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Moss back as Boyne City Schools superintendent



By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - Peter Moss, who served the district as its superintendent since August 2010 and officially retired February 1 of this year has been re-hired him as Boyne City Schools

LEFT: Former Boyne City Public Schools Superintendent Peter Moss was officially retired from the district just more than a month until the school board recently re-hired him as its interim superintendent until a permanent replacement can be found, hopefully by early this summer.

interim superintendent until a permanent replacement can be found, hopefully by early this summer.

The school board launched a search for Moss's replacement once they learned of his retirement plans and contracted with Michigan Leadership Institute regional president Mark Eckhardt to guide the search.

Enter retired school administrator Thomas Ross, who the school board hired this past January to pinch-hit as the district's interim superintendent until a permanent school superintendent could be found.

District officials hope to see that happen by late May or early June.

But while Ross had been anticipated to remain the interim superintendent from February until a new superintendent could be selected, now already Moss is back at bat.

The Boyne City Public Schools Board voted 4-3 at its March meeting in favor of hiring Peter Moss to replace Ross as its interim superintendent for at least the next couple months, or until a permanent superintendent candidate is found and approved.

A media release issued on behalf of the

school board stated Ross did nothing wrong to be relieved of the interim superintendent post so soon.

"Tom Ross did a spectacular job and his performance exceeded their (school board's) expectations. This decision had no reflection on Mr. Ross' capabilities to perform the job," the release stated.

The media release further noted the board had been moved to re-hire Moss as its interim superintendent largely based on his years-long

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SPORTS REPORT

Charlevoix County News names 2016 Girls Basketball All-Area Dream Team



PLAYER OF THE YEAR:
Miranda Burks
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Ellsworth-Atwood Community Forum draws big crowd

By Tina Sundelius

ELLSWORTH/ATWOOD - In spite of an incoming stormfront that eventually brought in over 6 inches of snow, nearly 100 residents and community leaders attended a forum to determine the key priorities of the Ellsworth/Atwood community on March 23 at the Banks Township Hall.

Lynn Spearing opened the forum by briefing those present on how a small committee of interested residents called Project Connect has been meeting for over a year to brainstorm ways to revitalize the community. "We have lots of good things happening but we have challenges also," she said about the Ellsworth/Atwood area. As a result of their efforts they received 2 grants. One from North Sky Non-Profit Network which provided the forum's facilitator, John Iacoangeli, from Petoskey and Rotary Charities out of Traverse City and the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation funded the planning initiative



Scott Sowers, Mary Peterson, Irene Shooks, Ron Boss and Marilyn Drenth map out the best places to visit in the Ellsworth/Atwood area at a community forum intended to set goals for the community.

as well as the action planning that is yet to come. "These folks can really help us access resources," said Spearing. The intent of the forum was to establish priorities so that an effort can begin to identify resources and initiate

policies and programs in hopes of revitalizing the area. "We're here to decide what's right for your community then approach funders," Iacoangeli

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Front runners may drop out of Presidential Race

By Howie Bearit

Without a doubt, the 2016 Presidential Race is one of the most inspiring, nail biting, "how can we ever decide" contests American voters have ever experienced. Yet as the month of April dawns, the Capital Hill rumor mill is generating fascinating political fodder that may make it even more challeng-

ing to elect the ideal candidate this coming November.

Though unconfirmed as of our April 1st publishing deadline, here are some hard to believe D.C. leaks to ponder and fool around with in the coming days:

- Two "conservative" party front-runners have been having the time of their lives sparing over twits and bits in the tabloids. Apparently, these two

rather boisterous individuals have been secretly negotiating with the World Wrestling Association and may soon be announcing their withdrawal from the Presidential Race to pursue a more lucrative career on the Big Time wrestling circuit. Sounds like a "cruise" in a more appropriate arena leading to a "trump spot" in a future title bout.

- With possible room on the ticket, a "George W." has been overheard pondering the possibility of making another run at the Oval Office with the former governor of Florida as his running mate. This potential candidate observed, "It'd be good to be the first time brothers have held the top spots in the White House...heck...that's even more appealing to voters than electing the first woman president in my book."

- The top "liberal" party candidates apparently hinted at a change in strategy. In an effort to capture votes from

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The political arena may be closer to a wrestling ring than we realize...or is that merely an April Fool's musing? 123RF.COM PHOTO

Vandals damage Springbrook Golf Club

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE FALLS - Police are still searching for vandals who recently left behind more than \$1,000 in damages at a Charlevoix County golf course when they evidently took a joy ride in a pickup truck through the green and the fairway.

Sometime during the weekend of March 19-20, Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider said vandals drove through Springbrook Golf Club at 6151 Springvale Road in Boyne Falls and seriously damaged an area surrounding the course's 12th hole.

Based on tire tracks left at the scene, Schneider said it appears the alleged vandals were driving a pickup truck with dual wheels in the rear and that they deviated from a nearby seasonal/snowmobile trail to drive through the golf course, spinning their tires and destroying the turf.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department at: (231) 547-4461

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OBITUARIES

Lillian M. Bogdanski, 90

(FEBRUARY 17, 1926 - MARCH 23, 2016)

Lillian M. Bogdanski of Ellsworth, formerly of Dearborn, died Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.



She was born February 17, 1926 in Dearborn to George and Elsie (Flynn) Lavine. Her siblings are Dorothy, Vivian, Gloria, Virginia, Anna May, June, Edward, Donald and George.

She married Dominick Corpolongo. After his passing she married Jacob Bogdanski in May, 1976. Jacob passed away in 1997.

Lillian was a regular singer on a radio station in Detroit when she was younger. Later she was a telephone operator for many years in Dearborn. She enjoyed singing and dancing.

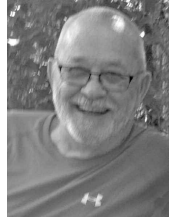
Surviving are her children Lori (Andy) Hallberg of Ellsworth, Kerry (Norma) Corpolongo of Lincoln Park; grandchildren Dominick, Anthony, Joshua and Nicole.

A private funeral service was held at Hastings Funeral Home on Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 7 p.m. with the Rev. Celia M. Hastings officiating. Lillian's cremated remains will be inurned this summer at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights with her first husband Dominick Corpolongo.

Jack D. McClees, 71

(MAY 10, 1944 - MARCH 26, 2016)

Jack McClees, longtime resident of Petoskey, died Saturday, March 26, 2016, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital.



Jack was born in Boyne City, Michigan, on May 10, 1944, to William (Jack) and Glendora (Gould) McClees. He served in the United States Navy from 1962 until 1969. Much of this time was spent on the USS Enterprise aircraft carrier. He made 2 world tours and had many fond memories and great stories from these times.

On October 7, 1972, Jack married his life partner, Patricia Turcott. They made their home and raised their family in Petoskey. He enjoyed and was very proud of his children and grandchildren.

Jack loved spending time with family and friends and especially liked time at the family cabin near Cross Village. Blissfest weekend was his favorite, surrounded by those he loved and new folks he met.

Jack was active in the local Vietnam Veterans association for several years. He was a member of their drill team and helped raise funds for the Vietnam Veterans memorial in Pennsylvania Park.

Jack loved spending time in the woods picking morel mushrooms. He found them

easily and in large quantities, to the delight of the family. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, yard work, gardening, cooking and canning.

Jack worked at several area businesses, including Perry Oil gas station, Tom and Dicks Party Store and Northern Michigan Hospital.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Earl and Terry, his sister Jeannette and his daughter Tammy Bailey.

Jack is survived by his wife, Patty, daughter Rebecca McClees (always Becki to him!), son Eric (Christina) McClees, grandchildren Trenton and Brynn Bennett, Kelley McClees and Jaxon McClees (expected in June), all of Petoskey; sister Charlotte Beal of Central Lake, brothers Marshall McClees of New Mexico, JD Cataline of Ohio and Chris (Mary) McClees of Grand Rapids, Michigan; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass is planned for Wednesday, March 30 at St. Francis Xavier Church at 10:30 am. Visitation was held Tuesday, March 29 at Stone Funeral Home from 6-8 pm.

Martha Louise Green Finnan, 73

(SEPT. 30, 1942 - MARCH 22, 2016)

Martha Louise Green Finnan of Rutherfordton, passed away on Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at Hospice House of Rutherfordton County.

She was born on September 30 1942 in Detroit, Michigan. She was the daughter of the late William "Bud" Green and the late Eloise Niver Green.

Her father died during the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium in 1945 while serving in the Army. She and her family then moved to Boyne City, Michigan where she was raised. She graduated from Boyne City High School in 1960. She went on to Ferris State College where she graduated in 1962 with an Associates Degree in Business Management. She married Joe Finnan on June 7, 1963. Martha was co-founder of Rutherford Rexall Drug Co. with Joe from

1981 to 1991. After selling the drug store she became a fashion consultant for Doncaster-Tanner Apparel Shop and taught various cooking classes for the Culinary Department of Isothermal Community College. She loved volunteering for Mothers Morning Out at First Baptist Church in Rutherfordton where she was a member for over 32 years. Martha was a devoted Grandmother and loved all her Grandchildren dearly. Snuggling with her Grandchildren is what she loved most. She was loved by all and will be missed. Martha was also preceded in death by her step-parents Raymond Behling Sr. and Margaret Howard Behling.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years L. Joseph Finnan. Three Sons: David Finnan and wife Sherrie of Brevard, NC, Eric Finnan and wife Patty of Wilmington, NC, Matthew Finnan and wife Abby of Rutherfordton, NC. One Daughter: Kathleen Finnan Geisel and husband Paul of Inman, SC. Six Brothers: Raymond Behling, Carl Howard, Rick Behling, Bill Behling, Rex Behling, David Behling. Three Sisters: Margie Behling Kenney, Mari Anne Behling Chellis, Laura Peck. Seven Grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at First Baptist Church of Rutherfordton Monday, March 28, 2016 with Rev. Tim

Marsh, Rev Dean Baughn and Rev. David Behling officiating. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Hospice of Rutherford County at P.O. Box 336 Forest City, NC 28043. An online guest register/tribute wall is available at www.mcmahansfuneralhome.com. McMahan's Funeral Home and Cremation Services is in charge of the arrangements.

Jacqueline M. Hankins (Hausler), 87

(FEB. 23, 1929 - MARCH 19, 2016)

Jacqueline M. Hankins of Petoskey died March 19, 2016 at Sandalwood Manor in Wheat Ridge, CO.



Jacqueline was born Feb. 23, 1929 in Boyne Falls, MI., the daughter of John Hausler Sr. and Leah Griffin.

She grew up in Boyne Falls and attended school at Boyne Falls High School.

On October 19, 1957, she married Chester L. Hankins at the United Methodist Church in Boyne Falls.

She worked for many years at Kroger in Petoskey and retired in 1995 from Northern Office Supplies of Petoskey.

Her hobbies included craft projects and reading. Jacqueline was a member of the Hill and Dale Extension Group.

Jacqueline is survived by her daughter, Dr. Karen Hankins Knight of Ann Arbor; two grandchildren, Zoe and Geoffrey Knight; her brother, Roger Hausler of Boyne Falls; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Chester Hankins; her son, Mark Hankins; her sister, Beverly Johnson; and her brother, John Hausler, Jr.

A funeral service was held at Stone Funeral Home on March 26, 2016. Rev. Dave Behling officiated the service.

Violet H. Kleiner, 98

(AUGUST 18, 1917 - MARCH 18, 2016)

Violet H. Kleiner, (nee Groesbeck) of Detroit and East Jordan, died peacefully, Friday, March 18, 2016 at THE GEORGIA HOUSE in Charlevoix, MI.



She was born August 18, 1917 in Detroit, the daughter of Henry and Harriet (Wells) Groesbeck. Violet was raised and resided in Detroit until 2011 when she moved to northern Michigan to be closer to her daughter.

Violet was an active member of St. Stephen Evangelical Lutheran Church and School in Detroit. She volunteered readily with the church and enjoyed being a part of their Ladies Aide Group. She assisted with school lunches and Saturday Kids club activities. She also arranged bus trips and outings for senior church members. Violet was known as "Granny" to her family and all her friends. She enjoyed reading romances, spending time with her family and friends, eating out, and going to the casinos. She also enjoyed the Detroit Tigers and going to games, her dogs, and playing bingo at the East Jordan Senior Center.

Surviving is her daughter

Joyce (Walter) Marcotte, grandchildren Michelle Guthre, James (Dawn) Guthre, Shari (Joe) Shippy, and great grandson Jace Knapp. Preceding her in death is her husband Arnold, a retired Detroit Police Inspector in 1979 and grandson Walter Marcotte II in 1982.

Viewing will be held from 9 to 11 am, Monday, April 4, 2016 at Woodmere Cemetery Chapel, 9400 W. Fort St., Detroit, MI 48209 with a funeral starting at 11am. Interment will follow as well as a luncheon.

Memorial contributions can be directed to THE GEORGIA HOUSE, 05191 M-66 N, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720. If you wish to send flowers, please send them to someone living that you love.

Arrangements have been handled by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Robert C. Tollas, DDS, 88

(FEB. 14, 1928 - MARCH 25, 2016)

Robert C. Tollas, DDS, formerly of Charlevoix, died Friday, March 25, 2016, at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey. He was born February 14, 1928, in Baroda, Mich. and grew up there. Bob graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in Agriculture Education, and taught high school biology in Paw. He received a DDS from University of Michigan in 1960.



Bob served in the US Army from 1947-49.

While at the University of Michigan, he met Fran Hanslovsky whom he married on July 19, 1953. They moved to Charlevoix in 1960, where Bob practiced dentistry until retiring in 1989. Bob and Fran moved to Independence Village in Petoskey in 2010, and Fran preceded him in death on February 17, 2013.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, and the Church Choir. He was also a member of the SPBSQA, and enjoyed singing in Barber Shop Quartets. Bob loved to golf, and enjoyed fishing and hunting and going to "Highbanks" camp in the UP.

Bob is survived by his children, Daniel A. (Terry) Tollas of Petoskey, David W. (Nadia Begin) Tollas of Arcosanti, Ariz., Debra Ann (Ken) Cormier of Boston, Mass., Dane A. (Lynne) Tollas of Petoskey, Diane M. (Andrew) Cesario of Petoskey; grandchildren, Nina, Jeremy, Grace, Addison, Tristan, Sasha, and Lily; great-granddaughter, Emily; brother, Reverend William Tollas of Evansville, Ind.; sister, Lois (Eldon) Nitz of Baroda. Bob was preceded in death by his brothers, Arthur and Vern Tollas of Baroda.

Friends may meet Bob's family at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix from 6-8:00 pm Wednesday, March 30. A memorial service will be 11 am, Thursday, March 31, at the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, the Reverend Neil Wilson officiating. A luncheon will follow the service in the fellowship hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix, or to Hiland Cottage Hospice House in

Petoskey.

Please visit Bob's guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com

Barbara Grise, 88

(MARCH 21, 1928 - MARCH 22, 2016)

Barbara P.C. Grise of Central Lake died peacefully, Mar. 22, 2016 at home surrounded by her family.

She was born Mar. 21, 1928 in Mansfield, MA the daughter of Oliver and Margaret (Staples) Milson.

Barb loved pets and horses. She also loved spending time with her family and cooking for them too. In her spare time she enjoyed reading and spending time gardening, especially tending to her orchids. In her younger years Barb enjoyed dancing, skating, and tennis.

Surviving Barb are her children Denise (Tom) Murray of East Jordan, Debbie Grise of Central Lake, Donna (Dennie) Carr of Forsyth, MO, Larry Grise, Lisa (Carl) Fromholz of Acme, John (Nicole) Grise of Gainesville, GA, 16 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Larry in 2000, her parents, 2 sisters Miriam Robison and Georgia Linn, daughter in law Linda, grandson Spencer and granddaughter Dhana.

A private family burial will take place in Southern Cemetery, Central Lake, alongside of her husband.

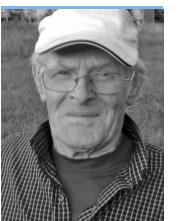
Memorial contributions can be directed to Antrim County Animal Control and Humane Society.

Arrangements have been handled by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Fred Stutzman, 81

(MARCH 28, 1935 - MARCH 28, 2016)

Fred Stutzman, 82, passed away quietly at home, near East Jordan, surrounded by his family on Monday, March 28, 2016.



Fred was known near and far as a humble, hardworking handyman of every sort. No task was too complex for him to master. He quickly gained the trust, respect and admiration of all who met him. He will be sorely missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

He loved boating, hunting, fishing, camping and playing musical instruments with family and friends.

Fred was born March 28, 1935, to Fred and Vernice (Berlin) Stutzman in Detroit, MI. His family moved to the Deer Lake area in 1947. He married Anne McPherson on April 9, 1955, and quickly started their family of five children, Fred Stutzman Jr., Franessa (Dave) Shooks, Kathy (Ken) Moore, Ken (Wanda) Stutzman, and Kris (Don) Saganek.

He is survived by his wife, Anne, his five children and their spouses, twelve grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren, several nieces and nephews, his brothers, Charles and John.

He is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Nettie Hoxie.

Memorial services will be held at the East Jordan Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses on April 7, 2016, at 7 p.m.

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Shamrockers Run for the Gold



Northern Striders Running Club from East Jordan kicked off their race season with the 5th annual Shamrockers Run for the Gold 5K road race and two-mile walk. The event was held on Sunday March 20th at the East Jordan Snowmobile Club. The Special Olympics benefit from the race and walk.

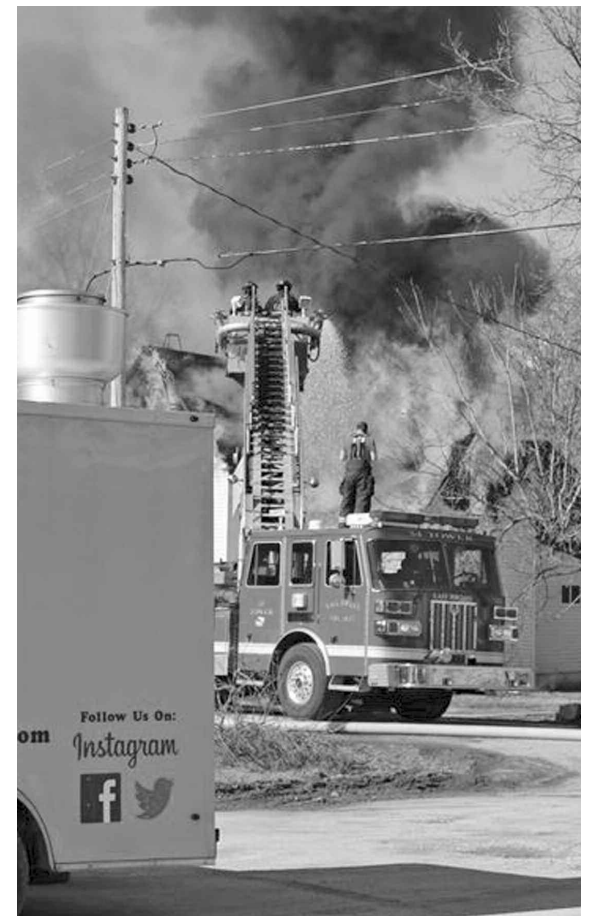
The Snowmobilers Club produced 90 breakfasts in an hour for a post meal after the race and walk for participants provided as part of the race from the Northern Striders. The Shamrockers Run for the Gold was awarded "The Best Small Race" of the year for 2015 in January, from the Traverse City Track Club.

Overall 5K Male winner was record holder, Kyle Kiel. Overall 5K female winner was Megan Graverson. Masters Winners were Doug Brown (male) and Gayle Harbaugh (female). Grand Masters Winners were Tom Harbaugh (male) and Geri Morris (female). 2 Mile Overall walk winners were Tim Tolbert (male) and Rebecca Tolbert (female).

Northern Striders Running Club would like to give special thanks to all race volunteers and it sponsors: T&R Yamaha, Subway, True Value, Darlene's Restaurant, Tom's Bait & Tackle, 4 Front credit union, The Competitive Edge Hair Studio, and Rick Hawley Photography.

TOP LEFT: Bruce McHaney, Fay McHaney and Race director Rick Hawley. COURTESY PHOTO

BOTTOM LEFT: Northern Striders Running Club from East Jordan kicked off their race season with the 5th annual Shamrockers Run for the Gold 5K road race and two-mile walk on Sunday March 20. COURTESY PHOTO



The East Jordan Fire Department along with personnel from Charlevoix Township, Banks Township, Otsego Township and the City of Charlevoix Fire Departments were at the site of a training burn at 102 John Street in East Jordan on Sunday morning, March 20th. COURTESY PHOTO

Area Fire Departments hold burn training

The East Jordan Fire Department along with personnel from Charlevoix Township, Banks Township, Otsego Township and the City of Charlevoix Fire Departments were at the site of a training burn at 102 John Street in East Jordan on Sunday morning, March 20th.

Several training sessions had taken place before the burn on Sunday and several were conducted the day of the burn at the two-story house to further hone the skills of these firefighters. EMS was also on stand by and took vital checks after the training sessions on each firefighter before they could be part of another session. Never should we take for granted the skills of these hard working and dedicated people. Littleman Bites Food Truck, owner Crescent Gardner, from East Jordan was on the property to provide food and drinks for the firefighters, which was very much appreciated.

The house, owned by Crossroads Ecumenical Resale Shop, was

burned to make way for additional parking for customers and staff. A roadway connecting Jordan Street and John Street will allow for easier drop off of donations and picking up of larger purchased items once the 4500 square foot addition is completed. Clean up of the site and construction of the parking area will be done by Wayne Bartlett Excavating as soon as possible.

Crossroads Trustees wish to thank the neighboring residents and businesses, as well as their customers for their understanding as Crossroads moves forward with their upcoming construction project. The addition will allow room for furniture and storage, currently housed off site, to be under one roof. The addition will also provide more room for Care and Share Food Pantry, as well as an area to help those in need of financial assistance.

Please contact Crossroads Resale at 231-536-7606 for more information.

First Annual Boyne Bee

The First Annual Boyne Bee attracted a big crowd, 23 fun loving spelling teams and raised more than \$1,000 for Boyne City's proposed river sculpture. The bee was held Wednesday, March 23, at Friggy's SOBO Pub in Boyne City. With 46 spellers entered, the competition for local bragging rights was fierce with lots of elimination rounds to crown the victors. The co-winning teams were Brittny and Ryan Book of The Super "Spelers" and Grace Otte and Liz Glass of Team SOBO.

A plaque with the winners' names will be placed on the Pat O'Brien and Associates building for a year of viewing. Start studying now for The Second Annual Boyne Bee next year. This will become an annual event to support public art initiatives. Proceeds in future



First annual Boyne Bee co-winning teams were Brittny and Ryan Book (shown here) of The Super "Spelers" and Grace Otte (shown here) and Liz Glass of Team SOBO. COURTESY PHOTO

years will help sustain The Walkabout Sculpture Tour, an outdoor exhibit of sculptures of various media placed throughout the parks and in downtown Boyne City.

The Boyne Bee was emceed by Scott MacKenzie and organized by Lindsay Regan. It was a night of laughs and great fun and food - all for a good cause.

"We raised over \$1,000 for The Last River Draw sculpture, a life-sized bronze sculpture of a logger standing on a log pulling logs down the Boyne River," Regan said. "Everyone had a great time and people were so generous. Pat O'Brien, lucky winner of the 50/50

drawing, gave his winnings back to the cause. That's how fortunate we are as a community to have such amazing people."

The community has until April 9 to raise \$25,000 in local match to receive a grant of \$25,000 made possible by MSHDA and MEDC's initiative known as "Public Spaces, Community Places." With 15 days left, the Boyne City Main Street Program needs another \$7,000 to reach the goal.

For project details or to donate, visit www.Patronicity.com/LastRiverDraw or contact mainstreet@boyncity.com or 231.582.9009.

'Father of the Year' nominations sought

The East Jordan Rotary Club is accepting nominations for 2016 Father of the Year. The deadline for father of the year nominations is Friday, April 15, 2016 Nominations can be sent to P.O. Box 195, East Jordan.

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

The award will be presented during the club's 96th annual father / son banquet at 6 p.m. on April 23, 2016 at the East Jordan High School.

For more information, contact Gary W. Roberts at (231) 675-7859.

"Cash and Carry" exhibit opens at JRAC

April 3 is the opening of a "Cash & Carry" exhibit - where the artwork that is purchased can be taken at the same time. The exhibit entitled Collections features three collections; two by well respected artists, all for sale and the third consisting of a variety of related artifacts, most all for sale. The proceeds will enhance the programming of the Jordan River Arts Council. Two of the collections are art works from two Michigan artist of renown.

D. James (Jim) Galbraith, 1930-2002, was a Michigan photographer who spent his career of more than 50 years as a Photojournalist. Galbraith began with the Ann Arbor News and later became Director of Photography with Suburban Communications in Livingston County. Galbraith concentrated upon capturing everyday life and had a passion for "street shooting" capturing the human condition. He even hand colored many of his photos. After his passing, his wife

Susan gave a collection of his photos to Pat Tinney, EJHS art teacher, which she used in teaching. Pat in turn, gave the remainder of the collection to Jordan River Arts Council.

John Davies was born in Kilbirnie, Scotland. He came to the United States in 1923 and married Bessie (also Scottish). His early art training took place in schools in Scotland. Coming to the U.S. he settled in Flint, Michigan, where he participated in the organization of the Flint Institute of Arts, attended school and taught classes for many years. He worked in all painting and graphic printing media. This collection has been preserved by his grandson, John Hubbard of Boyne City, passed onto him from his mother Betty, the daughter of John Davies. The collection is available to JRAC for sale.

The third collection of Japanese artifacts comes to JRAC from Peter and Elizabeth Balestrieri. All original works but two will be for sale.

Most noteworthy is the Wedding kimono. One of their favorite sources to buy art was the Buddhist temple flea markets. They also frequented Japan's famous "pottery town" to purchase 'Yakimono.' They lived in Toyama City, Japan where Elizabeth became Professor of English Language and Literature at Toyama University. Peter taught English as a second language and gave private lessons in painting. They lived in Japan for almost twenty years before retiring to Bellaire, Michigan.

All interested patrons wish to have their own original art collection will not want to miss this event. Over 300 original works have been priced to sell and taken at time of sale. The exhibit opens April 3 with refreshments being served in the lower gallery. The exhibit runs through April 24, open daily from 1-4pm.

Other times and for more information contact curator Jane Diller, 231 582 6399 or



JRAC's "Cash and Carry" exhibit opens April 3 and continues through April 24. The exhibit entitled Collections features three collections by artists D. James (Jim) Galbraith (his work shown here), John Davies and Peter and Elizabeth Balestrieri. COURTESY PHOTO

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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Final meeting at current City Hall

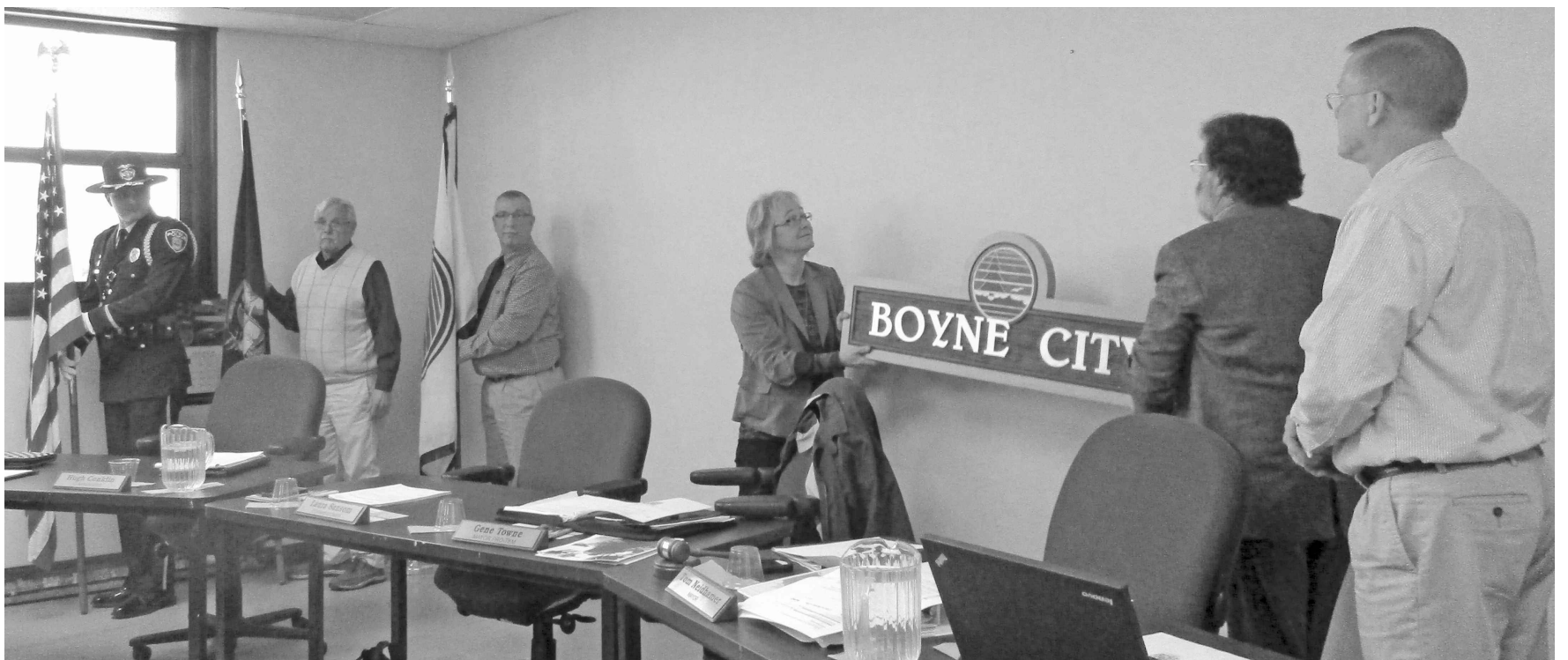
Boyne City receives \$15,000 placemaking grant

Boyne City will benefit from a \$15,000 placemaking project grant from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority that could aid in future development near downtown.

"MSHDA is proud to support this project that has the potential to breathe new life into Boyne City," Executive Director Kevin Elsenheimer said. "Across the state, placemaking initiatives have proven instrumental in helping create vibrant places where people want to live, work and play."

Funds will be used for the development of an overall site and infrastructure plan for phased build-out of seven acres the Boyne City Housing Commission owns within a short walking distance from downtown. Boyne City was among 14 statewide awardees sharing in \$209,175 in placemaking project grants.

Grant submissions needed to advance MSHDA's mission of increasing and preserving decent, affordable housing and engaging in economic development activities to revitalize communities. Applicants also had to demonstrate capacity to administer the proposed grant and projects without technical assistance, as well as bring a cash match from a local source to the table.



Boyne City commissioners Laura Sansom and Hugh Conklin remove the city sign from the commission's meeting room after their last meeting in the city hall building at 319 N. Lake Street, which has been home to city offices as well as the local MSU Extension office since 1978. Boyne City police officer Dan Mercer leads a procession of city officials out of city hall to put the city sign in storage. (Left to right: Mercer, Boyne City commissioner Gene Towne, Mayor Tom Neidhamer, Sansom, Conklin and city manager Michael Cain).

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - Most city commission meetings don't end with cake. But the most recent Boyne City commission meeting ended both on a lighthearted and wistful note and with cake in honor of it being the last public meeting held in the 87-year-old building that has served as Boyne City Hall for the past four decades. The structure is slated for demolition to make way for a nearly \$7 million new city facilities complex that's to be built this year.

Numerous city officials and staff, past and present, joined members of the community at the commission meeting to share their memories of time spent in the building at 319 North Lake Street, which has been home to Boyne City Hall since 1978. The local MSU Extension office has also been located in the building during that time.

Several who spoke smiled fondly in recalling the different experiences they had there over the years and many memories evoked laughter from the crowd. City clerk-treasurer Cindy Grice shared her memory of coming to work one day and finding animal control at city hall in search of a porcupine that had wandered into the building through an open door. The animal was captured without incident, Grice assured.



A cake decorated to celebrate the impending multi-million dollar city complex construction project was served after the final city commission meeting held in the building that's been home to Boyne City Hall for the past four decades. (Left to right: City commissioner Laura Sansom, city clerk-treasurer Cindy Grice, city manager Michael Cain, Boyne City mayor Tom Neidhamer, city commissioners Gene Towne and Hugh Conklin)

Whether their memories of Boyne City Hall were happy or emotionally charged otherwise, mayor Tom Neidhamer said the building will always represent a place where people who have a true passion for this city came together to make it an even better place. He said the new city hall will serve the same purpose as the city continues to grow and thrive.

"We're excited about the future," Neidhamer said.

He applauded local voters for supporting the city facilities project, which is set to begin and will include a newly-constructed city hall, history museum, emergency services and the MSU Extension office.

"I'm very proud of our voters for moving forward," Neidhamer said.

In two related matters, earlier during the meeting the commission voted in favor of re-awarding the bid for construction of the new city facilities project to Hallmark Construction of Traverse City for a corrected amount of \$6,593,374.

The commission also voted in favor of authorizing city manager Michael Cain to spend an estimated \$85,744 with Balzer Family Clock Works of Freeport, Maine, to restore the city's 1905 E. Howard Tower Clock so that it will function and can be installed as part of the city facilities project.

Cain said the clock will be clear-cased once installed, allowing the public to "get up close and personal" and view its working mechanisms.

Cain said restoring and including the town's century-old clock in the new city facility was considered an important historical aspect advocated by many residents and a good example of what impact community input had on the project.

"One of the real joys of this project is how the community has come together," Cain said.

The next regular Boyne City commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12 at 7pm at 364 N. Lake Street, which will serve temporarily as city hall until construction of the new city facilities is complete.

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN

April 1, 12:01am-11:59pm. You can fool all the people some of the time, and some of the people all the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time. ~Abraham Lincoln.

EAST JORDAN BLOOD DRIVE

April 5, Noon-5:45pm. East Jordan Civic Center, 101 Civic Center Lane. Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information.

CHARLEVOIX BASEBALL SEASON OPENING DAY OPEN HOUSE

April 8, 1-4pm, American House, 615 Petoskey Avenue. cordially invited to join your friends at American House Charlevoix in our 'Anytime Cafe' for our "Take me out to the ballgame" Open House. Enjoy hot dogs, peanuts, popcorn and beverages and watch the Detroit Tigers take on their opening day opponent, the New York Yankees at 1:08 pm. This event is free and open to the public.

BOYNE CITY BECOMING DEBT-FREE/FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER SEMINAR

April 11, 5:30pm, Boyne District Library. The seminars are separate but are being held back-to-back. Primerica representative Jerry Essex will teach you the fundamental concepts that have helped many clients build financial security. Jeff Wellman, broker/owner of RE/MAX Resort Properties, will share his 30 years of experience. Both seminars are free. Reserva-

tions are appreciated but not mandatory. Refreshments will be provided. To reserve your space or for further information contact Jerry Essex at (844) 457-8510 toll-free or jesssex@primerica.com, or Jeff Wellman at 231-582-1100, jeff@lakecharlevoix.com.

BOYNE CITY GROW YOUR BUSINESS WITH EMAIL AND SOCIAL MEDIA

April 14, 8-9:30m, Boyne District Library Community Room. Many small businesses and organizations find themselves seeking the right strategies, tools and tactics to make their marketing efforts as effective as possible. This session will show you how to make the most of the combination of email and social media for your business. When the session is done you'll have a greater understanding of marketing basics like goals and objectives. Admission is free for members of any Northern Michigan chamber and \$10 for non-members. Registration is required. Here is the link for more information and registration: <http://conta.cc/1RgAVrU>. Co-sponsored by East Jordan and Boyne City Chambers.

EAST JORDAN CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

April 14, 5-7pm. Raven Hill Discovery Center, Co-Sponsors: Raven Hill Discovery Center & East Jordan Public School Catering.

ELLSWORTH KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP AND REGISTRATION

April 14, 3-7pm, Ellsworth Elementary School. We would like to invite parents of all upcoming Kindergarten students

for the 2016/17 school year to stop by and see what makes Ellsworth Elementary such a special place to be.

ELLSWORTH APPLICATIONS FOR TUITION FREE PRESCHOOL

April 14. Ellsworth Community School will be taking applications for our tuition free preschool for the 2016/17 school year. Parents must call (231) 582-8070 to make and appointment.

EAST JORDAN BLOOD DRIVE

April 15, 8:30am-1:15pm. East Jordan High School, 101 Maple Street. Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information.

EAST JORDAN PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

April 19, 4:30-6pm. East Jordan Elementary School. Come visit and explore three great options for your preschooler.

ELLSWORTH PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

April 19, 5-7pm, Ebenezer Christian School, 9541 White Street. Preschool programs for three full days or three half days. Kindergarten program is five full days. Accepting enrollment preschool through 8th grade. (231) 588-2111.

CHARLEVOIX ENHANCED CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

April 20, 5-7pm, The Bistro at Charlevoix Country Club. This event will include an ele-

vated selection of hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, displays from member businesses, multiple door prizes, games and much more. We are taking it to the next level with the April Business After Hours and hoping to make it the standard for the future. Cost for the event is \$5/members (and YES, you can use your First Friday Business Breakfast punch cards) and \$15/non-members. The event is Co- Hosted by the Bistro at the Charlevoix Country Club and Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices.

EAST JORDAN EJ ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP MEETING

April 21, 5:30pm, District Board Room at Elementary School. Kindergarten round-up parent meeting. We welcome all children who will be age 5 on or before December 1, 2016. Meet staff members, Receive materials to make your child's kindergarten year successful, Learn about school policy and procedures. Childcare will be provided. Call (231) 536-7564 to make appointment for your child and for more information.

CHARLEVOIX LOST IN STORYLAND WITH VILLAGE PUPPETEERS

April 22, 3:45-5pm, Charlevoix Library Community Room. Those who think puppet shows are for babies had better guess again. In a raucous comic romp, internationally acclaimed puppeteers riff on classic fairy tale characters. This is a show perfect for school age children, with plenty of humor for adults. 3:45pm snack, 4pm show. Free event for all ages.

BOYNE CITY

50'S PARTY

April 23, 6pm-12am, Eagles Hall. Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders Rock Around the Clock. Twist Contest, Celebrity Performers, Prizes, Cash Bar, Silent and Ticket Auction, Food available. Music by TNT & Tim's DJ Service. Come dressed as a 50's/60's personality for a chance to win a prize. \$6 donation. For more info call Gail Farley at (231) 582-2424.

BOYNE CITY CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

April 28, 5:30-7pm. Boyne City Municipal Airport. Networking event. No charge for admission.

EAST JORDAN FIDDLERS JAMBOREE

April 30. East Jordan Civic Center. Registration at 11:30am, Jamboree Noon-5pm, Dance 7-10pm. Everyone is welcome. Musicians and callers please register at front desk and will perform in order of sign in. Instruments must be non-electrified. No admission fee, donation box at door.

BOYNE CITY FARMERS MARKET

The Boyne City Winter Farmers Market is being held

at the Red Barn on Saturday's from 9am-12:30pm through April.

BOYNE CITY FREE COFFEE, DOUGHNUTS & LUNCH FOR VETERANS

The community of Boyne City will be hosting a free social gathering for all veterans from 9 to 11 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Boyne Area Senior Center. Coffee and doughnuts will be donated by supportive area businesses. The senior center will also offer free lunches to all veterans on the fourth Tuesday of the month, starting in January. The senior center is located at 411 E. Division St.

CHARLEVOIX

Hospice of Northwest Michigan invites you to join our Monthly adult grief, loss & bereavement support group, which takes place the 2nd Sunday of each month from 4-5pm at the First Baptist Church, 6781 M66 North. This program is 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.

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Ellsworth school annual staff-student basketball game

On Tuesday, March 22 the Ellsworth Community School staff took on members of the sophomore and junior classes in a fundraiser basketball game. The game, which raised funds for the November 2016 junior/senior Washington, D.C. Government trip ended in a 443-379 staff victory.

Admission was by donation and throughout the game spectators could participate by buying players into and out of the game, and purchasing points for either team in the final quarter. In addition to the game there was also a silent auction with items donated by local businesses and individuals. Taking everything into consideration the event raised more than \$3,300.

"It was a really fun night, and a great way for the community to come together to raise money for a worthy school cause," said ECS superintendent, Aaron Gaffney. "We would like to thank all those who came out in support and donated throughout the evening, as well as all the individuals and businesses who donated to the silent auction."



On Tuesday, March 22 the Ellsworth Community School staff took on members of the sophomore and junior classes in a fundraiser basketball game. COURTESY PHOTO

ECS would like to recognize everyone who donated items for the silent auction. Sears of Charlevoix, Radio Shack of Charlevoix, Tracy and Randy Nagel, Family Video of Charlevoix, Kim Ingalls, Bachmann's Store, Heidi MacNicol, Ellsworth Community School, Paddles and Pedals, Robin Sommer, Ace of

Charlevoix, Kate Essenberg, The Lunch Box, Cindy Ruis, Uniquely North of Bellaire, Red Ginger of Traverse City, Coffman Cove Adventures, Little Treasures of Bellaire, Cottage Floral of Bellaire, Lifts, LLC-Larry and Rob Essenberg, Sue Goslee, Favor Farms, and the Ellsworth Farmer's Exchange.

Community volunteers attend Pistons' game

Char-Em United Way sent 25 community volunteers and their guests to the Palace of Auburn Hills on March 19 to watch the Detroit Pistons take on the Brooklyn Nets. This opportunity is part of the statewide Game Changers Program, a collaboration between the Pistons and United Way.

Your United Way understands the value of volunteerism and encourages community members to connect with local organizations through its

Volunteer Connections online service. As a token of appreciation for the work volunteers do in our community, tickets and parking passes were made available free of charge with local non-profit organizations nominating their volunteers for the experience. Each volunteer was able to invite up to three additional guests; a total of 100 community members attended the game.



Kiana Kuhs, Celena Brzezinski, Abigail Bohnet, Cara Richards, Zahrah Koch, Brianna Burnell, Hannah Sterling; 2nd row: Jacob Brewer, Derek Willis, Tanner Evans, Forrest Kerr; not pictured Madison Smith. COURTESY PHOTO

Boyne City High School students earn Academic All-Conference Team title

Boyne City High School is proud to recognize the twelve senior scholars earning the title of the 2016 Lake Michigan All-Conference Academic Team. The All-Conference Academic Team is selected by a formula using a student's cumulative grade point average and ACT composite score.

The students were recognized formally at an Awards Program on March 22, 2016 at the Kalkaska High School by the eight principals of the Lake Michigan Conference Schools (Boyne City, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Elk Rapids, Grayling, Harbor Springs, Kalkaska, and TC St. Francis) with a certificate and All-Conference

medallion. In attendance at the program was Superintendent Peter Moss, Principal Karen Jarema, High School Counselor Cathy Brown, parents and other family members of the honorees.

Good Samaritan Resale Shop & Food Pantry

Serving families in need for 26 years

By Jim Akans

Back in 1990, Ellsworth resident Mary Peterson had an idea... or perhaps it was more of a calling.

"I was visiting a local resale shop and I saw people searching through the trash for something they could use," she recalls. "I just knew there had to be a way to set up a new system for distributing goods to those in need, so I began looking for people who could pursue that idea."

Over twenty-five years later, the result of that inspiration; Good Samaritan Family Services, continues following a mission statement of "servicing the Lord

by reaching out to those in need," providing food and outreach programs to local families who could use a little help.

Petersen recalls, "When we began our mission, it was located in the old fire hall in town, we received support from local churches and it was ran by a small group of volunteers." At that time, about 30 families visited the facility each month.

Today, approximately 700 families visit Good Samaritan's Food Pantry each month, primarily from Antrim County though about a quarter of those families are from Charlevoix County. A crew of some 90 volunteers helps to stock and distribute the food supplies, oversee the non-profit organization's Resale Shop, Good Samaritan Furniture & More Store, and assist new mothers at their affiliated Moms & Tots Center.

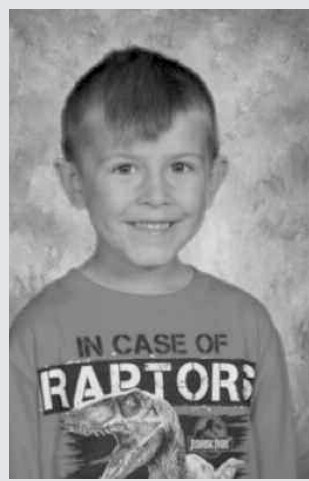
"The need has grown over the years," Mary relates. "People's stories tug at your heart. Our senior population has grown and we are seeing more seniors seeking assistance here, though they can be reluctant to ask for help."

She adds, "Everyone who gets food also gets free clothing. People can visit once a month, and we try to give them enough to last a bit longer. A lot of our food comes from the Manna Food Project, which we receive at a very good discount, so we can really stretch dollars that are donated."

Good Samaritan Family Services also offers "Sammy's Shoes" at the Resale Shop, which has a huge assortment of new shoes in virtually every size, style and color. Families in need can pick up a brand new pair of shoe for a small donation or even for free if they are unable to afford the donation.

Boyne Falls Public Schools STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Isaiah Towns



Grade: Kindergarten

Parent's Name(s): Cyndal Garnsey and Richard Towns

What do you want to be when you grow up? A Teacher
Favorite Book Series: Books about Sharks

Hobbies and Interests: Playing outside and watching movies.

School Activities: Isaiah likes Science and learning about weather.

Staff Comments: "Isaiah is such a hard worker! He is always trying his best and he never gives up. I am proud of all his hard work and I am happy to have him as part of my Kindergarten class: - Ms. W

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BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT.

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2016

0730 Citation issued for No Proof of insurance at Boice St and Brockway St.
0909 Parking complaint in the Fochtman lot.
1226 Well-being check in the 1100 block of Pleasant Ave.
1349 MDOP in old City Park.
1445 Assist EMS in the 200 block of N Park St
1700 Report of missing car accessories on Ray St
1757 Citation issued for speed on Brockway.
1844 Citation issued for speed at Pleasant and Timber

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2016

0119 Intoxicated subject in the 300 block of E Division St
1040 Report of damage to parking lot in the 200 block of S Park St
1417 Report of abandoned vehicle in the 300 block of Silver St
1420 911 hang up on Court St
1729 Report of a suspicious vehicle in the 700 block of S Park.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016

0117 Report of an MDOP in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
1247 Arrested subject for probation violation in the 600 block of Lewis
1250 Welfare check in the 300 block of E Division St
1437 Report of intoxicated subject in the 400 block of Boyne Av.
1900 Property damage accident at Lake near Ray.
2245 Lockout in the 400 block of N Lake St

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2016

0816 Report of log in road on Boyne Av
0824 Request for vehicle unlock of Pine St
1116 Threats complaint in the 300 block of N Lake St
1315 Report of parking complaint in the 400 block of Groveland.

1545 Report of pedestrian struck by car in the parking lot of the 400 block of N Lake St.
1731 Vehicle unlock in the 900 block of E Main.
2045 Threats complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
2355 Citation issued for defective headlight at Park and River.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2016

0625 Assist EMS in the 700 block of Vogel St.
0820 Found keys at the airport
1018 Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of Silver St
1032 Suspicious subject on Maddy Ln
1206 Report of loud music in the 800 block of Douglas St
1252 Damage to the gazebo in Old City Park
1348 Assist Sheriff Dept in Horton Bay.
2119 Escorted the boys' basketball team in to town after they won Districts.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2016

0205 Report of intoxicated driver on Main at Park.
0811 Arrested subject for DWLS 2nd, No Insurance and Unregistered Vehicle in the 300 block of N Lake St.
1037 Disturbance reported in the 1000 block of S. Lake St.
1125 Welfare check in the 1100 block of Pleasant Ave.
1331 Requested to lodge a dog at the shelter.
1431 Civil dispute over a cat in the 300 block of E Division St
1751 Assisted EMS in the industrial Park.
1828 Property damage accident in the 400 block of N Lake St.

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2016

1039 Suspicious situation in the 600 block of N. Park St.
1958 Report of a strong foul odor in the 800 block of S Park St
2219 Assist Sheriff Dept and EMS in Boyne Falls.
2304 Noise complaint on W Main St

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016

0800 Report of a missing a fishing

vest over the weekend
0800 Report of possible phone scam from the 800 block of S Park St
1154 Report of MDOP in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1200 Report of attempted scam phone calls received in the 500 block of N Lake St
1232 Suspicious subject in building on Beardsley
1520 Report of lost wallet in the 1300 block of Boyne Av
1736 Arrested subject on warrants in the 600 block of Beardsley
1749 Report of hit and run accident in the 300 block of N Lake St.
1753 Gasoline drive off from the 200 block of S Lake St.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016

0035 Report of MDOP in the 1200 block of Boyne Av. Unfounded.
0833 Assist EMS on Pleasant Av.
0900 Report of lost cell phone at Avalanche
1034 Report of lost key
1748 Report of possible Internet and cable hacking in the 500 block of E Main St.
1844 Assist citizen in the 400 block of State St
2021 Disturbance reported in the 100 block of E Water St

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016

0636 Report of a tree blocking Pleasant near Ann.
0945 Assist subject in the 100 block of River St
1130 Retail fraud in the 400 block of N Lake St
1450 Threats complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1449 Parking complaint in the 100 block of E Water St.
1549 Larceny complaint on W Main St
1710 Assist with eviction in the 300 block of E Division St.
2136 Driving complaint on N East St.
2256 Alarm in the Industrial Park.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016

0041 Report of a suspicious vehicle on Division St.
0905 Report of property left on porch on Jefferson St overnight
1010 Report of additional MDOP

to gazebo
1140 Arrested subject on FOC warrant in the 400 block of N Lake St
1153 Arrested subject for domestic assault in the 800 block of Boyne Av
1316 Report of lines down on Vogel St. Cable line has been cut and moved out of the road.
1317 Report of damage done to vehicle in the Industrial Park.
1531 2 vehicle property damage accident in the 400 block of N Lake St

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2016

0629 Suspicious situation in the 1200 block of Marshall Rd.
0815 Natural death in the 100 block of S Park St
1212 Parking complaint in the 100 block of E Water St
1432 Assist EMS in the 900 block of Brockway
1553 MDOP to vehicle in the 400 block of N Lake St
1635 Request for welfare check in the 200 block of State St
1843 Driving complaint in the 200 block of State St.
2318 Report of disturbance in the 200 block of State St.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2016

0049 Disturbance on W Main St.
0307 Arrested subject for OWI in the 200 block of State St.
0745 Parking complaint reported in the 400 block of Groveland.
1135 Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of N East St
1203 Citation issued for Speed at Front and Pleasant
1224 Citation issued for Speed at N. Lake and Groveland.
1232 False alarm in the 400 block of N Lake St.
1940 Property damage accident at Park and Collings.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016

0255 Assisted Sheriff Dept on 131.
1029 Assist FD with fire alarm in the 800 block of S Park St
1420 B&E in the 100 block of W Michigan. Someone kicked in the back door and ransacked the place.
1552 Report of lost keys at lake and Vogel. Were later located.
1718 Assisted EMS with a fall victim in the 500 block of N Lake St.

SUPERINTENDENT

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experience and knowledge of the Boyne City School Public School district.

The former superintendent could not be considered a viable candidate for the interim post until he had been formally retired for 30 days, however, in order to comply with state retirement regulations.

While acting as interim superintendent in coming weeks, Moss will not only oversee a flurry of end-of-school year activities but he will also be on hand as the district's \$10 million bond proposal goes to vote in April to pay for upgrades in technology, facilities, general repairs and for new school buses.

Meanwhile, the search for a permanent superintendent for the Boyne City Public School district is ongoing with applications for the position open until April 1. Eckhardt, who has been orchestrating the district's hiring process, said thus far he has seen excellent response from a number of highly-qualified candidates nationwide.

FORUM

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said.

The crowd separated around tables where they engaged in a work session in which they were asked to describe the community, outlined their wishes for the community, and list what the community needed. This information was eventually narrowed down to 3 top priorities per group. The identified priorities included: Senior/affordable housing, infrastructure/utility upgrades, more retail outlets, recreation trails, more community activities, blight and zoning enforcement, a general store/gas station, year round employment, quality education for trades and to become a vacation destination. Village Trustee Greg McCallum described the meeting as "An awakening of the future with a positive approach to improving a community."

Iacoangeli and his team will take the information gathered at the forum, tabulate the results and create a poll which will be placed on the village Facebook page for the community to prioritize. Residents are asked to keep an eye out for the survey. "We want you to take the survey. Yes, we're going to force you to rate things," said Iacoangeli. "Your involvement here is to take the survey to help us really fine tune what the community wants," he said.

Spearing and the committee left the meeting feeling that it served its purpose. "We were delighted with the number of participants as well as with the thoughtful and constructive input. We are looking forward to creating an action plan and procuring the resources to complete the projects that are most critical to our Ellsworth and Atwood community.

FRONT RUNNERS

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young adults, women, minorities, seniors, the East Coast, West Coast, southern states and Midwest in the November election, the candidates may soon unite their campaigns and skip the July convention altogether. When asked about platforms one of the candidates remarked, "We can figure that out later...platforms do not seem to be of issue at this time."

- A "celebrity" political party may be in the works. Hollywood insiders have been overheard considering placing a multi Oscar winning male and female actor on the ballot for a run at the President and VP spots in November. A representative remarked. "Actors do very well in politics. They've received top support from the Academy, have a fantastic draw at the box office...any fool can see it can't be hard to turn those ticket sales into votes."

Maybe an April fool.

Potato Gun Workshop



Ready -- Set -- Launch:

Local teachers test their potato gun launchers made during a recent professional development workshop at Raven Hill Discovery Center. The "spud guns" will encourage student data collection & analysis, including measurements of pressure, angle, distance, altitude, mass & size of projectiles. Left to right: Dave Tavernier, assistant instructor; Mike Rupert, assistant instructor; Kate Britton, Harbor Light Christian School; John Clements, instructor; Sue & Bob Metzger, St. Michael Academy; Dwain Thola, Charlevoix High School; Nelson Ogden and John Twichel, East Jordan Schools. COURTESY PHOTO

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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JUDICIAL REPORT -- WHERE LAWSUITS BEGIN

To the Editor

YOUR LOCAL LAW, a fragment of the vast system of jurisprudence circa 2016, provides some insights into the irregularities of national law and order, often segued into flaw and disorder by simple means of prefix addition, which has transpired in the evolution of US law. Evolving from Puritan witch hunts (1692) to constitutional implementation (1789) we now have a hodgepodge of discrepant and discredited societal-dictated, court-ordered nanny state regulation and administration.

It should be no secret that administration takes a far greater share of expense than the intended purpose for which programs are instigated. The tenacity of bureaucracy to expand and contract with economic fluctuations is indicative of disbursement of funds to those, and to infrastructure, receiving attention via funding. A great network of cost and personnel is re-

quired to assist one person or one public project. Actual cost-benefit analysis is not forthcoming in reports due to the complexity of the schematics governing these programs. Considering properties, salaries, benefits, pensions, furnishings, equipment et al necessary to maintain a functioning bureaucracy of distribution it is obvious that this is a major portion of the expense. Suffice to state that there are many zeroes attached.

Add unto this the cost of maintaining and upgrading highways to transport all persons and things to the multitudinous properties, fleets of vehicles to do so, office supplies and computers, utilities, services &c, this cost has to be exorbitant. Many more zeroes in suffix appear in indelible red ink.

Reducing this to the microcosm of local policing and court action it is found that the revolving doors are not unlike the inner city school system of as said, "public school to prison pipeline". Counties across the nation

function on a treadmill basis which has morphed to the snickering adage of "build them and they will come" meaning jails and prisons. Courts are the mediators with cops as recruiting sergeants.

Enter one recipient of this mélange of multifaceted bureaucracy, Kyle, last name redacted, to explore the nature of this octopus without a head. The severed head is of course Washington DC, directing the headless horseman as it were, modeling the emperor's new clothes, all those allusions of fairy tale allegory. To cut to the chase, Kyle is in the county jail in a north-west Michigan county for drug possession with a two-month sentence, claims to have been awoken one night, slammed to the concrete, stripped of his jail clothing, rushed to a segregation cell on suicide watch. Kyle has had cerebral palsy since birth, diagnosed at age two, takes medications and receives a trust fund allotment from settlement with the hospital of birth allocated through his mother. He,

like others of his generation fell to the modes of the times as did we all throughout our American heritage, this current onus being drugs. There is a video of the altercation with jail guards, jail administrator at catalyst so it is alleged. The prosecutor was unaware of this sequence other than sentence and awaits report from the chief assistant as to video revelations if any.

Cerebral palsy remains the salient issue should complications ensue, not a media-ready issue as such -- yet. The lad has broken the law of the land unequivocally but if complications should arise the lawsuits will converge. The law, the jailors, at this point, seem the instigators unless Kyle is found provoking, they already having issued misconduct tickets depriving Kyle of privileges such as visits by family, the only other retribution available to guards in offensive mode superseding defensive, the video purported to tell all.

The system of running this country is inadequate but even the "least of us" must be acknowledged,

with compassion, honesty and fair-dealing, as a living creature. NW MI prosecutors have in the past said that "We do things differently up here" in this far flung periphery of the US. Not so fast, there, E Pluribus Unum being the adage of governance, one for all, all for one as it were. Rhetorical nomenclature doesn't work in word alone; deed is required to fulfill proclamations. Kyle may be deserving of a life lesson, true, but if any untoward aftereffects should arise and if video reveals official foul play, the system will then revert to the recompense and restitution phase, namely lawsuit and money. This can be rectified now, for it is happening in real time, with a little care and attention, and legal precedent. The USA seems consistently to learn too little too late in this arena. This anecdote is not so unique but a veritable theme. There are a hundred thousand Kyles. Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

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Michigan Children's Healthcare Access Program

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan has been partnering with pediatric and primary care providers across Charlevoix and Emmet counties to implement a new program—the Michigan Children's Healthcare Access Program (CHAP). CHAP aims to make it easier for families to connect the resources they need to keep their children healthy. Natalie Kasiborski, Community Health Supervisor at the Health Department, is excited to roll out CHAP to benefit the area's youth.

"Navigating health resources and insurance can be confusing and sometimes overwhelming, especially for parents whose children need special attention," she said. "CHAP will make the process smoother for families and health care providers alike."

CHAP, which serves youth ages 17 and younger, acts as a coordinator of children's health care services. The mission of CHAP is to improve health outcomes among children on Medicaid, while better utilizing existing resources and decreasing healthcare costs. Patients will receive needed services, education, and assistance navigating the healthcare system. Current CHAP participants include Petoskey Pediatrics, Community Health Center of Northern Michigan, Charlevoix Pediatrics, Pine River Medical, East Jordan Family Health Center, and Dental Clinics North-East Jordan.

"The Children's Healthcare Access Program will make a great difference for our families," said Dr. Laura Most, a pediatrician at Petoskey Pediatrics. "Not only will the program help the children directly, but it will provide a central source of support for their families."

To be eligible for CHAP, children must be enrolled in a Medicaid health plan and assigned to a participating primary care practice. Services include home visits, telephone consultation and follow-up, transportation assistance, and coordination of care. Families may be referred to CHAP for a variety of reasons, including unnecessary emergency room use, transportation issues, frequent missed appointments, being in need of an annual well-child visit, needing assistance connecting with behavioral health or specialty services.

By educating parents and guardians, Kasiborski hopes the program will encourage the use of primary care providers and decrease the number of inappropriate emergency room visits.

CHAP is funded through the Michigan Association of United Ways, and is a part of the statewide MI-CHAP demonstration project. For more information about CHAP and other Health Department children's services, visit www.nwhealth.org or call (800) 432-4121. The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego Counties.

Sports Medicine Center to open Boyne City location in July

Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center (NMSMC) will open its seventh facility in Boyne City this July. NMSMC will occupy 4,573 square feet in the 'old bus garage' at 210 South Lake Street, most recently housing the Boyne Arts Collective. The development owned by Catt Development will also include 7 Monks Tap Room slated to open in June.

"We are pleased to have NMSMC as a partner in our development. I believe having a good mix of tenants is vital to the success of any development. NMSMC is a proven operator that will draw people to downtown Boyne City all year long and during the hours when traffic and parking aren't an issue. They have a history of being in-

involved with the communities they are in, and will be a great addition to Boyne City. In my opinion, their business model is a nice fit to the culture of Boyne City", stated Glen Catt, President of Catt Development.

Started in 1987 by Chuck Smith, NMSMC is an outpatient facility, which provides physical and occupational therapy, aquatic therapy, and specializes in athletic injury rehabilitation. Services include sports medicine, physical and occupational therapy and athletic trainer services specially designed to meet individual needs. The business will employ 5-6 people directly in the Boyne City location and another 4-5 indirectly supporting this facility. Plans for

adding more employees will be based on demand.

"We are committed to providing the highest quality care with a strong focus on patient satisfaction. People who reside in and visit Northern Michigan lead active and vigorous lifestyles. They enjoy activities varying from golf to triathlons, canoeing to board sailing and mountain biking to quiet walks in the woods. When injury or illness threatens their activity, we offer a proactive way to resume their lifestyles," said Smith, the owner and founder.

In addition to the new location in Boyne City, NMSMC has locations in Harbor Springs, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Indian River, and two locations in

Petoskey.

"Boyne City is pleased to welcome Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center to the exciting and expanding mix of quality businesses that are calling downtown Boyne City home." said Boyne City City Manager Michael Cain. "They are a first class operation. I've successfully used their services. It will be nice to now have that option without ever having to leave my hometown."

To learn more about Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center visit <http://www.northernmichigansportsmed.com/>. To learn more about the South Lake Street Redevelopment project, contact 231.582.9009 or mainstreet@boyncity.com.

100 Men Campaign invites local men to take a stand

Since 2010, the 100 Men Campaign has been a way for local men to take a public stand against domestic abuse, sexual assault and child sexual assault and abuse. The campaign invites northern Michigan men to become part of the solution in ending violence that impacts the women and girls they care about – their daughters, partners, mothers, sisters, friends and neighbors.

"So many men care deeply about this issue," said Gail Kloss, Executive Director of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM). "The 100 Men Campaign is a way for men to take action by donating \$100 and agreeing to have their name published alongside other supporters."

Contributions to the 100 Men Campaign support local prevention initiatives such as awareness-raising media messages, film screenings, panel discussions, lectures, 'Coaching Boys into Men' materials and White Ribbon events. All dollars remain local and help engage community members in discussions about the roots of violence against women and girls and the role-played by media, sports culture, religion, economics and the family structure.

The campaign has caught the eye of other groups across the country. The WRCNM has received inquiries to launch similar campaigns from as near as Detroit and as far away as Austin, Texas, the University of Memphis and the Eastern Seaboard.

"Important work takes time," Kloss said. "This local campaign is reaching out to men and inviting them to be part of the growing momentum nationwide – worldwide – to create communities that support equality, re-



Handing out white ribbons are (from left) Kevin Burns, Sean Byram and Bill Wilson. Burns and Wilson serve as members of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan's Violence Prevention Team and are 100 Men Campaign donors; Byram is Assistant Principal at Petoskey High School. COURTESY PHOTO

spect and healthy relationships free from violence."

Kloss cited other national efforts such as the recent work by the NFL encouraging fans to 'get off the sidelines' and speak out against domestic and sexual violence. The national NO MORE campaign focuses on the tendency to blame victims instead of perpetrators. College campuses across the country have also been working to bring about awareness, education and prevention for safer student life.

The 100 Men Campaign was born out of the

belief that men have a crucial role to play in the movement to end violence against women and girls. Through greater awareness of this issue and by advocating for violence prevention at the community level, men are becoming part of the solution in ending what has become one of the most significant social issues of our time.

To learn more about the 100 Men Campaign or to make a \$100 tax-deductible donation call the WRCNM main office at (231) 347-0067 or visit wrcnm.org/support/100-men-campaign.

Red Cross has need for type O negative blood

The American Red Cross has a significant need for type O negative blood donors to donate blood for patients. Type O negative blood can be transfused to patients with any blood type and is often used in emergency situations. While less than 7 percent of the U.S. population has type O negative blood, hospitals depend on frequent O negative donations to ensure it's always available for patients in need.

Eligible donors with type O negative blood are encouraged to make a whole blood or double red cell donation, where available, through the Red Cross. During a double red cell donation, two units of red blood cells are collected while most of the plasma and platelets are returned to the donor.

"Type O negative donors are an important part of the Red Cross

trauma team," said Todd Kulman, External Communications Manager of the Great Lakes Blood Services Region. "While all blood types are needed, type O negative donations are necessary in emergency situations when there is no time to determine a patient's blood type. Because there is such a high demand for type O negative blood, O negative donors are needed to donate often."

Blood donation appointments can be quickly and easily scheduled by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Because of generous donors, the Red Cross is able to provide blood products to trauma patients like Carla Randecker. In 1995, a semi-truck failed to halt at a stop sign, changing Randecker's life forever. She suffered a broken

neck and femur. She woke from surgery to see a bag of blood attached to her IV.

"I'm O negative, a rarity," said Randecker. "All I remember was, wow, someone gave their blood for me. I made a promise that day to do the same. When I was well enough, I'd return the favor."

Randecker became a regular blood donor and gave for many years. This past year, her family fulfilled her wish to give blood together. Five of the family members who gave were type O negative, and since then, donating blood has become a family tradition.

"If I teach them nothing else, it's that they should always, always, do for others," said Randecker.

The Red Cross must collect approximately 14,000 blood and platelet donations every day for

the patients at about 2,600 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide. Blood and platelets are needed to respond to patient emergencies, including accident and burn victims, heart surgery and organ transplant patients, and those receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or sickle cell disease.

Those who come to donate now through May 15, 2016, will be entered to win four single-day tickets to any of 10 Cedar Fair theme parks in the U.S. For a full list of participating parks, visit redcross.cedarfair.com.

How to donate blood: Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information.



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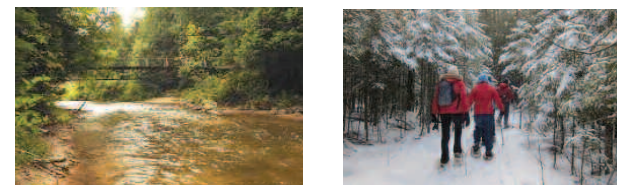
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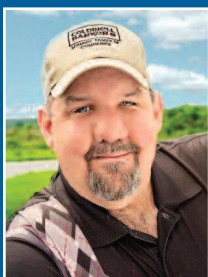
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