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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING SEPT. 8, 2015

City road maintenance bid approved

By Tina Sundelius

BOYNE CITY - At an untraditionally short September 8 meeting the Boyne City Commission renewed services with the city's assessor and approved a road maintenance bid.

Three years ago the city's longstanding assessing agreement with Charlevoix County changed to a cooperative arrangement with

the cities of East Jordan and Charlevoix. After a long bidding and review process. DC Assessing was hired at that time. "Since going through this process I think we've had very good results," said City Manager Michael Cain. The agreement included having Debra Chavez in each of the city's offices one day a week. A motion to renew the original agreement for another three years with no increases with the estimated costs of \$55,100 per

year was passed. "All in all I believe the level and quality of our assessing services have improved using DC Assessing," said Cain.

A bid from Reith Riley in the amount of \$299,860 was accepted to compete the 2015 pavement maintenance program. 2,250 feet of Line and Groveland Streets will receive crush and shape work including curbs, 3,250 feet of Jefferson and N. Park Streets will receive crush and shape work and

3.050 feet of Front, N Park and Brockway Streets will receive mill and fill paving. "I think we'll get some very good lifespans out of these," said Streets and Parks Superintendent Andy Kovolski.

In his final comments of the meeting, Mayor Ron Grunch asked Kovolski if he had any volunteers for the subcommittee that the commission authorized to look at

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SPORTS REPOR

FOOTBALL



Rayder quarterback, Forrest Noirot unloads a pass as the Rambler defense pursues. (Photo by Cinda Shu-

Ramblers survive tough Rayder team

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Boyne City Harvest Festival invites all artists, crafts people and farmers to join the Harvest Festival in downtown Boyne City on October 3, from 8am to 4pm. The show is open to all farmers, artists and craft persons and is in conjunction with our Farmers Market, which draws hundreds of people. Registration fees are \$50 (\$30 for chamber members) for 12x12-ft space, with additional 12x12 spaces @ \$40 (\$20 for chamber members) each.

The downtown streets will be closed for the festival. In addition to the Farmers Market, other activities will include a scarecrow contest, live music, pumpkin decorating, face painting, leaf decorating and many other children's activities located throughout downtown, hay rides, Empty Bowls soup luncheon and quilt raffle at the library, food and drink specials from our local restaurants and stores.

The event is sponsored by Petoskey Area Visitors Bureau. For lodging information, visit www.PetoskeyArea.com.

The Harvest Festival is hosted by Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce and Boyne City Main Street. For more information, contact 231.582.6222 or visit www.boyneharvestfestival.com to obtain a vendor application.



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ive music by the Jordan Valley All Stars. Includes a professional dance lesson by the 2 Left Feet Dance Company at 6pm. Suggested dona tion - \$10 per person, children 12 and under free. Bring your own soft drinks and snacks. For more information please call (231)-533-8368.

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SEP 7	48°	74°	36° (1955)	89° (1960)
SEP 8	48°	74°	35° (1957)	89° (1959)
SEP 9	48°	74°	31° (1975)	90° (1976)
SEP 10.	47°	73°	30° (1967)	90° (2002)

Michael Dawson Miller, 71

(JUNE 8, 1944 - SEPT. 1, 2015)

Michael Dawson Miller of East

Jordan, passed away Tuesday, September 1, 2015, at Charlevoix Area Hospital. He was born June 8, 1944, in Petoskev to



Lawrence Duane and Ann Dawson. He grew up in East Jordan graduating from East Jordan High School in 1962. Michael attended North Central Michigan College before entering the US Army during the Vietnam War. He flew helicopters on two tours of duty and was discharged as a Standardization Instruction Pilot. Following his tours in Vietnam, he served in the National Guard.

He worked for Boyne USA, most recently as Head of Convention Services at The Inn of Bay Harbor. He attended the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, and was a member of the Charlevoix Area Buffs Flying

On November 24, 1984, he married Alice L. Pletz at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix.

Michael is survived by his wife, Alice Pletz-Miller; son, Kevin Dawson Miller of Boulder, Colo.; grandsons, Dawson and Wyett;

sister, Melissa Hite of Canton. He was preceded in death by his father, Lawrence Miller; stepfather, Jay M. Hite; and mother, Ann Dawson Miller Hite Bisbee.

Memorial service will be 2 pm, Saturday, September 12, at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, where visitation will begin at 1 pm. The Reverend Neil Wilson will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Area Buffs Flying Club. P.O. Box 43. Charlevoix, MI 49720; or to the First Congregational Church, 101 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

The arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

Howard G. Struthers, 88

(JUNE 13, 1927 - SEPT. 5, 2015)

Howard G. Struthers of Charlevoix, passed away Saturday, September 5, 2015, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix. He was born June 13, 1927, in Charlevoix, to John and Anna (Sauder) Struthers. Howard attended Charlevoix High School before entering the US Army during WWII. He served at the end of WWII, and in Korea.

On February 7, 1955, he married Mona L. McFarland in Charlevoix.

Howard was an Optician at Burns Clinic in Petoskey for twenty-seven years. He owned Howard's Optical in Charlevoix

OBITUARIES for fifteen years before retiring.

Howard loved to golf, and in the winter he bowled. He was a member of VFW Post 1153, Charlevoix.

He is survived by his wife, Mona L; son, Charles (Barbara) Struthers; daughter, Lee Ann Struthers, all of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Robert (Nikkie) Struthers, Cheryl (Devin) Haas; great-grandchildren, Aubrey and Thomas; and a great-granddaughter to be in November, Arabella.

A private graveside service is planned.

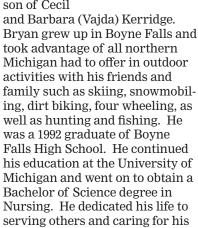
Please share memories of Howard at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com

Bryan Wayne Kerridge, 41

JULY 18, 1974 ~ AUGUST 29, 2015 (AGE 41) Bryan Wayne Kerridge of

Grand Rapids, died unexpectedly at his home on August 29, 2015.

Bryan was born on July 18, 1974 in Petoskey, the son of Cecil



settings. Bryan married Lorrie on August 22, 1998 and were blessed with a daughter, Kya (14). Together they raised their daughter along with step-daughter Gabrielle (19). Bryan and Lorrie later divorced. In 2007, Bryan and Margie Hendges were blessed with a son, Calvin (8) and have been raising him along with her children Bailey and Tony. He was a loving and devoted father and enjoyed few things more than spending quality time with his

patients in a variety of healthcare

children. Bryan was a very dedicated and focused individual in all aspects of his life. One of his greatest passions was spending countless hours in the gym sculpting his physique. He competed and placed in several state and national body building competitions. Bryan was known for his bright smile and genuine kindness.

Bryan is preceded in death by his father, Cecil (Butch) Kerridge. He is survived by his mother Barbara, sister Nicole (Steve) Murray, his children Kya, Calvin, and step daughter Gabrielle, niece

Brittany, and nephew Brent. Bryan's life will be remembered and celebrated during a funeral mass that will take place at the St. Mathews Catholic Church at 10:30 am on Saturday, September 5, 2015. Visitation will be held in the church gathering space beginning at 9:30 am. Bryan will be laid to rest on Sunday, September 6, 2015 at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Garnet following an 11:00 am graveside service.

Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Barbara Ann Olstrom, 82

(APRIL 1, 1933 - SEPT. 8, 2015)

Barbara Ann Olstrom of East Jordan died Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at Charlevoix Area Hospital.

She was born on April 1, 1933, in East Jordan, the daughter of Solon and Stella (Walton) Barnes. Barbara graduated from East Jordan High School and then attended North Central Michigan College in Petoskey.

On January 27, 1956, in Petoskey, she married Raynor Carl Olstrom. They made their home in East Jordan where she was a caregiver and homemaker. She also had worked at McDonalds in Charlevoix for twelve

She was a former member of the Peninsula Grange. Barbara enjoyed spending time in church and with her friends. She was a poet who loved her "Lord".

Barbara is survived by two sons, Carl (Cindie) Olstrom of East Jordan and Nelson (Dorothy Sisson) Olstrom of Boyne City; one daughter, Karen (Leonard) Kirby of East Jordan; eight grandchildren, William G. (Shani) Britton, Benjamin (Emily) Britton, Matthew (Betsy) Britton, Caleb Olstrom, Jennifer Sisson, Veronica Sisson, Brian (Hyunjin) Kirby, and Tina (Collin) Bronsink; seven great grandchildren, Oliver Britton, Chloe Britton, Charlotte Britton, Ophelia Britton, Andy Kirby, Luke Kirby and Isaac Bronsink; one sister-in-law, Linda Barnes: as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; one sister, Velma McWaters; and one brother, Solon "Bud" Barnes, Jr.

The funeral will be held on Friday, September 11, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Rev. David Behling will officiate.

The family will receive friends on Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M and 10:00 A.M. until service time at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Memorials may be given to Grandvue Medical Care Facility, 1728 S. Peninsula Road, East Jordan, MI 49727.

John ("Jack") Graham Young, 99

(DEC. 12, 1915 - AUG. 25, 2015) Jack Young passed away peace-

fully at Grandvue Facility in East Jordan, MI on August 25 tw days after a family reunion at his home on Douglas



Lake celebrating his 100th year. He was born in Ann Arbor on December 12, 1915, with his identical twin Robert, to his parents Leigh and Francis Young. Jack grew up in Ann Arbor,

graduating from the University of Michigan where he received a BS in Mechanical Engineering in 1939. During college, he joined the ROTC, became a member of Tau Beta Pi and the Society of Les Voyageurs (which he continued to be active in the rest of his life). His first job was with Eastman Kodak in Rochester, New York. With the outbreak of WWII, he served in the Army Ordnance Division until he was discharged as a Captain after 5 years of active duty. He resumed his career as a mechanical engineer first in Weedsport, New York, then in Ann Arbor at King-Seeley Corp. He accepted a faculty position in the Mechanical Engineering Department at the U of M in 1953. He taught for a short time, then organized and directed the Engineering Placement Service to help graduating engineers find jobs and provide career counseling, and was president of the Midwest College Placement Association. He retired as Associ-

ate Professor Emeritus from the University in 1980.

Jack met his future wife, Elizabeth "Betty" French, at Douglas Lake. They were married in Caro, Michigan in 1941. After the war they moved to Ann Arbor in 1947 where they raised their family, and spent most of their summers at Douglas Lake. Jack was active as a leader in First Presbyterian Church, Boy Scouts, American Youth Hostel and Society of Les Voyageurs. Upon Jack's retirement, they became year-round residents at Douglas Lake and enjoyed traveling throughout the world. He served as an early president of Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council and Douglas Lake Improvement Association. He and Betty helped found the northern

Michigan chapter of the 70+ Ski Club during the mid-1980's. He was active in Church of the Straits in Mackinaw City and the Presbytery, and was a delegate to General Assembly. Beginning in 2002 they wintered in Charlevoix next door to their son John, and became active in First Congregational Church, UCC of Charlevoix

Jack enjoyed competition since his days on the high school swim team to his last NASTAR gold medal in skiing in 2003. He used to race regularly with the Douglas Lake Lightning Fleet and enjoyed sailing his sunfish until he was 90, though he had to give up windsurfing at age 85. Other interests included photography, geology, mountain climbing (he summited the Grand Teton with his 14-year-old son Douglas), and flying. He had a great appreciation for nature, the outdoors, and a love of adventure which he shared with Betty and passed on to all his children.

He was preceded in death by his wife Elizabeth, his parents Leigh and Francis, his brother Robert, and sister Barbara Steeh.

He is survived and lovingly remembered by his twin daughters Margaret Sauvain and Carol Kautzmann, sons Douglas, Alan, and John, nine grand-children: Jeffrey and Susan Sauvain, Brian, Kathryn and Christopher Young, Orin and Maya Lucas, Elizabeth Sonntag and Edward Kautzmann; and seven greatgrandchildren, Hanna and Henry Sauvain, Madison and Nicolas Sonntag, Manuel and Wyatt Lucas, and Meara Kautzmann.

Memorial services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, September 5, at First Congregational Church, UCC in Charlevoix.

Dr. Dennis Hudson Cadreau, 62

(JAN. 22, 1953 - AUG. 26, 2015) Dennis was visiting his family

in Laguna Beach for a long weekend from East Jordan, Michigan. A body surfing accident at **Divers Cove** left him paralyzed and



after a sixteen day battle he died from complications of his in-

He was 62 years old. His father Dr. John Cadreau and sister Denise Cadreau predeceased him. Dennis was a beloved son, brother and uncle. He earned his Bachelor's and DVM degrees at MSU and remained a loyal Spartan. Dennis owned and operated House Calls Veterinary Services. He was an animal lover and caring veterinarian.

Dennis was an accomplished award winning sailor who raced his own boat and crewed on others. He also raced in the Chicago/Mackinac Race multiple times. Dennis was in a competitive ski league at Boyne Mountain and helped disabled skiers at Challenge Mountain enjoy Michigan winters. He participated in a mini triathlon, golfed a good game, mountain biked, chopped his own wood and snowboarded way too fast.

Dennis is survived by his mother, Jane Cadreau, sister Liza Barrett, brother-in-law Brad Barrett, nephews Bret and John Bar-

He will be greatly missed by his family, awesome friends and dogs and cats everywhere.

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News

Boyne City Kiwanis show off their bold side

More than 80 cars on display at annual car show

Norma Jean Babcock

BOYNE CITY: On Saturday, September 5, Boyne City saw the bolder side of the local Kiwanis branch as they showcased over 80 cars, ranging from timeless to tuner, in Veterans Park during their annual Boyne Kiwanis Car Show.

The car show is a highlight of Labor Day weekend for many in the area, and despite temperamental weather, this year proved to be no exception. Over 80 cars were shown at the park in the hope of being judged first place in one of 29 trophy classes.

Cars were previewed by locals and guests alike on Friday during the Stroll the Streets event on Lake Street. Then on Saturday the vehicles made their way to the park by 8 am to register for the show. The show was sponsored by many local organizations, while other organizations donated food, beverages, lumber, and tents for the event.

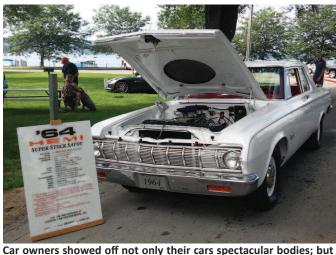
Cars were judged in their various trophy classes at 3 pm on Saturday. Classes ranged from "Street Rod Closed" to "Import" and one winner was awarded in each class. The cars were also judged by year; ranging from early 1900's to present. Cars were categorized by whether they were open or closed, customized or original, special interest or imported, and hand built or factory made. Winners



Despite questionable weather; over 80 car owners came to be judged and hundreds of visitors enjoyed the show. PHOTO BY NORMA



"Is it a car? Or is it a boat?" was the question posed on the detail list on the windshield of this "Amphicar". Either way, it looked to be an



powerful engines as well. PHOTO BY NORMA BABCOCK

were given plaques indicating that they had won first place at the event. Additionally a Kids' Choice Award, Police Chief's Choice and Percy Stowe Memorial Award were granted.

In addition to the first place prizes in each class, door prizes were given away throughout the day to the tune of \$500 according to co-chair of Kiwanis, Ken Visser. The door prizes and trophy prizes were all sponsored by local businesses.

"We are very proud of

our business sponsors who support the car show which in turn supports the Boyne City Kiwanis Foundation. All profits from this go to support kids programs, and most stays in our community," stated Visser.

Visser explained that Kiwanis hopes the future will see even more participants, and that the weather this year made it smaller than they originally hoped. However, all involved in the event worked diligently to make it memorable and enjoyable for not only those



Most all car hoods at the Kiwanis show were propped open so viewers could see the pristine engines preserved by loving owners. One such car had a sign advising passers-by that they should not get close to its vehicle "unless naked" because they might damage its exterior. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

being judged but those who came to their park with their families to enjoy the cars as well.

"We were very proud of this year's show. We would have liked to have had more entrants, but the weather was iffy at the beginning of the day and undoubtedly kept some away; however our club members as well as many other community volunteers worked very hard," said Visser who also extended a large thank you to each of the local businesses, the city, and volunteers who made the event as wonderful as it

Winners for the 29 trophy classes are listed below:

Street Rod Closed 1900-1935: Lake Area Collision Street Rod Closed 1936-1939: Great Lakes Energy Street Rod Closed 1940-

1948: Thick N' Juicy Street Rod Open Body: Classic Instruments

Street Rod Truck: Northern Table Restaurant

Tri Chevy 1955-1957: Fieldcrest Hotel

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Custom Lead Sled: Stackus Funeral Home

Factory Muscle Original-MOPAR: Dogs World North Factory Muscle Original-GM: Thick N' Juicy

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Street Machine 1949-1970: Eriksens 131 Auto Repair Street Machine 1971-1980: Family Fare

Street Machine 1981-Present: Catt Development Stock Original 1900-1950: Bulmann Dock and Lift Stock Original 1951-1960:

Bayko Concrete Service Stock Original 1961-1965:

Auto Value Parts Store Stock Original 1966-1970: True Value of East Jordan Stock Original 1971-1980:

Stackus Funeral Home Stock Original 1981-Present: F.O. Barden Lumber Corvette 1953-1985: Up North Party Store

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3D Printing Technology comes to the Boyne District Library

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY-The iconic line from the movie "Field of Dreams" was, "If you build it, they will come." But at the Boyne District Library lately, the same saying could apply-only in reverse: "If they come, we will build it."

That's because the library is now home to one of one the only 3D printers available for public use in northern Michigan.

Librarian Kerri Houck said the printer was purchased by The Friends of the Boyne District Library and cost \$2500.

Its uses are varied, she said, and it can make anything from small toys to parts for firetrucks.

How it works is that a patron first must decide what they want to construct. They can come into the library and select an existing design on the library's laptop or iPad or else they can bring in their own design.

Once a design is selected, a signal is sent to the 3D printer, much



Librarian Kerri Houck demonstrates how to use the Boyne District Library's 3D printer, one of the only ones of its kind available for public use in northern Michigan

the same as it would be to an ink jet printer, only this time the signal sparks a filament that's fed into an extruder. Minutes later, a three dimensional, hand-held creation is born.



Imagination is key to using the library's 3D printer. Kids who completed the library's reading program this summer were awarded a chance to craft something fun and made everything from replicas of dinosaur skulls to a miniature Eiffel Tower.

This summer, Houck said the printer got a good workout with the library's summer reading program for kids, in which those who completed the program were awarded their choice of a prize: either a free book or the chance to craft something fun using the 3D printer.

"Most, if not all of the kids chose the chance to use the 3D printer," she laughed.

The children made various

items, from tiny tiaras to replicas of dinosaur bones, she said.

Houck said adult patrons have also been making good use of the printer. One patron who restores or builds firetrucks has used it to make parts for the trucks. Other uses include creating cases for clocks or cellphones. An area dice collector used it recently to create a personally designed die.

National attention was recently drawn to the capabilities of a 3D printer when one was used to construct a prosthetic arm.

Librarian De Fleming noted that it is sometimes difficult to construct large scale items, however.

Houck said if a patron uses one of the library's stock designs, it costs 20 cents per gram, usually amounting to an item costing around \$4-\$5. Original designs are free.

"It can be used to make all kinds of things. I made a cookie cutter on it," said Fleming of the 3D printer, "You just use your imagination."

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With this in mind, we hope you will join us for the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce 25th Annual Car Raffle. The Raffle Drawing Party is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16th from 6 to 9pm at Shanahan's Barn at the Charlevoix Country Club. The party will be catered by The Bistro at the Charlevoix Country Club. You need not be present to win.

While only one lucky winner will drive home with a new car, second place will receive \$500 and third place will receive \$250.

Tickets are available for \$100 each or three for \$200. They will be sold up until an hour before the event. Each ticket admits two to the evening's raffle party which includes front row seats to the action, appetizers, door prizes, live DJ, cash bar and



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If you are not able to purchase a raffle ticket, you may still join us at the Car Raffle Drawing Party. \$30 per person includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and door prize eligibility.

Purchase the winning ticket today or RSVP to attend the drawing party by contacting the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231.547.2101, or by visiting www.charlevoix.org

East Jordan High School Class of 1940 celebrates their 75th class reunion



The East Jordan High School Class of 1940 recently celebrates their 75th class reunion. Shown here are (First Row): Thelma McKinnon, Pat Schloop, Fay Beal, (Second Row): Mary Bloomfield, Glenn Gee, Shirley Shepard. COURTESY PHOTO

30,000 shrug off the rain to walk the Mighty Mac

About 30,000 smiles were peeking out from beneath ponchos and rain jackets on Labor Day for the annual Mackinac Bridge Walk, as a 58-year tradition overcame a drizzly morning.

"Many people from Michigan and beyond look forward to the bridge walk all year, so we're thrilled the weather cooperated enough to keep the tradition going," said Bob Sweeney, executive secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA). "It's always a fun event, and I'm sure people were already making their plans for next year as they traveled home yesterday."

On Sunday prior to the walk, rain was forecast as a near-certainty. However, the thunderstorms and lighting that could have forced delay or even cancellation of the walk held off, and a light rain with brisk winds were all that walkers had to contend with. Bridge staff stayed in contact with the National Weather Service office in Gaylord for updates before and during the walk.

While the bridge walk has never been cancelled outright, it has been delayed and ended early before. In 2000, the start was delayed until 8:30 a.m. and then stopped at 9:30 a.m. In 2002, the walk was ended a half-hour early at 10:30 a.m. due to high winds, and the MBA sent buses onto the bridge to pick up anyone uncomfortable completing the event

Sanitary Sewer project begins with groundbreaking

The ceremony was held at the Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club, 00970 Marina Drive, Boyne City on Tuesday, September 8 at 10:30am with gathering and entertainment provided by the Pine River Jazz Band.

This project, some nine years in the making, will allow for increased economic expansion in the Boyne City area while helping to improve the quality of Lake Charlevoix by allowing those properties along the project route, both in Eveline Township and Boyne City, to connect to Boyne City's first class Sanitary Sewer System and abandon their septic systems at a time of their

choosing or when necessary.

The project consists of a new sanitary sewage pumping station to be located at the southerly end of the Sommerset Pointe property, and approximately 3 miles of 6-inch diameter force main to the City's existing pumping station on Front Street at Peninsula Beach. The force main will be installed along the west/south side of Lakeshore Drive and Front

The force main has been designed to accommodate approximately 100 connections associated with the Sommerset Pointe development plus some 60 residential connections from

abutting property owners in the Township and another 27 connections in the City. The force main will include approximately 19 air release/cleanout structures. The majority of pipeline will be installed via horizontal directional drilling to minimize surface disturbance.

The total cost of construction and engineering for the project is approximately \$2.3 million. Construction began along Lakeshore Drive beginning on Tuesday, September 8. The roadway will be reduced to one lane, with traffic control provided by temporary traffic signals to maintain two-way traffic. The majority of the

project work should be completed by November 15 of this year, with minor cleanup and restoration occurring in the spring of 2016 if necessary.

Residents along the route have the opportunity to have a service connection placed to the property line as a part of this initial project. They have until about September 8 to commit to this. Otherwise they will need to hire a contractor to make this connection in the future should they wish to connect. Information regarding the residential connections should be obtained from the City of Boyne City.

18th annual NCMC cookout is this Sunday

The public is invited to North Central Michigan College's 18th annual cookout on Sunday, September 13 from noon to 3:00 p.m. on the Petoskey campus. The cookout is a fundraising event for the North Central Michigan College Foundation Scholarship

Attendees will enjoy a picnic-style lunch of pulled pork, hot dogs, corn on the cob, marinated bean salad, potatoes/peppers/parmesan casserole and cookie bars. The children's area has been expanded to a Kidz Zone, complete with four bouncy houses, carnival games, ping pong, pickleball, tumbling mats for toddlers and other activities. There will also be a big screen with the football game for parents. Outside,

enjoy a living checkerboard game, loopy ball, a live radio remote with Fish from Lite 96 and tours of the Fab Lab. There will also be a silent auction of unique items.

Cookout tickets are available on the Petoskey campus in Student Services or the fitness center, the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce and Oleson's Market. Ticket prices are \$8 per person. Children five and under eat free. For more information, call 231-439-6300

Visit www.ncmich.edu and click on the Cookout billboard. Major sponsors for the Cookout are Meijer, Inc., Petoskey News-Review, Northern Trust, 9and10 News, American Spoon and Odawa Casino.

Weatherization, other resources available to veterans this winter

Those who faced higher than expected heating costs last winter have until Sept. 30 to apply for a tax credit to help pay those utility bills. The Michigan Home Heating Credit is available to qualified homeowners and renters in the state through the Michigan Public Service Commission. Applying for the credit can be done online by filling out the MI-1040CR-7 form available at

Michigan.gov/taxes or by calling 517-636-4486. Paper copies of the application can also be found where income tax forms are available, including local Secretary of State offices.

The Home Heating Credit is awarded based on the number of residents in a household, income and heating costs incurred during 2014. More information can be found at Michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/home_heating_credit_361574_7.pdf?2 0150821141703.

For veterans and their families experiencing high winter energy bills or other hardships in the coming months, there may be additional resources available. Call the Michigan Veteran Resource Service Center at 800-MICH-VET (800-642-4838) for more information about emergency financial assistance.

"The winter months can be long and hard for those living paycheck-to-paycheck, but financial assistance is available through both the Home Heating Credit and the MVRSC," MVAA Director Jeff Barnes said. "The last few winters have been especially harsh, and these programs go a long way in helping Michigan veterans stay

on their feet financially."
Veterans are also encouraged to weatherize and insulate their homes prior to winter, which can save money and heating costs. Installing door sweeps or weatherstripping, applying caulk around the edges of windows and checking foundations for any cracks or holes are just a few ways to lower energy bills this winter.

State and county agencies and local organizations also offer veterans and their families a number of resources to help pay utility bills and provide food and housing assistance. To learn more about these resources, contact MVAA by phone at 800-MICH-VET (800-642-4838) or online at Michigan Veterans.com.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

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options and make recommendations concerning the city's arsenic contaminated playground. The answer was no. "That park is dead without children in it. I know we have a lot of community volunteers out there that can make it happen," said Grunch.

In Cain's comments concerning the Labor Day weekend he praised the community. "It really took a community to pull it all off," he said. Cain mentioned the many activities that took place over the weekend including the Red Fox Regatta, DALMAC bike event, triathlon, the drag race, car show and stroll the streets all went forward smoothly.

Household hazardous waste drop off will be held by appointment on September 11 and 12.

The next Boyne City commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22 at noon.

Ellsworth rallies community to transform downtown with new park

The Michigan Economic Development Corporation and the Village of Ellsworth today announced a new crowdfunding campaign through Michiganbased crowdfunding platform Patronicity. The campaign will support the activation of a vacant downtown lot into a public green space.

If the community hits its crowdfunding goal of \$26,000 by August 31, MEDC will provide a \$26,000 matching grant with funds made possible by the Public Spaces Community Places program. For project details and to donate, please visit: www.Patronicity.com/Ellsworth

In December, 2011, the building that occupied the now vacant lot burned down, deemed a complete loss. The fire revealed an opportune location for a new town square located next to the

Township Hall.

"Public Spaces Community Places is a good resource for communities to restore or activate public spaces," said MEDC Community Development Director Katharine Czarnecki. "We are pleased to be able to partner in this effort to transform a vacant lot into a community gathering place for residents and visitors."

Money raised through the crowdfunding campaign will go toward phase one of the public park project. This includes site preparation and grading, installation of utilities, tearing down an old garage structure and landscaping. Once completed, the park will also include public restrooms and an open air pavil-

"Now is the time for all those persons who have wanted some-

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thing done with that corner to step forward and make the dream a reality," said Village President Hugh Campbell. "We really appreciate the community coming out to help us with this project. This park will be a community asset that will be around for generations of citizens to enjoy, and we really couldn't do it without the support of the community and MEDC.

The total cost for phase one is approximately \$67,000. The Village of Ellsworth and Banks Township have already pledged a combined total of \$15,000, with the crowdfunding campaign meeting the remaining amount.

Public Spaces Community Places is a collaborative effort of the MEDC, the Michigan Municipal League, and Patronicity where local residents can use

crowdfunding to be part of the development of strategic projects in their communities and be backed with a matching grant from MEDC. Communities, non-profits and other business entities can apply at https://patronicity.com/puremi chigan.

Pure Michigan is a brand representing business, talent and tourism initiatives across Michigan. These efforts are driven by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, which serves as the state's marketing arm and lead advocate for business growth, jobs and opportunity with a focus on helping grow Michigan's economy.

For more on the MEDC and its initiatives, visit michiganbusi-

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2015

0808 Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of Jefferson

0910 Found blackberry from the Industrial Park turned into PD. Was returned to owner. Noise complaint from 0942 River St. Had occurred the day

1044 child custody issue in the 300 block of E Division St 1133 Citation issued for careless driving at Park and

Voael St. Found wallet turned into PD. Returned to owner. 2046 Report of juveniles breaking a TV and throwing it in

sion St. Unable to locate. 2142 Fireworks complaint reported at Boyne Av and High

the bushes at Second and Divi-

Citation issued for Speed at Lake and Vogel 2300 Report of suspicious subject in the 400 block of S Lake St.

Juvenile complaint in the 400 block of S Lake St.

TUESDAY AUGUST 11, 2015 0605 Private property dam-

age accident in the 400 block of N Lake St 0752 Report of lost wallet

Suspicious activity reported in the 400 block of Boyne Av

0951 Report of damage to vehicle.

Larceny reported in 1251 the 300 block of F Division St 1305 Report of lost wallet on W Water St

1342 Report of subject trying to hitchhike at State and Jefferson.

1353 Assist EMS in the 400 block of S Park St.

1410 Funeral escort to Maple Lawn

Vehicle unlock at Ava-1431 lanche

1455 Vehicle unlock in the parking lot off the alley behind the 100 block of E Water St.

Assist EMS in the 700

block of Vogel St. Report of juveniles playing in the road on Roosevelt

1836

Assist Sheriff Dept 2325 with warrant arrest in the 200 block of S Lake St

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12, 2015

0618 Hit and run accident damaging stop sign at N. Lake St and Michigan Ave.

0838 Harassment complaint from the 900 block of Wilson St

0920 Report of found purse in the 100 block of E Water St 0926 Report of lost purse. Owner will pick it up from the 100 block of F Water St

Report of lost wallet. Vehicle unlock in the 1030 700 block of First St

Assist EMS in the 300 1200 block of E Division St

Report of highly intox-1240 icated subject in the 1300 block of Boyne Av. Transported to hospital by EMS

1347 Property damage accident in the 100 block of E Water St

1647 Report of gasoline leak down division St to S Park

1809 Juvenile complaint in the 300 block of Silver St

1835 Report of juveniles playing Frisbee in the roadway at Park and Main St.

1937 Assist to DNR on Fall Park Rd. 2030 Arrested subject on

warrant in the 200 block of S Lake St Retail Fraud in the 2103 100 block of E Water St. Sus-

pect located and stolen items recovered. 2123 Alarm in the 100 block

of N East St. 2135 Another call of an alarm in the area of Pearl and Boyne Ave. It was the alarm on N East St.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2015

1142 Disturbance in the 400 block of S Lake St. Found Keys at Avalanche.

Request for welfare 1230

check on dog at Michigan and Line.

1418 Assist Sheriff Dept with Domestic Violence com-

plaint on BC-EJ Rd 1644 Driving complaint on Division St.

2141 Alarm in the 300 block of N Lake St

2152 Juvenile complaint in the 300 block of W. Morgan St.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2015

Report of lost wallet 0853 Report of missing key ring containing fob and three keys

0940 Vehicle unlock on Contractor Dr

0943 Landlord- tenant issue in the 400 block of N East St. 1013 2 golden retrievers

running at large n Avalanche. Harassment complaint in the 600 block of N.

East St. 1957 Assisted Sheriff Dept with a warrant on M-75 N. 2043 Tree down on some telephone wires on Groveland. 2324 Dog struck by car in

front on Boyne Ave. 2347 Assist MSP with welfare check on Park St

SATURDAY. AUGUST 15. 2015

0943 Report of a suspicious bone located at Avalanche. It was a deer leg.

1113 Report of a dog left in a hot car at Park and Main. The owner was near the car, the

windows were down and it was

1118 Report of a dog in distress in a hot car in the 400 block of N Lake St.

1151 Gasoline drive off form the 200 block of S Lake St. Located the suspect who returned to pay.

1242 Assist to Antrim County in locating a Juvenile runaway

1434 Noise complaint in the 300 block of E Division St.

1825 Citation issued or speed a Lake and Division 2146 Alarm in the 400 block

0505 Alarm in the 300 block of S. Park St. Motion alarm set off by a bat.

of S Park St.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2015 0756 Private Property dam-

age accident in the 400 block of N Lake St.

0954 Continued harassment complaint in the 900 block of Wilson. 1014 Repot of a lost green

and white paddle boat that drifted away. 1330 Found a credit card.

Assist Sheriff Dept 1358 with a drive off from Bovne

Located and returned it to

Falls 1511 Assist Fire Dept with a report of a brush fire on N Park near Groveland.

1857 Alarm in the 900 block available at this time.

of E Division St. All fine. 2013 Unlock in the 300

block of W Morgan. 2145 Assisted 1511 with an intoxicated subject on Aspen View Trail.

2212 Unlock in the 200 block of S Lake St.

TWO FATALITIES IN **NORWOOD TOWNSHIP ACCIDENT**

On Monday September 7, 2015 at approximately 12:21 a.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office responded to a one vehicle fatal traffic accident which occurred on Norwood Road almost a mile West of US 31 in Norwood Township.

The 1998 Dodge Pickup truck driven by John Kuhn, age 29 from Novi, left the roadway on a left hand curve and struck a tree on the driver's side. Brandon McLeod, age 27 of Novi, was the passenger in the vehicle. Both males were pronounced dead at the scene.

The Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office was assisted at scene by the Antrim County Sheriff's Office, the Charlevoix Ambulance and Paramedics. the Charlevoix Township Fire Department, and the Banks Township Fire Department. While speed is believed to be

a factor in the accident, it still remains under investigation. No further information is

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Dave Ramse

(Road warrior rule)

Dear Dave,

I'm trying to get out of debt. I make good money and do consulting for a living. I put about 4,000 miles a month on my car. It's a 2012 model, and I currently owe more on it than it's worth. I've considered selling it, but I'm concerned about reliability since I'm on the road so much. Do you have any advice?

Chantel

Dear Chantel,

Rule of thumb number one when it comes to your finances is you don't want too much of your financial picture tied up in things that are going down in value. Specifically, no one needs to have more than half of their annual income tied up in things that

go down in value.

You're a road warrior, so whatever you drive you're going to destroy. From a business perspective, you need a relatively low-mileage vehicle with good gas mileage that's reliable and safe. You also want something that's reasonably comfortable. Having said that, I would advise doing a lot of research and getting the least in car that meets all those criteria.

Since whatever you drive is going to be worth nothing in about 20 minutes, I'd start setting aside some cash every month as part of a monthly budget for a newer, better car. That way, when it comes time to put the old one down, you'll have a pile of cash to go along with your trade-in.

But even in your situation, Chantel, I would never advise buying a brand-new car or leasing a vehicle. From a financial standpoint, either of those moves would be just about the dumbest things you could do!

(The buying decision)

Dear Dave,

I live in Pennsylvania, and I'm accepting a new job out of state. My wife and I will be in this new area for at least two years, and we're not sure if we should rent or buy a house.

ouse. Ron

Dear Ron,

Most of the time, as long as you're financially ready for such a big investment, buying a house is a good move. But if I'm in your situation, and I'm not sure if it's a long-term thing, I'm going to rent until I see what the future holds.

It seldom makes a lot of sense to live in a place for two or three years and sell it, unless you get a ridiculously good buy at purchase and are able to sell for retail without any trouble. Even though the economy is finally, slowly turning around somewhat, I'm not sure that most properties in the current marketplace would go up enough in value in only

two years to offset your cost of sale.

You're in a situation similar to lots of military families I help. Often, they'll be stationed somewhere for just two or three years. They'll buy something, they can't get it sold, and they end up with rental properties all over the country. Believe me, that wasn't their initial plan. Playing long-distance landlord is a pain in the rear!

Rent for now, Ron. Then, if you two decide you like the new job and new surroundings — and it turns out you're going to be there for a good, long while — start checking out the area for a nice home.

—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8.5 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Grant applications being accepted

The Great Lakes Energy People Fund is accepting grant applications from non-profit organizations throughout its local service area. The upcoming grant application deadline is October 1.

The People Fund is supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members who allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dollar. Since 1999 more than \$2.67 million in grants have been awarded to charitable and community organizations

throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26-county service area, which stretches from Kalamazoo to the Mackinac Straits. The People Fund awarded just over \$168,000 in grants in 2014.

Non-profit organizations that serve communities in the GLE service area are eligible. Program guidelines and a grant request can be found online at www.gtlakes.com.

Applications are due by October 1. More grant opportunities will be available in 2016.

Boating Safety: Prevent carbon monoxide poisoning

With more than 1,300 square miles of inland water and 3,288 miles of Great Lakes shoreline in Michigan, residents are urged to have fun and stay safe while on the water this Labor Day weekend.

Every year there are boating-related carbon monoxide illnesses reported in Michigan, and there has been one death confirmed in 2015. While there are laws meant to keep people and the environment safe when boaters are on the water, the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning are often overlooked.

Carbon monoxide is an invisible, tasteless, and odorless gas that is found in the exhaust from boat motors and gas generators. Carbon monoxide can build up to deadly levels at the back of boats, in cabins, and on the water near a boat.

Warning signs of carbon monoxide poisoning include flu-like symptoms such as headache, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, drowsiness, and confusion, especially when more than one person has

these symptoms. Carbon monoxide poisoning can lead to coma and death. To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning while boating:

- Install a carbon monoxide detector approved for marine use.

- Swim in areas away from boat exhaust.

Never sit on the back deck or swim platform while the boat motor is running.
Avoid idling the motor

while the boat is stopped or rafted with another boat.
- Inspect exhaust hoses for cracks and deteriora-

tion.
- Never block exhaust outlets.

If you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning, get fresh air immediately and call 911. Don't assume that you are sea sick, especially if more than one person has a headache, is dizzy, confused, very tired, and/or sick their stomach.

For more information about carbon monoxide poisoning and poisoning prevention, visit www.michigan.gov/carbonmonoxide.

Good Samaritan Furniture Store and Sammy's Shoes

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH—The Good Samaritan Furniture Store has outgrown the building it has been occupying for the past two years and moved next door to the building recently occupied by MI Farm Market.

The Good Samaritan Ministry serves between seven and eight hundred families through their food pantry each month. The number of needy that benefit from the resale shop and furniture store is unknown but the ministry has continued to grow and provides quality furniture and home décor. "It's all donated and it comes from all over," said Mary Peterson, Director of the Pantry/Resale Shops who began the Good Samaritan on her kitchen table in 1990. When the Good Samari-

tan first opened the furni-

sale shop then moved to the Center Street location. "We needed more room, it became overwhelming, so we moved next door, the windows are so nice and we have some ladies that come in just to dress the windows," said Peterson. The volunteer driven ministry has 122 volunteers that perform a variety of tasks such as picking up food and donated items, sorting clothing, helping

ture was sold out of the re-

The new store also houses appliances and flooring donations. All the proceeds from the furniture store come back to the food pantry.

folks fill out forms, hauling

furniture and stocking

shelves.

The ministry whose official mission is serving the Lord while reaching out to those in need is also affiliated with Mom and Tots whose goal is to equip

young mothers with the means necessary to raise healthy and happy children and His House, a mentoring program for young men. "We're here to support families," said Peterson. "Sometimes they just need somebody to listen, It's just not always a financial need or even food, it's being heard and seen and listened to," she said about the ministry that provides help with emergency needs like shut off notices, propane fill ups or "the guy who comes in with his face all swollen with a trip to the dentist," she said.

Sammy's Shoes
And now a new segment
of the ministry has opened
just in time to outfit kids
for school, thanks to a
\$3,000 grant from the Great
Lakes People Fund and
bargain shopping on Peterson's part. Sammy's Shoes
takes up space in a small
room in the back of the

original resale shop and contains over 700 pairs of brand new tennis shoes. The shoes sell for \$5 for the smaller sizes and \$10 for the larger. "Some of these kids have never had new shoes," said Peterson. Anyone with a Bridge card or who qualifies for the free and reduced lunch program qualifies for Sammy's Shoes.

The main resale shop and pantry is located on the north end of Ellsworth on Main Street the furniture store is located on the corner of Main and Center Streets at the four corners downtown Ellsworth. "We're here to help families improve their quality of life and to help them get through the rough times, when families are really struggling and they don't know where to turn, that's why we're here," said Peterson.



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Become a volunteer for Hospice of **Northwest** Michigan

Hospice of Northwest Michigan, a 501 (C) 3 nonprofit community based hospice, located at 220 West Garfield in Charlevoix, Michigan, serving Antrim, Charlevoix, and Emmet counties, is looking to add to our volunteer services.

Hospice of Northwest Michigan will be conducting volunteer trainings on Saturday, October 3rd and 10th, 2015. The training will be held from 9am -1pm at the Health Department in Charlevoix which is located at 220 W. Garfield. The training includes an introduction to Hospice, We Honor Veterans Program, bereavement, spiritual care, the role of the medical social worker, advanced directives for end of life decisions, and nursing and palliative care: nutrition and comfort care measures, infection control and blood borne pathogens, and emergency procedures. Direct Patient & Family Care Volunteers must undergo a TB test, a criminal background check, fingerprinting and pass a drug screen in addition to completing both days of the training.

If you have at least 2 hours a month that you would like to donate to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, please call Amy at 231-547-7659 to register for this session.

Hospice of Northwest Michigan in partnership with your local health department (The Health Department of Northwest Michigan) provides comprehensive physical, emotional and spiritual care to individuals and their families during and following life-limiting illness. We support the philosophy and practice of Hospice Care and serve as a resource for end-oflife care in our community.

We welcome anyone who may want to support our organization by becoming a volunteer, board member, or donor to contact us. More information about the We Honor Veteran's Program and Hospice of Northwest Michigan may be found at www.hospicenwm.org, www.WeHonorVeterans.o rg. or by calling 1-800-551-4140.

It's About Time . . . Yours!

By Deb Hagen-Foley

If you made New Year's resolutions in 2015, odds are that you did not accomplish your goal. More than 80 percent of adults report they have attempted lifestyle changes without success. A 2010 survey found that fewer than one in five adults (16 percent) report success at losing weight (20 percent), starting a regular exercise program (15 percent), eating a healthier diet (10 percent), or reducing stress (7 percent) in the prior year.

Making a lasting change is more than a one-time resolution. The best intentions start to fade in the reality of behavior change. As anyone who has tried to change a habit will tell you, maintaining behavior change is difficult. In the 2010 study mentioned previously, 78 percent of participants attributed their failure to obstacles such as: willpower (33 percent), making changes by themselves (24 percent), and too much stress (20 percent).

Lack of time is often cited as a reason for not maintaining healthy behavior changes, particularly for those seeking to incorporate regular exercise into a busy schedule. Whatever your goals may be, do you blame lack of time for your lack of progress? Here are some tips for getting better control of your time.

Think about how you would like to spend your time, that is, what activities would support your goals? Is there time in your current schedule for those activities? If achieving your goals is important to you, you will find time for them. There's a saying, "If you want something done, ask a busy person. The more things you do, the more you can do" (Lucille Ball). Busy people don't have any

more time in their days, but they find time for the things that are important to them. We all have 24 hours in a day, 168 hours in a week. How much of that time do you use in support of you goals?

Start by examining how you spend your time. Pay attention to how you use your time for an entire week. Record your activities every 30 minutes. You can download a template here: http://lauravanderkam.com/site/wp-conten t/uploads/2012/01/168-Hours-Log1.pdf. Keep an honest accounting for a full week.

At the end of the week, review your findings. Any surprises? How much time do you spend watching television or playing video games? How much of your time is committed to supporting your goals? Can you see where you can find time for exercising or incorporating another healthy activity?

Now that you have a better idea of how you spend your time, it is your choice. Sure, you can continue to spend three hours per day in activities that don't add to your life, it is up to you. How do those activities support you? Do you use that time for stress relief? Perhaps you need to find better ways of dealing with stress. Maybe you discovered that you spend 30 minutes every morning looking for your car keys.

How could you improve your organization skills to "find" more time? It is likely that this activity has shown you that you have more time that you realized to apply toward your goals. Perhaps you discovered that you could get up 30 minutes early to fit in your workout. You may decide not to change how you use your time, but can you honestly say that it is the lack of time that is preventing your progress?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

FREEDOM HOUSE To the Editor,

That's an organization that tracks freedom worldwide. The US comes in at around 20-22 on the scale of a total of 195 or 196 countries depending on Taiwan's status. New Zealand is way up on the list as are Iceland, Netherlands and Canada. In general as one might imagine the Western countries come out best, the Eastern ones worst.

Different studies conclude different numbers but roughly the same ranking. Freedom House has been around since 1941. It's a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) but does and has received government funding. They claim impartiality but are accused of preordained bias, especially from Russia as one might expect.

That nut from Wisconsin wants a wall erected between the States and Canada. Why? To keep the terrorists out. It's true there are stretches of that border that one can walk across, even drive across on rural roads, fields, forests, so it wouldn't be hard for terrorists to hike or drive all-terrain vehicles across that border which encompasses 3087 miles plus another 1538 between Canada and Alaska which makes for 5,525 miles of fencing potential. There are unstaffed border crossings too with no requirements whatsoever. There are lakes and rivers. And then there are 95,000 miles of shoreline to defend too. There are homegrown terrorists already here. This bowl of mixed nuts paranoid politicians makes no sense.

It depends who you talk

to, of course, as to freedom indexes. Ask Jerry Seinfeld and his daughter whose lemonade stand was shut down by local constabulary. It's all relative. Residents of Ferguson can add some perspective on that issue. Residents of lakeshore and ocean shore properties are probably feeling secure. But the gated community where Trayvon Martin was killed had a few holes poked in the dike. If someone wants in s/he'll find a

It's a general consensus that New Zealand is the freest country in the world but Argentina ranks highly too as does Hong Kong though this latter may be changing since control reverted from Britain to China. Argentina, you say, isn't that a corrupt government? Yes, but they're all corrupt. In Argentina they leave your alone, prices are great, lots of room as well as cultivated cities. After New Zealand one usually finds The Netherlands and we all know why. All sources point to the US as having lost in the ranking systems. From top ten to as low as 22 is quite a plunge and evidence points to the year 2014 as being a quantum dip, most drastic in the world.

Economics plays an equal part in this otherwise basic Human Rights analysis. The Bill of Rights lays the foundation for these itineraries, oxymoronically excluding the very country that set the standard, or tried to. We have to remember that the US Constitution and other salient documents of that era allowed for slavery and Indian displacement, later Japanese internment. But if the US has slipped from as high a ranking as 7 to as low as 22

we know it's no longer the land of the free and the home of the brave. Still, it's considered among the free countries of the world in general terms.

Of course you can go anywhere you want if you have the money or the ingenuity. We know the very worst countries easily enough by the number of refugees seeking asylum. Charley Reese, retired Miami journalist, gave us the "545" theorem, 1 president, 9 Supreme Court Justices, 535 legislators. He concludes that things are the way they are because the 545 want it that way. Hard to argue with his logic. It works all too well for them. Traveled persons say don't go to Europe, they're sinking in debt and immigration problems. certainly not Africa, Asia is charming but you'll never quite fit in, Australia and New Zealand are free and friendly but the sense is of being at the end of the world. Canada always ranks highly (6-7) and there's even a French province for a taste of the European feel. It's an uneasy sense recommending the west coast of the US or Canada though with those tectonic plates moving toward quakes and tsunamis. It's paradisiacal out there for the ad-

Thus what it comes to is it's either the top ten or Mars, or stay right here in the US and tough it out if you're sensitive to loss of freedoms. It could be worse. And it could always be better.

Mitchell Jon MacKay. East Jordan

Raven Hill announces extended hours

Raven Hill Discovery Center will remain open 7 days a week: 10 am to 4 pm weekdays, noon to 4 pm Saturdays and 2 pm to 4 pm on Sundays through October 31st. The Center will then be open weekends, most holiday periods and always by appointment in November, December, January, February and March, resuming daily hours in the spring of 2016 on April 1st.

Located between East Jordan & Boyne City, just off C-48 at Pearsall Road, the Center helps visitors build connections between science, history and the arts in an interactive learning environment. Visitors can spend time in the one-room Schoolhouse, walk the Labyrinth, explore the new Evolving Technology (ET) Building, see the geologic history of the earth in Beyond Jurassic Park, wander through the Ancient World and of course, there is the Tree House, the Earth Tones Music Garden, Smallville, the Art and Architecture exhibit and the Whisper Dishes.

Visitors will also enjoy walking through the Center's Ancient World complete with sphinx, pyramid, Roman arch, Easter Island head and much more! In addition to the handson museum, the exotic animals and the outdoor exhibits, visitors can register for science, history and art classes. Classes are available by request year-round for children and for adults.

For more information and a list of classes, phone 231-536-3369 OR check out the Center's website at www.ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org



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Music Meets Canvas

By Michelle Medjesky

WALLOON LAKE-When Michelle Chenard and Martina Hahn met about a year ago, it literally was a matter of music meeting canvas.

Chenard, who lives in Petoskey, is an award-winning singer and songwriter who routinely can be found performing the circuit in northern Michigan.

And Hahn, who lives in nearby Walloon Lake, is an internationally acclaimed visual artist, known especially for her speed painting talent.

The two met, hit it off, and decided they would join forces to create a unique, artistic experience that other people would find truly wonderful and inspiring.

That's when Hahn said the idea of "Music Meets Canvas" was born

"We decided we needed to come up with a theme," recalled Hahn, "It seemed natural for us to do a tribute to women who shaped the arts.

They also decided they wanted to somehow incorporate their love of all that is beautiful in northern into their theme. So the artistic duo teamed up with Tim and Marta Dennis, who just last year opened up Walloon Lake Winery at their longtime family farm on Intertown Road just south of Petoskey.

Soon, a summer series was born that uniquely reflected Chenard's musical talents, Hahn's artistry and the beauty offered up by the bucolic, rolling hills of the Dennis' vineyard.

"It was wonderful how it really evolved in just a matter of weeks," Hahn said, noting that this summer series started off a little late, but was held at the vineyard every Thursday for seven weeks.

It concluded at the vineyard



Internationally acclaimed artist Martina Hahn (left) and award-winning singer/songwriter Michelle Chenard pose next to two of Hahn's seven paintings of female performing artists that she painted during the "Music Meets Canvas" series, an artistic tribute to women who shaped modern music, which was held this summer at Walloon Lake Winery.

just this past Labor Day weekend, when the women hosted a reception showing the seven paintings created over the summer during the series.

Chenard explained how the series worked:

Each Thursday evening, people were invited to come to the vineyard, bring a picnic lunch, have

some wine and just watch. And listen. And relax. And enjoy.

Hahn would begin with an empty canvas, painting the face of a famous female performing artist which was not revealed to the audience.

Chenard meanwhile would be playing songs that artist performed or that reflected the era in which she'd grown popular to give the audience a hint of who was being painted.

Audience participation is encouraged, whether shouting out guesses or actually getting up and helping Hahn in her painting

"We have a great rapport with each other," Hahn said of her relationship with Chenard, "So we try to pull the audience into that,

Chenard said every summer series event was casual, uplifting

"People come out in groups; they sit and chit chat with each other...women bring huge spreads, cheeses, breads, olivesjust everything! They invite us over to share, and we really enjoyed that, sitting with everyone, getting to know them," said Chenard.

She said the series grew to be such a popular event that the Dennis family has offered to sponsor them exclusively for a chance to do another summer series in similar style in 2016.

They hope to begin a few weeks earlier then, tentatively a more solid schedule of every Thursday from Memorial Day to Labor Day so a few more pieces can be completed, said Chenard, noting next year's theme has not yet been decided. They are also planning to bring food trucks to the vineyard during the next series to offer their audience a more diverse array of culinary choices.

"It's really a one of a kind expe-



"The Divine Miss M", also known as singer/songwriter/performer Bette Midler, was one of the 7 featured artists Hahn painted during the summer, while Chenard played songs Midler made

rience," said Chenard, "People can come out and have something to eat, but they're not at a restaurant: they can hear music, but they're not at a concert; they're seeing art, but they're not at a museum; they're drinking wine, but they're not at a bar. And they're doing it all while looking out at this," she said, sweeping her arm out across the vineyard's 36-acre vista. "It's a very relaxed and peaceful atmosphere."

She noted that she and Hahn are grateful for the opportunity the Dennis family has afforded them to collaborate in a vineyard environment and bring such a unique experience to northern Michigan.

"The Dennis's are just nice, nice people," said Chenard, "They make everyone feel comfortable and everyone feel welcome. This is a special place."

Theater Company Workshop at **Christ Episcopal Church**

Christ Episcopal Church and Friends of the Groom Theater Company invite you to experince faith in a new way. Friends of the Groom is coming to Christ Episcopal Church (Charlevoix), and you are invited to participate in a daylong workshop on "Drama & Storytelling in Worship & Education" on Saturday, September 19th, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Those who come will be invited to participate in a variety of drama and storytelling activities, including five ways to perform a story in church and using drama in worship and education. The workshop will also include techniques for bringing scripture alive in worship, along with practical information about where to find resources for Christian theatre and storytelling.

Friends of the Groom is a theater group from Cincinnati (OH) committed to proclaiming the Christian message with a unique blend of humor, story, challenging content, and scenes that are hard to forget. The group is composed of professional actors from the Cincinnati area. The group is interdenominational.

Tom Long is the director, playwright, and chief storyteller for Friends of the Groom Christian Theater Company based in Cincinnati, Ohio. He has been a performer for Public Educational Television, and has served as a consultant in youth work and theater for the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio, the Cincinnati Library, and a number of schools and social agencies throughout

Jocelyn Sluka is a full-time performer, workshop leader, and administrator with Friends of the Groom Theater Company based in Cincinnati, Ohio. In her thirty years as a professional actor and singer, she has worked with a variety of regional and ed-



Friends of the Groom is coming to Christ Episcopal Church (Charlevoix), and you are invited to participate in a daylong workshop on "Drama & Storytelling in Worship & Education" on Saturday, September 19th. COURTESY PHOTO

ucational theaters, and in touring productions for US troops stationed in Germany, as well as serving for 10 years as the Drama Director for First Christian Assembly Church.

Colleen Scheid joined Friends of the Groom in 1985. She has been a drug abuse prevention coordinator for Clermont College and for Clermont County Youth Services, where she wrote, directed, and acted in educational shows for school classrooms. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology and a Masters degree in Counseling from the University of Cincinnati.

The three actors from this renowned theater company will present a day-long workshop for all ages. This event is underwritten by the Christ Episcopal Church Taylor Family Endowment Fund. Through the generosity of the Taylor family, CEC is able to provide faith-based programs at no cost to our commu-

This workshop is open to the community at no fee. A complimentary lunch will be served. For reservations, call the church at 231-547-6322. **Get the Charlevoix County News**

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Antique tractors crossing the Mackinac Bridge this Friday

Bv Jim Akans

Hundreds of antique tractors will be crossing the Mackinac Bridge this Friday, September 11 as part of the 8th Annual Mackinac Bridge Antique Tractor Crossing presented by Owasso Tractor Parts.

The Antique Tractor Crossing will bring nearly 1,000 classic and unique tractors to Mackinaw City on Thursday in preparation for the crossing on Friday, which will begin with a parade in Mackinaw City at 9am before the convoy heads across the Might Mac. Once they cross, there will be an opportunity for the public to view the tractors at Little Bear from 11am until 6pm. There will also be a Top of the Lake Snowmobile Show at Little Bear from 10am to 6pm on Friday and Saturday.

Those who would like to have a look at those tractors in Mackinaw City can visit the staging area on Thursday from 3pm until 6pm. The staging area is located about one-and-a-half miles west of town off Central Avenue.

The schedule of event for the 8th Annual Mackinac Bride Antique Tractor Crossing will be:

THURSDAY 9/10 SCHEDULE

MACKINAW CITY SIDE 8:00am - 7:00pm: Information & Merchandise Tent Open

3:00pm - 6:00pm: Public welcome to view tractors, park in designated areas

3:00pm - 6:00pm Missouri Ramblers band performs 7:00: Jack Pine Lumberjack

FRIDAY 9/11 SCHEDULE

Show (South of the City)

MACKINAW CITY SIDE 6:30am - 8:30am Information/Merchandise Tent

8:46am: Moment of silence in observance of 9/11 9:00am: Tractors leave staging

SAINT IGNACE SIDE 10:00am - 6:00pm: Information/Merchandise Tent Open 11:00am - 6:00pm: Public trac-

tor viewing at Little Bear



Hundreds of antique tractors will be crossing the Mackinac Bridge this Friday, September 11 as part of the 8th Annual Mackinac Bridge Antique Tractor Crossing presented by Owasso Tractor Parts. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS



before the convoy heads across the Might Mac. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

10:00am - 6:00pm: Top of the Lake Snowmobile Show inside Little Bear

Little Bear Arena 12:00pm - 3:00pm: DJ onsite at

Little Bear 12:00pm - 6:00pm: Concession

12:00pm - 3:00pm: Lunch inside

Stand open at Little Bear 3:00pm - 6:00pm: Tractor Games behind Information tent at Little Bear

3:00pm - 6:00pm: Yankee Station band performing at Little

SATURDAY 9/12 SCHEDULE

SAINT IGNACE SIDE 10:00am - 4:30pm: Information/Merchandise Tent Open at Little Bear 6:00pm: Top of the Lake Snowmo-

bile Show inside Little Bear 11:00am - 5:00pm: Concession Stand Open at Little Bear 11:00am - 2:00pm: Tractor Games behind Information tent at Little Bear

2:30pm - 4:00pm: Raffle Giveaways at Information/Merchandise Tent at Little Bear

4:00pm: Line up for downtown St. Ignace tractor parade 5:00pm: Parade starts

6:00pm - 9:00pm: Music, fun and prizes downtown St. Ignace 9:00pm: Fireworks Over the Bay - Downtown St. Ignace

Don't miss these one-of-a-kind events taking place this weekend in the Straits of Mackinac area.

For more information regarding the tractor show and parade,

www.owossotractorparts.com and follow the "bridge crossing"

News Briefs

CHARLEVOIX FIRST FRIDAY BUSINESS BREAKFAST

September 11, 7:30-8:30am, Shanahan Barn at the Charlevoix Country Club. \$5 for Chamber members and \$7 for non-members.

EAST JORDAN BALLROOM DANCE

September 11, 6:45-9:15pm, East Jordan Civic Center. Live music by the Jordan Valley All Stars. Includes a professional dance lesson by the 2 Left Feet Dance Company at 6pm. Suggested donation - \$10 per person, children 12 and under free. Bring your own soft drinks and snacks. For more information please call (231) 533-8368.

CHARLEXOIX COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

September 11 & 12, 9am-1pm, Boyne City Road Commission Garage. Acceptable electronics and hazardous waste items include fluorescent light bulbs, oil-based paints, chemicals and lawn fertilizers.

CHARLEVOIX BACK PORCH COFFEE HOUSE CONCERT

September 12, Charlevoix Senior Center. 8th season of the Back Porch Events Coffee House series opens with the 3-part harmonies of "The Deepest Height." The Deepest Height is a collaboration of regional musicians Caroline Barlow, Brad Hersey and Jeff Lange. All three play acoustic guitar and sing harmony in the traditions of Peter, Paul & Mary, Crosby, Stills & Nash and Simon & Garfunkel (plus one). A community event for all ages, the Back Porch Coffeehouse is held at the Charlevoix Senior Center building. Doors open at 6 p.m. Donations at the door (\$5-\$10 suggested) are for the scheduled performers Soups, coffee, cookies available at no extra charge. Dance floor will be open; Circle Jam begins at 8:30.

PETOSKEY 18TH ANNUAL COOKOUT

September 13, noon-3pm, North Central Michigan College. Picnic-style lunch of pulled pork, hot dogs, corn on the cob. marinated bean salad, potatoes/peppers/parmesan casserole and cookie bars. Kidz Zone with four bouncy houses, carnival games, ping pong, pickleball, tumbling mats for toddlers and other activities. There will also be a big screen with the football game for parents. Outside, enjoy a living checkerboard game, loopy ball, a live radio remote with Fish from Lite 96 and tours of the Fab Lab. There will also be a silent auction of unique items. Tickets are available on the Petoskey campus in Student Services or the fitness center, the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce and Oleson's Market. Ticket prices are \$8 per person. Children five and under eat free. The cookout is a fundraising event for the North Central Michigan College Foundation Scholarship Fund. For more information, call 231-439-6399.

CHARLEVOIX ADULT GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

September 13, 4-5pm. Free program open to anyone in our community looking for assistance in their grief process and is facilitated by Rev. David Behling. There is NO CHARGE to attend. Please feel free to call Hospice at 231-547-7659 to register or for more information.

CHARLEVOIX MANAGING DIGITAL PICTURES

September 15, 10:30am-Noon, Charlevoix Public Library. Learn how to manage your digital pictures on your devices. Free admission

BOYNE CITY WATERFRONT PLANS UNVEILED

September 15, 5:30pm, Boyne City High School. City officials and a steering committee will unveil a finalized design concept for "Boyne on the Water

CHARLEVOIX CHAMBER AFTER HOURS AND CAR RAFFLE

September 16, 6-9pm, Shanahan's Barn Charlevoix Country Club. Raffle tickets are \$100 each or three for \$200. While only one lucky winner will drive home in a shiny new car, second place will receive \$500 and third place will receive \$250.. Each ticket admits two to the evening's raffle party which includes food, cash bar, door prize give-a-ways provided by area merchants, and front row seats to the action. Purchase the winning ticket today by contacting the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-547-2101 or info@charlevoix.org.

BOYNE CITY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

September 17, 5:30-7:30pm, Red Mesa Grill. Boyne Chamber's Business After Hours event cosponsored by the Boyne City office of First Merit Bank. Business After Hours is the Chamber's regular business networking event, held at different members' locations each month. There is no charge for admission or refreshments, except for special events like the Annual Meeting.

PETOSKEY LECTURE SERIES; MICHIGAN LOTTERY

MICHIGAN LOTTERY September 18, 11:30am, North Central Michigan College library conference room. Jeff Holyfield, communications director for the lottery, will talk about the variety of benefits the lottery provides the state. He will also explain what it's like to be a lottery winner and answer the big question, "Whatever happened to Hermus Millsaps?" All Luncheon Lecture programs are held on Fridays in the Library conference room. Reservations are required. Call 231-348-6600 luncheonlectures@ncmich.ed u to reserve your place at the table. Cost is \$10. Lunch be-

ELLSWORTH PADDLE ANTRIM FESTIVAL

gins at 11:30 a.m. The pro-

gram begins at noon.

September 18 & 19. The Paddle Antrim Festival includes a two-day kayak paddle through Northern Michigan's Chain of Lakes. The first day begins in Ellsworth continuing through Central Lake to Bellaire, meandering through numerous small lakes. The second day will continue from Bellaire, ending in Elk Rapids, passing through Torch Lake, Michigan's longest inland lake. This 40+ mile paddle event highlights the wonderful natural resources-based activities available in Northern Michigan. Registration Fee- 2-Days: \$72, 1-Day: \$45. Tandem Kayak Registration Fee- 2-Days: \$120, 1-Day: \$75. Info at www.paddleantrim.com.

CHARLEVOIX DRAMA & STORYTELLING IN WORSHIP & EDUCATION

September 19, 9:30am-2:30pm, Christ Episcopal Church, 200 State Street. Christ Episcopal Church and Friends of the Groom Theater Company invite you to experience faith in a new way. Friends of the Groom is coming to Christ Episcopal Church (Charlevoix), and you are invited to participate in a daylong workshop on "Drama & Storytelling in Worship & Education." The three actors from this renowned theater company will present a day-long workshop for all ages. This event is underwritten by the Christ Episcopal Church Taylor Family Endowment Fund. Through the generosity of the Taylor family, CEC is able to provide faith-based programs at no cost to our community. This workshop is open to the community at no fee. A complimentary lunch will be served. For reservations, call the church at 231-547-6322.

EAST JORDAN BLUESTEM FARM HAYRIDE & POTLUCK

September 19, 5:30-7:30pm, Bluestem Farm, 4218 M-32. Meet the farmers and get an up-close look at the animals, vegetable gardens,

woods, and fields that make Bluestem Farm an interconnected patchwork of good, clean food. After the farm tour, we'll share a potluck meal. Details and registration at www.bluestemfarm.net/events

BOYNE CITY BUSINESS TRANSITION PLANNING

September 21, 5pm, Boyne District Library. Boyne City Main Street Program has invited a panel of experts to offer advice on the key ins and outs of transitioning your business. The panel of experts will discuss all aspects of a business transition, including the financial and tax planning strategies, how your business is valued and the legal aspects of the transaction - all critical to helping you successfully navigate through this important decision. For more information or to register call Boyne City Main Street at 231-582-9009 or email Mainstreet@boynecity.com.

EAST JORDAN BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

September 24, 5-7pm, Pickers Exchange and Karen Walker Studio. Presented by the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

BOYNE (ITY BOYNE AREA ARCHERY CLUB 3D FUN SHOOT

September 26, 9am-2pm, Avalanche Preserve. The archery range is located at 746 Pleasant Ave. One of the contestants will win a Prime Ion Bow valued at \$1,000, and other prizes will also be awarded randomly to those who register in a drawing at 2 p.m. Registration fee is \$10 if you sign up by Sept. 24 by emailing your name to info@boynechamber.com. Late registration on Sept. 25 or 26 is \$15. The event is being organized by local resident Bill Kuhn; contact him at 231-675-1200 if you have any questions. Proceeds go to the Boyne Area Archery Club.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY 32ND ANNUAL CROP WALK

September 26, 9am. The six-mile walk will begin at three Charlevoix County locations, including Elm Pointe in East Jordan, Whiting Park in Boyne City and Charlevoix Middle School in Charlevoix. Each location will conclude the walk at the Congregational Church in Ironton where lunch will be provided for all walkers. All church's and individuals are welcome to join the walk. For more information about CROP Walk or if your church or organization would like to participate please contact: East Jordan, Marge Teske, at 231-536-3128, Charlevoix, John Young at 231-547-2042 and for Boyne City, Mary Richwine at 231-582-6035.

EAST JORDAN BREEZEWAY FALL COLOR CRUISE

September 26, 10am-5pm. Cruise the 26 miles of The Breezeway at your own pace stopping along the way at local attractions, enjoy a meal or just to take in the breath taking scenery. Pick up your goodie bag and trip tips sheet in Atwood at Royal Farms and let your adventure begin ending at Boyne Mt. for a trip up the chairlift to take in the fall colors. Info at www.ridethe-breezeway.com

EAST JORDAN FALL FEST

September 26, 11am- 4pm. East Jordan Tourist Park. Food Trucks, Beverage Vendors, Live Music, Hay Bale Art and lots of fun. \$5 entry fee, all kids 10 and under are free!

CHARLEXOIX

Harvest Festival at Castle Farms

September 27, 11am-4pm. Join us at Castle Farms to celebrate nature's bounty and autumn's glory at our annual Harvest Festival! \$10 admission includes full access to the Castle, plus entertaining family friendly activities for all ages. Horse-drawn wagon rides, arts and crafts, games and prizes, face painting, plus magic show and fire spinning performances by Magik Mike! Visit the 'Mini Farmer's Market', with vendors exhibiting and selling homemade items. Free cider and donuts. Additional food

available for purchase. Special: 2:00 pm Guided Historical Tour available for an additional \$2 per person.

CHARLEXOIX SOCIAL SECURITY PLANNING

September 29, 6:30-7:30pm, Charlevoix Public Library. Are you planning to take early retirement? Or do you want to continue working until, or beyond, full retirement age? Whatever your plans, this meeting will help you make informed decisions about your future based on your Social Security benefit options. Speaker: Ben Muladore of Edward Jones. Free admission.

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/CharlevoixFarmers-Market

EAST JORDAN FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays, 9am-1pm at Sportsman's Park (Bridge Street). On Facebook at East-JordanFarmer'sMarket

NORWOOD TOWNSHIP FREE FIREWOOD

In the next two or three weeks, extensive work will be done on the trees in the cemetery.

All of the small limbs and brush will be removed, but the wood than can be used as firewood will be stock piled for use by our Norwood citizens. If you are interested in some of this wood, please contact the Township and we will advise you when it is available. It will be free, all you have to do is remove it. You can contact the Supervisor norwood-supervisor@yahoo.com if you would like to participate in this program.

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 or call 231-582-4660

BOYNE CITY BOYNE VOLUNTEER NETWORK

Boyne volunteer network is a joint project of the Boyne District Library, Boyne City Main Street Program and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce. It's easy to participate - just go to www.boynevolunteers.org and fill out the application form, which will tell us your skills, interests and contact information. We will contact you later about volunteer opportunities that may interest you. If you have questions or would like to learn more about how to include your organization and volunteer needs in this new network, contact Monica Kroondyk at the Boyne District Library by phone at 231-582-7861 or by email at kroondykm@boynelibrary.org.

EAST JORDAN Christian Coffee House

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

ship, everyone is welcome to

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 Harvest Festivaal

October 3, downtown Boyne City. Farmers Market, live music, free horse-drawn hay rides, kids games and pumpkin painting, craft show, scarecrow contest, hay rides, 5k walk/run, Gravel Grinder bike

PETOSKEY LECTURE SERIES; INTERLOCHEN PUBLIC RADIO

October 9, 11:30am, North Central Michigan College library conference room. Sally Eisele was named general manager of IPR earlier this year after a long career at WBEZ in Chicago, KQED in San Francisco, WKAR at Michigan State University and the Michigan Public Radio network. She will talk about how public radio is meeting the challenges of an ever-expanding media universe. All Luncheon Lecture programs are held on Fridays in the Library conference room. Reservations are required. Call 231-348-6600 or email luncheonlectures@ncmich.edu reserve your place at the table. Cost is \$10. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. The program begins at noon.

ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

BOYNE CITY STATE OF THE COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

October 15, Noon-2pm. Boyne Mountain. Sponsored by the Boyne Area Chamber.

PETOSKEY LECTURE SERIES; MISS MARGY

October 16, 11:30am, North Central Michigan College library conference room. Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry recently launched its largest, most technologically advanced boat, the "Miss Margy," to take passengers to Mackinac Island quickly and in air-conditioned comfort. The \$3.8 million all-aluminum boat was built by Moran Iron Works in Onaway. Bill Shepler will talk about this state-of-the art craft, its construction in northern Michigan and his company's role in our robust tourism economy. All Luncheon Lecture programs are held on Fridays in the Library conference room. Reservations are required. Call 231-348-6600 or email luncheonlectures@ncmich.edu reserve your place at the table. Cost is \$10. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. The program begins at noon.

BOYNE (ITY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS October 22, 5:30-7:30pm,

Brook Retirement Community, 701 Vogel Street.

PETOSKEY LECTURE SERIES;

TROOPER OF THE YEAR

October 30, 11:30am, North Central Michigan College library conference room. Corey Hebner of Harbor Springs was named Michigan State Police Trooper of the Year in January for his exemplary work performance, leadership skills and extensive community involvement, particularly with young people. The 19-year veteran of the state police will discuss a variety of law enforcement topics including "phishing," the efforts by online scammers masquerading as trustworthy entities to get your usernames, passwords and credit card details to take your money. All Luncheon Lecture programs are held on Fridays in the Library conference room. Reservations are required. Call 231-348-6600 or m а luncheonlectures@ncmich.ed u to reserve your place at the table. Cost is \$10. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. The pro-

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www.charlevoixcounty.org/coa.asp

Area September Happenings

9/9, 16, 23, 30, Wednesdays, 8am - 12pm 9/5, 12, 19, 26, Saturdays

BOYNE CITY FARMERS' MARKET

Outdoor market in Veteran's Park on Lake Street. www.boynechamber.com

9/10, 17, 24, Thursdays, 9am – 1pm

CHARLEVOIX FARMERS' MARKET East Park, along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix.

9/10, 17, 24, Thursdays, 9am – 1pm

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

9/11, Friday, 8:00am - 5:00pm

UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING

Volunteer teams will complete various tasks for non-profit organizations, schools, and government agencies, as well as home maintenance for senior individuals.

9/13, Sunday, 4:00 - 5:00pm **MONTHLY ADULT GRIEF SUPPORT**

Support program held at the First Baptist Church in Charle-voix. Call 231-547-7659 to register or for more info. www.hospicenwm.org

9/16, Wednesday, 6:00 - 9:00pm

2015 CHX CHAMBER CAR RAFFLE

Tickets will be drawn at this special After Hours event to win a 2015 fully loaded, Ford Escape from Fox Motors in Charlevoix, or \$15,000 cash. Need not be present to win. www.charlevoix.org

9/18, Friday, - 9/19, Saturday PADDLE ANTRIM FESTIVAL (ELLSWORTH TO ELK RAPIDS)

A two-day kayak paddle through Northern Michigan's Chain of Lakes. The 40+ mile paddle event highlights the natural resourcesbased activities available in Northern Michigan.

www.ejchamber.org

9/26, 10/3, 10/10, Saturdays

BREEZEWAY FALL CRUISE

3 Saturdays of beautiful fall colors on C-48 The Breezeway! Pick up your "Goodie Bag" in Atwood and cruise to Boyne Mountain at your own pace - stopping whenever and wher-ever you want. See the fall colors, buy your pumpkins and apples, shop, and much more! www.ejchamber.org

9/27, Sunday, 11:00am - 2:00pm

HARVEST FESTIVAL @ CASTLE FARMS

Celebrate the Fall season with cider and doughnuts, sack races, arts and crafts, and all sorts of fallthemed activities at this familyfriendly event. Cost is \$10 per person.

www.charlevoix.org

DID YOU KNOW... that the COA has a **Home Delivered Meal Program?!**

We deliver meals to seniors who are homebound. These seniors receive the same won-derful and delicious food that is served daily at our Senior Centers.

At this time we are looking for caring individuals who would be interested in becoming drivers to deliver the meals to our East Jordan seniors.

Louie Peck (pictured below) is one of our drivers. He has been delivering meals for us for about a year. He enjoys the contact with the seniors and the big smiles he gets from them when he gives them a nice hot meal and friendly greeting each day!

If you would be interested in becoming a substitute driver, please contact Debbie Peck at the COA office 231-237-0103.



BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, September 10

10am "Basic" Spanish 11am Arthritis Foundation **Exercise Program** Wii Bowling

Friday, Sept 11 Foot Clinic (by Appt) 11am Backwoods Maestros Raffle

Monday, Sept 14 Pretty-Bag Bingo -Gift Certificate Prize Line Dancing

Tuesday, Sept 15 Pretty-Bag Bingo -Free Lunch Prize

Wednesday, Sept 16 Foot Clinic (by Appt)

Thursday, Sept 17 10am "Basic" Spanish 11am Arthritis Foundation **Exercise Program**

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, September 10

11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30 Roger Hartson Music 1pm Wii Bowling Practice

Friday, Sept 11 9:30 Craft Class 1pm Rummy Wii Bowling Tournament

in Cheboygan

Monday, Sept 14 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study

Tuesday, Sept 15 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong 1pm Paint Class Turtle Creek Casino Trip Wednesday, Sept 16 12:45 pm Bingo

Thursday, Sept 17 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30 Back Porch Music 1pm Wii Bowling Practice

Wii Bowling

EAST JORDAN SENIOR

Thursday, September 10 Foot Clinic

10am Advisory Bd Mtg KARAOKE DAY! 1pm Paint Class

Friday, Sept 11 11am Ray & Tom Bingo/Raffle

Monday, Sept 14 Foot Clinic 8am-1pm Walking M-F 11am Music

Tuesday, Sept 15 10:30am Line Dancing 12:30pm Bingo

Wednesday, Sept 16 10:30am Wii Bowling GAME DAY!

Thursday, Sept 17 KARAOKE DAY! **1pm Paint Class**

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, Sept 10 CHICKEN CASSEROLE Friday, Sept 11 **BAKED FISH**

Monday, Sept 14 TACO BAKE

Tuesday, Sept 15 **CHICKEN SANDWICH**

Wednesday, Sept 16 TUNA CASSEROLE

Thursday, Sept 17 CHEESY MEATBALL

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