Home Repairs discussed by commissioners

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: At their recent meeting on Wednesday, May 27, Charlevoix County Commissioners approved of applying for a grant that could offer financial assistance to those in need of home repairs in the area this year.

The funds could come from a grant application that will be filed with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. If approved, the grant will be administered through the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA). The renewal of the grant, which required the Boards approval, is being filed for a total of \$200,000 worth of funding that will give financial assistance to those living in the area that need significant home repairs but are unable to afford them.

The NMCAA gives financial support through deferred interest free loans that enable homeowners in the county to have either one significant repair done or entire home repair projects completed. The grant could allow for 7 full home repairs and 4 "emergency" repairs to be done in the county this year.

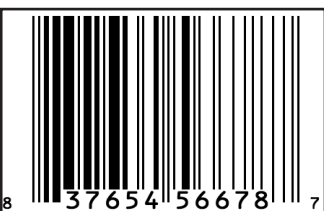
"It's been a successful program...this has been a lifesaver," stated Joel Evans, Board Chairman. The NMCAA offers the repair program to those in Charlevoix County based on numerous factors; those include being a homeowner, having lived in the home for at least one year, being current on all home related payments, and having an income less than 80% of the median income for Charlevoix County.

The NMCAA uses the federal funding in order to bring homes up to HUD standards. This may include helping a home owner install or repair a septic system, replace or repair heating or electric systems, repair structural support, or numerous other issues that are significant enough to warrant action.

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LOW: 50

SATURDAY



HIGH: 75  
LOW: 52

SUNDAY



HIGH: 73  
LOW: 54

MONDAY



HIGH: 71  
LOW: 52

TUESDAY



HIGH: 72  
LOW: 50

WEDNESDAY



HIGH: 75  
LOW: 53

## record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
JUN 4	47°	75°	27° (1964)	89° (1955)
JUN 5	47°	75°	29° (1998)	92° (1999)
JUN 6	47°	76°	29° (1958)	92° (1999)
JUN 7	48°	76°	35° (1960)	91° (1968)
JUN 8	48°	76°	28° (1949)	91° (1950)
JUN 9	48°	77°	32° (1977)	91° (1959)
JUN 10	49°	77°	30° (1966)	91° (1968)
JUN 11	49°	77°	29° (1966)	93° (1956)

## OBITUARIES

### Joseph Edwin McCann Jr., 66

(NOV. 23, 1948 - MAY 29, 2015)

Joseph Edwin McCann Jr. of Charlevoix passed away Friday, May 29, 2015, at McLaren Northern Michigan in Petoskey. He was born November 23, 1948, in Petoskey to Captain Joseph Edwin and Margaret "Bowery" (Gallagher) McCann. He was a life resident of Charlevoix.

Joe was employed by the Medusa Portland Cement Company for over twenty-five years. He was a member of Saint Mary's Church and the Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club. He was a life member of the NRA. Joe enjoyed riding motorcycles and belonged to the Loose Wheels Motorcycle Club. He was also a long time member of the Alano Club in Charlevoix.

He is survived by his sister, Kathryn (Robert) Tidmore of Beaver Island; brother, James O. McCann of New Orleans, La.; nieces and nephews, Anne (Jeff) Schramm, Brian (Jean Chi) Tidmore, Margaret (Rodney) Schreiner, Michael McCann; great-nieces and nephews, Jack, Joe, Caspian, and Abigail.

Funeral mass will be 11 am, Wednesday, June 3, at Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend Matthew Wigton officiating. Burial will follow in Saint Mary's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Alano Club, 106 Mason Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Please sign Joe's guestbook at [www.winchesterfuneralhome.com](http://www.winchesterfuneralhome.com)

### Elizabeth M. "Betty" Bogart, 91

(SEPT. 3, 1923 - MAY 20, 2015)

Elizabeth M. "Betty" Bogart of Charlevoix, passed away Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at Fulton Manor in Grand Rapids. She was born September 3, 1923, in Lansing to Thomas F. and Ruth A. (Welcher) Guernsey. Betty moved to Charlevoix in 1940 and graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1942.

On February 13, 1943, Betty married Donald L. Bogart in East Lansing. They made their home in Charlevoix, and Betty worked as a nurse's aide at the Charlevoix Area Hospital from 1969 until 1987.

She was a member of the

Charlevoix United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School and was past President of the United Methodist Women. She was a member of the American Legion Leslie T. Shapton Post #226 Auxiliary and served in its Color Guard.

She is survived by her sons, Edmund G. and Richard L. (Sheila) of Charlevoix; daughters, Nancy Bogart (Gary) Thorpe of Austin, Tex., Betty L. (James) Bishaw of Charlevoix, Ruth A. Johnson of Grand Rapids; eight grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; brother, Arden J. Guernsey of Albuquerque, N. Mex.; sisters Luella M. (Jerry) Browne of San Diego, Calif.

Betty's husband Don preceded her in death on September 27, 1992. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Lyle and Richard, and sister, Eldene Miller.

Visitation will be from 6-8 pm, Sunday, June 7, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix where the funeral will be 1 pm, Monday, June 8. Betty's granddaughter, The Reverend Suzette Thorpe-Johnson will officiate. Burial will be in the Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Area Hospital or to the United Methodist Church.

Please sign Betty's guestbook at [www.winchesterfuneralhome.com](http://www.winchesterfuneralhome.com)

### Lou Ellen Huskey, 77

(APRIL 7, 1938 - MAY 31, 2015)

Lou Ellen Huskey, 77, passed away Sunday, May 31, 2015, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix. She was born April 7, 1938, in Flint to James Ervin and Julia (Traber) Hilliker.

She worked at Delphi in Flint for thirty years, was an avid cross-stitcher and enjoyed reading.

Lou Ellen is survived by her children, Julie (David) Yankle of Bloomfield Hills, R. Phillip (Rob Thorne) Huskey of Kewadin, Anne-Marie (Fred) Guith of Drummond Island, Ellen (Michael) McDowell of Tampa, Fla., Janice (Keith) Lotarski of Canton; grandchildren, Aileen,

Gretchen, Beth, Amanda, Katie, and Chris; great-grandchildren, Jasper, Jessa, and Jack; sister, Pat Nurmi of Flint. She was preceded in death by her brother, James Hillaker and grandson, Paul Yankle.

Services will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, or to Boulder Park Terrace, 14676 W Upright St, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Please sign Lou Ellen's guestbook at [www.winchesterfuneralhome.com](http://www.winchesterfuneralhome.com)

### Caroline Martha Petrowski, 84

(FEB. 14, 1931 - MAY 31, 2015)

Caroline Petrowski, passed

from this life and into the arms of her Lord and Savior in the early morning hours of Sunday, May 31, 2015, at Tendercare of Gaylord.

Her life will be remembered and celebrated during a funeral service that will be led by Pastor Jeff Ellis and Pastor Mark Manzer Friday, June 5, at 11:00 a.m. at Stone Funeral Home. Friends are welcome to visit with the family beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Friday at the funeral home.

She was born February 14, 1931 to Frank and Verna (Pawlak) Figiel in Elmira, where she grew up and attended school. On May 17, 1948 Caroline married the love of her life, Edward Stanley Petrowski the two made their home in Petoskey and together raised seven children.

Her ever-present smile and kind hearted nature were attributes that endeared her to everyone she met. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and great grandmother who loved nothing more than to be surrounded by her family and close friends. She was a wonderful baker and enjoyed passing time doing needlework and playing board games.

Surviving Caroline are her children Joan (Herbert) Friske of Petoskey, Diana (Ronald) Barnadyn of Boyne City, Don (Marsha) Petrowski of Petoskey, Frank (Sherry) Petrowski of Petoskey, Adam (Lorie) Petrowski of Petoskey, Ruth Barnadyn of Pellston and Mary (Anwar) Madanat of Petoskey, as well as many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her surviving brother and sister include, Felix and Dorothy. She was preceded in death by her husband Ed, her infant daughter Dorothy and by her brother, Edmund.

Caroline's family wish to thank the staff of Tendercare of Gaylord who filled the last years of her life with warmth and love. We will forever consider all of you like family. Those wishing to remember Caroline with a charitable contribution are being asked to consider Tendercare of Gaylord; donations will be used to help fund activities.

### Shirley Mae Bauer (Siemen), 82

(JAN. 20, 1933 - MAY 26, 2015)

Shirley Mae (Siemen) Bauer died peacefully at home on Monday, June 1, 2015. Born in Petoskey on January 11, 1933, he was the son of Neil and Elaine (Rakoczy) Hughey.

Dennis' pride and joy were his friends, family and grandchild-

peace with her Lord and Savior.

Shirley was born January 20, 1933 at Cady's Corner, Marion County Michigan to Florence (Toepfner) & Arthur Siemen (both deceased). She was baptized at St. John Lutheran Church in Fraser, Michigan.

She graduated from St. John's Lutheran School (8th grade) and then from Fraser High School - Class of 1951. Shirley then pursued her nursing degree-graduating from Henry Ford Hospital School of Nursing in 1955.

She met the love of her life, Dr. Arnold G. Bauer at the Lutheran Chapel in Ann Arbor, Michigan and they later married on August 21, 1955. They began their marriage with a honeymoon in Northern Michigan prior to living in Gelnhausen, Germany for 2 years where Arnie served in the Army as a dentist.

Their experience in Europe drew them back to Northern Michigan where they made Boyne City/East Jordan their home. During their years together, she and her husband traveled extensively through the United States, Europe and many other parts of the world. They also enjoyed regular stays at their vacation condo in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida.

In raising her 3 children Penny Schonscheck, Patty Walton and Mark (deceased), she lovingly instilled the values of faith, love, hospitality, service and community. She also shared these values along with her wit and humor with her neighbors, family and many friends. She enjoyed the outdoors including boating, sailing, skiing (snow and water) and flower gardening.

As a member of Christ Lutheran Church, Boyne City, Shirley was active in Choir, Altar Guild, Ladies Aid, Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, Children's Programs, and Youth Counselor.

Shirley actively served her community in many ways including involvement in Eta Nu and Xi Gamma Beta Sororities, Girl Scouts as troop Leader, East Jordan Board of Education; Board member of Boyne City Swim School, Chairman for Charlevoix County American Red Cross and Coordinator for Boyne City Bloodmobiles. She also was a frequent Dental Assistant in her husband's dental practice.

Shirley is survived by her husband Dr. Arnold Bauer, Daughter Penny (Chris) Schonscheck, Daughter Patty (Al) Walton. Grandchildren Tim Schonscheck, Mike (Lindsay) Schonscheck and Great granddaughter Elizabeth (Elli) Schonscheck. In addition, through marriage Donica (Gary) Lopez, and their children Matthew & Troy Lopez and Eric Walton and his children Emily, Jacob and Jordyn Walton.

A funeral service was held Saturday, May 30, 2015 at the Christ Lutheran Church. Pastor Kenneth Bernthal officiated.

In lieu of flowers, memorials should be directed to Christ Lutheran Church, American Red Cross or the Gideons.

### Dennis R. Hughey, 57

(JAN 11, 1958 - JUNE 1, 2015)

Dennis R. Hughey of Boyne Falls passed away at home on Monday, June 1, 2015. Born in Petoskey on January 11, 1958, he was the son of Neil and Elaine (Rakoczy) Hughey.

Dennis' pride and joy were his friends, family and grandchild-

dren who will miss him dearly.

He is survived by his girlfriend of 11 years, Katherine Devers; children, Denise (Scott) Elzinga of Boyne City, Shannon Hughey of Cadillac, Nickcoal Hughey of Boyne City, and Dennis Hughey Jr. of Cocoa Beach, FL; step-daughters, Angela (Charles) Brooks of Boyne City and Sarah (Jason) Loving of Boyne Falls; many loving grandchildren; brothers, Bryan (Darlene) Hughey and Craig Hughey of Petoskey; sisters, Karen Wager of Petoskey and Tina (Stuart) Galgerud of Montana. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his brother, Allen Hughey.

A luncheon celebrating Dennis' life will take place on at 2:00 PM on Saturday, June 6, 2015 at Whiting Park, Pavilion 1, 5820 Lake Shore Road in Boyne City. Those who wish are asked to consider memorial contributions to the family, Denise Elzinga, through the funeral home.

Arrangements are by Gaylord Community Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 850 N. Center Ave. Please share your memories and personal messages with the family at [www.gaylordfuneralhome.com](http://www.gaylordfuneralhome.com)

### Elaine Rosalie (Peters) Smith, 79

(JAN. 19, 1936 - JUNE 1, 2015)

Elaine Rosalie (Peters) Smith passed away peacefully at her home June 1, 2015. She was born January 19, 1936, in Charlevoix to Daniel and Elizabeth (Smith) Peters, and graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1953.

In high school she began working for Rexall Drug Store. It was there she met John W. Smith who would stop by at lunch for a soda. They were married in 1956.

Elaine continued to work at Rexall for over fifty years until she retired in 2007. She was dedicated to her work and loved the energy of her community and its people - she was a caring, giving person. Elaine was a member of the Barnard Grange, Pamona Grange, United Methodist Women, and the Charlevoix United Methodist Church. She enjoyed band concerts in East Park, hummingbirds, flowers and garage sales. She always had a smile or quip to keep her kids and grandkids in line. She loved watching her grandkids play sports and participate in marching band.

Elaine was dedicated to her family and was already in heaven everytime they came to visit.

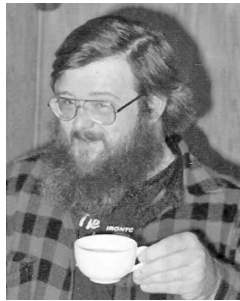
Elaine is survived by her daughters, Susan (Richard) Louiselle, Anne (Alan) Petrie, and Lisa Smith Herriman; grandchildren, Kyle (Catherine) Louiselle, Connor (Danielle Brian) Louiselle, Wesley (Jackie Haley) Petrie, Colin Petrie; Coby, Jacy and Skylar Herriman; sister, Evelyn (Peters) Wujcik; brother, Clarence (Rantz) Peters; niece, Wladzia (Eric) Berarducci; nephew, Wally (Carley) Wujcik.

She was preceded in death by John, her husband of 42 years and her grandson Cody Johnathan Louiselle.

Visitation 5-8 pm, Thursday, June 4, at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church, and from 11 am, Friday until the time of the funeral at 1 pm, followed by burial at Brookside Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Family of Elaine Smith.

Please sign Elaine's guestbook at [www.winchesterfuneralhome.com](http://www.winchesterfuneralhome.com)



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### BOYNE FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

#### VALEDICTORIAN

**Kaylee Ann Herman**  
Hometown: Elmira  
GPA: 3.92

**College choice/area of study:**  
Grand Valley State University  
studying Occupational Therapy

**Thoughts about the future/words of wisdom:**  
"Just Because I come from a small school doesn't mean I can't do big things."

#### SALUTATORIAN

**Hailey Matelski**  
Hometown: Boyne Falls  
GPA: 3.80

**College choice/area of study:**  
Grand Valley State University  
studying Hospitality and Tourism Management

### CHARLEVOIX HIGH SCHOOL

Rather than name a valedictorian and salutatorian, Charlevoix High School has named three members of the class of 2015 as "SENIOR SCHOLARS."

**Allie Elizabeth Hodge**  
Hometown: Charlevoix  
GPA: 3.688

**Plans For After Graduation:**  
University of Michigan, Arts and Humanities  
**Thoughts about the future/words of wisdom:** "I'm excited to be attending the University of Michigan in the fall as part of the Residential College. After graduation from college I hope to become a translator and travel with my work, which would allow me to also follow my passion of writing on the side. While the future is a pretty scary thing, I look forward to the challenge."

**Bryan Christopher Noirot**  
GPA: 3.79  
**Plans For After Graduation:**  
Michigan State University:  
Pre-Med

### CHARLEVOIX HIGH SCHOOL

**Alexandra Hope Schwein**  
GPA: 4.0  
**Plans For After Graduation:**  
University of Colorado Boulder,  
Open Option

### CONCORD ACADEMY - BOYNE

#### VALEDICTORIAN

**Nathan Priest**  
Hometown: Mancelona  
GPA: 3.99  
**College choice/area of study:**  
Michigan Technological University;  
Civil Engineering

#### SALUTATORIAN

**Sarah Grose**  
Hometown: Boyne Falls  
GPA: 3.98  
**College choice/area of study:**  
Grand Valley State University;  
Liberal Arts

### EAST JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL

#### VALEDICTORIAN

**Kayla Keane**  
Hometown: East Jordan  
GPA: 4.08  
**College choice/area of study:**  
University of Michigan/  
Kinesiology

#### CO-SALUTATORIANS

**Nicole Weston**  
Hometown: East Jordan  
GPA: 4.07  
**College choice/area of study:**  
Central Michigan University/  
Psychology

**Bronte Munson**  
Hometown: Boyne City  
GPA: 4.07  
**College choice/area of study:**  
University of Michigan/Psychology

### ELLSWORTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

#### VALEDICTORIAN

**Amanda Veenstra**  
Hometown: Ellsworth  
GPA: 4.0  
**College choice/area of study:**  
Attending Michigan Technological  
University to study Actuarial Sciences

#### SALUTATORIAN

**Larissa Fisher**  
Hometown: Ellsworth  
GPA: 3.98  
**College choice/area of study:**  
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## City of Charlevoix approves contract for new City Manager

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: At their regular semi-monthly meeting on Monday, City Council approved the contract of Mark Heydlauff as the new City Manager.

The need for a City Manager arose when Rob Straebel headed to Petoskey to hold a similar position in March. The city has been interviewing candidates for the position since then, and has had several good candidates apply including Interim City Manager Mike Spencer. However, in the hopes of bringing fresh eyes to the city, Council chose Heydlauff who is the current City Manager for Bronson, Michigan.

Heydlauff has worked in Bronson since 2010 as the City Manager and Planning/Zoning Administrator. During his time there he took care of daily City operations, staffing and administration of City Departments, and made recommendations to Bronson City Council for projects.

He holds a Master of Public Administration from Western Michigan University and a Bachelor of Arts from Taylor University in Indiana. He is expected to begin his time with the City of Charlevoix on July 27.

"I think he seems like a good guy, council was en-



MARK HEYDLAUFF

thusiastic about hiring about him, and I think we will do well with him," said Mayor Gabe Campbell of Heydlauff.

The annual salary for City Manager in Charlevoix is \$84,000. The contract is a 3 year term, which can be renewed by council at its completion. A retirement package, benefits package, and professional development allowances were also discussed at the meeting.

"I appreciate the confidence the Charlevoix City Council placed in me by appointing me to be their next manager. Charlevoix is a great community and one of the gems of the Lake Michigan coastline. My goal is to work with Council and staff to continue to build on the strengths of the community...I am eager to get started and to meet the community," said Heydlauff in an email after the meeting.



Several family members, friends, Boyne City Commissioners and City staff joined Eleanor Stackus to honor Jim's spirit and dedication to the community and its' members. COURTESY PHOTO

## Dedication ceremony at Maple Lawn Cemetery

A dedication ceremony was held Thursday, May 21 at Maple Lawn Cemetery. A new gate for the main entrance was installed earlier this in May and it was dedicated in the memory of Jim Stackus who passed away in 2012.

Jim and his wife, Eleanor, owned the Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. The business had been under the Stackus family owner-

ship from 1895 to 1990 when the business was sold to Stone Funeral Homes. Jim was a generous, caring and dedicated member of our community. Jim's kindness was of great comfort to so many families in their darkest hours.

Several family members, friends, Boyne City Commissioners and City staff joined Eleanor Stackus to honor Jim's spirit and dedica-

tion to the community and its' members. Over \$10,000 in donations were made in memory of Jim in order for this gate to be purchased and installed. Also paid for were two of the driveways of the cemetery in an effort to streamline the entrances to the cemetery and a part of the \$164,000 fence project that has been ongoing the last several years.

## Boyne Falls Volunteer Opportunity

Northwest Michigan Habitat seeks volunteers to help with deck building, yard work and landscaping for a Habitat Home. We are seeking 15-20 volunteers to help build a deck, yard work, shed work and a few other little projects including landscaping on a Habitat Home in Springbrook on Saturday June 13th. Volunteers will work on yard cleanup, planting plants, seeding, spreading straw and much more. Volunteers

are asked to bring gloves, landscaping rakes and tools. All volunteers must register by Mandy at 231-348-6926 ext. 102. Volunteer Groups are welcome!

The date of the project is Saturday, June 13th, from 9am - 3pm. The exact Boyne Falls location will be given once registration occurs. Volunteers need to register by calling Mandy at 231-348-6926 ext. 102 or emailing mandy@northwestmihabitat.org.

## COUNTY COMMISSION

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In other commissioner news, two projects in Boyne City were approved for Brownfield Redevelopment after Public Hearings. The first project is the Dilworth Hotel in Boyne City and the second is the Lake St. Plaza project that is being redeveloped. Both are historical areas in Boyne City and have plans to become working businesses once again that can revitalize the area. According to property owner Bob Grove, the

Dilworth Project is slated to span two years before it can be fully operational.

Also, a Public Hearing was set for the next meeting of the Board to review a grant application to the MDNR. That meeting will be held at the County Building on Wednesday, June 10 at 9:30. For additional information on that meeting please visit the county website at [www.charlevoixcounty.org](http://www.charlevoixcounty.org).

## "Get your gear on" at Pineview Military Surplus

By Jim Akans

Built to perform, built to last. It is a quality inherent in the equipment designed and manufactured for military use. Thanks to the folks at Pineview Military Surplus in Frederic, these high quality items are also available for campers, hunters, hikers, outdoor enthusiasts, and those who simply enjoy well-crafted, durable goods.

Pineview Military Surplus current owners, Dan and Christine Klatt, purchased the business back in 1997, after it had already been in operation for about

17 years. The approximately 2,000 square foot facility located in Frederic on Old U.S. 27 North is an amazing wonderland for those interested in just about any type of military surplus item. The shop even includes a fascinating military museum, with collections starting from the Revolutionary War era through the current conflict in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Christine Klatt states, "While the items in our museum area are not for sale, they are amazing to see. What we do offer in our store is all the Govern-

ment Issue military surplus items that we can find, some authentic new items, and even some vintage items. Our inventory comes from government auctions, from people who have retired from the military, and we also buy new items from the same manufacturers that supply the government with equipment."

Highlights of those offerings included clothing and outerwear of just about every type; rain gear, head gear, boots, hats, helmets, even women's, children's and infant clothing.

They also stock camping gear, web gear, backpacks,

carry bags, and chemical protection suits (a great alternative to scent lock suits for hunters). Among the souvenir items in the shop are military insignia and ribbons, medals, hatpins, patches, decals, window stickers...the list of items goes on and on.

The best way to see what is available is to stop by and take a look! Pineview Military Surplus is located at 7328 Old US 27 North in Frederic. They are open seven days a week from 9 am to 7 pm. Check them out on Facebook at Pineview Military Surplus, or call (989) 348-8300.

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# Hidden Treasures

**Northern Michigan Treasure Hunter's Guide to area antique, consignment, resale and thrift shops**

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6/6, 13, 20, 27, Saturdays

**Boyne City Farmers' Market**  
Outdoor market in Veteran's Park on Lake Street.  
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6/4, 11, 18, 25, Thursdays, 9am - 1pm

**Charlevoix Farmers' Market**  
East Park, along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix.  
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6/4, 11, 18, 25, Thursdays, 9am - 1pm

**East Jordan Farmers' Market**  
Sportsman's Park, 85 Bridge Street.  
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6/5, Friday - 6/6, Saturday

**Charlevoix Craft Beer Festival**  
This festival will feature craft beer breweries from all over Michigan. Craft beer tastings, live music, and local food trucks will also be featured in Bridge Park.  
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6/12, 19, 26, Fridays, 6pm - 9pm

**Stroll the Streets**  
Every Friday night with live music, balloon artists, face painters and more throughout downtown Boyne City.

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6/14, Sunday, 4:00pm

**Monthly Adult Grief Support Group**  
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6/19, Friday - 6/20, Saturday

**Ellsworth Pig Roast/Ellebra-tion**  
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6/22, Monday, 5pm - 9pm

**Charlevoix Summer Open House**  
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**East Jordan Freedom Festival**  
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6/24, Wednesdays, 6:30pm

**Evenings at the Gazebo**  
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6/26, Friday - 6/27, Saturday

**SOBO Arts Festival**  
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6/27, Saturday - 6/28, Sunday

**17th Annual Summer Art Show**  
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East Park. The show features many beautiful and unique items on the shores of scenic Round Lake.  
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6/28, Sunday, 4:00pm

**Annual Memorial Service**  
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**Nutrition Info!**

**Short on time!**  
Use a microwave to quickly "zap" vegetables. Try baking white or sweet potatoes quickly this way.

**A sweet treat for your bones.**  
This week choose a dessert rich in calcium such as pudding made with fat-free or low-fat milk.

**Think about what you drink.**  
What you drink is as important as what you eat. Make water, low-fat or fat-free milk, and 100% juice easy options in your home. Have ready-to-go containers filled with water or other healthy beverages available in the refrigerator.

**Keep salt at bay.**  
Read food labels to find packaged and canned foods lower in sodium. Look for "low sodium," "reduced sodium," or "no salt added."

**Don't forget the little things.**  
Every little bit of activity adds up. Take the stairs instead of the

**BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

<b>Thursday, June 4</b> 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling	<b>Friday, June 5</b> 11am Dollar-in-a-Jukebox Raffle	<b>Monday, June 8</b> Foot Clinic (by Appt) Brown-Bag Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize	<b>Tuesday, June 9</b> Brown-Bag Bingo - Free Lunch Prize	<b>Wednesday, June 10</b> NIGHT DINNER! 5:30-7pm Roger Hartson 50/50 Raffle	<b>Thursday, June 11</b> Foot Clinic (by Appt) 11am Backwoods Maestros Raffle
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**CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

<b>Thursday, June 4</b> 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle	<b>Friday, June 5</b> 1pm Rummy 1-2pm Final Eat Smart, Live Strong Class	<b>Monday, June 8</b> 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	<b>Tuesday, June 9</b> 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Paint Class 1pm Rummy	<b>Wednesday, June 10</b> FOOT CLINIC 2:45 pm Bingo	<b>Thursday, June 11</b> 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30 Roger Hartson Music 1pm Pinochle 1pm Wii Bowling w/Choboygan Senior Center
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**EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

<b>Thursday, June 4</b> KARAOKE DAY!	<b>Friday, June 5</b> BIRTHDAY DAY! 11am Backwoods Maestros Bingo/Raffle	<b>Monday, June 8</b> 8am-1pm Walking M-F	<b>Tuesday, June 9</b> 10:30am Line Dancing 12:30pm Bingo 1pm Paint Class	<b>Wednesday, June 10</b> 4pm John Slough	<b>Thursday, June 11</b> Foot Clinic 10am Advisory Bd Mtg KARAOKE DAY!
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**CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU**

<b>Thursday, June 4</b> COOK'S CHOICE	<b>Friday, June 5</b> CHICKEN	<b>Monday, June 8</b> TACO BAKE	<b>Tuesday, June 9</b> STUFFED PEPPER	<b>Wednesday, June 10</b> 5pm HOT TURKEY SANDWICH	<b>Thursday, June 11</b> COOK'S CHOICE
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## Charlevoix Area Hospital babies receive a "Wish"

Charlevoix resident Margaret M. Myers-Culver made a generous, creative gift to the next 200 babies to be born at Charlevoix Area Hospital – a very special illustrated book for each of them. The children's book, entitled *Wish*, authored and beautifully illustrated by Matthew Cordell, is a touching story about an elephant family who struggles with unforeseen hurdles and miraculously gets their deepest wish.

"I've always wanted to do something like this," said Margaret. "You can never start too early with literacy. Reading is essential and books are tactile – great for kids!"

Margaret read the book last winter and wrote a review of this heartwarming story for her blog. She has long been a fan of Matthew Cordell's work and felt that putting these books in the hands of newborns would be a great celebration of new life, and one that seemed a perfect fit for her creative personality.

Margaret contacted the hospital and spoke with Lyn Jenks, CEO, to ask if she could donate the books. She also wanted to know about how many babies were born in the course of a year and was surprised to learn that about 200 babies were delivered at CAH annually.

So Margaret got busy and contacted Matthew Cordell to tell him of her plans. She purchased the books through an independent bookseller and shipped them to Matthew who had generously agreed to sign each of them. He not only personally autographed each copy, but he drew a picture in each of them – an elephant in a boat – a meaningful symbol reflected in the book's



Margaret Myers-Culver pictured here with OB nurse Kathy Dewey, pediatrician Roderic Tinney, MD, and OB nurse Jessie Hendricks. COURTESY PHOTO



New mother, Samantha Place and baby Norman of Boyne City receive the first book from Margaret Myers-Culver. COURTESY PHOTO

story. When Margaret received them back, she felt that because each book was a gift, it should look like one, and so she and a couple of friends individually wrapped each and every book in crisp white giftwrap, tied with a bright yellow ribbon.

When asked why Margaret came up with the idea for her donation, she explained that she wanted to do something very special in memory of her mother who was an elementary school librarian and adored books. Agatha Marie Fires Myers, a former patient at Charlevoix Area Hospital, lived to be 94 years old and books were always a big part of her life. She firmly believed that the more books that surround a child, the better reader he or she will become. And like her mother, Margaret believes that it's never too soon to begin.

The next 200 babies at Charlevoix Area Hospital will go home with some typical baby care items, but in addition, they will have something very special – a start to their own personal library, thanks to Margaret.

## Circle of Strength Cancer Support Group receives generous gift

Young Evie Tuck of Charlevoix has the smarts of an entrepreneur and the heart of a philanthropist. She presented Charlevoix Area Hospital's oncology nurse, Karen Hadley, with more than \$60 for the Circle of Strength cancer support group, which she raised by selling pink lemonade, cookies and bracelets.

Evie explained that she holds a fundraiser each year for a different charity, having raised money for St. Jude's and the Humane Society in years past. This year she raised money for the cancer support group in memory of her grandmother who passed away as a result of breast cancer.

When asked what she wants to do when she gets a bit older, she explained she would like to be a veterinarian and take care of animals, but this year she will focus on "taking care of people."



Evie presents funds to nurse Karen Hadley. COURTESY PHOTO

## Take Care of Your Pets

By Deb Hagen-Foley

Memorial Day signals the unofficial start of summer. With temperatures this week expected to reach nearly 80 degrees, it is a good time to ask, Are your pets ready for summer? Here are a few tips for helping your pet stay healthy in hot weather.

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 500 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. You know the feeling of entering a car on a hot summer day. How long could you tolerate that heat if you weren't able to cool off? Imagine how it would feel to your pet, stuck in that heat while you are shopping!

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 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 attention.

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 day.

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 in your home. 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 long.

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## Boyne Falls High School Student of the Week



**Jacob McBee**

**Grade:** 10th

**Parent(s):** Larry McBee

**What do you want to be when you grow up?:**  
Auto Mechanic

**School Activities:** VJacob is looking forward to basketball next year

**Hobbies and Interests:** stock car racing, hunting, fishing

**Favorite Book:** anything by Gary Paulson

**Staff Comments:**

"Jacob is a genuine young man with outstanding character. He is always friendly and polite with other students and staff, and he is a pleasure to have in our school. Jacob is assertive and proactive in planning for his future. He is also very thoughtful and helpful to those around him." – Melissa McGuiness

## Crooked Tree announces Concert Series dates

This summer season Crooked Tree Arts Center will be continuing with its summer concert series. Both the Charlotte Ross Lee Concerts in the Park and the Bidwell Plaza Concert Series will be starting this month. The Charlotte Ross Lee Concert Series will occur every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 12:00 pm in the Pennsylvania Park gazebo, and the Bidwell Plaza series will occur on Thursdays at 12:30 pm on CTAC's outdoor plaza off Mitchell Street.

The events provide fantastic music to the community, and allow local artists to showcase their talents. The concerts are perfect for all ages and all musical tastes. Come join in the fun and listen to some awesome tunes as we roll into the summer season with CTAC's concert series.

- Dates**
- Tues June 16th – Epsilon Jass Band
  - Thurs Jun 25th- The Moxie Strings
  - Wed June 17th – Ron Fowler
  - Thurs Jul 2nd – CTAC Jazz Band
  - Fri June 19th – Northern Michigan Chorale
  - Thurs Jul 23rd – Spectrum Bass
  - Tues June 23rd – Kellerville
  - Thurs Jul 30th – CTAC Jazz Band
  - Wed June 24th – The

- Moxie Strings
- Thurs Aug 13th CTAC Jazz Band
- Fri June 26th – Bob Greenway
- Thurs Aug 20th – Jazz Flutist Ali Reyerson
- Tues June 30th – Keith Scott
- Wed Jul 1st – Pete Kehoe
- Fri Jul 3rd – Synergy
- Tues Jul 7th – Jelly Roll
- Wed Jul 8th – Kirby Snively
- Fri Jul 10th – Nelson Olstrom
- Sat Jul 11th @ 5pm – Up North Vocal Institute
- Tues Jul 14th – James Greenway Duo
- Wed Jul 15th – Rusted Spurs
- Fri Jul 17th – Dr. Goodhart
- Tues Jul 21st – Bay View Musical Festival
- Wed Jul 22nd – Charlie Reager
- Fri Jul 24th – Soprano Elizabeth Cameron
- Tues Jul 28th – C2 Charlie Squared
- Wed Jul 29th – CTAC Strings
- Fri Jul 31st – Jeff Tucker Band
- Tues Aug 4th – Wyatt Shari Knapp
- Wed Aug 5th – Papa Crow
- Fri Aug 7th – The Owen Story Duo
- Tues Aug 11th – Moors & McCumber
- Wed Aug 12th – Sara Wheeler & Little Groove
- Fri Aug 14th – Chris Koury



## Students tour Boyne District Library

Boyne District Library Assistant Director Monica Kroondyk explains resources available at the library to Boyne City High School students. 3 Boyne City High School classes came in on Thursday May 28th to tour the library and learn more about what is available for research as well as recreation at the library. COURTESY PHOTO

# 10 Personal Finance Tips for Job-Searching College Grads

Many 2015 college graduates are basking in the glory of wrapping up their degrees this month. However, in many instances, their downtime will be short-lived, as they face even more responsibilities, ranging from landing that first job to preparing to start paying off their student loans.

"Graduates need to realize how much an impact their credit history can have on their future," said Kathryn Bossler, GreenPath Debt Solutions counselor. "As more hiring departments take personal finances into consideration, recent college graduates need to make sure their credit and debts are in order."

To help make the transition from college to the work world go smoothly, GreenPath is providing a top ten financial checklist for recent college graduates.

1. If you do not already have a job lined up, contact your student loan servicer(s) immediately to ask for a six-month deferment. Most loans will do this for you right after you graduate without much difficulty. The last thing you want is to start getting negative marks on your credit right away for not making the student loan payments on time.

2. Pull a free copy of your credit report at [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) and review it to make sure you are aware of all your existing creditors and debts.

3. Look for credit cards that you may have opened while in college and consider closing accounts that you do not plan on using, to help limit your expo-

sure to identity theft. However, keep in mind that it is good to maintain at least one active credit card account, which you use and pay in full every month, to build your credit score.

4. If a prospective employer requests a copy of your credit as part of the application process, be prepared to be up-front about any negative marks on your credit. Employers will want to know that you are aware of the negative marks and that you have a plan for dealing with it. "You can also add a personal statement to your credit report, to explain the circumstances behind any negative marks on your report," said Bossler.

5. Check with the registrar's office at your school to make sure you do not owe anything to the school (library fines, parking tickets, etc.). Sometimes these debts can cause the school to withhold your diploma, until they are paid.

6. If you are moving after graduation, be sure to let the post office and your creditors know of your new address. Otherwise, you may miss important statements or letters regarding your student loan, credit cards, or other debt, and that can lead to missing payments and negative marks on your credit report.

7. Keep your expenses as low as possible while you are getting started. Don't rush out and buy a new car within two weeks of your first job offer. Don't feel the need to take on larger expenses in your budget such as an apartment of your own right away. Staying with your old roommates or parents for a period of time

can really pay off.

8. Develop a budget – your spending plan – early on. Decide how much you'll spend in different areas including groceries, dining out, and clothing. Once you begin receiving a paycheck, it is likely that you'll have more income than you've ever had before. But it can be very easy to quickly wind up with the cash slipping away, without a clear idea of where it has gone.

9. Once you land that first job, start to develop good saving habits. Start a direct deposit into savings. Sign up for your employer's retirement plan – especially if there's a match. In addition, if you're carrying credit card debt, begin aggressively reducing those balances to minimize the amount of interest you're paying.

10. Speak with a non-profit credit counseling agency, if you are paying high interest rates on your credit cards, if you're struggling with the amount of your minimum payments on credit cards, or if you need help in developing a game-plan for your finances. These agencies will help you develop a budget and action plan to tackle your debt. Log on to [www.greenpath.org](http://www.greenpath.org), the National Foundation for Credit Counseling at [www.nfcc.org](http://www.nfcc.org) or the Financial Counseling Association of America at [www.FCAA.org](http://www.FCAA.org), for more information.

For more information on GreenPath, or to receive a free counseling session and budget plan, log on to [www.greenpath.org](http://www.greenpath.org) or call (866) 648-8122.

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## Operation Petunia

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and a friend, Bruce MacArthur took out a \$1,000 loan from the Charlevoix State Bank and purchased the license plates to be sold. Boss' wife, Marilyn designed the plates and students from Charlevoix Schools went door to door selling them. Within hours \$3,500 was raised allowing the group to purchase 6,000 flats at a price of \$5 per flat. Flower beds had to then be created by scooping out the rock and filling a 24 inch wide space with soil which was fertilized and tilled before the petunias could be planted. Planting day came and petunias were placed into their new beds within three hours. Boss and his family then cared for the flowers by using a rigged up flat bed truck with open water tanks to water the

flowers each day during the summer. Though the group has seen many changes since the 80's, the focus of keeping Charlevoix visually stunning has only gained momentum. Now, hundreds of volunteers turn out to plant the petunias, including school classes, business people, residents, and visitors. Brightly clad volunteers lined the streets this year around 5 p.m. to plant the flowers under the direction of Block Captains who showed first time planters how to plant the petunias and directed veteran planters to their areas. "It went very well, we got the city planted quicker than we ever have, especially on the north side of town," said Aaron Wilkin, President of Keep Charlevoix Beautiful. Wilkin



Dr. Kim Molter (from left), Donna Stein and Sandy Malewitz have a fun time as they help assemble hundreds of lunch bags Thursday for the planters picnic, an annual tradition for the volunteers who helped line the streets of Charlevoix with the petunias. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

added that the large hanging baskets of petunias, of which there are 135, will be placed downtown within the next two weeks.

After the planting was complete a picnic lunch was served in East Park where volunteers gathered to feast on hot dogs, apples, chips, and yummy cook-

ies donated by many area businesses.

Two weeding dates are also set to keep the petunias looking gorgeous through the summer. The first date is June 24, from 4-7 p.m. and the second is the week before Venetian Festival on July 16. Volunteers are needed for both days and anyone is welcome to join the effort.

The materials, equipment, and bed preparations were sponsored by several area residents and businesses this year including; Artform Fabricating, City of Charlevoix Fire Department and Pat Elliot, Joe Shear Services, Terry Taylor, Joe Vogelheim, Todd and Pam Wyett, Bruce Wood, Fox Motors Charlevoix, and Bridge Street Blooms.

Items needed for "Operation Petunia" are purchased using donations given to the organization throughout the year. Each donation is a tax write off as the organization is a non-profit. For those interested, donations can be given online at [www.keepcharlevoixbeautiful.org](http://www.keepcharlevoixbeautiful.org), or by mailing check or money order to Keep Charlevoix Beautiful, Inc. P.O. Box 1, Charlevoix, MI 49720

Being from the Boss family that founded 'Operation Petunia', Diane Priess of Charlevoix, helps plant petunias as she has done for many years. Reference website: [www.KeepCharlevoixBeautiful.org](http://www.KeepCharlevoixBeautiful.org). PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE



Gretchen Rice of Charlevoix is happy to volunteer her time to plant petunias with her daughter Thursday during Operation Petunia. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

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## Crooked Tree Arts Center Opening Weekend

On Friday, June 5, Crooked Tree Arts Center will celebrate the opening of CTAC Petoskey's summer exhibits. From June 5 until September 5, Elizabeth Pollie's *The Hours and Wind & Sail*, which showcases the work of Rick Ford, Gretchen Dorian, and the late Frederick Ford, Jr., will be on display.

In *The Hours*, Elizabeth Pollie takes the viewer through the hours of the day, but also through the idea of a day, from the early morning light which fades into twilight. Each hour is represented by a painting or a group of paintings. Light and shadow represent specific times and differing perspectives of our world and surroundings – Pollie captures these moments, and invites visitors to circle the room, as the earth circles the sun, experiencing the day as it unfolded before the eyes of the artist herself.

*Wind & Sail* captures the essence of the sea and the vessels which sail upon it. An exhibit shared by three artists, visitors will explore photography, multimedia paintings and drawings, architectural sketches, schematics, hand built sailing vessels, as well as other relics of the lakes and seas. Gretchen Dorian, a Harbor Springs native and maritime photographer will pay homage to sailing through her images. Accomplished Harbor Springs artist Rick Ford will display his work alongside a tribute to his father, Frederick Ford, Jr.'s lifetime achievements.

On Saturday, June 6, CTAC will host their Annual Paint Out. Throughout the morning and afternoon art enthusiasts will have the opportunity to see artists creating their plein air pieces all around Little Traverse Bay. "We invite you to see a painter in their



Nobska Morning, by Elizabeth Pollie. COURTESY PHOTO

natural state, and then join the artists at the Awards Reception and Wet Paint Sale that evening from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.," remarked Tony Ryner, Chairman of CTAC. "All the artwork is for sale and available only on Saturday evening," continued Ryner. Elizabeth Pollie will be serving as the juror for the event. The Awards Reception is free and open to the public.

Two of CTAC's Coffee @ Ten lectures complement the summer exhibits:

- Tuesday, July 21, CTAC will host Steve Van Dam of Van Dam Custom Boats. A tie in to the summer exhibit, *Wind & Sail* Van Dam worked personally with the late Frederick Ford, Jr., a naval architect, who is honored by the

exhibit, along with his son, artist Rick Ford, and photographer Gretchen Dorian.

- Tuesday, August 18, exhibiting artist Elizabeth Pollie will be discussing her summer show *The Hours*, an exhibit that studies and captures the light throughout the day on canvas with oil. Pollie is a local artist out of Harbor Springs, whose paintings reside in both public and private collections here and abroad. Her work has received much national recognition, and she is a Signature Member of the Oil Painters of America.

Crooked Tree Arts Center is located at 461 E. Mitchell Street, Petoskey, Michigan. For more information, contact 231-347-4337 or visit [www.crookedtree.org](http://www.crookedtree.org).



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## Boyer City downtown historical walking tour kicks off June 12

Boyer City is kicking off a new downtown historical walking tour in tandem with the first night of Stroll The Streets from 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 12. The Stroll Through History self-guided walking tour will include over 50 stops featuring the rich history of Boyer City's downtown. A printed brochure will be available as well as online content with additional photos, narrative and audio options. Those wishing to take the tour will be able to download an app on their smartphones or tablets to see each featured building and access the information.

City Manager Michael Cain said, "We are pleased that the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Michigan Historic Preservation Network chose to partner with us on this worthwhile project, and we are excited to showcase our historic past with others."

In addition to the self-guided tour, everyone is invited to visit the historic Wolverine-Dilworth Hotel at 7 p.m. Friday, June 12, for guided tours (in conjunction with and special thanks to the Charlevoix County History Preservation Society and Patrick McClorey), following a re-enactment of one of Teddy Roosevelt's famous speeches.

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Additional highlights will include a wide variety of music around town for Stroll the Streets, people dressed in period clothing, vintage cars



On Saturday, June 13, a vintage base ball game between the Petoskey Mossbacks and the Ludington Mariners will take place at Rotary Park at 1:30 p.m., complete with period uniforms. Courtesy photo

and tractors, horse and wagon tours and other highlights from the past.

On Saturday, June 13, a vintage base ball game between the Petoskey Mossbacks and the Ludington Mariners will take place at Rotary Park at 1:30 p.m., complete with period uniforms. Fans can watch the game "as it was meant to be played." To round out the Stroll Through History weekend, an ice cream social will take place on the veranda of the Dilworth Hotel at 3:30 p.m.

On Monday, June 15, Back to the Bricks Classic Car Show will take place downtown from 3 to 8 pm.

This project has been funded in part by a grant from the Michigan Preservation Fund of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Michigan Historic Preservation Network. The National Trust for Historic Preservation is a privately-funded nonprofit organization that works to save America's historic places to enrich our future. The National Trust for Historic Preservation is committed to protecting America's rich cultural legacy and helping build vibrant, sustainable communities that reflect our nation's diversity. Follow them on Twitter @presnation.

For more information on Stroll Through History and the Historical Walking Tour, contact the Main Street office at (231)582-9009 or visit [www.boyrecitymainstreet.com](http://www.boyrecitymainstreet.com).

## Coffee at Ten Summer Lectures



Dyed cloth by Elin Noble, Textile Artist. COURTESY PHOTO

The coming months have much in store for Crooked Tree Arts Center, and the Petoskey location Coffee at Ten line-up promises diverse guest speakers that coincide with summer programming and exhibitions.

On Tuesday, June 30, textile artist Elin Noble will have just finished her summer workshop, *Natural Dyes, New Methods*, and she'll be in the galleries discussing her techniques and approach to dyeing. Noble has a BFA in Fiber from the University of Washington, and was the former Lab Manager at PRO Chemical & Dye. She has appeared on PBS, and lectured and conducted workshops on her dyeing meth-

ods across North America and internationally. Most recently she has done so in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan.

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Coffee at Ten is sponsored in part by Roast and Toast and Johan's of Petoskey. The Coffee at Ten series is free and open to the public, no reservations necessary, and all lectures begin at 10 a.m.

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## ELLSWORTH PIG ROAST/ELLEBRATION PARADE PARTICIPANTS

The Ellsworth Pig Roast/Ellebration committee invites all interested parties to participate in our annual parade. With a theme, "Back to our Roots," the parade will be held on June 20th, 11 a.m. We welcome all types of entries. For more information contact Louise Alfred at (231) 676-3234.

## EAST JORDAN SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

East Jordan Public Schools plans to sponsor a food service program this summer under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Summer Food Service Program for Children. We plan to operate this food service program at East Jordan Elementary School, 304 Fourth Street. We will be serving breakfast from 9:00 am - 9:30 am and lunch from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday. This feeding program will operate from June 15, 2015 through August 21. Meals will not be available on July 3 and July 6.

## EAST JORDAN 18TH ANNUAL CHAMBER SPRING GOLF OUTING

June 5, Noon at Mallard Golf Club. Applications are now available at the Chamber Office. Price for teams of 4 golfers - Early Registration \$200.00 includes golf, lunch, golfer gift, door prize and a day of great networking on a beautiful golf course! After May 8th registration fee is \$225 per team.

## CHARLEVOIX FIRST FRIDAY CHAMBER BREAKFAST

June 5, 7:30-8:30am, Castle Farms. This is a special First Friday Business Breakfast as we will be honoring the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship winner. This will also be the last breakfast until September. Come out and enjoy great food catered by A Matter of Taste. Sponsored by: Beacon Dental Center. Cost: \$5/Members \$7/Non-Members

## EAST JORDAN ROTARY VARIETY SHOW

June 5&6, shows start at 7pm. The 9th Annual East Jordan Rotary Variety Show. Tickets are Available from any Rotarian, or at Charlevoix State Bank and Huntington Bank

## NORWOOD TOWNSHIP 2015 CURBSIDE TRASH PICKUP

June 6, 8am-Noon. Board of Trustees has approved scheduling of American Waste Trash Pickup on Saturday June 6 from 8AM until 12PM. Norwood Township residents are being requested to have their trash ready at their curbside before 8AM on that date. Items that will not be accepted for pickup include: 1. Any items containing Freon without a certificate. 2. Gas, oil or anti-freeze. 3. Engine or mechanical parts containing gas, oil or anti-freeze fluids. 4. Batteries. 5. Tires. 6. Yard waste, lawn clippings, tree branches or brush. 7. Any combustible items. Any questions can be responded to by contacting the Township Clerk, norwoodclerk@yahoo.com or norwoodfoia@yahoo.com.

## NORWOOD TOWNSHIP OLD FASHIONED SUMMER CELEBRATION

June 6, 5pm, Norwood Schoolhouse. Bring a dish to pass, your own table service, lawn chairs and blankets. Grilled hot dogs will be provided as well as lemonade and iced tea. Come meet new friends and greet old-timers at this old fashioned summer celebration kickoff picnic. We'll start eating at 5:30 p.m.

## BOYNE CITY THE DECLINE OF THE

## AMERICAN CHURCH EXAMINED

June 7, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The closing of thousands of churches nationwide and a steady decrease in church attendance will be discussed at Lifetree Café. The program, titled "Has God Left the Building?" features filmed interviews with several experts on the American church, including Steve Hewitt, a writer for American Church Magazine. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Snacks and beverages are available.

## CHARLEVOIX SENATOR SCHMIDT COFFEE HOUR

June 8, 4:30-5:30pm, Village Pub, 427 Bridge Street. State Sen. Wayne Schmidt announced he will be holding several coffee hours throughout the 37th District next month. The senator will be available to answer questions and provide information and assistance, as well as take suggestions on issues affecting communities and businesses in the district. No appointment is necessary.

## BOYNE CITY BC HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING TRADES OPEN HOUSE

June 8, 4-7pm, 520 Jefferson Street. Boyne City High School Building Trades Program is pleased to announce the completion of the 2014-15 House project and invite the community to our annual Open House.

## CHARLEVOIX ICE CREAM SOCIAL & OPEN HOUSE

June 9, 2-4pm, American House, 615 Petoskey Avenue. The public is invited to learn more about American House and the types of services available to help residents age in place with the help of providers in the community. Representatives will be on hand from American House Senior Living Communities, Airway Oxygen, Comfort Keepers of Northern Lower Michigan, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, Hospice of Michigan, Northwest MI Long Term Care Specialists, and Tim Bondy Physical Therapy. Door prizes will be awarded.

## BOYNE CITY DOWNTOWN HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

June 12, 6-9pm. Downtown historical walking tour in tandem with the first night of Stroll The Streets. The Stroll Through History self-guided walking tour will include over 50 stops featuring the rich history of Boyne City's downtown. A printed brochure will be available as well as online content with additional photos, narrative and audio options. Those wishing to take the tour will be able to download an app on their smartphones or tablets to see each featured building and access the information.

## EAST JORDAN MUSIC IN THE PARK - THE ACCIDENTALS

June 12, 7-9pm, East Jordan Band Shell in Memorial Park.

## CHARLEVOIX CHAMBER GOLF OUTING

June 12, Registration at 2pm, Antrim Dells. 17th Annual 9 Hole Chamber Golf Outing. Shotgun start at 3pm, Dinner and Awards at 5:30pm. Enhanced BBQ dinner, awards and prizes. To register call the Chamber at (231) 547-2101 or email info@charlevoix.org

## ELLSWORTH MOTORCYCLE RIDE FOR MOMS AND TOTS CENTER

June 13, starting at 9:45 am. Moms and Tots Center, 9100 Pleasant Hill Road. The Moms and Tots Center of Ellsworth announces a Diaper Ride motorcycle ride, sponsored by

the Solid Rock Riders. The ride will begin at 9:45 AM from the Moms and Tots Center at 9100 Pleasant Hill Rd in Ellsworth MI. Registration will begin at 9:00 AM. The ride, which is intended to be a two-hour excursion, is an opportunity to help the tots of Moms and Tots. To join the ride please bring a \$10 donation or a Baby Related Item. Call Loren at 231-587- 5163 for more information.

## CHARLEVOIX ITRI KID'S TRIATHLON

June 13, 8am-12pm, Charlevoix Community Pool. 3rd annual 'iTri Kids' is June 13th. Three different swim-bike-run course designs to match any skill level (swimming aids allowed). Registration fee is \$30. Each participant will receive an official 'iTri' 2015 T-shirt, swim cap, and medal of accomplishment. Contact Charlevoix Chamber at (231) 547-0982.

## BOYNE CITY BACK TO THE BRICKS CAR SHOW

June 15, 3-8pm. Back to the Bricks West Side Promo Tour - the organization that puts on an annual two weeks of events culminating in a car show in downtown Flint each August. An estimated 150 classic cars and their owners will be visiting Boyne City that day, filling up Water Street. Local classic car owners are invited to participate as well. Back to the Bricks will bring their own DJ playing classic car songs, as well as a Flint television reporter giving on-going updates. Boyne area locals are also invited to participate in a 50s and 60s costume contest with prizes for the top 3 costumes.

## NORWOOD TOWNSHIP GRANGE MOVEMENT PRESENTATION

June 17, 7:30pm, Norwood Schoolhouse. Originally founded to advance methods of agriculture, as well as to promote the social and economic needs of farmers in the United States, area resident, Bill Stevens, will give us insights into the Grange Movement and its impact on Norwood. Following his presentation another Norwood resident and avid history buff, Sandy Miles, will give us a fascinating look at the picture of Norwood life painted by the census of 1870-1904. Free for members, \$5 for non-members.

## 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.

## CHARLEVOIX MERCHANT OPEN HOUSE

June 22, 5-9pm, downtown Charlevoix. Drawings, refreshments and giveaways at participating stores and restaurants. Free outdoor movie in East Park at 9:15pm, Street-side musicians on Bridge Street from 5-9pm. Visit www.charlevoix.org or call (231) 547-2101 for details.

## ELLSWORTH CONDITIONING FOR CHRIST

July 26 & July 30, 6-8:30pm, Ellsworth track field. Age 5 (going in to Kindergarten) thru 8th grade. Early registration encouraged; jodell\_danbert@hotmail.com.

## BOYNE CITY SOBO ARTS FESTIVAL

June 27, 10am-4pm, Veterans Park. Celebrating the visual, performing, written and audible arts, the festival will take place at Veterans Park in Boyne City, a beautiful shaded area with ample lawn and open space on the shore of Lake Charlevoix, come by boat and spend the day or night!

## BOYNE CITY MICHIGAN GHOST TOWNS

July 14, 6:30pm, Boyne District Library. Hundreds of "ghost towns" dot Michigan's landscape throughout both the Lower and Upper Peninsula. Settle in for a historic tour through Michigan's past.

## NORWOOD TOWNSHIP PARSONS FAMILY & GREAT TREES OF NORWOOD

July 15, 7:30pm, Norwood Schoolhouse. David and Terry Parsons own a Centennial farm on Parsons Road where they produce and sell maple syrup. Join us as Mr. Parsons shares his family legacy in Norwood. Then Pam Gnodtke will educate us on

the trees of Norwood past and present. Norwood was built out of the logging industry after all. Free for members, \$5 for non-members.

## BOYNE CITY FOOD TRUCK RALLY

July 16, 6-9pm, Veterans Park. Featuring local food, soda, beer, wine and live music by Disasteroid. \$10 per person (includes 2 drink tickets). Food prices are \$3 - \$5.

## NORWOOD TOWNSHIP HOW CHARLEVOIX STREETS GOT THEIR NAMES

August 19, 7:30pm, Norwood Schoolhouse. Ever wonder how streets get their names? It's pretty easy to understand if you are a president or big-league ball player. But did Charlevoix have any of those types of citizens with those distinctions? Come and find out! Dr. Jack MacKenzie will be enlightening us on how the streets we travel every day in Charlevoix got their names. Free for members, \$5 for non-members.

## 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 Mark Pankner at 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 to come

## 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 child's developmental 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 wr-cn-m.org for more information.

## 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 the 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 caregivers 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.

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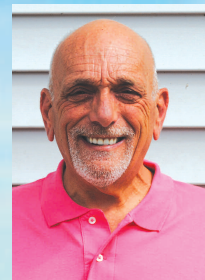
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