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## Charlevoix Township increases Venetian donation at June 8 Meeting

Norma Jean Babcock

**CHARLEVOIX TOWNSHIP:** On Monday, the Charlevoix Township Board decided to increase their yearly donation to the Venetian Festival.

The meeting was short and sweet, but saw agenda items from discussion over the use of residentially zoned properties to a determination to increase the yearly donation given by the Township to the Venetian Festival.

val by \$500. For the past three years the Township has donated \$7,000 to the festival; however they decided to add \$500 after a presentation by Venetian Board of Directors members Dan Barron and John Winn.

"We have had excellent support for the festival...from the township," stated Barron. He explained to the Board that while the Festival receives over \$200,000 in private donations every year, every penny of those

contributions goes directly to improving the festival.

Of the donations, major portions go toward security for the festival, which will feature a Saturday evening street closure this year. The closure was well liked by festival goers in 2014, and will hopefully be extended this year. In order to accommodate the closure however, signs have to be rented from the Michigan Department of Transportation that are upwards of \$6,000. The Festival Board considered these cost

increases when asking for donations this year.

"Instead of making (the festival) larger and longer we just try to make it better," said Barron.

The Township Board approved the increase of \$500, which means they are now considered VIP Donors.

The Venetian Festival draws over 100,000 people to the Charlevoix Area, and has at least 300 volunteers each year. The

Festival Board is made up of all volunteers, none of whom are paid for their time. This year the festival will be held July 18-25, and features a lineup of bands, athletic events, and carnival rides.

In other Township news, the date of a meeting for the Fishermen's Island State Park by the Department of Natural Resources was announced for June 22 from 2-4 p.m. at the Charlevoix Public Library.

### this week in sports



Senior Lauren Richards hauls in this pop fly to right field in the Ramblers regional semifinal loss to St. Francis. (PHOTO BY JANET SMIGIELSKI)



For East Jordan's Logan Smith, his hard work, determination and play, has paid off multiple times this season and most recently at the MHSAA Division 4 Boys State Golf Finals, where on June 5-6 in Allendale, MI at The Meadows Golf Club (Home of the Grand Valley State University golf program), Smith finished fifth overall as the only sophomore in the field. FILE PHOTO

## RECOGNIZING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Boyne City High School announces Class of 2015 Honor Students



**BOYNE CITY VALEDICTORIAN**  
**GARRETT FOGO**



**BOYNE CITY VALEDICTORIAN**  
**KATELYN SKORNIA**



**BOYNE CITY SALUTATORIAN**  
**ANN DURBIN**

By Jim Akans

Last week, the Charlevoix County News presented class of 2015 high school valedictorians and salutatorians from Boyne Falls, Charlevoix, Concord Academy - Boyne, East Jordan and Ellsworth schools. This week, we present the Senior Honor Awards for the Boyne City High School class of 2015.

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

#### VALEDICTORIAN

**Garrett Fogo,**

Final Cumulative GPA: 4.067  
Parents: Matt & Sue Fogo  
**School Group Involvement:**  
Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12  
DECA 9, 10, 11, 12  
NHS 11, 12  
People's Choice Awards 12  
Track 9, 10, 11  
**Favorite quote:**  
"Time is inevitable, invisible, and invincible. You can't beat it, so take advantage of it." -Unknown  
**Future plans:**  
Garrett will be attending Hope College to pursue a degree in the Liberal Arts.

#### VALEDICTORIAN

**Katelyn Skornia,**

Final Cumulative GPA: 4.067  
Parents: David & Lynn Skornia  
**School Group Involvement:**  
Band 9, 10  
Cross Country 9, 10  
Drama 9, 10, 11, 12  
Equestrian 11  
Jazz Band 9, 10  
NHS 11, 12  
People's Choice Awards 11, 12  
Pride Team 9, 10, 11, 12  
Robotics 10, 11, 12  
Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12  
Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12  
Yearbook 12  
**Favorite Quote:**  
Katharine Hepburn  
**Future plans:**  
Katelyn will be attending Michigan State University to pursue a degree in Biosystems Engineering.

#### SALUTATORIAN

**Ann Durbin,**

Final Cumulative GPA: 4.048  
Parents: Michael & Elizabeth Durbin  
**School Group Involvement:**  
Band 9,  
Cross Country 9, 10,  
Drama 9, 10, 11, 12,  
NHS 11, 12,  
People's Choice Awards 11, 12  
Pride Team 9, 10, 11, 12  
Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12  
Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12  
Yearbook 12  
**Favorite quote:** "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."  
-Ralph Waldo Emerson  
**Future plans:** Ann will be attending Michigan State University to pursue a degree in the natural sciences.

### Petoskey man pleads guilty to sex crime

William W. Watkins, 24, of Petoskey, pled guilty to a charge of assault with intent to commit sexual contact last Friday in the 33rd Circuit Court.

The charge is a felony carrying a maximum penalty of five years in prison.

In his guilty plea, Watkins admitted to having sexual contact with a five year old girl he was babysitting in her home in Melrose Township in early 2014.

"This was a good result for the victim and her family," Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof said. "It was difficult to put her through the hardship of testifying the first time and this will avoid having to do that again."

Watkins went to trial on February 10, 2015 on a charge of Criminal Sexual Conduct, First Degree, and after two days of trial and three hours of deliberation, Judge Roy C. Hayes III declared a mistrial due to a hung jury. Watkins was set to go to trial again on June 10.

"The first trial also emphasized how difficult these cases are and that some jurors have difficulty convicting solely on the word of a five-year-old little girl. The nature of these sexual abuse cases is that there are rarely any other witnesses to the events," Telgenhof said. "This plea ensures that the defendant will be held accountable, will be registered as a sex offender and assures the victim and her family that everyone knows she was telling the truth and did the right thing."

Watkins will be sentenced on July 24.



WILLIAM W. WATKINS

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SATURDAY



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LOW: 59

MONDAY



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TUESDAY



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LOW: 57

WEDNESDAY



HIGH: 75  
LOW: 56

## record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
JUN 11	48°	77°	29° (1966)	93° (1956)
JUN 12	48°	77°	36° (1979)	95° (1949)
JUN 13	48°	77°	35° (1965)	96° (1956)
JUN 14	49°	77°	31° (1978)	93° (1988)
JUN 15	49°	77°	33° (1961)	97° (1954)
JUN 16	49°	78°	31° (1964)	95° (1952)
JUN 17	49°	78°	33° (1972)	95° (2006)
JUN 18	50°	78°	35° (1958)	95° (1994)

## OBITUARIES

### Elma Louise "Chick" Deters, 86

(JUNE 21, 1928 - JUNE 2, 2015)

Elma L. "Chick" Deters, 86, of Central Lake Township died June 2, 2015 at her home.

She was born June 21, 1928 in Garfield Township of Newago

County to John and Violet (Barber) Puff.

On June 21, 1947 she married Arnold Deters in Fremont where they lived until moving to Central Lake Township in 1977. They celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary in June, 2012. Mr. Deters died in July, 2012.

Surviving are her daughters Kathy Shira of Fremont and Denise Deters of Farmington, NY; 5 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her sisters Leota Barker, Velda Deters and brothers Jerome Dibble, Robert Dibble, James Puff, Floyd Puff, Howard Puff, Ellis Puff and Paul Puff.

At her request there will be no visitation or service. Arrangements were made by Hastings Funeral Home, online at [www.hastingsfuneral.com](http://www.hastingsfuneral.com).



ceded her in death on March 13, 1999.

Naomi had worked at Circuit Control and as a census taker. She was a member of the East Jordan United Methodist Church and belonged to the Gideon auxiliary. She enjoyed gardening, deer hunting and fishing. Naomi was also known as the "Pie Lady" at the East Jordan United Methodist Church during the roast beef dinners.

Naomi is survived by four children, Allan (Jackie) Shepard of East Jordan, Lanny (Winnie) Shepard of Cheboygan, Phyllis (Doug) Sumner of East Jordan, and Helen (Doug) Clary of Mattawan; eighteen grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; one sister, Jeanette (Harold) Grove of West Branch; and several nieces and nephews. Naomi is also preceded in death by one son, Ralph Shepard Jr.; her parents; twin great grandchildren, Nicolas and Nicole Skrocki; and four brothers, Gates, Mercer, Morris and Eugene.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at 11:00 A.M. at United Methodist Church in East Jordan. Rev. Craig the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. with interment following at Sunset Hill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan. Memorials may be given to the East Jordan United Methodist Church or Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

### Naomi Ruth Shepard, 98

(JUNE 6, 1917 - JUNE 8, 2015)

Naomi Ruth Shepard of East Jordan died Monday, June 8, 2015, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan

She was born on June 6, 1917, in Flint, Michigan, the daughter of Leon Allen and Esther (Chapman) Carey.

On October 29, 1938, in Lewiston, Michigan, she married Ralph Shepard, Sr. He pre-

### Marietta M. Bretz, 90

(NOV. 19, 1924 - JUNE 5, 2015)

Marietta M. Bretz of Chagrin Falls, OH and formerly of

Northville, MI passed away Friday June 5, 2015 at Hillcrest Hospital in Mayfield Hts., OH. She was born November 19, 1924 in Lansing, MI.

Mrs. Bretz was a homemaker. She attended Michigan State University, and loved gardening and quilting, having made many quilts over the years. She also enjoyed entertaining. She traveled to Alaska, Antarctica, and made many trips to Scandinavia to visit her relatives.

Survivors are her children William Bretz and Cynthia (Keith) Lefelhoc, June Bretz (Daughter-in-law); grandchildren Michael (Samantha) Bretz, David Bretz, Allen Lefelhoc and Anthony Lefelhoc; siblings Joanne (Richard) Snell and Edgar (Marjorie) Nesman, and her beloved dachshund Gretel.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert Bretz and her parents Glen and Evelyn Nesman.

Public visitation will be held from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 13, 2015 at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc., 621 Main Street, East Jordan, MI 49727. Interment will follow at Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan. In lieu of flowers and in memory of Mrs. Bretz, contributions may be made to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 150, Bingham Farms, MI 48025. Donate online at [www.parkinsonsmi.org](http://www.parkinsonsmi.org).

Please offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com) or [www.penzienfh.com](http://www.penzienfh.com)

### Dennis Paul Heck, 65

Dennis Paul Heck of Charlevoix died Sunday, June 7, 2015, at his home. The Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix is handling the arrangements.

### Billie Jo (Howie) Duff

A celebration of life for Billie Jo (Howie) Duff will be from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, June 13, at Elm Pointe Park, 1787 M-66, East Jordan.

### Wanda Margaret Johnson (Youngkiske), 83

(MARCH 7, 1932 - JUNE 3, 2015)

Wanda Margaret "Tiny" Johnson on the morning of June 3, 2015, surrounded by her loving family, Wanda Johnson went home to be with her Lord.

Our beloved Wanda your work here on earth is done. You shall

continue to guide your loving family from heaven, and your spirit shall continue to nurture their souls through the loving memories you leave behind.

Wanda was born March 7, 1932 in Hulbert, MI to Madeline and Tony Youngkiske. Later they moved to Boyne City where she attended school, and lived all her life.

While skating at the Walloon Roller Rink she met and fell in love "with the love of her life" Tom "Chainsaw" Johnson Sr., which their relationship turned to marriage on July 16, 1949. They made their home in the beautiful town of Boyne City, where they raised their nine (9) children.

Her family was her life and her home was always full of energy, activities, and laughter. Even though her work seemed "never ending" she always made time for her family, their large family outings and cele-

brations. She was always prepared for guest, and no one left her kitchen hungry. She was a gentle negotiator, a master at changing the subject, and possessed a quiet sense of humor. She had an infectious giggle and a demure way of rolling her eyes in order to make things seem less dramatic than they were.

She was a wonderful, sweet, and devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, which is richly remembered by everyone as Tiny, and then Grandma OJ by her grandkids.

She is survived by her nine children; Kathy Johnson, Tom Johnson Jr., Madeline Johnson, Larry Johnson, Christine Zimmerman, Laura Cook, Jim Johnson, Dan Johnson, and Theresa Burt, and of course a bunch of wonderful in-laws. Shortly came the (23) Grandchildren, (30) Great Grandchildren, and (1) Great Great Grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband Tom (married 61 yrs.), precious infant son Ronald, her eldest grandchild Daryl, her parents Tony and Madeline; sister Marie and brother Larry.

The sun sets in golden splendor, and as a calm breeze drifts amongst the evening shade Tiny has found her Tom. Of course it was next to a big tree, and as they walked hand in hand we hear her laughter... and saying thanks for waiting for me!

A funeral mass was celebrated Monday June 8th 2015 at St. Matthews Church in Boyne City. Interment at Maple Lawn Cemetery.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhominc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhominc.com).

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# VETERAN OF THE MONTH

The "Veteran of the Month" for June 2015 is William Duncan Bennett. Born March 3rd, 1920 in Echo Township, Antrim County, Mich. he grew up in East Jordan, Mich. graduating from East Jordan High School in the class of 1938. He then worked with his father and brothers as woodcutters in the lumber industry and in the Civilian Conservation Corps in L'anse, Mich., in the western Upper Peninsula, cutting and planting trees and building roads. He then worked for a short time as an assembler at the Willow Run Bomber Plant near Ypsilanti, Mich. and on Oct. 21st, 1941, in Napoleon, Ohio, Bennett married Lillian Peterson. On Oct. 28th, 1941 Bennett was inducted into the Army entering into active duty in Detroit, Mich. Following basic training and specialty training at the School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Field, Texas in Medical Administration (Medic), Private First Class Bennett, on May 21st, 1942 at McChord Field Air Base, Wash., was promoted to Technician 5th Grade. Bennett was reassigned to Headquarters and Base Service Squadron, 458th Service Group and departed the USA on Feb. 28th, 1944 arriving in the European Theater of Operations on Mar. 9th, 1944 where he participated in battles and campaigns in Northern France, Rhineland, Normandy, Central Europe, Ardennes and



William Duncan Bennett

Air Offensive Europe serving with the 429th Fighter Squadron, 474th Fighter Group, US Army Air Force. On Oct. 5th, 1945 Bennett departed the European Theater of Operations arriving in the USA on Oct. 14th, 1945. On Oct. 17th, 1945 at Camp Atterbury, Ind. Bennett received an Honorable Discharge having attained the rank of Staff Sergeant and was awarded the following decorations and citations: The European Asian Middle-Eastern Medal with six Bronze Battle Stars, The Distinguished Unit Citation Medal and The Good Conduct Medal. Returning home to East Jordan Bennett went to work for several years for Al Thorsen Lumber Company and was a TV repairman on

call in East Jordan. In 1960 Bennett went to work for the US Postal Service as postmaster in East Jordan retiring in 1980. Bennett was an avid community volunteer and was involved in many civic and political organizations including the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Charlevoix County Veterans Affairs Committee and The East Jordan Fire Department. Bennett enjoyed camping with his family and friends, hunting, the annual fishing trips to Rawhide Lake in Canada, snowmobile trips to Pine Stump Junction in the Upper Peninsula and working crossword puzzles. On Jan. 26th, 1995 William Duncan Bennett answered the final call and is being honored by his daughters Connie, Shirley, Donna, Cindy and their families.

To honor a veteran, call the program chairman at (231) 588-6067 or on Tuesdays call 231 582-7811 between 3:30-8:30 p.m. You may also go on line to our web page at [www.boynelegionpost228.org](http://www.boynelegionpost228.org) and download the Veteran of the Month program. The ceremony may be witnessed on the first Thursday of each month in front of The American Legion Post located on the corner of South Lake and Main streets in Boyne City, Mich. at 6:15 p.m.

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## Charlevoix Area Schools Hires New Superintendent

Norma Jean Babcock

CHARLEVOIX: As of July 1, Charlevoix Area Public Schools will be led by newly hired Superintendent Michael Ritter.

Ritter, who was the last candidate left for the position after his competitor Scott Koziol dropped out before final interviews, was selected at a meeting of the School Board held on May 5. The Board conducted a long search for a new Superintendent after the departure of Robert Gendron in November of 2014. The position has been filled since then by interim Superintendent Tom Stobie.

With the help the Michigan Association of School Boards consultant Dr. Rodney Green the Board posted for the position in March of this year in the hope of narrowing the applicants down



Superintendent Michael Ritter.

to five, and from there further narrowing it down to the best candidate for the job. The Board posted professional, personal, and management goals they hoped to see in a candidate in the month of March. In April, five candidates were interviewed, and then two of the strongest were chosen

for final interviews. Of those two Michael Ritter the Principal of Ludington Middle School made it to final interviews and was chosen.

Ritter has been the Principal for Ludington Middle School since 2003 and is a Minnesota native. He grew up in Zumbrota, MN to a father who spent 37 years in the education field. Ritter graduated from the University of Minnesota in Mankato and then began teaching fourth grade in Big Rapids. He gained his Masters from Central Michigan University and has continued on his education throughout his career. As an educator he has been both in administrative roles as well as teaching. He also spent time as a high school athletics coach.

“Mr. Ritter is very well qualified to step up to this position as Charlevoix’s Su-

perintendent of Schools. He has had a lot of experience in the field of educational leadership and brings to the district a vast knowledge of student data, evaluation training, and elementary education. Mike is intelligent and works well with people whether it’s parents, teachers, administrative staff or the community. Charlevoix will be in great hands,” said Interim Superintendent Tom Stobie.

Ritter is also positive about his future at Charlevoix Public Schools and looks forward to starting on July 1. He will hold a 3 year term with an annual salary of \$105,000. According to the School Board, his job will entail managing a \$9 million budget, overseeing 100 employees, and educating at least 1,000 students.

## Pig Roast/Ellebration

The Pig Roast/Ellebration tradition continues June 19 & 20! Friday evening events will include a 50’s drive-in and a water slide. Saturday’s festivities include a 5 K run, a hometown parade, a great meal, lots of games/activities for children (all free), the annual horse pull and archery events and lots more. New this year will be a motorcycle tour, a basketball shoot-out, special activities for teens, and a reunion event for Ellsworth alums who graduated in the 60’s. Please check out our Facebook page, “Ellsworth Pig Roast,” for details.

## Historical Walking Tour

The downtown Boyne City historical walking tour in tandem with the first night of Stroll The Streets will be held June 12, from 6-9p.m. . 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.

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# News

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## HIDDEN TREASURES

### Kelly's Antiques & Furniture Barn offer quality vintage and custom furniture

By Jim Akans

When looking to re-furnish, redecorate or simply revitalize the furniture and accessory items in your home or cottage, don't miss the opportunity to check out the amazing selection of vintage and custom furniture at Kelly's Antiques & Furniture Barn located in Charlevoix. The fascinating facility encompasses over 7,000 square feet of ever-changing vintage furniture and accessories, plus another 1,500 square feet of custom furniture items. From antique wicker to Early American and European imports, the vast selection is sure to tantalize the imagination of virtually every furniture shopper.

Don Kelly founded his business back in 1985, as he recalls, "it was in a small room off my garage. I loved working with furniture, and while attending a furniture show I discovered a new type of finish stripper that worked extremely well. I went home, tried it out, and started my

new business. It kept expanding and I moved into my current location in 1990."

Kelly adds, "Something we specialize in is wicker furniture items. People love old wicker furniture, and we also sell lots of old pine, oak and items made from other woods as well. Vintage furniture is generally made with solid wood or very good veneers. The workmanship and craftsmanship is excellent."

The services offered at Kelly's Antiques & Furniture Barn also include customizing the size of furniture to match the customer's needs, and they will paint, stain and refinish items to match the customer's décor if they desire.

Kelly's Antiques and Furniture Barn is located at 6176 Old US 31 South in Charlevoix. They are open Monday through Saturday from 9 am until 3 pm, and Sunday by appointment. For additional information, please call (231) 547-0133 or visit [www.dkellyantiques.com](http://www.dkellyantiques.com).



Picture at a recent Women Can/Women Do luncheon are (front from left) Sue Blankenhagen, table captain; Melissa Young, Classic Cabinets and Interiors; Michelle Egas, Peebles; Traci Oosterhouse, Peebles; Cathy Meyer, Meyer Ace Home and Hardware; Arlene Atchison, table captain; Kathy Biggs, table captain; Brittany Brubaker, North Perk Coffee; Jane Ramer, table captain; (back from left) Jan Martin, table captain; Dibby Smith, table captain; Ashley Whitley, Scott Shuptrine Interiors at Art Van; Lindsey Young table captain and Renee Guthrie Design; CJ Zondervan, True North Interior Design and Antiques; Suzanne Sipe, table captain and Odawa Casino Resort; Kathy McCreight, Classic Cabinets and Interiors; Gail Danielson, Michigan Vacation Destinations; Marjaree Forbes, Michigan Vacation Destinations; Britta Dennis, Walloon Lake Winery; Mari Margaret Walstrom, table captain; Trish Murray, table captain; Julie Norcross, table captain; Sharon Schappacher, table captain and Dianne Litzenburger, table captain. COURTESY PHOTO

## Women Can/Women Do luncheons for Women's Center

Plans are underway for the Women Can/Women Do Emmet County fundraising luncheon taking place at Bay Harbor Yacht Club-Lange Center on Wednesday, September 9. The event helps support Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) programs and services provided in Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet and Otsego counties.

WRCNM Executive Director, Gail Kloss, attributes the success of the annual Women Can/Women Do luncheons to more than a hundred volunteers who serve as committee members, table captains and table designers. "Without the dedication of so many volunteers, we would not be able to bring about an event of this magnitude," said Kloss.

Table captains are responsible for filling 500 seats at 58 tables. Each themed table is creatively and purposefully decorated by talented de-

signers who also provide a table favor for each guest. It is not unusual for luncheon goers to see table designs featuring trees, fountains, moving displays, edible centerpieces and lots of gorgeous flowers.

"Just when we think we've seen it all, these talented table designers come up with new ways to amaze all of our guests no matter if it's an elaborate display or one of quiet elegance," said Kloss.

The 15th annual Women Can/Women Do Emmet County luncheon will feature table designs created by local businesses. The Emmet County Women Can/Women Do fundraiser also features a silent auction made possible through the help of volunteers who secure a variety of biddable goods and services donated by local businesses and individuals such as original art, restaurant gift certificates, jewelry and new this year are purses that

each contain a valuable mystery item.

"Women Can/Women Do Emmet County is the culmination of many hours of work and a highpoint of the summer," said Sarah Matye, WRCNM Fund Development Grant Writer, who works directly with event volunteers. "Although volunteer table captains do a wonderful job of assuring seats are filled at the luncheon, we often have a few seats available on a first-come/first serve basis."

The luncheon will be held at the Bay Harbor Yacht Club, Lange Center from 11:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., Wednesday, September 9. For more information or to reserve a seat, call the WRCNM main office at (231) 347-0067. Title sponsors for Women Can/Women Do luncheons are Fifth Third Bank and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan-Blue Care Network of Michigan.

## Governor, Legislative and Judicial Leaders unite to protect children

Hundreds gathered to raise \$485,943 to help prevent child abuse and neglect at the 13th annual Pam Posthumus Signature Auction Event held Wednesday at the Lansing Center.

The auction is the main fundraiser for the Michigan Children's Trust Fund, the non-profit state agency housed in the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) that coordinates statewide efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect.

"The Children's Trust Fund is guided in its work by the belief there is no greater gift we can give than to ensure all our children reach their fullest potential," Gov. Rick Snyder said.

"Tonight is proof positive that many share this belief and support efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect in Michigan."

As part of the evening's festivities, Gov. Snyder and Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert P. Young Jr., presented the 2015 Michigan Children's Advocate award to Maura Corrigan for her work as a tireless advocate for Michigan's children as the former director of the Michigan Department of Human Services, now part of MDHHS, and former chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court.

She was awarded a custom sculpture titled "Quiet Embrace" by Williamston artist Lee Kronenberg, who retired as a state

psychologist and former assistant to the director of what was then known as the Central Office at the Michigan Bureau of Child and Family Services.

Television station WLNS 6 News anchor Chivon Kloepfer served as the host for the evening that included cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, music by "The Dirty Helens," a silent auction and a live auction that featured a variety of dynamic gift items, including trip packages to national and international destinations, golf packages and concert tickets to A-list acts and much more.

Other speakers included Michael Foley, CTF executive director; Lori Wortz, WWP Strate-

gies; and CTF board chair and former Senate Majority Leader Randy Richardville.

The auction is named in honor of Pam Posthumus, wife of former Michigan Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus; she passed away in August 2010. She was an incredible leader who cared deeply about Michigan's most vulnerable children and was passionate about preventing child abuse and neglect in Michigan. She was appointed to the CTF board in 1997 and served as board chair in 2002.

The annual Children's Trust Fund Signature Auction Event is a partnership among state legislators, lobbyists, government relations professionals and local

community leaders to raise money and awareness in support of the Children's Trust Fund.

Top sponsors for the event included Great Lakes Capital Fund, DTE Energy Foundation, Jackson National Life, Delta Airlines, The Lansing Center, Adams, Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV), Byrum and Fisk and Meijer. A full listing of all event sponsors is available on [www.michigan.gov/ctfsignature](http://www.michigan.gov/ctfsignature) under the "Become A Sponsor" tab. Check out CTF on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/MichiganCTF/events](http://www.facebook.com/MichiganCTF/events).

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## Local doctor joins Charlevoix Area Hospital Board of Directors



Charlevoix Area Hospital has announced that Anna G. Young, MD has joined Charlevoix Area Hospital's Board of Directors. Dr. Young, who has been part of the Hospital's medical staff since 1992, loves being a primary care physician in northern Michigan. Prior to joining the Hospital's medical

staff, she practiced at East Jordan Family Health Center in East Jordan, Michigan.

"I am honored to serve on this Hospital's board of directors," said Dr. Young. "For me, it is a very real way to give back to the community. I want to see the Hospital succeed in continuing to give high quality health care to this region's residents and visitors."

A welcome addition to the Charlevoix Area Hospital's board, Dr. Young contributes

her expertise and knowledge to an already well-rounded and experienced board. Her perspective as a family physician will no doubt prove to be valuable as the board tackles the challenges of providing high-quality health care in the face of changing insurance regulations and rising costs.

"Her dedication to our community and medical experience will help to further our mission of providing accessible, high-quality, compassion-

ate health care services to improve the health of the communities we serve. We are very fortunate to have Dr. Young not only as a primary care provider on our staff, but now on our Hospital board. With her experience in medicine, and her passion for our community and its members, she will be an important asset to the Hospital," said Lyn Jenks, President and CEO of Charlevoix Area Hospital.

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## Healthy Fit Market Day

Charlevoix Farmers Market's 2nd annual Healthy Fit Market Day will be held on Thursday, June 18, from 9am to 1pm in East Park along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix. Visit the interactive Health Fair. Something for the entire family including activities for all to try.

Free screenings. Free classes under the pavilion:

- 8:30am Charlevoix Yoga - Heidi Dietrich
- 9:30am Chx Country Club Spinning Bikes - Michelle Rick-Biddick
- 10:00am Challenge Fitness Boot Camp - Chris Domenaus
- 10:30am Ki Martial Arts - Amy Spegele
- 11:00am Crossfit Charlevoix - Jackie Provost
- 11:30am Chx Country Club Spinning Bikes - Michelle Rick-Biddick
- 12:00pm Challenge Fitness Aerobic Class - Chris Domenaus

For details, or to add your health related business, call Chris Leese 231-330-0968

Charlevoix Farmers Market, East Park, Thursdays, 9am-1pm along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix. Follow event updates on: [www.facebook.com/Charlevoix-FarmersMarket](http://www.facebook.com/Charlevoix-FarmersMarket)

# When is a headache a migraine?



By Deb Hagen-Foley

Most everyone has a headache from time to time. Headache is the primary complaint of 10 million people who went to an ER or visited a doctor in the past year, is the most common bodily pain reported, and is one of the top 10 reasons for doctor visits. According to migraine.com, headaches result in 127 million sick days each year.

Headaches begin in the muscles or nerves of the head, or in the blood vessels of the brain. There are a variety of types of headaches, based on symptoms. Some headache types include: cluster headaches, tension headaches, sinus headaches, hangover headaches, rebound headaches, exertion headaches and caffeine headaches. There are also spinal headaches, cough headaches, and men-

strual headaches.

While they can be painful, headaches are typically harmless. In some situations, it is important to seek medical attention for headaches as they may be a symptom of a more serious underlying disorder. Immediate medical attention should be sought if headaches occur more frequently, daily, or with greater severity or another change in the pattern of the headaches. Seek immediate medical attention if headaches occur suddenly and severely, begin after age 50, cause seizures or confusion, or if the headache is accompanied by fever, elevated blood pressure, stiff neck, vision changes, weakness, fainting or loss of coordination.

Migraines are different than headaches as migraine is a genetic neurological disease. Of the 100 million people in the U.S. that have headaches, about 37 million of

these have migraines. Migraines may result in an inability to participate in normal activities. The symptoms of migraine vary and fall into two general types, migraine with aura and migraine without aura. Symptoms include: throbbing, pulsating pain, light or sound sensitivity, nausea, pain on one side of the head, vision changes, aura, and/or vomiting.

The precise cause of migraines is unknown. Brain scans show that migraines may be due to hyperactivity in parts of the brain. The brain of a person susceptible to migraines is different, on a biochemical level, than the brain of a person who does not have migraines. Migraines are more common in women than men.

Next week, more about migraine, including treatment options.

## Health Department advises use of licensed body art facilities

Think before you ink, reminds the Health Department of Northwest Michigan.

The Health Department encourages potential tattoo and piercing clients to do their research on body art facilities. Only licensed facilities—those inspected and approved by Health Department sanitarians—may legally perform tattooing, branding, or body piercings.

It is extremely important that individuals use reputable, licensed artists for their body art, said Scott Kendzierski, Director of Environmental Health at the Health Department. "Unlicensed operations put people

at serious risk of contracting unwanted and potentially life-altering bloodborne diseases or infections. Many unlicensed 'artists' have not apprenticed under a technician or been properly trained, which can result in a range of issues from poor artistry to infection and disfigurement."

The inspection process ensures that tattooists and piercers are in compliance with state regulation. For example, inspectors will review the facility's records for training documentation, equipment sterilization records, and signed parental consent forms. Inspections also evaluate cleaning and

sterilization practices, cross-contamination prevention procedures, sharps procedures, expiration dates of inks and sterilized equipment, and the use of approved products and materials. Such requirements aim to decrease the risk of transmission of bloodborne diseases such as Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).

Michigan law states that individuals shall not tattoo, brand, or perform body piercing unless they operate out of a licensed facility. Not only do unlicensed body artists break the law, but they may risk the health of their clients by not

following appropriate infection control protocols.

"There are many unlicensed people tattooing and piercing that do not have the proper training, equipment, or environment to conduct procedures safely," said Kendzierski. "Body modification—whether a tattoo or piercing—is a medical procedure and should be done under controlled conditions with the highest level of client education and assurance."

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## Reflections on the American Dream

**Editors Note:** The following essay was written by 2015 East Jordan High School graduate, Wessley Gotts

The harder you work, the more you earn. That is the sentence that the American Dream is all about. It is what brought this nation into existence all those years ago and what keeps this nation strong even in times of doubt, darkness, and depression. It is a dream that brings people of all shapes, sizes and color into the hands of friendship and happiness. For it to die

would be impossible, not only because we live in the dream, but by the fact that we will never forget it. The dream will forever be in our heart, body, and soul. The American Dream, while simple on paper, is a road filled with strife and pain to obtain everlasting Eden. To achieve, one must have wit, cunning, and ingenuity to not survive but thrive. This trail, while challenging, is by no means impossible. It is, however, never easy for anyone, even those whom think otherwise, but that just means

the goal will be that much sweeter. For every dream, there are always those who oppose its general ideals. They try to kill it, let it rot, and leave it for the scavengers to pick its bones. To ensure its demise, they claim that the dream is nothing more than just that, a dream for those who cannot abandon hope. Hope, however, is what strives me to not only write this paper, but put me on the road to graduation. You see, I am diagnosed with autism, a kind of 'disease' that

affects the mind. Autism makes the affected person stand out from everyone else, which in turn, makes life difficult for said person. When I was diagnosed with autism, the doctors told my parents that I had no future. They told them that I would barely make it through high school, let alone make to college. They told them that I would have nothing. Yet, here I am, surrounded by friends that I can count on, a school that accepts me for what I am, and doctors that are still eat-

ing their own words. If this isn't a story about the American Dream still breathing, then I don't know what is what anymore. In conclusion, the harder you work, the more you earn. That is all there is to it. We have made it full circle. I hope this will make people realize that the dream is not deceased. The American Dream is alive!

## Lancer Leap Showcase



Stained Glass was one of several Lancer Leap elective classes this year. COURTESY PHOTO

On Wednesday, June 3 Ellsworth Community School Middle/High School held their fifth annual Lancer Leap Showcase. Lancer Leap is a four-week project based term that takes place in May, and is made possible by shortening each semester by two weeks. "Lancer Leap provides two unique and innovative opportunities for us as a district," said Ellsworth Superintendent, Aaron Gaffney. "It allows us to offer hands-on elective opportunities for our students that cannot be accomplished within a traditional curriculum. It also provides remediation options to students whose achievement scores are not at grade level, or to allow students who have failed courses the opportunity to recover credits without needing to repeat classes." This year's Lancer Leap elective classes included; Mythology, Statistics, Drama, Dance, Origami, Advanced Robotics, Viticulture, Ancient Egypt, Zentangle, Silent Film, Watercolor Painting, Mythbusters, Forensic Science, Construction Technology, Life Sports, Advanced Science, Jazz Band, Stained Glass, and Yearbook. "The curricular goals and objectives of Lancer Leap can be summarized in four C's; Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, and Collaboration," stated Gaffney. "Thanks to our wonderfully talented and flexible

teaching staff we are able to challenge and inspire our students in ways that are not always possible in other districts." In 2013, the Michigan Association of School Administrators recognized Lancer Leap by awarding it their prestigious Winner's Circle award for innovative programming. Each year the Lancer Leap project term culminates in a community showcase event. Many classes have projects and displays assembled for parents and community to view, while others put on live performances. This year's live events included jazz band and dance performances, a student produced silent film, a badminton match between teachers and students, and a production of the musical/play High School Musical. "One of the best aspects of our Lancer Leap program is the joy it brings to students," said Gaffney. "It's a fantastic way to end the year, everyone leaves for the summer in such an upbeat and positive frame of mind. It truly represents our motto as a school district; Small school relationships ... Big School Opportunities." For more information on Lancer Leap or Ellsworth Community School, please call (231) 588-2544 or email at info@ellsworth.k12.mi.us.

## Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers to assist with fundraiser

Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity is seeking volunteer support for our 3rd Annual Raise the Roof Fundraiser on June 23. Building Homes and Hope is not possible without great volunteer support in all aspects of Habitat. We are currently seeking volunteer support for our Raise the Roof Fundraiser on June 23th, 2015. There are many ways volunteers can assist Habitat with this event and those are: - Set Up - Drink Ticket Sales - Bartending - Silent Auction Monitors - Check Out Desk - Security Help - Tear Down The event runs from 5:30 - 8:00 and volunteer shifts are 2-4 hours long, between 5:00 pm and 9:00 pm. Volunteers must be over the age of

18! If you are interested in being part of this great event, you can register by calling Mandy at 231-348-6926 or learn more by checking out our website: www.northwest-mihabitat.org/events. We hope to see you then! Help us continue building Homes and Hope for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties.

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Pictured left to right: Scott Keinath - president of Charlevoix Street Legends Car Club, Katie Balch - who will be returning to FSU, Cole Butler - who will attend Michigan Tech in the fall and Ivy Wells - who will attend EMU in the fall. COURTESY PHOTO.

## Scholarships awarded by Charlevoix Street Legends Car Club

On May 29, the Charlevoix Street Legends Classic Car Club awarded scholarships to high school graduates and seniors of Charlevoix County at a meeting held at the Charlevoix Senior Center. The scholarships were awarded to students who have been accepted at an approved school for any phase of practice within the automotive field or in a vocational/technical program in the fall following graduation from high school or registered home school. Each student received a \$500 scholarship from the Club.

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## Boyne City High School Student of the Week



**Emily Colston**

**Grade:** 11th

**Parent(s):** Mary Colston

**Future Plans/Goals:**  
"Starting my own business"

**School Activities:** Band

**Hobbies and Interests:** Equestrian, Fishing, Reading

**Staff Comments:**

"Emily was a new student this year and did a great job of jumping right in to be a part of BCHS. She played in the band this year. Emily is kind and has a great smile."  
– Cathy Brown, Counselor

"Emily was in my Drama class during the first term and she impressed me with how hard she worked and how she was always prepared for class."  
– John Hertel

"Emily has been a great addition to our school this year. She is well liked by her fellow students and has a fantastic attitude each and every day she comes to class."  
– Pat Klooster, Physical Education Teacher

"Congratulations, Emily! Even though Emily was new to the district this fall, she jumped right in with the band. She's a nice young lady and a great addition to our Band program!"  
– Brand Ivie

## Project FREE graduates 35 students



Students in the afternoon class display their diplomas as Trevor Schoenborn receives his from lead teacher, Megan Green. COURTESY PHOTO

A total of 35 students enrolled at Project FREE preschool were presented diplomas during morning and afternoon graduation ceremonies. To celebrate their advancement into kindergarten the students sang songs, received diplomas, posed for photographs and shared graduation snacks with their families.

Project FREE preschool, operated by the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM), is a Great Start School Readiness Program for four year olds. Project FREE offers morning and afternoon classes, Monday through Thursday from October through the end of May. For information or enrollment inquiries, call the Great Start to Readiness Program at (800) 443-5518.



James Heinz and Anna Skippergosh sing the Zoophonics song. COURTESY PHOTO.

## Upcoming Audubon Bird Walks

Petoskey Regional Audubon offers Bird Walks at the Historic Iron Horse Farms in Ellsworth on June 11 and at Fields Preserve on June 13.

Situated at the top of the Chain-of-Lakes, the 200-acre property near Ellsworth includes open fields, woods, streams, wetlands and the shoreline on Wilson Lake. On this week's scouting trip, 46 species were identified including Green Heron, Sandhill Crane, Bald Eagle and Indigo Bunting. Join PRAS member, Tracy Datlen, at 9 AM, Thursday, June 11, on a walk that explores the habitats and wildlife of this historic property, by invitation of the owners. Terrain includes paths, trails and boardwalks. Wear waterproof shoes or boots and come prepared for insects.

For more information contact Tracy at [tadat@live.com](mailto:tadat@live.com). Directions: Location is between Ellsworth and Central Lake at 6774 Ellsworth Road. Look for Audubon sign at meeting point. The property is so large that a second walk is scheduled for Thursday, June 18 so we can cover more territory.

Petoskey Regional Audubon & Walloon Lake Trust & Conservancy are

also offering a Bird Walk on Saturday, June 13. Fields Preserve is a fascinating mix of open rolling fields, woodlands and seasonal wetland areas. The undulating trails are wide open but contain many natural obstacles under the dense leaf litter. Pleasant but tricky walking; hiking sticks are welcome. Participants will be on the look out for birds and wildflowers.

On a recent scouting trip to Fields Preserve Meadowlarks, Blue Birds and a Ruffed Grouse were identified plus familiar woodland birds and wildflowers. This walk begins at 9AM and is family-friendly but on the vigorous side. Loaner binoculars will be available. Expect bugs and dress accordingly.

Directions: Fields Preserve is located in Emmet County on the East side of Resort Pike, between Williams Road (to the North) and Indian Garden Road (to the South) at the crest of a small hill in an open field with a large Fields Preserve sign. School Road dead-ends into Resort Pike just north of Fields Preserve. Plenty of parking in the defined parking area and adjacent field. For more information contact Tracy Datlen at [tadat@live.com](mailto:tadat@live.com)

## Kirtland announces winter 2015 President's, Dean's Lists Honorees

ROSCOMMON – Officials at Kirtland Community College recently recognized students for their academic achievements during the 2014-15 winter semester which earned them placement on the college's dean's and president's lists.

To qualify for the president's list, candidates must be full-time students who earn a grade-point average between 3.8 and 4.0. Dean's list candidates must have a grade-point average of 3.4 to 3.799. Following is a list of honor students from our distribution area.

### President's List

Shelly Buchanan, Mio  
Samantha Campbell, Gaylord  
Gregory Cockerham, Gaylord  
Cody Cross, Gaylord  
Leda Daykin, Mancelona  
Hector de Prada Gonzalez, Mio  
Arikka Duranso, Mio  
Jordan Griffor, Lewiston  
Jaelynn Handrich, Fairview  
Matthew Keipinger, Vanderbilt  
**Jeffrey Komondy, Boyne City**  
Cecily Lahey, Mio  
Timothy Mallory, Levering  
Terri McDowell, Onaway  
Kenneth McKenzie, Gaylord  
Torrey Messerschmidt, Grayling  
Ian Michelsen, Petoskey  
Rebecca Miller, Mio  
Brittany Naumiec, Grayling  
**Drew Nohel, Boyne City**  
Rebecca Pensyl, Elmira  
Gaye Peters, Grayling  
**Michael Rautio, Charlevoix**  
Matthew Sexton, Mancelona  
Kaleb Smith, Gaylord  
Alice Stafford, Lewiston  
Sarah Streifel, Gaylord  
Joshua Walker, Conway  
Patty Warner, Gaylord  
Mikayla Waun, Gaylord  
**Katie Wilde, Mancelona**  
Caitlyn Young, Cheboygan

### Dean's List

Michelle Beesley, Gaylord  
Kelly Bell, Grayling  
Victoria Bunker, Vanderbilt  
Jonathan Burke, Gaylord  
Dakota Burns, Indian River  
Brandon Carlisle, Gaylord  
Elizabeth Dickerson, Grayling  
Rachael Donnelly, Fairview  
Brian Eaves, Fairview

Jack Ellis, Mio  
**Tara Essenberg, Ellsworth**  
Brian Fosmore, Gaylord  
Shelby Goodspeed, Grayling  
Michele Greene, Grayling  
Carolyn Hellebuyck, Grayling  
Matthew Linsenman, Mio  
Kristina Liss, Gaylord  
Amanda Matson, Lewiston  
Jeremy Messerschmidt, Grayling  
Keri Milne, Johannesburg  
Tyler Pelfrey, Gaylord  
Denise Peters, Grayling  
Ian Pigg, Elmira  
Jordyn Rockwell, Gaylord  
Maureen Schley, Cheboygan  
Ross Smalling, Gaylord  
Rebekah Streifel, Gaylord  
Alicia Susalla, Mio  
Adam Thiel, Lewiston  
Katherine Trim, Mio  
Jill Vermilya, Gaylord

### Part Time Student Honorees

Shelby Alimenti, Grayling  
Derek Babbitt, Grayling  
Maurine Berger, Cheboygan  
Charles Bertram, Grayling  
Emmalee Bidwell, Grayling  
Morgan Breauh, Mio  
Megan Brown, Mio  
Vicki Burkhart, Cheboygan  
Kyle Carico, Fairview  
Annette Chalmers, Lewiston  
Gretchen Cherry, Gaylord  
Dane Christiansen, Gaylord  
Tawnya Churchill, Grayling  
Brandon Cleaves, Comins  
Anne Coe, Grayling  
Quinn Colvin, Fairview  
**Ruth Cosier-Skop, Charlevoix**  
Lindsay Dawe, Gaylord  
Sara Dove, Gaylord  
Clark Dowker, Johannesburg  
Tiffany Duff, Fairview  
**Janet Fierstien, Boyne City**  
Ashley Fischer, Vanderbilt  
Joshua Galvani, Grayling  
Cameron Gingerich, Fairview  
Cally Gooch, Mio  
Jennifer Goodwin, Wolverine  
Brenda Guttay, Gaylord  
Austin Handrich, Fairview  
Shelby Handrich, Fairview  
Halie Haskin, Luzerne  
Anita Hazelton, Grayling  
Nathan Hessel, Grayling  
Dakota Hosley, Gaylord  
Trey Jackson, Grayling  
Ryan Johnson, Grayling  
Cassie Kayner, Gaylord  
Andrea Kirkby, Elmira

Amanda Klee, Gaylord  
Craig Kline, Gaylord  
Rachael LaCross, Gaylord  
Rebecca Ladensack, Fairview  
Courtney Langowski, Grayling  
Kayla Largent, Fairview  
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Jeffrey LaVigne, Grayling  
Jacob Lentz, Mio  
**Buddy Lewis, East Jordan**  
Mathew Lewis, Mio  
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Kasi Peterson, Grayling  
Emma Pittenger, Gaylord  
Matthew Prominski, Mio  
Abigail Puckett, Elmira  
Nicholas Purgiel, Gaylord  
**Clarence Randall, Boyne City**  
Nicholas Rizzi, Grayling  
Sarah Robinson, Grayling  
**James Ross, Boyne City**  
Hannah Rushton, Mio  
Brooke Sands, Fairview  
Bailey Sawle, Elmira  
Rosalie Schaefer, Cheboygan  
**Kyle Schepperley, Mancelona**  
Kaytlin Schweda, Lewiston  
Jason Scott, Petoskey  
Blake Shiels, Gaylord  
James Shull, Charlevoix  
Richard Steely, Grayling  
John Straub, Vanderbilt  
**Christopher Stringer, Boyne City**  
Hudson Szubelak, Fairview  
Heidi Szymanski, Mio  
Robert Thiel, Lewiston  
Stacey Thomas, Grayling  
Kandus Thornton, Gaylord  
Angela Troyer, Fairview  
Ethen Troyer, Fairview  
Saraya Vordermark, Gaylord  
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## Stroll the Streets returns to downtown Boyne City

Music, fun and great times will fill the streets of downtown Boyne City this summer as Stroll the Streets returns for its 12th season on Friday, June 12th, from 6 – 9 p.m., continuing through Labor Day Weekend. Stroll the Streets is a signature summer event for downtown Boyne City, with musical entertainment ranging from contemporary, country, bluegrass, traditional folk, jazz to rock. Special activities include magicians, caricature artists, face painting, balloon twisting and even more fun activities for kids this year.

“The program is funded with contributions from our businesses. The support from the business community is outstanding,” said Karen Guzniczak, chair of the Boyne City Main Street promotions committee. “With over 40 businesses sponsoring the summer series, we are able to provide wonderful entertainment this summer throughout our downtown. Our platinum sponsors this year include Magnum Hospitality, Family Fare, Fifth

Third Bank, Pat O’Brien & Associates and Petoskey Area Visitors Bureau.”

The first evening of Stroll the Streets, June 12, will feature Billy Thacher, Frontiers Men, Jania Taylor, Loud Mouth Soup, Rustic Heart, The Pistil Whips and Tongue Punch. In conjunction with our kick off to summer, Stroll Through History will take place on June 12 with tours of the Dilworth Hotel from 7 – 8pm, a re-enactment of Teddy Roosevelt’s speech on the veranda, classic cars, tractors, and carriages displayed around town. Watch for vintage base ball players and others in period dress strolling through downtown that evening. This will showcase the new historical walking tour which highlights over 50 historic buildings in downtown Boyne City.

For more information on Stroll the Streets or other events, contact the Main Street office at (231)582-9009 or visit [www.boynecitymainstreet.com](http://www.boynecitymainstreet.com) or the Chamber office at (231) 582-6222 or visit [www.boyneareachamber.com](http://www.boyneareachamber.com).



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## Cancer Crusaders

Volunteer fundraising projects by Great Lakes Energy employees in Boyne City raised \$1,500 that was recently donated to the Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders. Accepting the employees’ donation are Gary Cook and (holding check at right) Gail Farley with the local Cancer Crusaders.

## Boyne City Farmers Market in full swing

The Boyne City Farmers Market outdoor market season is in full swing, open every Wednesday and Saturday from 8am- noon at Veterans Park. The outdoor market will feature more than 65 regular produce vendors, all local, serving seasonal fruits, vegetables, and herbs; gourmet baked goods and preserves; eggs and cheese; honey and maple syrup; proteins, fish, potted annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, and cut flowers; plus a juried craft market with unique hand-made items for your home or a special gift. A full line-up of the vendors and their offerings is available on the website.

“The farmers never missed a beat! Greens were available all winter and with the many hoop-houses and greenhouses the produce has been amazing since mid May,” says Becky Harris, market manager.

This is the 4th year accepting Bridge Cards. Customers swipe their card at the Market booth and receive tokens to shop with. Eligible foods include vegetables, fruit, dairy products, meat, eggs, bread, jam, pickles, and pastries, as well as seeds or plants that produce food. The market also partners with Fair Food Network’s Double Up Food Bucks program.

“Doubling the value of federal nutrition assistance spent at our market helps people bring home more locally grown fruits and vegetables. It’s really a ‘win/win/win’ as it helps low-income consumers eat healthier, local farmers gain new customers, and more food dollars stay in the local economy,” says Harris. “When customers spend \$10 with the Bridge Card, we provide another \$10 to buy fresh



fruits and veggies grown in Michigan, with a match up to \$20 each market day.”

More information visit <http://www.doubleupfoodbucks.org>.

A full season of activities have been arranged including cooking demos, children’s food education series, “Food: Make it Easy” sessions, health screenings and live music every Saturday, June 20-Sept. 4.

“We are really excited about a special appearance by Michelle Bommarito. She will present “Energize your Pantry” at Blackbird Gardens, graciously sponsored by Grain Train,” says Harris.

The 2nd Annual Food Truck Rally will take place Thursday, July 16, 6-9 pm at Veterans Park. Over 25 local food and beverage stations will be avail-

able. The evening will also feature live music with Disastroid. The cost is \$10 per person which includes two beverage tickets. Children under 12 are free.

“This fun event with live music attracted a lively crowd of food enthusiasts last year,” Harris said. “It is meant to connect friends and strangers, while sharing local food and drink while supporting the smallest of small business.”

The Friends Farm Meals are a highlight of the season, breaking bread and toasting the farmers and others who make Michigan’s agricultural community so vibrant. Two dates are available this year: Elvyn Lea Lodge, Walloon Village on Saturday, July 25th and Matter of Taste, Tapawingo in Ellsworth on Saturday, August 22nd. The

price is \$75 per person. Reserve online or at the Market Booth or call 330-2704 with any questions. Musical guests will appear at both venues. Proceeds raised from these events will be used to help fund the Community Pavilion which will become the Markets winter home.

The Boyne City Farmer’s Market is a program of the Boyne City Main Street / Downtown Development Authority. It is governed by an 11-member committee consisting of vendors and community members.

For a complete line-up of our market events visit [www.boynecityfarmersmarket.org](http://www.boynecityfarmersmarket.org). For more information contact market manager Rebecca Harris at 231-330-2704 or Main Street at 231-582-9009.

## Charlevoix Transit to co-host Michigan Small Bus Rodeo

Charlevoix County Transit is co-hosting the Northern Small Bus Rodeo on Saturday, June 20th in Petoskey. We have spaces open for volunteer judges on the course if there’s anyone who’s interested in helping out. The event will run from approx. 7:30am to 1:30pm and will be held at the Odawa Casino Parking Lot.

The Michigan Small Bus Rodeo was first hosted by the Passenger Transportation Division of the Michigan Department of Transportation in 1976 to train and test the skills of its rural small bus drivers. Forty years later, the Michigan Small Bus Rodeo is seen as a national frontrunner in this unique and exciting training exercise that culminates with a national competition at the Community Transportation of America annual Expo. Each year Michigan sends its top three individual drivers from the Michigan Statewide Small Bus Rodeo to represent its small bus drivers from communities across the state at this national/international event.

Several transit agencies have partnered with Michigan Association of Transportation Systems (MASSTrans) and MDOT to provide additional training and skills building opportunities for drivers by hosting regional rodeo events across the state. The 1st Annual Northern Michigan Regional Rodeo will be held in Petoskey at the Odawa Casino Overflow Parking Lot on Saturday, June 20th beginning at 8:30 a.m. The event is being hosted by Charlevoix County Transit, Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians Transportation Program, and Odawa Casino.

The majority of the skills competition involves moving a transit vehicle around and through ten obstacles on a course representing maneuvers commonly faced while driving the bus. Lane changes, passenger boarding, backing and diminishing clearances are just a few of the problems faced on the driving course. The second portion of the skills test is a pre-trip inspection where the operator inspects the vehicle for safety violations. In addition to the skills competition, the operators are tested on their knowledge topics such as passenger assistance and customer service, defensive driving and rules of the road via a written test.

The regional rodeos are used by agencies as training sessions for drivers as well as practice sessions for those attending the statewide event. This year’s 40th Anniversary event will be held at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth on August 27th, with competition to begin just after lunch with a dinner and awards ceremony to follow. More than 50 drivers from around the state representing rural and urban systems around the state will compete for the title of Michigan Small Bus Driver of the Year. Keynote speaker Rich Sampson, CTA National Rodeo Coordinator, will offer remarks on the value and skills bus operators add to our communities by safely transporting the mobility dependent, as well as those riders of choice, to and from their daily destinations. The importance of rural public transit continues to grow as our society moves forward, and skilled well trained bus operators will continue to be an important key to providing transportation services to our aging and transit dependent populations.



BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 9, 2015

# Boyne City partners with township and Sommerset Pointe for new sewer system

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY - City Commissioners approved a Development Agreement to install a sewer system along the west side of Lakeshore Drive and Front Street at the June 9 City Commission meeting. A new FOIA policy was also accepted and a contract to install fencing around city well houses approved.

A revised Development Agreement between Sommerset Pointe, Eveline Township and the City of Boyne City to install a sewer system was approved. The sewer main will be available to service city, township and Sommerset Pointe residents living along the route. The main and related infrastructure would be built and paid for initially by Sommerset Pointe Development, to serve their developments in Eveline Township. During the first 15 years after the line is put into operation properties that con-

nect to the system in the Township will be charged a \$10,000 implementation fee to help offset development costs. The first \$550,000 of those fees would go to the City's Sewer fund to help offset future maintenance and equipment replacement costs. Further revenues would be used to help pay for the project's construction. This agreement would replace an earlier, 2007 agreement that was never implemented. "For citizens of the city of Boyne City nothing is going to change, no implementation fee and the rates remain the same," said City Attorney Jim Murray. Township residents pay one and a half the city rate for connection fee and rates and a \$10,000 implementation fee. "There are fees and rules to township residents that don't apply to city residents," he said. "It's a win/win," said Dan Barron, the attorney representing Sommerset Pointe. All commission-

ers were in support of the agreement. "From the start I think we've pretty much been in agreement and support for the benefit of the lake and property owners," said Mayor Ron Grunch.

Because of new legislation that requires public bodies to establish written procedures and guidelines concerning Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, policies developed by city staff were approved. The procedures had to be initiated by July 1 and included a written summary informing the public on how to submit requests, how the city will respond to the requests, fees and avenues of appealing the city's denial of a request. The new policy will be posted according to the new law on the city's website. "I think the city's compiled a very good policy," said City Manager Michael Cain. The city averages 1 or 2 requests a month according to City Clerk/Trea-

surer Cindy Grice. "I think the biggest part of this law was to explain to citizens how to get the information," she said.

A contract with Harbor Fence to install security fencing around the City's water well housing at a cost of \$14,583 was approved. Water/Waste Water Superintendent Mark Fowler explained that well house #2 had been recently broken into with no damage or vandalism except the throwing of a fire extinguisher. "We recently had someone pop the door open and the front doors have been beat up numerous times," he said. He explained that there has been an increased emphasis of security on public drinking water supplies and stated that tampering with the water supply brings with it a 20 year fine. The fence will be six feet high with three strands of barbed wire on the top. "Twenty years ago we wouldn't have thought anything about

someone vandalizing the well but we live in a different world now," said Commissioner Derek Gaylord.

A bid not to exceed \$9,500 to Ed's Electric for the installation of a marina guard monitoring system beacon at the marina was accepted. "We're getting into the summer months, my recommendation is to go with the bid," said Harbor Master Barb Brooks. Part of the beacon is being paid for by a grant from the Michigan Township Participation Plan, the city's liability insurance company.

In his City Manager's report, Cain announced that construction began on the new DPW building June 9. "We are officially on our way," he said.

Sunday, June 14 a Flag Day program will be held at Veterans Park at 6 p.m. The next City commission meeting will be held on June 23 at noon.

## Drs. Oz and Roizen

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



### NO-WORRY TIPS TO KEEP EXERCISE SAFE

Warning! Exercise-safety fears can be hazardous to your health. You may be stuck on the sidelines due to worries that exertion will cause heart, breathing or other problems; or you are concerned about the dangers lurking outdoors when biking or walking. And now a lot of folks are worrying about treadmill falls, ever since SurveyMonkey chief executive Dave Goldberg's tragic death due to a treadmill fall in May. But whatever your concerns, you're missing out on a lot of fun and good health benefits.

Fortunately, exercise-related injuries are rare. Turns out treadmill mishaps sent 24,400 people to American emergency rooms in 2014 -- about half of 1 percent of the nearly 500,000 people who walk and run on treadmills in the U.S., according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission. And every year New York City has around 4,000 reported bicyclist injuries -- while around 200,000 people a day ride bikes in the city. Regardless of these low numbers, you don't want to be part of those injury statistics.

Let's look at some common exercise fears and how to overcome them so that you can enjoy all the health and happiness benefits of daily physical activity.

Fear No. 1: "I'll have a treadmill accident." Unlike bikes, elliptical trainers and rowing machines, a treadmill can keep on moving when you stop, causing trips, tumbles, cuts and abrasions. To maximize treadmill safety: Clip the auto-stop cord to your clothes; it will automatically shut the machine off if you fall. Always speed up and slow down gradually so you keep your balance. Look straight ahead; gazing down or to the side could be dizzying. If there's a code for starting up the treadmill, use it. This will help keep kids safe.

Fear No. 2: "Exercise will make my health worse." If you've got a condition like diabetes, asthma or heart disease, you might worry that overdoing it will mess with your blood sugar, breathing or heart function. In one University of Colorado survey of 1,848 people, those with diabetes were 47 percent more likely to skip exercise due to injury fears. And in a new Canadian study, stroke survivors were leery about exercising at a rehab center due to heart fears.

Actually, the right exercise routine can improve almost any health condition by reducing stress, controlling weight, keeping muscles and joints strong and flexible and improving key health indicators like blood pressure, blood sugar and LDL cholesterol. Talk with your doctor about what's safe for you.

Fear No. 3: "It's too dangerous out there alone." In a 2015 review of research on women and exercise, personal safety emerged as a major obstacle to walking. Older people worried about falling, especially on a solo walk or when exercising alone at home or at the gym. These are legitimate concerns. Try setting up walking dates with a buddy -- it's the No. 1 way to keep you exercising regularly -- in an area where you feel safe. Ask your doc about ways to improve your balance. If your goal is to stroll outdoors, look for options with flat, even surfaces like a running track (no one will mind if you walk it!) or a well-maintained, paved or gravel trail. And take a course on learning how to fall (see our book "YOU: Staying Young"). Learning how to roll when you sense you are falling is key to preventing breaks and injury.

Fear No. 4: "Bad things just happen." We've all read sad stories about the apparently super-healthy marathon runner who dies during a race or the person whose heart suddenly stops during a pick-up basketball game. Don't let that stop you. One new study determined that sudden cardiac arrest among midlife exercisers is relatively rare -- around 5 percent of all cases of sudden cardiac arrest -- and that many times people experienced warning signs like pain or unusual fatigue in the preceding week. The take-home for safe exercise: Pay attention to your body. Know your limits. Keep moving.

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## A chance to win fantastic prizes at 2nd annual Airplane Drop

A fundraiser for Wings over Gaylord air show is offering a chance to win exciting and extreme flying experiences including zip lining, parasailing and skydiving. The second annual Paper Airplane Drop, taking place June 19 at the airport, is a fun way of supporting Gaylord's ever-growing air show while having a shot at seeing Northern Michigan from the air three different ways.

There are four prize packages: a skydive for one person (and instructor) with Skydive Harbor Springs; four Zipline Adventure passes and four Avalanche Bay waterpark passes at Boyne; and a parasailing trip for two with Mackinaw Parasailing. Also up for grabs is a complete rod, reel and tackle package from Jay's Sporting Goods in Gaylord.

Tickets for the raffle-style fundraiser are \$10 and are available at Gaylord Regional Airport, Alpine Lodge, Hampton Inn, Gaylord Herald Times and Eagle 101.5, or by calling Chris Engle at 989-657-6115.

Instead of a traditional raffle, winners will be determined by dropping paper air-

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planes, all at once, from the raised basket of a fire truck ladder early Friday morning of air show weekend. Numbers on the uniform paper airplanes correspond to the numbers on tickets. The planes, which fly the furthest from the drop point, will earn their ticket holders a pick from the prize pool. The first-place ticket holder will earn first pick; runner-up gets second pick; third place has third pick; and fourth place gets last pick. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win and will be contacted by phone following the drop to pick their prize.

Jumpers with Skydive Harbor Springs leave the airplane from 2 miles up and accelerate to 120 mph during a 60-second freefall. On clear days, jumpers can see the Mackinac Bridge, Beaver Island and Grand Traverse Bay.

The recipient of the jump must be over 18 and weigh under 200 pounds. Anyone over 200 pounds must pay an additional fee, with 250 pounds being the maximum. Skydives are subject to weather conditions.

Zipline Adventure tours at Boyne last two hours and take riders on a series of 10 lines running a total of 4,300 feet from the top of the mountain down. Riders fly at speeds of 25 mph and up to 50 feet in the air, through the trees and across the slopes of Boyne Mountain. Four passes to Avalanche Bay indoor waterpark at Boyne are included with the zipline package.

Riders with Mackinaw Parasailing will soar 300 feet up over the Straits of Mackinac as they're towed behind a speed boat. From that vantage point, riders will be able to look

down on the deck of the Mackinac Bridge and see Mackinac Island, ferries and the Upper and Lower peninsulas. Parasailing flights last 10 to 12 minutes. Maximum total weight for tandem flights is 450 pounds and minimum age to fly is 3.

If flying is not your forte, Jay's Sporting Goods has assembled a complete fishing kit with rod, reel, tackle box, filet knife and a dozen lures.

Each of the four prize packages comes with two tickets to the air show. The fundraiser is sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Gaylord, Alpine Tavern & Eatery, the Otsego County Fire Department, and Chapter 1095 of the Experimental Aircraft Association. Last year's event raised \$540 for the air show, which takes place June 20-21 this year at Gaylord Regional Airport.

## USDA offers disaster loss protection

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director, Christine White, today announced that producers who apply for FSA farm loans also will be offered the opportunity to enroll in new disaster loss protections created by the 2014 Farm Bill. The new coverage, available from the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP), is available to FSA loan applicants who grow non-insurable crops, so this is especially important to fruit and vegetable producers and other specialty crop growers.

"FSA is opening its doors wider so that more

specialty farmers know of our array of services," said White. "And new, underserved and limited income specialty growers who apply for farm loans could qualify for basic loss coverage at no cost, or higher coverage for a discounted premium."

The basic disaster coverage protects at 55 percent of the market price for crop losses that exceed 50 percent of production. Covered crops include "specialty" crops, for instance, vegetables, fruits, mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng, honey, syrup, hay, forage, grazing and energy crops.

In addition to free basic coverage, beginning, underserved or limited income producers are eligible for a 50 percent discount on premiums for the higher levels of coverage that protect up to 65 percent of expected production at 100 percent of the average market price. Producers also may work with FSA to protect value-added production, such as organic or direct market crops, at their fair market value in those markets. Targeted underserved groups eligible for free or discounted coverage are American Indians or Alaskan Natives, Asians, Blacks or African Americans, Native Hawaiians

or other Pacific Islanders, Hispanics, and women.

FSA offers a variety of loan products, including farm ownership loans, operating loans and microloans that have a streamlined application process.

Growers need not apply for an FSA loan, nor be a beginning, limited resource, or underserved farmer, to be eligible for Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program assistance. To learn more, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/nap](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/nap) or [www.fsa.usda.gov/farm-loans](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/farm-loans), or contact your local FSA office at <https://offices.usda.gov>.



# Charlevoix County Commission on Aging

"The mission of the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging is to provide the highest quality senior services in partnership with the community. We focus our efforts on advocacy and support for seniors and their caregivers by promoting health, wellness, and education to achieve a dignified and enriched quality of life."

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## Area June Happenings

6/10, 17, 24, Wed. 8am - 12pm

www.hospicenwm.org

6/13, 20, 27, Saturdays

**Boyer City Farmers' Market**  
Outdoor market in Veteran's Park on Lake Street.  
www.boynechamber.com

6/11, 18, 25, Thursdays, 9am - 1pm

**Charlevoix Farmers' Market**  
East Park, along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix.  
www.charlevoix.org

6/11, 18, 25, Thursdays, 9am - 1pm

**East Jordan Farmers' Market**  
Sportsman's Park, 85 Bridge Street.  
www.ejchamber.org

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.  
www.boynechamber.com

6/14, Sunday, 4:00pm

**Monthly Adult Grief Support Group**  
Support program held at the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix. Please call to register or for more information at 231-547-7659.

6/19, Friday - 6/20, Saturday

**Ellsworth Pig Roast/Ellebration**  
"Back to our Roots" Theme to celebrate their agricultural/ unique hometown heritage. The event will feature a hometown parade, a great meal, lots of kids' games, annual horse pull, archery events and lots more.  
www.ejchamber.org

6/22, Monday, 5pm - 9pm

**Charlevoix Summer Open House**  
Participating shops and restaurants will extend a warm welcome to all by offering great deals, prize drawings, specials, snacks, activities, refreshments and more!  
www.charlevoix.org

6/23, Tuesday - 6/28, Sunday

**East Jordan Freedom Festival**  
Four great days of family fun. Carnival, live music, block party, kids' games, fireworks, parades, and much more. Visit www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org or call the Chamber Office @ 231-536-7351.

6/24, Wednesdays, 6:30pm

**Evenings at the Gazebo**  
Free concerts in Old City Park, corner of Park and River Street. For more info, visit www.gazeboconcerts.com  
www.boynechamber.com

6/26, Friday - 6/27, Saturday

**SOBO Arts Festival**  
Festival begins Friday evening in the SOBO Downtown District with Stroll the Streets. Saturday (11am - 7pm) festival activities move to nearby Peninsula Beach.  
www.boynechamber.com or www.soboartsfestival.com

6/27, Saturday - 6/28, Sunday

**17th Annual Summer Art Show**  
Downtown Charlevoix in East Park. The show features many beautiful and unique items on the shores of scenic Round Lake.  
www.charlevoix.org

6/28, Sunday, 4:00pm

**Annual Memorial Service**  
Open to the public @ Depot Beach, Charlevoix.  
www.hospicenwm.org

### BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

<b>Thursday, June 11</b> Foot Clinic (by Appt) 11am Backwoods Maestros Raffle	<b>Friday, June 12</b> Foot Clinic (by Appt) 11am Backwoods Maestros Raffle	<b>Monday, June 15</b> Brown-Bag Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize	<b>Tuesday, June 16</b> 11am Ray & Tom Brown-Bag Bingo - Free Lunch Prize	<b>Wednesday, June 17</b> Foot Clinic (AM by Appt) 5:30-7pm Ray & Tom 50/50 Raffle	<b>Thursday, June 18</b> 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program
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### CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

<b>Thursday, June 11</b> 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30 Roger Hartson Music 1pm Pinochle 1pm Wii Bowling w/Cheboygan Senior Center	<b>Friday, June 12</b> 1pm Rummy	<b>Monday, June 15</b> 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	<b>Tuesday, June 16</b> 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Paint Class 1pm Rummy Turtle Creek Casino Trip	<b>Wednesday, June 17</b> 2:45 pm Bingo 4:30-5:30pm Roger Hartson Music	<b>Thursday, June 18</b> 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Pinochle
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### EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

<b>Thursday, June 11</b> Foot Clinic 10am Advisory Bd Mtg KARAOKE DAY!	<b>Friday, June 12</b> 11am Ray & Tom Bingo/Raffle	<b>Monday, June 15</b> Foot Clinic & BP 8am-1pm Walking M-	<b>Tuesday, June 16</b> 10:30am Line Dancing 12:30pm Bingo 1pm Paint Class	<b>Wednesday, June 17</b> 4pm Backwoods Maestros	<b>Thursday, June 18</b> 10am Advisory Bd Mtg KARAOKE DAY!
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### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

<b>Thursday, June 11</b> COOK'S CHOICE	<b>Friday, June 12</b>	<b>Monday, June 15</b> BREAKFAST	<b>Tuesday, June 16</b> CHICKEN ENCHILADA	<b>Wednesday, June 17</b> NIGHT DINNER: BAKED FISH OR ALTERNATIVE	<b>Thursday, June 18</b> COOK'S CHOICE
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# News

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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.

## CHARLEVOIX PLEIN AIR AT THE BEACH

June 11, starting at 9:30am, Norwood Beach Park. Artists, painters...all are welcome. US 31 7.5mi south of Charlevoix to Norwood Rd. Turn West, Norwood Rd to Norwood, turn West on Lake Street, Take Lake St. all the way to Lake Michigan, there's the Park.

## 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. "The Accidentals" will kick off the 2015 Music in the Park Concert Series. "The Accidentals" recently won the "Red Hot" Best for Local Band/Solo Musician in the Traverse the Magazine "Red Hot Best of Northern Michigan 2015". East Jordan is very fortunate to have this talented trio as part of the 2015 concert line-up. "The Accidentals" perform alternative acoustic Indie Roc and appeal to all ages. Plan on getting to East Jordan early to enjoy dinner and then get your space for this spectacular concert! Check out their website at <http://www.moreaccidentals.com/>

## 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](mailto:info@charlevoix.org)

## BOYNE CITY VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME

June 13, 1:30pm, Rotary Park. Matchup between Petoskey Mossbacks and Ludington Mariners. Complete with vintage uniforms.

## 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 differ-

ent 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 "HOW DADS SHAPE US" DISCUSSION

June 14, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The impact of fathers on children will be examined. The program, titled "A Father's Power: How Dads Shape Us—for Better or Worse," includes a filmed interview with former gang member and current father Mark DeEzparza. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Snacks and beverages are available.

## 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 ongoing 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

June 19 & 20. The Pig Roast/Ellebration tradition continues! Friday evening events will include a 50's drive-in and a water slide. Saturday's festivities include a 5 K run, a home-town parade, a great meal, lots of games/activities for children (all free), the annual horse pull and archery events and lots more. New this year will be a motorcycle tour, a basketball shoot-out, special activities for teens, and a reunion event for Ellsworth alums who graduated in the 60's. Please check out our Facebook page, "Ellsworth Pig Roast," for details.

## BOYNE CITY "HOW TO CATCH A LIAR" EXPLORED AT LIFETREE

June 21, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. Practical ways to tell if someone is telling the truth will be explored in a program, titled "How to Spot a Liar: Secrets. From a Former FBI Agent," features a filmed interview with FBI counterintelligence officer John Schafer. As a behavioral analyst for the FBI's National Security Division, Schafer developed deception-detection techniques that are now widely used by intelligence and law enforcement agencies. In his interview, Schafer shares key indicators that signal when someone is lying. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Snacks and beverages are available.

## EAST JORDAN FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

June 22, 7pm, Memorial Park. Worn out flags will be retired in Flag Burning Ceremony. Old flags can be dropped off at City Hall. Any military people that would like to participate by saluting the flags as they are retired - show up at 6:40pm the day of. Questions call Connie Roberts, 231-675-4332

## 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](http://www.charlevoix.org) or call (231) 547-2101 for details.

## BOYNE CITY GAZEBO CONCERT: GALACITC SHERPAS

June 24, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic dinner and beverage. New this year, Thick 'N' Juicy Diner will bring their food cart, offering burgers and hot dogs at the concerts.

## 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 FARMERS MARKET

The Boyne City Farmers Market outdoor market season is in full swing, open every Wednesday and Saturday from 8am- noon at Veterans Park.

## CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

Charlevoix Farmers Market, East Park, Thursdays, 9am-1pm along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix. Follow event updates on: [www.facebook.com/CharlevoixFarmersMarket](http://www.facebook.com/CharlevoixFarmersMarket)

## EAST JORDAN FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays, 9am-1pm at Sportsman's Park (Bridge Street). On Facebook at [EastJordanFarmer'sMarket](http://EastJordanFarmer'sMarket)

## 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.

## 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](mailto: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](http://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 [kroondyk@boynelibrary.org](mailto:kroondyk@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

## 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.

## BOYNE CITY GAZEBO CONCERT: UP NORTH VOCAL INSTITUTE

July 1, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic dinner and beverage. New this year, Thick 'N' Juicy Diner will bring their food cart, offering burgers and hot dogs at the concerts.

## BOYNE CITY GAZEBO CONCERT: STEEL DRUM QUARTET

July 8, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic dinner and beverage. New this year, Thick 'N' Juicy Diner will bring their food cart, offering burgers and hot dogs at the concerts.

## BOYNE CITY CANDIDATES FORUM

July 13, 6:30pm, Boyne District Library. Boyne Area Chamber will hold a Candidates Forum for Boyne City Commission candidates. There will be six candidates competing for two positions on the City Commission.

## 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 GAZEBO CONCERT: FULL CIRCLE

July 15, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic dinner and beverage. New this year, Thick 'N' Juicy Diner will bring their food cart, offering burgers and hot dogs at the concerts.

## 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.

## BOYNE CITY GAZEBO CONCERT: THE JOHNS

July 22, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic dinner and beverage. New this year, Thick 'N' Juicy Diner will bring their food cart, offering burgers and hot dogs at the concerts.

## BOYNE CITY GAZEBO CONCERT: OILIVIA MILLERSCHIN

July 19, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, a picnic dinner and beverage. New this year, Thick 'N' Juicy Diner will bring their food cart, offering burgers and hot dogs at the concerts.

## 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](mailto:jodell_danbert@hotmail.com).

## 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.

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## 9th annual Rotary Variety Show a rollicking success

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The 9th annual East Jordan Rotary Variety Show, which was held on Friday and Saturday, June 5th and 6th at the Community Auditorium at East Jordan High School, was a wonderful success and a sell-out box office once again both nights. Rotarian Chip Hansen led the evening's festivities as the Master of Ceremonies, and the show featured a wide variety of comedic and musical entertainment.

"The community provides such amazing support for the show," said Chip Hansen, who chairs the Variety Show's planning group. "The audience

showed such enthusiasm for the skits and the medleys," he said, adding, "which really makes for a fun event for everyone."

Featuring the fabulous Rotary Chorus, 28 members strong, the show blended its trademark slapstick humor with 4 chorus medleys, producing an evening of great comedy and song. Throughout, the ever-popular Rotary Swing Band entertained the audience with their world-class performance.

The Chorus thrilled the audience with their military and railroad medleys, which fea-

Adding a scientific element to the evening is John Kempton providing some helpful insights to the audience at last Friday's Rotary Show.



Master of Ceremonies Chip Hansen with Jerry Hepner.



A bit of WWII USO nostalgia from Toni Jeffrey, Tammy Jackson and Karen Brennan.

tured such classics as "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and "City of New Orleans." Mike Aenis chairs the show's production team, and he loved what he saw and heard. "The Chorus is really the heart of the show," he said, adding, "we're blessed with great voices and range, and they always perform with a lot of enthusiasm and class."

The Rotary Swing Band is anchored by pianist Bob Bryan, and Bud Bechtold, the music director of the Epsilon Jazz Band. "Our musicians come from far and wide," said Mark Penzien, who supports the work of the band closely, "they're all professionals, and they produce a great sound that gets the audience moving in their seats."

Every Rotarian supports the show in some way. Some are actors and members of the chorus, others work back stage, as ushers, or selling tickets. This year, the East Jordan Lions Club got into the act too, providing several fun, and funny,

interruptions during the show. "We love our Lions Club, too," Penzien said. "They do a lot of good in our community and it was great to involve them in this year's show."

Next year marks the 10th anniversary of the Rotary Variety Show. "What started as a year-to-year event has become a must-do for our club," Hansen said. "The show is fun to plan,

fun to do, and fun for the community."

Proceeds from the show will be utilized in support of all the good work the East Jordan Rotary Club does throughout the year including scholarship support for local students, youth leadership training programs, community improvement projects and more.

Bringing on the song with Debbie Manville, Gary Roberts, Debbie Chappuies.



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