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Boyne City Commission considers mosaic sculpture along city waterfront

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - While promotion of the arts has become a major focus in enhancing this city's growth and development in recent years, local commissioners are being cautious about whether to place a mosaic sculpture permanently along the city's waterfront.

The Boyne City Commission could decide at its next scheduled meeting June 14 if

it will accept an offer by artist Svetlana Ottley to create and donate a mosaic mural sculpture portraying the natural beauty of the area and placing it permanently at the city marina near Veteran's Park.

Boyne City Main Street executive director Lori Meeder said in 2015 Ottley offered to create and donate the sculpture with the city's approval.

Meeder said the Main Street group agreed to pay for materials Ottley uses to

craft the sculpture and for its installation with funds that have been budgeted for the project.

Ottley and her husband and family have been visitors to Boyne City for many years and plan to relocate there later this year. She is a mosaic artist who has done extensive work in the Toledo and Sylvania, Ohio areas, Meeder said.

The city has advocated placement of sculptures and other public art throughout

the city the past few years, including a life-size bronze sculpture of a logger called "Last River Draw" that's currently being installed part-way in the water at the mouth of the Boyne River.

But while the Main Street board and the city's harbor-master favored approving Ottley's mosaic sculpture in May, city commissioners said they are concerned about the permanency of the sculpture and how it will actually look once complete.

City commissioner Laura Sansom said she's a strong advocate of public art and has been excited to see so many sculptures and other works of art placed throughout the city. However, while the artist's rendering of her mosaic sculpture was presented, Sansom said she hasn't seen much of Ottley's finished work and is yet to be convinced the artist's proposed piece will be a suitable

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RECOGNIZING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Area Students Receive Top Honors

See Page 3A For Photos and Honors

By Jim Akans

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

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

mitment to their goals.

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

Note: Boyne City Public Schools & Concord Academy of Boyne valedictorians and salutatorians will appear in the June 16th edition of the Charlevoix County News.

Charlevoix Summer Open House

Charlevoix merchants are celebrating the arrival of the summer season with the 5th Annual Summer Open House taking place downtown Charlevoix on Thursday, June 16th from 4:00 to 8:00pm. Participating shops and restaurants will extend a warm welcome to all by offering sales, prize drawings, specials, snacks, activities, refreshments and more!

Come see what's new! Merchants invite you to check out their new, summer merchandise and the many fantastic brands they have available. Check out the exciting selection of Antiques, Art, Bicycles, Books, Clothing, Gifts, Home Accents, Jewelry, Paddle Boards, Purses, Shoes, Specialty Foods, Sunglasses, Toys, Wine,

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Stroll the Streets returns to downtown Boyne City

Music, fun and great times will fill the streets of downtown Boyne City this summer as Stroll the Streets returns for its 13th season on Friday, June 10th, from 6 - 9 p.m., continuing through Labor Day Weekend.

Stroll the Streets is a signature summer event for downtown Boyne City, with musical entertainment ranging from contemporary, country, bluegrass, traditional, folk, jazz, to rock. Special activities include magicians, caricature artists, face-painting, balloon twisting and more fun activities for kids this year.

The program is funded with contributions from local businesses. "The support from the business community is outstanding," said Karen Guzniczak, chair of the Boyne City Main Street promotions committee. "With over 30 businesses

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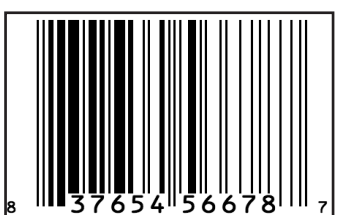
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record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
JUN 9	47°	76°	32° (1977)	91° (1959)
JUN 10	47°	76°	30° (1966)	91° (1968)
JUN 11	48°	77°	29° (1966)	93° (1956)
JUN 12	48°	77°	36° (1979)	95° (1949)
JUN 13	48°	77°	35° (1965)	96° (1956)
JUN 14	49°	77°	31° (1978)	93° (1988)
JUN 15	49°	77°	33° (1961)	97° (1954)
JUN 16	49°	78°	31° (1964)	95° (1952)

John Talboys, 82

(JAN. 12, 1934 - JUNE 3, 2016)

John Charles Talboys of Boyne City passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family on June 3rd 2016 at Grandvue Care Facility, in East Jordan.

John was born in Horton Bay on January 12th 1934. He lived most of his life in Boyne City and graduated from Boyne City High School in 1952. John married his high school sweetheart, Jean "Crouterfield" Talboys on February 26 1954. John was drafted into the US Army in July of 1954 and after his completion of training as a crane operator Jean joined him in Marysville CA. until his honorable discharge in 1956. They then returned back to Boyne City to raise a family.

John served as police officer in Boyne City for 34 years, 25 of those as Chief of Police. John had numerous hobbies, which included camping with his family and friends, being a Ham radio operator, collecting and repairing antique clocks. He also was a dedicated lifetime member of the Flywheelers club serving as head of the flea market for 25 years. He was an active member of the Masonic Lodge for over 60 years, serving many of those years as secretary of the local lodge. John had many more hobbies as his belief was there are too many things in life to ever be bored.

John is survived by his sons Steven (Libby) Talboys, Daniel (Tammy) Talboys; daughter Lori (Robert) Christy all of Boyne city, along with 8 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren, as well as several extended family members.

Visitation will be held at Stackus Funeral Home on Wednesday June 8th from 4:00pm to 7:00pm, followed by a Masonic Candle Light Service starting at 7:00pm.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am Thursday June 9th at St. Mathews Catholic church in Boyne City with Pastor David Behling officiating.

In Lieu of flowers the family requests donation to be made to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society, 614 Beardsley St, Boyne City, Michigan in John's name.

Linda Lou Howard (Nowland), 64

(FEB. 11, 1952 - JUNE 1, 2016)

Linda Howard of Boyne Falls died June 1, 2016 at her home.

Linda was born in Charlevoix, Michigan, on February 11, 1952; the daughter of Hershall and Stella (Crosier) Nowland. She grew up in Charlevoix County and graduated from Boyne City High School.

On February 16, 1974, Linda married Randy Howard. Together, they shared many happy years.

Linda worked various jobs, including Quarter's Plant in Boyne City, as an aid and kitchen support staff in Boyne City Schools and at the Bay Harbor Yacht Club.

Linda enjoyed planting flowers, hunting for mushrooms and Petoskey Stones, riding and caring for her horses, going for rides on her ATV and spending time with friends and family.

Linda is survived by her husband, Randy Howard; her children, Rhonda Anthony, Buck (Christina) Anthony and Gina (Mike) Ronga; grandchildren, Katelyn, Megan, Michael, Elizabeth Anthony and James Bruzzesi and Larzton Ronga; her sisters, Karyl Charette and Patricia (Robert) Bennett; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held June 4, 2016 at Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey. Pastor Paul Wise officiated.

Willard J. Biallas, 93

(NOV. 4, 1922 - JUNE 5, 2016)

Willard J. Biallas of Walloon Lake passed away Sunday, June 5,

2016 at home.

The family has chosen to remember him privately.

Please share your memories or personal messages with the family at www.gaylordfuneralhome.com

Jack C. Grubaugh, 84

(SEPT. 25, 1931 - MARCH 9, 2016)



Jack C. Grubaugh passed away March 9, 2016 following a long illness surrounded by his family at his home in Flushing. Jack Curtis Grubaugh was born September 25, 1931 to Donald and Mildred Grubaugh of St. Johns. He graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1950 with his high school sweetheart, Joane E. Crump. Jack and Joane married a year later on July 24, 1951 and resided in Charlevoix for more than fifty years until they moved to Nokomis, Florida in September, 2001. They then moved back to Michigan in 2007, residing in Flushing since that time. The family can be contacted at 7073 Kings Way, Flushing, MI 48433.

Jack, a sergeant in the United States Air Force, was a Korean War Veteran, honorably discharged in November 1953 serving in both Korea and Japan.

Upon his return from the service, he began a successful career in manufacturing accounting and plant management. He spent more than 17 years with Freedman Artcraft Engineering Corp., Charlevoix (Harbor Industries) and 20 years with Michigan Maple Block, Petoskey, retiring in 1994 as plant manager.

Jack is survived by his wife of 64 years Joane, daughters Pamela Grubaugh, Diane (Ronald) Chapman, son, Gregory (Jacqueline); granddaughter, Melissa (Bryan) Jarema; grandson, Corey (Michelle) Knapp; great grandchildren, Grant and Claire Jarema. He loved them all dearly.

Jack was on the board of directors of the Kiwanis Club of Charlevoix, Charlevoix Area Hospital, First Congregational Church, and Charlevoix United Way. He also served as City of Charlevoix 3rd Ward Councilman. In addition, he supported manufacturing in Northern Michigan as a board member of the Northwest Michigan Industrial Association and the Michigan Association of Timbermen. He was a past member of the Charlevoix Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, Northwest Shrine Club, Order of Eastern Star, the Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club, and a charter member of the Charlevoix Yacht Club. Jack and Joane spent many years enjoying their boating trips and also drove many miles around the U.S. in their motor home.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Ervadene Walter.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 W. Garfield Ave., Charlevoix, MI 49720. A graveside service will be 11 AM, Wednesday, June 15, at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix. The Reverend Gayle Gennett will officiate and military honors will be presented by the Charlevoix Area Veterans and the United States Air Force.

Dorothy E. Russell (Feltenbarger), 84

(MAY 25, 1932 - MAY 31, 2016)

Dorothy May Russell of Charlevoix passed away Tuesday, May 31, 2016, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan. She was born May 25, 1932, in Charlevoix, to Clarence and Catherine (McClanathan) Feltenbarger.

She graduated from Charlevoix High School. On December 23, 1951, she married Jack C. Russell in Charlevoix, and he preceded her in death in 1992.

Dorothy worked at Paul Reid (Weathershield) in Charlevoix, and G&W Stamping (Dura) in East Jordan. She drove school bus in Charlevoix for fifteen years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix. Dorothy loved to read and take long walks.

She is survived by her children, Carl L. Russell of Bethel, Alaska, Clarence L. Russell of Kentucky, Carol M. (Don) Ward of Charlevoix, Colleen R. Lemons of Ithaca; eleven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; she was preceded in death by her brothers, Harry, Bruce, and Earl Feltenbarger; and sisters, Betty Sutton, and Myrna Lang.

Funeral was held Monday, June 6, at the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix. Reverend David Behling officiated. Burial in Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix.

Penny Beth Habel (Smith), 54

(DEC. 13, 1961 - JUNE 1, 2016)



Penny Beth Habel of Petoskey passed away at home on June 1, 2016. She was born December 13, 1961, to Rolland Laird and Wanda Jean (Syx) Smith. Penny graduated from Marcellus High School in 1980, and moved to Petoskey in 1981. She worked as a nurse's aide. Penny loved her grandchildren, going to yard sales, and gardening.

Penny is survived by her husband of thirty-five years, Allen S. Habel; sons, Allen S. Habel, Jr., and Tyler Scott (Rachael) Habel all of Petoskey; grandchildren, Shane, Lilymarie, Mindy, Tyler Jr., and Hunter; brothers, John (Suzanne) Smith, Curtis (Debbie) Smith all of Marcellus; sisters, Sherry (Gene) Whisler of Constantine, Janice Fager of Marcellus. Penny was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Bob.

A memorial gathering will be from 1-4 pm, Sunday, June 12, at the Boyne City Eagles, 106 River Street, Boyne City, MI 49712.

Memorial contributions may be made to McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation, 360 Connable Ave., Petoskey, MI 49770

Donna M. Hamilton, 87

(MARCH 12, 1929 - JUNE 1, 2016)



Donna M. Hamilton of Charlevoix passed away June 1, 2016.

Donna was born March 12, 1929, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Paul and Winifred Cavanagh. Her family moved to Michigan in her early years making their home in Traverse City, Mich., later settling in Lake City, Mich.

After graduation from Case-Western University in Ohio, she came to Charlevoix to begin what would be a long career in education. She married Robert Hamilton

in 1954, falling in love with her new daughter Chris, and welcoming daughter Judy a few years later. The students she taught over the many years brought joy to her life. Donna retired from the Charlevoix Public School system in 1992.

She experienced many great adventures through her love of reading. Her sense of humor and compassion will be missed by her former students, long-time friends, and family.

She is survived by her daughters, Judy Lane (Chuck), of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Chris Gengle of Charlevoix, who she often referred to as "my girls" in her later years; granddaughter, Jennifer Malone (Mark); great-granddaughters, Grace, Audrey, and Margaret Malone of Dearborn, MI, nieces and nephews, Anne and Paul Cavanagh of Ohio, Wendy and Doug Hord of New York and Texas. She will also be missed by longtime family friend Kathy Blechel, of Charlevoix, who considered her a "second mom".

She was predeceased by her parents, an infant son, two sisters and one brother. Donna was a fifty year member of the First Congregational Church in Charlevoix.

The family requests remembrance contributions to the Church in lieu of flowers, 101 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720. Cremation has taken place, a memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Margaret E. Gallagher (Stanton), 90

(DEC. 28, 1925 - MAY 31, 2016)



Margaret (Peggy) E. Gallagher of Charlevoix, formerly of Lansing, passed away Tuesday, May 31, 2016, at Georgia House in Charlevoix. She was born December 28, 1925, in St. Louis, Mo. to Thomas and Margaret (Lennox) Stanton. On February 1, 1947, she married Lester J. Gallagher.

Margaret studied nursing at Saint Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids, earning a certification as a Registered Nurse. She worked in nursing for over 40 years, retiring as a Regional Administrator for Beverly Enterprises. She loved photography, investing, reading, cooking, and was part of a Bridge Club for 40 years.

Lester preceded her in death on December 16, 1994. She is survived by her children, Thomas (Merle) Gallagher of The Villages, Fla., Mary (Michael) Rudy of Charlevoix, Lester Gallagher of Lansing, Patty (Bruce) DeRosia of Charlevoix, Ann (Andy) Luepnitz of Dewitt; grandchildren, Amy, Carrie, Adam, Kelly, Lisa, Chad, Bryan, Katie, Andy, Chris, and Lisa Renee; sisters-in-law, Mary Bradley, Betty Stanton, Rhoda Stanton; and her special friends, the Hermes, Smiths, and Killilas. Margaret was also preceded in death by her grandson, Joshua; brothers, Bob, Tom, Don, and Mark Stanton; and sister, Helen Richards.

Funeral mass was held Friday, June 3, at Saint Mary's Church in Charlevoix. The Reverend Matthew Wigton officiated. Burial in Saint Mary's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

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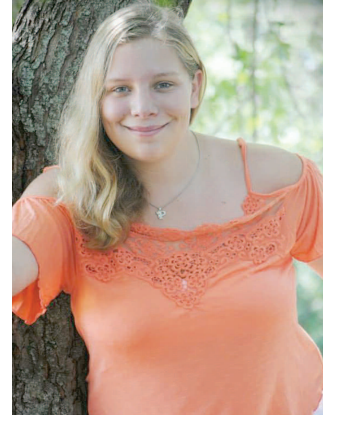
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BOYNE FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

Joshua Tanner Lange

Hometown: Boyne City
GPA: 4.0
College choice/area of study: Michigan State University to study Finance

SALUTATORIANS

Marcus Christopher Matelski

Hometown: Boyne Falls
GPA: 3.80
College choice/area of study: Northern Michigan University to study Nursing

Megan Louise Byrne

Hometown: Wolverine
GPA: 3.80
College choice/area of study: Attend North Central Michigan College for two years and then transfer to College of Creative Studies.

CHARLEVOIX HIGH SCHOOL

Rather than name a valedictorian and salutatorian, Charlevoix High School has named four members of the class of 2016 as

"SENIOR SCHOLARS."

Nathan Russell Lindfors

Hometown: Charlevoix
GPA: 3.949
Plans For After Graduation: Aquinas College / Economics & Political Science

Benjamin Lee Boss

Hometown: Charlevoix
GPA: 3.949
Plans For After Graduation: Calvin College/ Health Sciences

Kylee Scholten

Hometown: Charlevoix
GPA: 3.95
Plans For After Graduation: Grand Valley Frederik Meijer Honors College

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Samuel Thomas Lee

Hometown: Charlevoix
GPA: 3.971
Plans For After Graduation: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; I'm undecided as to what I will study.

EAST JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

Timothy Micheal Roback

Hometown: East Jordan
GPA: 4.03
College choice/area of study: Michigan State University- Bio-chemistry
Thoughts about the future/words of wisdom: No matter what you do, do it with love, because love is the best thing we do.

EAST JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL cont.

SALUTATORIAN

Paige Nicole Cavaness

Hometown: East Jordan
GPA: 3.96
College choice/area of study: Lake Superior State University- Pediatric Oncology Nurse
Thoughts about the future/words of wisdom: Scatter kindness throughout your life and make the days count.

ELLSWORTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

Tyler Drenth

Hometown: Ellsworth
GPA: 3.95
College choice/area of study: Ferris State University

SALUTATORIAN

Madison S. Steenwyk

Hometown: Ellsworth
GPA: 3.9697
College choice/area of study: Saginaw Valley State University for Nursing

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East Jordan underwater robotics club takes top honors



Posing with their first place plaque at the Great Lake Regional Competition are Red Devils Underwater Robotics Club members (front row from left) Austin Bowerman, Keenan O'Neill, Michael Kraemer, David LaBute, Drue Daley, Gage Piechan, Nathan Newman, Nick Wilson, and (back row from left) Trevor Zeeryp, Cooper Stevenson, Logan Johncheck, Marshall Scott, Jacob Bascom, and East Jordan teacher and robotics coach John Twichel. COURTESY PHOTO

The East Jordan after-school Underwater Robotics Club took top honors at this year's Great Lakes Regional Competition in Alpena after outmaneuvering seven other teams in their classification.

Coached by STEM instructor John Twichel, the 13 students in grades 7 and 8 spent months honing their skills leading up to the competition. The club, now in its third year, participates in the international organization Marine Advanced Technology Education (MATE), based out of Monterey, Calif., whose goals are to:

- Engage students in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and expose them to science and technology careers
- Encourage students to develop and apply technical, teamwork,

and problem solving skills

- Provide funds, materials, and technical expertise to support student learning provide industry with skilled individuals who can fill workforce needs

The Red Devils Underwater Robotics team competed at the Navigator or medium level of competition. There are three areas that teams can earn points – in the pool which is called Product Demonstration, on the Display Board, and in Sales Presentation, Twichel explained. As part of the competition, each team creates a fictitious company with CEO and CFO, among other positions, and showcase their underwater machine's abilities. Team members also market their product and services.

"This competition is very real

as there are deadlines, teamwork, collaboration, communication skills, and innovative engineering challenges," Twichel said.

Each year the competition is based on real-world work that a remotely operated underwater vehicle would do in lakes and oceans. This year's mission included collecting and analyzing spilled oil samples and coral, to capping dried oil pipes. The competition, hosted by the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary, was held May 21 in Alpena.

The team starts with the end in mind, Twichel explained, and first built all the "props" or challenges that were placed at the bottom of the pool that the remotely operated underwater vehicle had to successfully accomplish. The team created strategies and spent

months researching and developing the underwater robotic vehicle and the different tools to accomplish their tasks.

Red Devil Robotics member Drue Daley enjoys working with his classmates on the underwater robotic competition. "I have learned about many available careers in the STEM field," the 8th grader said. "I learned how to work and communicate together for a better outcome."

The after-school club receives support from the Malpass Foundation, East Jordan Lions Club, the Rotary Club of East Jordan, and many other area businesses. After a year or two, students in the club are encouraged to join the East Jordan High School FIRST Robotics Team to continue their interest in STEM.

Kirtland Community College announces Winter 2016 President's, Dean's Lists Honorees

ROSCOMMON – Officials at Kirtland Community College recently recognized students for their academic achievements during the 2016 winter semester which earned them placement on the college's dean's and president's lists.

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

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EJ Public Schools Summer Food Service Program

East Jordan Public Schools announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program for children. Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or person up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. The meals will be provided without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the site listed below from June 20, 2016 through August 17, 2016:

East Jordan Elementary School
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At East Jordan Elementary School breakfast will be served from 9:00 am – 9:30 am and lunch will be served from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Neighborhood children are welcome to participate. The East Jordan site will be closed July 4, 2016. Due to anticipated construction on Fourth Street, participants are asked to use the Garfield Street entrance.

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Fall Prevention Tips — Sensible Shoes

By Tracey Rupinski, RN CFCN

We all have our favorite comfy slippers that we love to have on, but have you ever wondered "are we kind to our feet"? We tend to abuse, ignore and torture our tootsies until they simply fail us and cause us great pain. The foot contains 26 bones, 33 joints, 107 ligaments and 19 muscles, which is 1/4 of all bones in the human body. Your feet mirror your general health. Conditions such as arthritis, diabetes, nerve and circulatory disorders can show up initially in the feet. Good foot care should be a priority for everyone.

Years of neglecting the feet and wearing poor footwear, can put you at risk for falls. As part of your overall fall prevention plan, take a good look at your shoes. High heels, floppy slippers, worn out shoes or shoes with

slick soles can make you slip, stumble and fall. Walking in socks or stockings can be hazardous as well. The foot needs to be supported, so bring on the sensible shoes.

When purchasing new shoes have your feet measured each time, your size will change many times over a lifetime. Buy the very best shoe you can afford. You truly get what you pay for when it comes to footwear. Avoid footwear with extra thick soles and soft structure. Choose lace up or shoes that have fasteners and keep them tied. The best time to buy footwear is in the afternoon as feet and legs tend to swell. If you have one foot that is a different size, always fit to the larger one.

Foot care is vital to your general health. The Charlevoix County Commission on Aging has two Cer-tified

Foot Care Nurses that provide in-home foot care to eligible homebound seniors. Also, each senior center offers foot clinics monthly in Charlevoix, East Jordan and Boyne City. For more information please contact the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging at 231-237-0103 or your local senior center for more information.

Statistics to think about:

- ☞ The most profound effect of falling is loss of independence.
- ☞ Women have 4x as many foot problems as men; high heels the culprit.
- ☞ A pair of feet excretes as much as a half pint of moisture each day.
- ☞ As a person's income increases, the prevalence of foot problem decreases.

More Medicare Counselors Available

The Region 10 Office of the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program, MMAP, has recently added another 12 counselors in their 10 county service area.

Jim Verville, MMAP Regional Coordinator, announced that his Traverse City office recently provided a three day intensive training for new team members. "We continue to add more counselors to the program each year", said Verville. "We now have 52 individuals who are available to provide consultation to residents in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee and Wexford counties."

MMAP is part of the national State Health Insurance Program sponsored by Medicare. Free services are provided to folks in all areas of Medicare health insurance including help in selecting drug and health plans and supplemental policies. MMAP counselors can also

screen Medicare beneficiaries for eligibility in Medicaid, Extra Help, and other low income assistance programs and even assist with the application for these benefits. Another service involves help with the identification of possible Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse.

"We are very excited about the new members of our team," said Verville. "There are over 170,000 Medicare beneficiaries located throughout our 10 county region, and we are only able to reach about 4% of them". "We need to conduct more outreach to create a better awareness of our services and also ensure that we have additional counselors available to help more people".

During the 53 day Medicare Annual Enrollment Period last year, MMAP counselors in Region 10 saved their clients \$1.4 million by helping them find a better Part D prescription drug plan. Verville

said, "The cost-benefit of the program is absolutely fantastic".

About half of the MMAP counselors are volunteers and the remaining half are individuals who are currently working for an organization that permits them to provide these services as a part of their duties. Many of these individuals work for the County Commissions and Councils on Aging, home health care organizations, tribal governments, medical facilities, and even managers of senior apartments. "Our team is growing, but our challenge is to help even more beneficiaries", said Verville.

Assistance is available by calling the toll free MMAP phone number at 800-803-7174, and leaving a message. A local counselor will return the call.

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VETERAN OF THE MONTH

The "Veteran of the Month" for June 2016 is Donald George Reich. Born August 24th, 1946 in East Jordan, Michigan, Reich attended East Jordan Public Schools graduating in the class of 1964. While in school he was an outstanding football player, receiving many awards, and was Treasurer of the East Jordan Chapter of the Future Farmers of America. After graduation he worked at several jobs in the area, then entered a Journeyman Lineman Apprenticeship program, working for Clifton Engineering Company, Three Rivers, Michigan. On January 6th, 1966 Reich was inducted into the Armed Services along with 13 other men from Charlevoix County, which was the largest contingent to be drafted since WWII. He entered the United States Marine Corps receiving Basic and Radio Operator Training at Camp Pendleton, California graduating in May of 1966. He was also awarded a certificate as the Outstanding Marksman of his Platoon.



Commanding Officer stated "Although I only knew him about a month, I got to know him as a quiet, steady young man, who was very serious about his job. He seemed quite mature for his age. He was well liked by his fellow platoon members, and fit right in with them from the day he joined us."

Reich was the second serviceman from East Jordan to be killed in action in Vietnam. When the devastating news reached home, support from family and friends was extended to the Reich family. PFC Reich was posthumously awarded the following decorations and awards: The Military Merit Medal, The Marine Corps Gallantry Cross with Palm, The Vietnam Service Medal, The National Defense Medal, The Good Conduct Medal, The Expert Rifleman's Badge and The Purple Heart Medal. On January 4th, 1967, Private First Class Donald George Reich answered the final call and is being honored by his siblings: Brother Dale, Sisters Barbara Koerner, Sharon Roberts and his Nephew and namesake Donald George Reich.

Reich arrived in Vietnam on December 4th, 1966 and was assigned to D Company, 1st Platoon, 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, with Headquarters in Quanang Tri, Vietnam. On January 4th, 1967, being part of a 7 Man patrol that was being inserted by helicopter in an area near the Village of Cam Lo, they took heavy enemy fire when exiting the helicopter, and Private First Class Reich was struck and killed instantly. His

To honor a veteran, call the program chairman at (231) 588-6067 or on Tuesdays call (231) 582-7811 between 3:30-8:30 p.m. The ceremony may be witnessed on the first Thursday of each month at The American Legion Post located on the corner of South Lake and Main streets in Boyne City, Mich. at 6:15 p.m.

Precision Edge awarded MEDC grant

Checks representing the successful completion of a very unique project including partnerships between multiple organizations including the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), the County of Charlevoix, Precision Edge Surgical Products Co. and North Central Michigan College were recently presented.

The MEDC awarded a \$300,786 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to Precision Edge through the County of Charlevoix in support of a project that involved hiring and training more than 14 new employees and Precision Edge's capital investment of over \$2 million in equipment at their Boyne City operation.

Joel Evans, Charlevoix County Commission Chairman stated, "Charlevoix County is proud to support this important workforce training project". Precision Edge President, John Truckey noted "Precision Edge is proud of the investment and commitment we have made to the community, our employees and career technical education in the area. We are committed to this location and anticipate additional growth in the future".

From the beginning, Precision Edge pledged to donate to NCMC all grant funds received. The gift is to support the purchase of the Mobile Digital Fabrication Lab which provided training for Precision Edge employees as well as students and employees throughout the region during the past three years. North Central President, Cameron Brunet-Koch gratefully accepted the donation on behalf of the College and stated, "We are proud of our ability to be responsive to community and industry needs while providing the necessary training for the region's work-



From left: Sara Christensen, NLEA/CDBG Grant Administrator; Lydia Murray, MEDC Business Development Manager; Joel Evans, Charlevoix County Commission Chairman; Cherie Browe, Charlevoix County Clerk; Todd Fewins, Precision Edge Boyne City Operations Manager; John Truckey, Precision Edge President; Cameron Brunet-Koch, NCMC President; Pete Olson, NCMC VP of Academic Affairs and Student Success; Andy Hayes, NLEA President. COURTESY PHOTO

force". Northern Lakes Economic Alliance President, Andy Hayes thanked all the partners and stated his appreciation their collaboration, "I am pleased Northern Michigan was able to take a leadership role in providing manufacturing skills training through this unique Mobile Fabrication Lab project with such great partners". MEDC Business Development Manager, Lydia Murray shared MEDC's enthusiasm for supporting this project which has been a great model for the state in creatively addressing the workforce

shortage issue by providing unique job training opportunities. The Mobile "Fab Lab" will continue to provide on-site training at manufacturing facilities and high schools throughout the region as well as classes and programs for students at North Central Michigan College. The Fab Lab can also be seen at a variety of events including; parades, parent-teacher conferences, and various community activities. It is a great marketing tool showcasing modern high-tech manufacturing in high-paying careers to students, parents and community members.

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



Director of the Pantry/Resale Shops stands among the 700 pairs of shoes in a closet at the Good Samaritan resale shop. Sammy's Shoes is a program designed to provide every child with a NEW pair of shoes. Good Samaritan Family Services, is celebrating over two-and-a-half decades of 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. COURTESY PHOTO

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.

Good Samaritan's hours of operation are Tuesdays, 10am to 7pm, Wednesdays through Fridays from 10am to 4pm, and Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. They are located at 9746 Main Street in Ellsworth and can be reached at (231) 588-2208 or on the web at www.thegoodsam.com

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Local public school employees honored

The 2016 Outstanding Person in Education Banquet was held May 12 at the UAW's Black Lake Recreation Center in Onaway. The celebration honored 22 members from locals within the 14BC Coordinating Council of the Michigan Education Association. Recipients of the "OPIE" award included teachers and education support personnel from all over northern Michigan.

The event was hosted by Inland Lakes Education Association and Inland Lakes Education Support Personnel members with the theme, "UNITED WE STAND FOR EDUCATION." Student artwork celebrating the importance of Public Education in America was on display. The event featured guest speaker Mike Ridley. Entertainment was provided by student

members of the Inland Lakes Pep Band.

Nearly 300 MEA Members and school administrators traveled to the UAW Center to honor their award recipients and enjoy the stunning natural setting. The UAW staff provided us with not only a gorgeous backdrop for our banquet, but outstanding food and service. The success of the event demonstrated the strength of two unions working in solidarity.

The Michigan Education Association (MEA) is a self-governing education association, representing about 140,000 teachers, education support professionals and higher-education employees throughout the state. Through collective action, MEA is dedicated to the purpose of serving our members'

employment goals, interests and needs, while advocating for quality public education. By so doing, MEA is committed to creating and maintaining an effective education system that: Supports the development of successful, empowered students; advances the principles of democracy, human and civil rights; meets the needs of our global society; and improves the quality of life for all.

Michigan Education Association's 14-BC Coordinating Council's Outstanding Person in Education Award Recipients

- Alanson Education Association
- Melissa DeWyre Alba Education Association
- Teri Berg Boyne City Education Association

- Greta Brock Boyne City Education Support Personnel
- Tom Bacon Boyne Falls Education Association
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- Tom Martindale Pellston Education Association - Dianne Wolford

BioBlitz at Susan Creek Preserve

Little Traverse Conservancy invites you to join us this weekend as we partner with naturalists, professional biologists, and area citizens to document the diversity of living creatures at the Susan Creek Nature Preserve (US-31, just north of Charlevoix) through a 24-hour BioBlitz. Learn about birds, bats, salamanders, moths, plants, and more through a scheduled hike or drop-in any time to do scavenger hunts and other family activities.

How many species can we catalog? There is no charge for this event. Please call 231.347.0991 for more details or visit www.landtrust.org. All events - except for Friday evening bat program at the Charlevoix Library - will be held at the Susan Creek Nature Preserve located off of US-31 northeast of Charlevoix.

All observations will be recorded using the iNaturalist tool. You will be able to register for an iNaturalist account at the Blitz, but we encourage you sign up for an account beforehand and visit www.inaturalist.org/pages/getting+started to learn more!

Scheduled Events
Friday
 -12:00pm; Event open
 -12:30-2:30; Stream Sampling (Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians)
 -6:00; Evening Birding Foray (Petoskey Regional Audubon Society)
 -7:30-8:30; Live Bat Presentation, Organization for Bat Conservation (at Charlevoix Library)
 -9:30 - 10:30; Acoustic Bat Foray, Organization for Bat Conservation
 -12:00am; Event closed for the night
Saturday
 -7:00am; Event re-opens
 -7:15; Morning Bird Foray (Petoskey Regional Audubon Society)
 -8:00; Small Mammal Foray, Glen Mathews (retired MIDNR)
 -10:00-2:00; Pond Insect Net Dipping (LTC staff/volunteers)
 -10:00; Salamander Foray (Grass River Natural Area)
 -11:00; Vascular Plants (Foray Borealis Consulting)
 -1:00; Butterfly Foray (Grass River Natural Area)
 -2:00; Invasive Species Surveys, TBD
 -3:00; Vascular Plants Foray, Angie Lucas (Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy)
 -4:00; Small Mammal Foray, Glen Mathews (retired MIDNR)
 -6:00pm; Event Closed

Char-Em United Way sets new directions

The board of directors and staff at the United Way provide this report as the culmination of over a year spent deeply engaged in strategy work to define how best to advance our mission. It draws on honest reflections by our staff and board about how effective we've been at creating desired outcomes in the Charlevoix and Emmet communities, on proven models being used by thriving United Way chapters around the country, and on the insights and expertise of hundreds of local partners who helped answer the key question: What kind of United Way does this community want and need?

We will continue to work within our three key areas of Education, Income and Health, but with a strong focus on young children aged birth - eight years, as well as supporting ALICE. Young children don't live in a vacuum. Efforts to stabilize families and support ALICE require a multi prong approach. As such, our strategy has three connected elements: Successful Kids, Stable Families, and Connected Communities.

Successful Kids:
 - Invest in & work with partners that support student success, birth - 8 years to focus on access to quality preschool, and early literacy.
 - Support collaborations and programming aimed to support mental and physical health.

Stable Families:
 - Advocate for and promote increasing access to and use of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), and financial literacy.
 - Collaborate with municipalities and other stakeholders in supporting the creation of stable, affordable housing, providing security for families and children.
 - Provide resources for basic needs such as utilities and food, creating a safety net.
Connected Communities:
 - Encourage & promote volunteerism, seeking to engage all people (elders, veterans, the disabled) in supporting the community.
 - Work collaboratively with community partners to fund innovative programs to reduce costly medical response (E.R. visits) and achieve

greater health outcomes for children with chronic disease.

- Support individuals with special needs through community integration & skill building.

Safe, strong families & successful children will create the future we envision. And the newest members of the Board of Directors are excited to bring this vision to reality.

"We are very pleased to welcome these new board members as they join us," says Joel Schraw, President of the Board and Principle in Schraw & Associates. "They augment an already strong and conscientious board. Over the past year, our Nominating Committee has reviewed the strengths and gaps in our current membership and targeted a number of areas for recruitment. These new members bring a diversity of experience and representation of various sectors of our donor and community base."

The newest members of the Char-Em United Way board will be starting in June; Susan Reed, McLaren NM will be joining us taking Therese Green's seat, and Hyangsook (Sookie) Ostrander,

Rasmussen, Teller, O'Neil & Christman, PC, replacing Doug Buck as his term ends. Other recent additions to the board include Bruce Herard, Deloitte; Dave Gerathy, Dunn & Bradstreet; and Vicky Ulrich, DHHS.

Lisa Hoyt, Membership director at the Petoskey Chamber of Commerce; Sarah George, Marketing specialist with Encore Financial Group; and Charlie Metevia, Vice President at Charlevoix State Bank were brought on last year and are welcomed additions.

Char-Em United Way will kick-off its 2016-2017 fundraising campaign in September, toward a goal of \$425,000 needed to support local organizations working to create a stronger community in the areas of Education, Financial Stability, and Health. LEARN MORE about Char-Em United Way by calling the Executive Director, Lorraine Manary at 231-487-1006 or info@charemunitedway.org

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

BURNETTE FOODS WASTE WATER DUMPING

To the Editor,

A local canning company, Burnette Foods of East Jordan, is found again to be in violation of their DEQ permit by discharging waste water onto neighboring property in the city of East Jordan.

On Friday, April 24th, ponds of Burnette's waste water were discovered on neighboring property that was intentionally allowed to run off into an area hidden by surrounding pine trees. No doubt that this practice has been going on for some time as many of the smaller planted trees are drowned and dead from the long periods of flooding and saturated ground. I suspect millions of gallons of waste water has been released to this area. This is very concerning as I understand the DEQ permit does not allow any of waste water to be applied within 100 feet of their borders.

After noticing one of their spray heads actually spraying over the border, the border was walked, that's when the hidden ponds were discovered. Burnette Foods have trespassed, used and abused and discharged so much of their waste water, for so long on neighboring property that over the years it has become just business as usual for them. They seem to not mind profiting from the use of neighboring property and have little or no regard for their neighbors, DEQ regulations, or the citizens of this town. From a BOD (Biochemical Oxygen Demand) Burnette's runoff water test at greater than 250. A reading of around 200 is considered sewage level. The Gaylord DEQ is expecting a response from Burnette Foods concerning this violation by June 7, 2016.

James Slough, East Jordan

TRUMP

To the Editor,

EUCHRE REQUIRES BOTH BOWERS, TWO JACKS, left and right, both red or both black, but this Trump seems to go it alone, as only billionaires can do, a lone hand as it were. The question seems to be who will get Euchred? Boorish and churlish this guy more than bluffs his way through business deals. He's made his point and the working class picked up on this "make America great again" slant because workers have been stomped on beyond repair but they tend not to cognate this yet, this "again" posit which is a false promise as anyone can see.

It's not that hard, here's a billionaire appealing to some working class stiff because he plays to their misfortunes. Since the postwar years workers have been the success story of those decades which began to noticeably unravel in the millennial turnover. Second homes, lake cottages primarily, Florida vacations, Arizona and so on, are now artifacts of the past unless group efforts are mounted, communities of "snowbirds" and the like because otherwise such amenities are not affordable anymore. That's what "make America great again" means to the workingman.

It's now known though not widely that Trump's father Fred appears in a Woody Guthrie song composition from the time Woody signed a rental contract for a Trump apartment in New York City. Trump senior had a contract with government housing to provide apartments for middle income Americans and got fairly rich in so doing. Woody rented one of those and soon composed a poem to an existent tune - you could do that back then without consideration of

plagiarism - about the exploitation aspect of Fred Trump's holdings. That's a powerful statement given that Woody Guthrie is America's premier folksong exponent and a contender for the National Anthem with THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND. Somewhere buried in those archives this poem can be found and no doubt someone will bring it to the attention of the nation if this election continues in this Far-Sided way.

Ever since Bill Clinton's madcap capers the presidential office has undergone some rather ignominious reduction in stature until now it's a reality TV series in which even lackluster wannabes can participate. Hillary Clinton, the supposed frontrunner opposition, has a past too that people tend to forget or overlook due to her makeover via PR. This dynasty effect is not a healthy bearing for the country, Bushes and Clintons namely. But this loss of principles in public perception is unique in that the unthinkable is now expected and hardly a word or deed is too garish for publicity. As many commentators write, this is the new normal.

Anybody can research the Trump fortunes to find that Donald was backed by his father for his ventures, his forays with women are tabloid issues in somebody's rental storage or garage, the supposed self-made image is belied by the fact that Trump solicits money for campaigning leaving his fortune intact. With Trump and Clinton - and maybe Bernie Sanders - in this BULL-RUN AT PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE someone must ask, Is this what we want for the USA?

As said elsewhere though this is not the people's choice - not with electors and delegates, super-delegates, lobbyists, courts and cops directing traffic stifling 1st

Amendment rights - there is virtually no chance of any other outcome than one of these three people.

Then there's Social Security and Medicare. Trump flip-flops but his true nature is to eviscerate these via retirement at age 70 and other conservative notions. There's a hefty price tag on these entitlement programs incepted and bolstered by Democrats and it's easy to see why people who don't need these services want to rid the treasury of these burdens. The Donald is not nearly so forthright as he is perceived as the working class would soon discover if he actually got anywhere near the White House. That appears unlikely just as Sanders' Socialist stance is prohibitive, scares people, which of course leaves Hillary to pick up the pieces of this puzzle to make a recognizably plausible picture out of chaotic politicking. John McCain might have been president but for Sarah Palin. People including electors and delegates tend to avoid random variables so with Clinton they know fairly well what they're getting. She already knows the floor plan and certainly the Oval Office.

Trump is the wild card Joker here and will remain as such regardless what transpires in this euchre hand. Trump is primarily a Monopoly player not suited for other power play games. Though the US seems poised for a reality show, there is a strain of decorum still prevalent in the electoral process, even with the Supreme Court split for the foreseeable future. As with Monopoly and Euchre, there are rules to elections. If Donald Trump's trick is indeed trumped it will be by his own hand.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

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to place permanently at the city's marina.

"This (artist's rendering) didn't excite me," Sansom said, "It may turn out to be gorgeous and something we can "ooh" and "ahh" about...but I would kind of like to see her (Ottley's) finished, polished pieces first," Sansom said.

Sansom's fellow commissioners

agreed and they put off voting on whether to approve the donation of the sculpture until they learn more information about the project.

If approved, city manager Michael Cain said it's hoped the sculpture can be created and installed sometime this summer.

The next city commission meeting is scheduled for 7pm June 14 at Boyne City Hall temporary quarters on Lake Street.

OPEN HOUSE

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and so much more.

There will be live musical performances in East Park and along the sidewalks throughout the evening, so put on your dancing shoes and get ready to boogie. The Pine River Jazz Band will perform in the Odmark Pavilion in East Park from 4 to 6pm. Beginners and experts are

welcome to a swing dance in the park. Learn a new move or two during this lively musical performance taking place during the Summer Open House, or just pull up a chair and watch.

Stroll the streets from 6 to 8pm and enjoy musical entertainment downtown on the sidewalks including special performances by Charlie's Root Fusion, 45 North featuring Dwain Martin and Jessica Dominic, and solo performances by Ms. Emily Chapdelaine,

Paul Gelderblom and more.

You won't want to miss the Charlevoix Summer Open House, an evening of great shopping, dining, and entertainment for the entire family! For details contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-547-2101 or visit www.charlevoix.org for a list of participating stores and restaurants.

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What is Double Up Food Bucks?

Fair Food Network's Double Up Food Bucks program is Michigan's statewide healthy food incentive program. This program doubles the value of federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) nutrition benefits spent at participating farmers markets and grocery stores, helping people bring home more locally grown fruits and vegetables.

How does Double Up work? Double Up provides SNAP recipients with a one-to-one match to buy healthy, Michigan grown fruits and vegetables when they use their Bridge Card at participating locations.

Who qualifies for Double Up? It's easy! Anyone receiving SNAP benefits is automatically eligible: if you have a SNAP Bridge Card, you can use this program.

What can you buy with Double Up Food Bucks? Double Up Food Bucks can only be used to purchase Michigan grown fruits and vegetables.

How do people sign up?
- At farmers markets: Before shopping, SNAP customers should go to the market office or information booth, where market staff can help you get started.

- At grocery stores: Cashiers automatically provide SNAP customers with Double Up Food Bucks when a SNAP eligible purchase is made. These Double Up dollars can then be spent on any Michigan grown produce.

How do I find participating locations in Michigan? The program is at more than 150 locations statewide. Find a location on our online map or call us 866.586.2796 to find a participating site near you. You can also download a complete list of participating sites or see markets in regional flyers.

What if there are no participating Double Up sites in my area? Call us at 866.586.2796 to let us know you want Double Up in your area! For a complete list of farmers markets that accept SNAP Bridge Cards or other food assistance programs, visit Michigan Farmers Market Association.

When does the program run? Double Up Food Bucks is a seasonal program in Michigan. In most locations, the farmers market program runs from June 1 – October 31; the grocery store program runs from August 1–December 31. Bridge Card customers can use the program every day that participating locations are open during the Double Up program season.

Double Up is available at select farmers markets and grocery stores in Michigan year-round. Visit the Locations page to find out which locations near you are year-round.

Does Double Up Food Bucks match WIC? No, WIC purchases are not eligible for matching Double Up Food Bucks dollars.

What if I do not have SNAP (food stamps) or a Bridge Card? Call the Center for Civil Justice hotline at 800.481.4989 Monday through Friday for help in determining whether you may be eligible for SNAP; they can also support you throughout the application process. You can also visit the MIBridges site or call 1.855.ASK.MICH for information about application qualifications.

Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity seeking volunteers

Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity is seeking local volunteers to work in partnership with Habitat International RV Care-A-Vanners from June 7th – June 18th 2016. From far and wide Habitat for Humanity International's RV Care-A-Vanners have come to Charlevoix and Emmet Counties to provide a hand up to local families in need of a simple, decent, affordable place to live. In partnership with the local Habitat affiliate, two Care-A-Vanners will be here for two weeks helping construct a Habitat home located in Boyne City.

The RV Care-A-Vanner Program, which is coordinated through HFHI Headquarters in Americus, Georgia, matches volunteers who travel in recreational vehicles with local Habitat affiliates in need of volunteer support.

The Care-A-Vanners camp in their RVs while working shoulder to shoulder with the local Habitat staff, local volunteers and future Habitat homeowners.

Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity is looking for local volunteers and skilled builders to work alongside the HFHI Care-A-Vanners. Volunteers should be over the age of 18 and be willing to work 9 – 3 shifts Tuesday – Saturday from June 7th and 18th. Volunteers can sign up for a volunteer shift at www.northwest-mihabitat.org/volunteer. Call Mandy today for more information, 231-348-6926 Ext. 102.

RV Care-A-Vanners come from all over North America and from all walks of life—doctors, lawyers, engineers, corporate managers, mechanics, truck drivers, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, etc.

The majority being near or at retirement age, their construction skills range from professional to first-time builder. The Care-A-Vanners, who typically stay for two weeks, pay their own expenses to travel to these organized Habitat building projects. Drawing from a pool of more than 5,000 volunteers, this year teams of RV Care-A-Vanners are participating in greater than 250 building projects from Canada to Florida and California to Maine. For more information about the RV Care-A-Vanners program visit: www.habitat.org/rv

In its 25th year of serving Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, the home in Alanson will be 37th partner family home built in NW Michigan. NW Michigan Habitat for Humanity both builds new, affordable housing for families

earning less than 60% of the county average median income. The local habitat also offers critical repairs for existing lower income homeowners who might need roofing, furnaces, siding or other updates to their home to make it safe for the family to live there. The affiliate recently received a Federal Capacity Building grant to assist them in doubling their program services in the next three years. This build, along with ongoing projects in Petoskey and Boyne City, is the first home in the affiliate's new Lantern Walk subdivision in Alanson, Michigan. Habitat builds five-star Energy Star rated homes that are both handicap accessible and offer the family the opportunity to age in place.

CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 6, 2016

Flags will fly at half-mast June 8

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX - The June 6 Charlevoix City Council meeting ended with Deputy Mayor Shane Cole making a proclamation that flags at city properties will fly at half-mast on June 8 in commemoration of Dale Boss' birthday and that city businesses would be asked to do the same. During the meeting approval was given to hold a celebration in honor of Boss' life and the purchase of wind power to meet the city's electrical needs was approved.

A request by the family and friends of Dale Boss, who passed away recently, to hold a "celebration of his life" was approved by the council. "True to his community mindedness, his final request was not for a funeral but for a community celebration," said Dale Boss Jr. A classic car parade open to anyone who wanted to walk and an open mic at East Park for people to share stories about Boss are among the events included in the celebration. "I really don't think we're setting a precedent here because who in their right mind is going to get up at 4 a.m. and water the flowers for 34 years," said Boss. The request received unanimous approval. "I consider Dale was the longest unpaid city ambassador ever," said Councilperson Shirley Gibson.

City Engineer, Don Swem presented an option for the city to make a power purchase commitment with Huron Wind from the thumb area of the state. Swem explained that the state mandated that municipalities have at least 10% of their energy from renewable sources annually by the year

2015 and stated that he expected a new mandatory goal of 35% renewable energy sources by 2025. "Over the years we've looked at wind many times and it's always been too expensive," he said. "Right now we have an opportunity to purchase a significant amount of wind energy for a very reasonable price under very favorable terms." Swem explained that the price of wind energy has dropped by 60% in the last decade. He proposed that the city purchase 4.06% of the Huron Wind Farm which would boost the city's renewable energy purchases to 22.4% annually. The council voted in favor of the purchase. "Thank you for investing in the future," said Gibson.

Pat Elliott, Public Works Superintendent requested funds to add another element to the existing infrastructure project on Garfield. "As you are aware we're completely under construction with the 2016 infrastructure projects," he began. His request for \$28,453.46 to replace a section of sanitary main line from 203 E. Garfield heading east to the intersection of Meadow Lane was approved. "This section of line frequently requires maintenance to prevent clogging," he said. Elliott also explained that even with adding this to the existing infrastructure project they would still be about \$37,000 under the original estimate. "I don't see any problem with being able to do this and stay in good financial standing," he concluded.

Beginning Monday, June 13, southbound Bridge Street traffic will be detoured down Garfield to Grant Street then back out via



Dale boss Jr addressed the Charlevoix city council last Monday requesting permission to hold a "celebration of life" in honor of his father Dale Boss who passed away recently. Dale Boss was a very active advocate for the Charlevoix community.

Carpenter for the final construction on the intersection of St. Mary's and Bridge Streets.

Councilperson Comments:

Don Swem's presentation tonight, I thought was extremely important. I'm not a "tree hugger" but have been convinced for some time that alternative methods of energy are not only the future but the inevitable. In Arizona wind energy is about to overtake all other forms of electric production. I know articles about this subject probably attract few readers, I feel it's an important issue. -

Councilperson Bill Supernaw.

During the meeting councilperson Luther Kurtz brought up Boyne City's Friends of Avalanche Mountain and asked that the concept of something similar for Mt. McSaubia Recreation area be put on a next month's agenda for discussion. He stated he had no specific ideas but thought it was worth discussion. The question was posed: The group of volunteers that has taken care of the disc golf course at Mt. McSaubia Recreation Area is very similar to the group calling themselves the Friends of Avalanche Mountain. Is it possible that a second group of volunteers with more diverse interests in how to use the area and an equal passion about its upkeep and preservation be beneficial? If so why or why not?

"I like the idea of having a diverse group of community volunteers that work together to enhance the Mount McSaubia's Recreation experience for everyone. Having representatives from each user group can build understanding and cooperation between the groups. For this reason I am in favor of discussing this idea further. Positive Charlevoix." - Luther Kurtz.

We have the City Recreation Advisory Board, they should be the group handling all interests in that area under the direction of the Recreation Director. A second group would be overkill. There is a group that is very interested in preserving and protecting that area - Charlevoix Conservation Easement Committee. -Shirley Gibson

Grant awarded to Hospice of Northwest Michigan

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation recently awarded Hospice of Northwest Michigan a \$5,000 and \$500 grant, based upon the recognized need for developing a long term marketing plan and supporting materials for community outreach and education. Amy Wieland, Executive Director, said part of the funding will be used to support the agency's education and outreach initiative that enables our community to better understand the Who, What, Where, Why and

When of Hospice care and that they have a Choice in that care. The other portion will provide the resources needed to develop the marketing plan to reinforce this message. This support of the organizations capacity will enable our organization to continue to provide educated choice for our community families.

"We are extremely grateful to the Charlevoix County Community Foundation for supporting our community services through this

grant and recognizing our services as a valued choice," Wieland said. "They have enabled us to more effectively reach out to those who need and depend on Hospice of Northwest Michigan and to ensure that we are able to provide the best possible care."

According to Wieland, the continued outstanding support from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation will positively impact our community friends and neighbors well into the future.

You have a Choice in hospice care. Know what choices are available for you and your family before an emergent situation arises. Presentations to local organizations or access to more information can be arranged by contacting Wieland at (231) 547-7659.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a local charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all citizens of Charlevoix County by building permanent endowment,

addressing needs through grant-making, and providing leadership resources to serve the community. Learn more about CCCF online at www.c3f.org.

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

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Jordan Valley Glassworks Nijjima orbs honor local soldiers that made the ultimate sacrifice

By Tina Sundelius

Seventeen years ago Glenda Haney and Jay Bavers began the tradition of creating a unique piece of artwork in which to remember northern Michigan vet-

erans. What started out as a way of honoring Haney's father has turned into a project that, this year, began in January and culminated into a weekend long releasing of Nijjima floats onto the many waterways in the area.

The artists from Jordan Valley Glassworks in East Jordan create the Nijjima orbs in their "down" time every year. Each orb is inscribed with the name of a soldier from this area that died in combat as well as the phone number of the Glass-

works. "I get phone calls every year from people who find them," said Haney. This year nearly 170 Nijjima floats were released in Elk Rapids, the Boardman River, the Grand Traverse Bay, the Jordan River and Lake Charlevoix. "We say a little prayer over them and thank them for their service and we hope that when someone finds them they'll remember the sacrifice made," said Haney.

Nijjima Island is one of nine inhabited islands in

Japan's Izu archipelago. In the south of the Island is the Nijjima Glass Art Center. A distinct, green-colored glass is made from locally mined Koga stone. Nijjima floats or Japanese glass fishing floats have been used by fishermen for centuries. The glass is thick and will not break in the water. These glass floats have inspired other artists as well. is a world-renowned glass artist with a series called Nijjima Floats that he created after visiting the island.

Most of the Nijjima floats Haney and Bavers create and release are snatched up as soon as they are released and those who found the floats last Memorial Day weekend can keep them as a symbol of good luck and hopefully a reminder of the soldier's sacrifice. "We sacrifice a little bit of sand made into glass, but they've made the ultimate sacrifice," said Haney.



Glenda Haney of Jordan Valley Glassworks displays some Nijjima orbs that were released on Memorial Day, every year. Each orb is inscribed with the name of a soldier from this area that died in combat as well as the phone number of the Glassworks.

Charlevoix County Caricature map project underway

Always eye-catching, terrific gifts and keepsakes and informative, local community caricature maps are a great way to anchor your business to your town and remind prospective buyers where you are. The Charlevoix County News in cooperation with Premier Marketing and Friends Cartoonography are preparing a caricature map to reflect the current businesses in Charlevoix County.

These colorful, fun maps capture the vibrancy of each town, and through maximum business participation demonstrate community cohesiveness and unity. The humor implied in each caricature brings out the fun in the community and each particular business.

Businesses can recover the cost of participating through selling maps that will be issued to them upon comple-



A Local caricature map for Charlevoix County is currently being designed. The Charlevoix County version of this map will include businesses from Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Charlevoix, East Jordan and Walloon Lake. Courtesy image

tion of the project. These maps make great promotional merchandising material and the business image can also be used for other marking wares such as coloring books, jigsaw puzzles, cof-

fee mugs, etc. thus providing further face time for advertisers.

The Charlevoix County version of this map will include businesses from Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Charlevoix,

East Jordan and Walloon Lake. To find out how your business can be a part of this exciting project, contact Dave Baragrey at (989) 732-8160 or email: office@Charlevoix-CountyNews.com.



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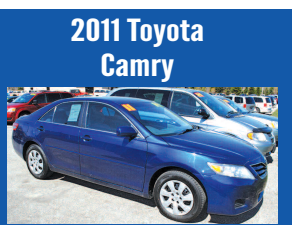
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sponsoring the summer series, we are able to provide wonderful entertainment throughout our downtown all summer long." Platinum sponsors include Magnum Hospitality, Family Fare, Fifth Third Bank, Boyne City Taproom, Boyne River Inn, JEGA Catering, and Petoskey Area Visitors Bureau (for lodging information, visit www.PetoskeyArea.com).

In addition to musical entertainment, including Awesome Distraction, David Lawston, Kowalske Family Band, Realeyez, Sky N Signal, and The Dodworth Duo, the evening will showcase the second phase of the historical walking tour which



Music, fun and great times will fill the streets of downtown Boyne City this summer as Stroll the Streets returns for its 13th season on Friday, June 10th, from 6 – 9 p.m., continuing through Labor Day Weekend. COURTESY PHOTO

highlights residences, parks and churches. Horse drawn carriage tours of our historic residential district, narrated by Patrick McCleary will take place from 7 – 9 p.m. and the re-enactment of Teddy Roosevelt's famous speech on the balcony of the Odd Fellows Hall

is at 7 p.m. For more information on Stroll the Streets or other events, contact the Main Street office at (231)582-9009 or visit www.boyne-city-mainstreet.com or the Chamber office at (231) 582-6222 or visit www.boyne-areachamber.com.



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BOYNE CITY CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

June 9, 5:30-7:30pm, Munson Healthcare Boyne Area Health Center and Boyne Rehab Center, 223, N. Park Street. Networking event. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge for admission or hors d'oeuvres.

BOYNE CITY POLITICAL CORRECTNESS DISCUSSED

June 10, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. Where to draw the line between political correctness and free speech will be examined program—titled "Political Correctness: Where Do You Draw the Line?"—includes a filmed interview with former Navy Chaplain Gordon Klingenschmitt, who made national headlines after disobeying a direct order to stop praying "in Jesus' name" while in uniform outside a sanctioned divine service. During the episode, Lifetree participants will be given the chance to share their own opinions and experiences with political correctness. Admission to the 60-minute event is free.

BOYNE CITY STROLL THROUGH HISTORY WEEKEND

June 10 - A horse-drawn tour of historic homes and churches, narrated by Patrick McCleary, will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. "President Roosevelt" will deliver his famous speech on the second-floor balcony of the Odd Fellows Hall, 214 Water Street and the Dodsworth Duo will perform behind the Chamber building. Accompanied by guitar, banjo, harmonica and fife, the Duo performs classic American songs of the 19th century including Clementine, Erie Canal, and Red River.

June 11 - The lineup includes the farmers market from 8 a.m. to noon, old fashioned kids' games, a petting zoo and pony rides, a hot dog roast, a potluck picnic, a baseball game with local firefighters and policemen, and antique fire trucks and cars on display. It all takes place in Veterans Park from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. At 4 p.m. at the library, McCleary will share a slideshow and speak about the buildings and parks on the new Stroll Through History.

CHARLEVOIX HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF

June 10 - 5-8pm, June 11 - 9am-1pm. Reservations begin May 31st for a time slot, location information and a complete list of hazardous items. Please call the Conservation District office at 231.582.6193, charlevoixcounty.org/recycling.asp. Some common Household Hazardous Waste: Oven Cleaners, Used Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Paint Thinners/Strippers, Herbicides, Mercury & Mercury Thermometers, Household Batteries, Pesticides, Fluorescent Bulbs, Insecticides, Aerosols.

EAST JORDAN 10TH ANNUAL ROTARY CLUB VARIETY SHOW

June 10 & 11, 7pm (doors open at 6pm), Community Auditorium at East Jordan High School. The pre-show begins at 6pm., so guests are encouraged to come early to enjoy music provided by Bud Bechtold, Bob Bryan and the rest of the Rotary Swing Band. Tickets are priced at just \$10 each, and are available in East Jordan at Charlevoix State Bank and from any member of the Rotary Club. Tickets may also be available at the door, but in very limited quantities.

EAST JORDAN COMMUNITY DANCE

June 10, 7-10pm, East Jordan Civic Center, 101 Civic Center Lane. Community Dance presented by the Pine River Jazz Band. \$10 per person. Snacks and water available for purchase. For more information, please call Gary Stutzman at 231-675-4800 or Reg Sprick at 231-533-8368.

CHARLEVOIX BOATING SAFETY CLASS

June 11, 9am-1pm, Melrose Township Hall. Sheriff Don Schneider announces the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office will be offering free Boater's Safety classes. All classes are free of charge. Minimum age for class attendance is 10 years of age. It is recommended that students eat prior to class or bring a small snack to class. Due to the short duration of the course, there will be no meal time. Students receiving a satisfactory test grade will receive their Michigan Boating Safety Certificate at the conclusion of the course. No pre-registration is required to attend the

classes. Completion of this class is mandatory for individuals: (1) born after December 31, 1978 to operate a PWC (jet ski) (2) and for anyone born on or after July 1, 1996 to operate a boat. Please note that individuals must be at least 14 to operate a PWC. 14 and 15 year olds must be within 100 ft. of a parent, guardian or designee at least 21 yrs. of age to operate a PWC. Individuals must be at least 16 to operate a PWC by themselves. Individuals born after December

31, 1978 must have their boater's safety in their possession when operating a PWC. Individuals born on or after July 1, 1996 must also have their boater's safety in their possession when operating a boat.

BOYNE CITY RIVER RAISIN RAGTIME REVUE CONCERT

June 11, 7:30pm, Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club. This professional theater orchestra, dedicated to the preservation of significant American music -the nation's original popular musical style - ragtime, has performed at The Henry Ford Museum, the Detroit Institute of Art and Ann Arbor's Michigan Theater and an annual ragtime festival that draws thousands to historic Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Tickets must be purchased in advance for \$15 at the Boyne Chamber, Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club, Country Now and Then, Local Flavor Bookstore, or online at www.boynehistory.com. For information, call 231-582-9009 or email mainstreet@boynecity.com.

CHARLEVOIX CELEBRATION OF LIFE & TIME TO REMEMBER MEMORIAL SERVICE

June 12, 4pm, Depot Beach pavilion. This community non-denominational service of healing, remembering and renewal is open to all in the community who have experienced the loss of a loved one. This opportunity enables us to support one another in honoring all with our community who Journey through grief toward healing as family, friends and community. Our service will include poems, readings, inspirational music and the individual acknowledgment of those patients and families who have received care through Hospice of Northwest Michigan during the past year. Community members are invited to bring a photo of your loved one to post on our remembrance board. A butterfly release will close our Celebration of Life and afterwards, we invite you to join with the Staff, Volunteers and families in a time of refreshment. For more information or to register, please call 231-547-7659

BOYNE CITY OVERTIME EXEMPTION RULE SEMINAR

June 13, Boyne District Library Community Room. Luncheon seminar to help local business people learn what they need to do to prepare for the new federal Overtime Exemption Rule. Local labor and employment attorney Laura Dinon, a senior partner with Plunkett Cooney, will present this seminar, providing in-depth analysis of the proposed new FLSA overtime regulation provisions and practical tips on how to prepare for the changes. Registration and lunch begin at 11:45 a.m. and the seminar will be held from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. The cost is \$8 per person and includes Subway sandwiches and soft drinks. It is open to chamber members and the public. Advance registration is required; register online at www.boynechamber.com or call the Chamber at (231) 582-6222.

CHARLEVOIX CUSTOMER SERVICE TRAINING

June 14, 8-10am, Charlevoix Public Library. Designed for front-line customer service staff, this workshop will teach you the basics of establishing the customer relationship, tips on gracious troubleshooting and what it means to be a company and community ambassador. Speaker, BJ Shawn, is the founder and co-owner of Bearcub Outfitters since 1998 in Petoskey and a Middle School Teacher in Berkley, Michigan for 15 years. To register, please contact the Charlevoix Public Library at 231-237-7340.

BOYNE FALLS BLOOD DRIVE

June 16, 1-6:45pm. Boyne Falls School, 01662 M-75 South / PO Box 356. Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information.

CHARLEVOIX

GREEN MARKET DAY

June 16, 8am-1pm, Charlevoix Farmers Market. Free energy saving Lightbulbs. Several community associations share information about water, earth and sky. Interactive displays for Earth lovers. EnergySmart, Michigan Trails, Bike Share Charlevoix, Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital, School Ship.org, Lake Charlevoix Assn, WATCH, Hydro Root, Chx Conservation District, Chx Garden Club, Inland Seas, Family wellness, Little Traverse Conservancy, Owens Soft Water, Charlevoix Public Library, the Circle of Arts and many more will be there to share interesting information along with the 35 vendors at the Charlevoix farmers market overlooking Round Lake at East Park 8am to 1pm Thursday June 16. Live Music by Dwaïn Martin. Contact 231-330-0968 for more information.

CHARLEVOIX SUMMER OPEN HOUSE

June 16, 4-8pm, Downtown. Participating shops and restaurants will extend a warm welcome to all by offering sales, prize drawings, specials, snacks, activities, refreshments and more. Live musical performances in East Park and along the sidewalks throughout the evening. The Pine River Jazz Band will perform in the Odmak Pavilion in East Park from 4 to 6pm. Beginners and experts are welcome to a swing dance in the park. Stroll the streets from 6 to 8pm and enjoy musical entertainment downtown on the sidewalks including special performances by Charlie's Root Fusion, 45 North featuring Dwaïn Martin and Jessica Dominic, and solo performances by Ms. Emily Chapdelaine, Paul Gelderblom and more. For details contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-547-2101 or visit www.charlevoix.org for a list of participating stores and restaurants.

ELLSWORTH ELLSWORTH PIG ROAST

June 17 & 18. With a "Home-town Heroes & Heritage" theme, this is a weekend designed to celebrate all that's great about a small town. Friday evening will include a drive-inn dinner, a Paddle Antrim cruise, a basketball shoot-out, a water slide for children, an ice cream social, a teen dance and more. Saturday will feature events all day long, beginning at 8 a.m. and concluding with the fireworks display at around 10 p.m. The pancake breakfast, the 5K run, a car wash, our hometown parade, a great meal, lots of games and attractions for children, a benefit motorcycle ride, the annual horse pull and archery events, the Pig Pen Challenge (a tough mudder-type event) an early evening talent show and evening food concessions will be included. We are excited to announce that the Ellsworth fireworks will take place after dusk on June 18th (not on the 4th of July weekend) This year's event will take place on Friday night, June 17th and Saturday, June 18th. Check out our Facebook page, Ellsworth Pig Roast or e-mail us at ellsworthpigroast@gmail.com for more information.

ELLSWORTH PADDLE ANTRIM EVENT

June 17, 7pm, part of the Ellsworth Pig Roast Celebration. This relaxed, hour-long paddle will travel down the calm waters of Ellsworth Lake. All types of paddlers are welcome - canoes, kayaks, and stand up paddle boards. All paddlers must bring their own paddle craft and life vest. All ages are welcome but those under 18 must be accompanied by their parent/guardian out on the water. No registration is required. To participate, meet at River Park (Bridge St/Rushton Rd in Ellsworth).

BOYNE CITY AMAZING POWER OF HONESTY

June 19, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. Whether honesty really is the best policy will be examined in the program, titled "Tell Me the Real Story: The Amazing Power of Honesty," features conversations surrounding whether telling the truth is best in all circumstances. During the program, Lifetree participants will be given the opportunity to share experiences of when honesty, or a lack of it, has impacted their lives. Admission to the 60-minute event is free.

BOYNE CITY BLOOD DRIVE

June 20, Noon-5:45pm. St. Matthew Catholic Church, 1303 Boyne Avenue. Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information.

CHARLEVOIX WEDNESDAY WALKABOUT

June 22, 10am-Noon. Wednesday Walkabout: Join Anne Kantola from Hayes Township and Ty Radcliff from the Little Traverse Conservancy to discuss the "Acquisition History of Park Camp Sea-Gull. Learn how it became possible for all of us to enjoy this beautiful park and its wonderful possibilities.

EAST JORDAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL

June 21-26. The festival features a "home-town" old-fashioned Friday Night Block Party with food, music and games for all ages, a Youth Parade, Grand Parade, Kids/Teen Night, Carnival, a multitude of entertainers and musicians, food booths and a spectacular fireworks display shot from a barge on the beautiful South Arm of Lake Charlevoix on Saturday evening at dusk. This year's featured entertainment on the main stage in Memorial Park prior to the fireworks is "The Saucers". Full schedule at eastjordanfreedomfestival.org

CHARLEVOIX DEMOCRATIC PARTY DINNER

June 22, 5:30pm, East Park Tavern, 307 Bridge Street. General Membership Kick Off To The Campaign dinner meeting. RSVPs with an appetizer and entree choice are required for this event by Sunday June 19. To RSVP or for more information, email democrats.charlevoix@gmail.com or call (231) 753-8411. The dinner will be held on the Topside level of the East Park Tavern. An elevator to the Topside dining area is accessible from the back door off the parking lot behind the restaurant. The special guest will be Brandon Dillon, Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party (MDP). Cost for the dinner is \$31.50 per person. This includes tax and gratuity and is paid directly to the East Park Tavern.

BOYNE CITY COUNTY WIDE BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

June 23, 5-7:30pm, Seven Monks Tap Room. Hosted by Boyne City, Charlevoix and East Jordan Chamber of Commerce's. Networking, hors d'oeuvres, drawings and more.

CHARLEVOIX CAROLENA KITTY CAT DASH

June 25, Annual Charlevoix Marathon! This year the Charlevoix Area Humane Society will be represented under the banner of "Carolena's Critters - Furever Love" supporting our Foster Program. Sign up, have fun, and support a great cause. Visit charlevoix-marathon.com for information.

BOYNE CITY FREE CONCERT: THE TAYLORS

July 3, 2pm, Boyne City Performing Arts Center, Boyne City High School, Charlevoix and East Jordan Chamber of Commerce's. Networking, hors d'oeuvres, drawings and more.

"He's My Guide" listed on the Singing News Top 20 Chart. Sponsored by the Horton Bay United Methodist Church. Intermission Refreshments. Free Will Offering

BOYNE CITY NEW CITY HALL HOURS

Effective starting on Monday, June 6th City Hall Office Hours changed to 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday, except holidays. We hope this change will allow more customers to visit or contact us before their regular work hours. Traffic at City Hall usually slows in the late afternoon. This time of year most people contacting City Hall late in the day are looking for boat launch passes which can be obtained at the marina evenings, weekends and holidays. Payments due on a specific day will now be due by 4:30 that day. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions about our office hours please let us know.

CHARLEVOIX

The Charlevoix Country Club is excited to announce that the Ager family and the Argonne Supper Club will be moving their food operation to the Clubhouse. The Argonne will present dinner service in the Clubhouse Dining Room starting Thursday, June 2 every Tuesday through Sunday from 5-9pm. All of your Argonne favorites will be on the menu, with an expanded menu to debut in the near future. The Bistro Sports Grill remains open daily from 9am to 9pm. The Country Club also continues to book private parties, rehearsal dinners, weddings and holiday parties. For reservations, 231-547-9796. chxcountryclub.com

EAST JORDAN OPEN DOOR CHRISTIAN COFFEE HOUSE

Held every first and third Saturday at the East Jordan Senior Center, new location is 951 Mill Street. Different performers presented through December. Admission is free-will donations, refreshments are available; free coffee and a small charge for pizza and soda. Great fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

BOYNE CITY FARMERS MARKET

Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8am - Noon, Veterans Park.

CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

Charlevoix Farmers Market, Thursdays, 8am-1pm, East Park, 408 Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix. Event up-

dates at www.facebook.com/Charlevoix-FarmersMarket

EAST JORDAN FARMERS MARKET

Sportsman's Park, 9am-1pm every Thursday. Veggies, Flowers, Baked Goods, Meat, Farm Fresh Eggs, Handmade goods & gifts.

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 HAYES TOWNSHIP PARK CAMP SEA-GULL WEEKLY EVENTS. ON

Sundays from 6 to 8:30pm. Sunday Family Funday beginning June 5 and continuing through the month of August. People of all ages are invited for a night of community gathering and fun.

Mondays from 8 to 9am. Adam's Camp Coffee and Conversation, beginning June 6 and continuing through the month of August. Visitors meet Adam at the camp host's cabin to get a cup of coffee and take it to the shore of Lake Charlevoix to relax and discuss park projects, ideas and suggestions. Coffee is provided.

Wednesdays from 9 to 11am, Playful Playdate at the Park. beginning June 8 and continuing through the month of August. Parents and children meet at the camp host's cabin and Christine will lead a morning of fun for children of all ages and their caregivers.

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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Fine Art Photography Exhibition at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts

The Charlevoix Photography Club's 8th Annual Fine Art Photography Exhibition at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts opened on May 26 and will run through June 26. Awards were presented for Best Portrait, Best Landscape and Best Wildlife/Still Life and represents photographers working in a very high caliber from throughout the region. The juror for this year's exhibition was Jeff Rabidoux of Glen Arbor. Jeff specializes in capturing the beauty of the landscapes and wildlife around northwest Michigan and his images have been published both nationally and regionally in publications such as Outdoor Photographer, Lakeland Boating and Traverse Magazine.



Award Winners: Mike Schlitt, Wally Barkley, Brice Voran, Gary Gee, Linda Gall, and Rob Maxwell. COURTESY PHOTO

For Wildlife, First and Second Place went to Gary Gee for "Fox Family" and "Eagle Fish Capture" and Third Place to Mike Schlitt for "Velvet Antlers". For Landscape/Still Life, First Place went to Wally Barkley for "Tranquility", Second Place to Rod Maxwell for "Standing Tall" and Third Place to Todd Petersen for "Vespa Cathedral".

Honorable mentions were awarded to Marie Friske for "Love", Brice Voran for "Forest Scene", Wally Barkley for "Tenor", George McKim for "Eagle Tugging Deer", Jay Peterson for "Leiff and Luther - Reykjavik", and Mike Schlitt for "Maroon Bells".

Members of the Charlevoix Photography Club will be giving a Monday Morning Coffee, which is a gallery talk on their art and the experiences they had in the execution of their images on Monday, June 13th beginning at 10am. This program is sponsored by Johan's Bakery of Charlevoix and is a great experience to talk to the artist and get a first hand glimpse into their work.

Chasing the Light Plein Air Paint-Out

On June 18th the Charlevoix Circle of Arts will host a painting experience that will join regional artists with patrons in the plein-air phenomenon that is sweeping northern Michigan. Beginning at 8 a.m., artists arrive at the Circle to have blank canvases stamped, are treated to coffee provided by That French Place, and set off for a day of plein air painting. Chasing the Light is the phrase coined that describes the controlled panic that ensues as artists capture the magic that is northern Michigan before the trailing light is swallowed by shadows rendering their original composition obsolete. The day of plein-air painting culminates with a wet-paint sale beginning at 6 pm.

The French phrase "en plein air" means "in the open air", a manner of painting that was brought to light by a few progressive thinkers in the 19th century. John Constable had a notion to bypass the formulas taught in the academies at the time, and sought the truth in painting outdoors with direct observation of nature.

For the painters, costumed models will be available courtesy of the Armchair Theatre if you choose to paint the clothed figure from life. Bloom Floral Design will have a flower stand in place to sell flowers or to be used as the painted subject. Pigs Eatin' Ribs will be on hand for those needing sustenance while enjoying the day. From 6-8 pm Chris Martin, a local favorite up north for years will play a wide variety of music, including songs from Willie Nelson, Jimmy Buffett, Oldies and everything in-between.

If patrons are interested in observing the painting process, look up! Each artist will be presented with a balloon to tie to their easel so that they may be easily spotted. A balloon will lead you to a painting that will lead you to an artist. If you are interested in purchasing a painting to preserve what transpired throughout that particular day, the wet paint sale begins at 6 pm at the Circle.

The City of Charlevoix with all of its intrinsic gifts: the history, the scenery, the lakes, the cultural richness, and the most important the pool of talent that make this the perfect location for such an event. Can one think of a better or more meaningful way to honor what we are given, than to be able to preserve its glory in a work of art?

For more information, please contact the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton Street, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720, (231) 347-3554, or go online to: www.charlevoixcircle.org



Juror Jeff Rabidoux talks of his selection process. COURTESY PHOTO



Hal Willens and Joyce Herbert discuss his work. COURTESY PHOTO

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9560 ELLSWORTH RD, EAST JORDAN
This top of the line manufactured home sits on a full walkout basement with a great view. The home has been completely renovated and ready to move in. 8' flat ceilings throughout. The basement is nearly finished and waiting for your final touches. All newer stainless steel appliances and custom counter tops. Ask for **Holly Nierman**. MLS 447543. **\$129,900**



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120 GARNER • EAST JORDAN
This home is located in a quiet neighborhood and sits on approx. 5 acres. This 3BR 2BA home has a formal dining room and living room combination creating a "great room" and has a full basement that could be turned into a great extra family space. MLS #446689. **\$149,000. Ask for Holly Nierman or Mike Stark.**



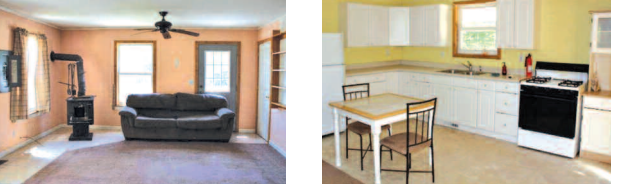
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7172 PARMATER, ELMIRA
This 5BR 2BA farmhouse is one of a kind. Along with the house there is a 40' x 60' pole barn with 14" high ceilings and front and back openings, partially insulated. This beautiful home has original hardwood floors, newly refinished, wide trim, new roof, and many updates. Sitting on 5 acres with spectacular views from every window. Ask for **Mike Stark or Holly Nierman**. MLS 446132. **\$172,900**



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6878 BOSS ROAD • ELLSWORTH
This stick built home is the entire package, sitting on the outskirts of the quaint village of Ellsworth. Approximately 15 years old, 1500 sq ft, the two bedroom home could be easily converted in 3 bedrooms as the entire second story consist of one bedroom and one bathroom. Having two detached garages will allow you to tinker with more than one project at a time! One of the barns ceiling is insulated and has a gas furnace installed. MLS #445531. **\$135,000. Ask for Holly Nierman or Mike Stark.**



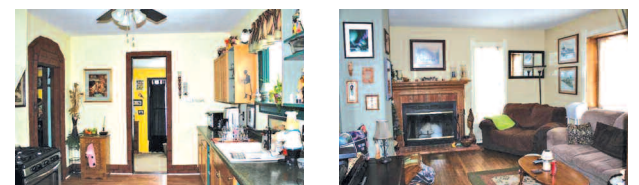
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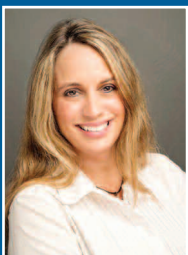
407 THIRD STREET, EAST JORDAN
Solid brick home that has been converted into 3 units. Very good tenant history. There is also a 2 car insulated finished garage. This also offers a shared laundry room in a very quiet neighborhood close to schools. MLS #444858. **\$99,900 Ask for Holly Nierman or Mike Stark.**



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307 WILLIAMS, EAST JORDAN
This home has been tastefully updated, and features a wood burning fireplace, enclosed porch, ample storage and a fenced yard. 4 bedrooms and/or 3 bedrooms and family room plus 2 remodeled full baths that makes this a great family home. MLS 447167. **\$94,900. Ask for Mike Stark or Holly Nierman**



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