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LOCAL ELECTION RESULTS

Voters went to the polls on Tuesday to choose local elected officials and cast their vote for Millage proposals.

The results of contested races and proposals from Charlevoix County follow

County and Township Proposals on August 2nd Ballot

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

TRANSIT MILLAGE PROPOSAL – ...YES – 2,981 NO – 1,171
SEPARATE TAX LIMITATION PROPOSAL – ...YES – 2,442 NO – 1,498
SENIOR CITIZEN MILLAGE – ...YES – 3,191 ...NO – 969
RECYCLING MILLAGE – ...YES – 3,261 ...NO – 905

TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

CHANDLER AND HUDSON TOWNSHIPS - LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY – ...YES – 2 ...NO – 18

EAST JORDAN, EVELINE, SOUTH ARM AND WILSON TOWNSHIPS - LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MILLAGE PROPOSAL BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY – ...YES – 481 ...NO – 406
- BONDING PROPOSAL – ...YES – 458 ...NO – 430

BOYNE VALLEY TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL TO RENEW AMBULANCE MILLAGE – YES – 109 ...NO – 16

CHANDLER TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL TO RENEW FIRE MILLAGE AND PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; – YES – 48 ...NO – 6

CHARLEVOIX TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL – ...YES – 199 ...NO – 60

EAST JORDAN PROPOSAL FOR AMBULANCE OPERATING MILLAGE – YES – 478 ...NO – 170

- JORDAN VALLEY EMS MILLAGE TO PURCHASE EMERGENCY VEHICLES – ...YES – 417 ...NO – 225

EVANGELINE TOWNSHIP - PROPOSAL TO RENEW FIRE MILLAGE – ...YES – 87 ...NO – 28
- PROPOSAL TO RENEW ROAD MILLAGE – ...YES – 70 ...NO – 45

HAYES TOWNSHIP - PROPOSAL TO RENEW ROAD MILLAGE – ...YES – 353 ...NO – 124

MARION TOWNSHIP - ROAD MILLAGE – ...YES – 172 ...NO – 35

MELROSE TOWNSHIP - PROPOSAL TO RENEW ROAD MILLAGE – ...YES – 126 ...NO – 46
ST. JAMES TOWNSHIP - PROPOSAL TO RENEW EMS MILLAGE – ...YES – 124 ...NO – 21
- PROPOSAL TO RENEW HISTORICAL SOCIETY MILLAGE ...YES – 110 ...NO – 35

CANDIDATE CHOICES APPEARING ON THE AUGUST 2 BALLOT

Following are candidate choices that appeared on the August 2 ballot. Those races with unopposed candidates are not detailed here.

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS - 1st DISTRICT
Jason Allen.....Republican.....1,258
Jack Bergman.....Republican.....1,487
Tom Casperson.....Republican.....552
Jerry Cannon.....Democratic.....238
Lon Johnson.....Democratic.....824

COUNTY CLERK
Cheryl Potter Browe.....Republican.....2,167
John P. Taylor.....Republican.....824

TOWNSHIP RACES
BANKS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR
David L. Heeres.....Republican.....N/A
Marvin Rubingh.....Republican.....N/A

BAY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR
Larry Moschke.....Republican.....105
Wendy Simmons.....Republican.....80
TRUSTEE
Georganna Monk.....Republican.....141
William Wehrenberg.....Republican.....108

CHANDLER TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE
Kyle Smith.....Republican.....23
Samuel Strong.....Republican.....32

CHARLEVOIX TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE
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Nancy Rajewski.....146

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Michelle Cortright.....Republican.....73
Rachel R. Swiss.....Republican.....74

HAYES TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR
Warren J. Nugent.....Republican.....211
Ronald J. VanZee.....Republican.....257

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CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, AUGUST 1, 2016

Conservation easement for Mt McSaubia and Lake Michigan Beach getting closer

By Tina Sundelius

CHARLEVOIX - At a ten minute August 1 City Council meeting, commissioners approved a liquor license for Bridge Street's Cherry Republic and language that will appear on the ballot in the General Election.

According to an application submitted to council, Cherry Republic plans to add a microbrewery to the back of its present store and a tasting station to the front. The necessary liquor license was approved.

Past Council discussions concerning a proposed conservation easement at Mt McSaubia Recreation Area and Lake Michigan Beach Park left off with Council setting the idea aside for a while. First ward resident John Campbell along with the Charlevoix Conservation Easement Committee circulated a petition asking that the proposal be placed on the ballot for a vote of the people. The petition asked that the city be required to grant conservation easements to the Little Traverse Conservancy for the Mt. McSaubia Recreation Area and Lake Michigan Beach Park in order to protect the recreational and environmental values of these areas forever thus limiting the development of the properties, allowing only existing uses and existing facilities. Campbell and the committee collected 490 signatures and submitted them to the city clerk but only 416 were found to be valid. This is over the 336 signatures needed to get the proposal on the November 8 ballot.

The city attorney drafted the language to meet all required specifications. Now that the city council has approved it, it will be sent to the county clerk who will send it to the attorney general who may choose to tweak it. The approved language reads: "...the city charter be amended to require the city to grant the Little Traverse Conservancy conservation easements ensuring that Mt. McSaubia Recreation Area and Lake Michigan Beach Park will always be managed to protect the environmental and outdoor recreational values of these areas, but also allow current uses and structures in portions of Mt. McSaubia Recreation Area and Lake Michigan Beach Park including presently existing uses and struc-

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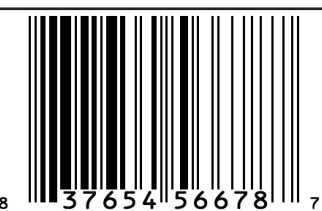
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HIGH: 91 LOW: 69	HIGH: 76 LOW: 59	HIGH: 77 LOW: 57	HIGH: 77 LOW: 54	HIGH: 81 LOW: 60	HIGH: 82 LOW: 62	HIGH: 80 LOW: 60

record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
AUG 4	55°	81°	35° (1971)	93° (1955)
AUG 5	54°	81°	39° (1967)	96° (1988)
AUG 6	54°	81°	37° (1975)	92° (1965)
AUG 7	54°	81°	39° (1976)	93° (2001)
AUG 8	54°	81°	38° (1989)	94° (1949)
AUG 9	54°	81°	35° (1964)	92° (1949)
AUG 10	54°	80°	39° (1962)	92° (1970)
AUG 11	54°	80°	36° (1967)	97° (2007)

Jeanette L. St.Clair, 82

(JUNE 11, 1934 - JULY 30, 2016)

Jeanette L. St.Clair of Holly and Charlevoix, died Sat. July 30, 2016. Funeral services were held Tues. Aug. 2, 2016 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, with Chaplain Goodman officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly.



Mrs. St.Clair was born in Detroit on June 11, 1934 to Camillus and Evelyn (Labadie) Welsh. She was retired from Genesys Regional Medical Center and was a member of St. Rita Catholic Church of Holly. Her children and grandchildren were the focus of her life, and she was also fond of her beloved dogs.

She is survived by 5 children, Michelle Wharton of Holly; Renee (Steve Slone) St.Clair of Hartland Twp.; Vevette (Mike) Gazetti of Holly, Doug St.Clair of Holly, and Paul St.Clair of Grand Blanc; 10 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; sister Helen Haas; and brothers

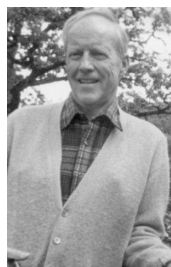
Brian (Mickey) Welsh of Madison Heights and Camillus (Julie) Welsh of Rochester. She was preceded in death by her husband Norman, daughter Nancy, granddaughter Emmy, and sister Sharon Young.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com

John "Phil" Philip Wehrenberg, 91

(MARCH 9, 1925 - JULY 31, 2016)

John Philip (Phil) Wehrenberg passed away on July 31, 2016 after a short illness. Born in 1925 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana to Fred and Ruth (Furste) Wehrenberg, he graduated from Ft. Wayne North Side High School in 1943.



He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during WWII. His B-24 bomber crew completed 43 successful missions in the Pacific theater where he served as a top turret gunner and assistant engineer. After being honorably discharged as a Staff Sergeant in 1945, he

attended Michigan State University and received a diploma from Purdue University in 1949.

He married the love of his life Nancy Jane Fishing in 1950 and they recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary. Together they raised four children.

After working many years in his family's building supply business, Standard Lumber & Supply Company in Ft. Wayne, he retired to Walloon Lake, Michigan.

An avid woodworker, he created many features for his homes in Ft. Wayne and Walloon Lake as well as for his cabin on Lake Nipigon near Beardmore, Ontario, Canada. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, racquetball and a good game of poker.

In Ft. Wayne, he served on the Trinity English Lutheran Church council; acted as a Boy Scout Scoutmaster for Troop 8; was the secretary for the Izaak Walton League; served on the YMCA committee; in Petoskey, was an elder in the First Presbyterian Church and in Boyne City, Michigan was a member of the Barbershoppers.

Survivors include his wife Nancy Jane (Fishing) Wehrenberg, Michigan; his children Dan Wehrenberg of Chicago, Dr. Suzanne Wehrenberg of Walloon Lake, Ted (Linda Bryie)

Wehrenberg of Ft. Wayne, and Beth (Tom Clinger) of Grand Rapids, Michigan; his sister Ruth Carey of Ft. Wayne; his grandchildren Kathryn (Pedro Boscan) Touran, Nick (Laura Samples) Touran, Molly Touran, Jack Touran, Anna Clinger, Jane Clinger, and Grace Clinger; his sisters-in-law Dolores Wehrenberg of Walloon Lake and Suzanne Carl of Lexington, Kentucky; and 18 nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brother Fritz Wehrenberg and his son-in-law Dr. Neal Touran.

In accordance with his wishes, a private family gathering will be held at a later date. Donations in his name may be made to the charity of your choice.

David Jeffrey Novotny, 70

(NOV. 8, 1945 - JULY 30, 2016)

David Jeffrey Novotny, 70, died on Saturday, July 30, 2016, at his home in Charlevoix. Arrangements are pending.

Arrangements are pending Charitable donations may be made to Charlevoix County Humane Society, 614 Beardsley Street, Boyne City MI 49712

Kyle D. Russell, 38

(DEC. 18, 1977 - JULY 25, 2016)

Kyle D. Russell of Gaylord passed away at Otsego Memorial Hospital on Monday, July 25, 2016.



Kyle was born December 18, 1977 in Kalkaska and was the adopted son of Gordon T. and Nancy J. (Whitley) Russell. He was a 1996 graduate of Charlevoix High School where he was a member of the wrestling team. During high school Kyle worked at the Flap Jack Shack in Charlevoix.

On June 29, 1996 Kyle had a life changing swimming accident that left him a quadriplegic. In spite of that he remained positive, had many friends and a great sense of humor. After his accident, he lived with his aunt and uncle, Charlotte and Bill McArthur in East Jordan for two years. The last 18 years he lived in Gaylord.

Kyle worked for a time at Mayfair Plastics through Crossroads Industries. He enjoyed his North Country Community Mental Health family and friends and the

many friends he made at Alpine Haus. Kyle also enjoyed Action Club and Challenge Mountain activities as well as doing cross stitch and playing video games.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Nancy Russell and a sister, Amber Dixon. Surviving are his father, Gordon (Sally Petrie) Russell of Bellaire; a sister, Stacey (William) Strable of South Lyon; brothers, Rick Russell of Elmira and James Russell of Suttons Bay; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial service was held Saturday, July 30, 2016 at Gaylord Community Funeral Home & Cremation Service. Those who wish are asked to consider memorial contributions to the family or to Challenge Mountain.

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

Robert Millington, 64

(APRIL 21, 1952 - JULY 30, 2016)

Robert Millington, 64, died Saturday, July 30, 2016, at his home in Charlevoix. No services will be held. Arrangements by the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix.

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EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, AUGUST 2, 2016

East Jordan's new teen center hopes to move downtown

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN—East Jordan commissioners endured the heat Tuesday evening to give commendation to Sanford Sweet for his near 24 year career with the city's Public Works Department, award a cleaning bid to Personal Touch Cleaning, hear from Gary Roberts about The Depot teen center, and establish the development district as a redevelopment project area.

After touring the city owned Civic Center earlier this summer, The Depot youth center made a rental request for use of the facility. Still a grassroots effort, The Depot is in need of a location to fully establish the

nonprofit organization. The center hopes to use part of the Civic Center on a monthly basis in the beginning, with a long-term goal of operating weekdays from 3-8:30 p.m. during the school year.

Vice President of The Depot board, Gary Roberts, spoke with commissioners at Tuesday's meeting.

"We have everything in place (for the teen center)," Roberts said. "We have funds. We just have to continue with our strategic plan and get our budget in place...We're taking steps, and now we need a location."

Located downtown East Jordan, The Civic Center is within walking distance

from the school and many neighborhoods. The site also offers a gymnasium, large multi-purpose room, and several smaller side rooms. The Depot plans to offer tutoring, mentoring, snacks, and activities in the gym as the schedule allows. And the organization is willing to work with any existing programs that already make use of the gymnasium space. "Our goal is to have a location, [the Civic Center] would work perfectly. Part of our next step is to create scheduling and some planning, and that is difficult until we have a location," Roberts said.

With a September 15th goal to begin The Depot, East Jordan commissioners

gave their consensus to approve City Administrator Tom Cannon to continue negotiations with the teen center board.

In Cannon's report at the close of the meeting, he said that the city is on schedule with the installation of water meter upgrades, which began mid-July. The upgrades will allow the city to bill monthly statements rather than quarterly. Cannon hopes that the October billing cycle will be the final quarterly bill, with monthly billing beginning in November.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m., Tuesday, August 16, 2016.

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Celebrate the summer at the Boyne Falls Polish Festival this weekend

By Jim Akans

The streets of Boyne Falls will be filled with music, dancing, food and fun this weekend at the 42nd Annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival takes place from Thursday, August 4, through Sunday, August 7. The Polka Tent is the hub of the festivities, featuring live music, dancing and lots of colorful attire throughout the weekend. Other highlights include a car show, horse pulls, a Mud Run and a Grand Parade on Saturday featuring 2016 Polish Festival Royalty; Grand Marshals Donald and Kathleen Wilson, Honored Citizen Janet Kondrat, Little Miss Caitlyn Matelski and Little Mister Lucas Greenier.

Throughout the weekend, kids can enjoy a Youth Bike Parade and the excitement of carnival rides by Arnold Amusements. Those riding the carnival rides can enjoy unlimited rides with a wristband prices at just \$15 on Friday and \$20 on Saturday or Sunday.

Adult beverages are served along with the great food under the Polka Tent. There is a nightly cover charge at the Polka Tent, and those wishing to enter must be at least 21 years of age with a valid I.D.

Have a grand time in Boyne Falls this weekend at the 42nd Annual Polish Festival!

For additional information visit www.boynefallspolishfestival.com

42nd Annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival Schedule of Events

Thursday, August 4th – Oldies Night

4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus Auxiliary Bingo
 5:00 p.m. – Concessions and Arnold Amusements open.
 6:00 p.m. – Oldies Night in Polka Tent Opens. Tent closes at 12:30 a.m.
 6:00 p.m. – Car Show
 9:00 p.m. – 50's & 60's Best Dressed Awards
 7:00 p.m. – Midnight: Fabulous Oldies But Goodies Band
 Friday, August 5th – Youth Day

10:00 a.m. – Polka Tent Opens Music begins at Noon
 10:30 a.m. – Youth Day (Registration starts at 10:00 a.m.)
 11:00 a.m. – Concessions and Arnold Amusements opens
 Noon – 5:00 p.m.: Virgil Baker and Just 4 Fun Band
 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus Auxiliary Bingo
 4:30 p.m. – Youth Bike Parade
 5:00 p.m. – Polka tent closes for a half-hour for clean up
 5:30 p.m. – Polka Tent reopens until 1:00 a.m.
 5:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.: Box On alternating with Polka Brothers – (From New York)
 6:00 p.m. – Horse Pull
 9:00 p.m. – Best Hat Awards
 Dusk – Family Movie

Saturday, August 6th – Fun Day

10:00 a.m. – Polka Tent Opens Music begins at Noon
 11:00 a.m. – Concessions and Arnold Amusements opens
 11:00 a.m. – Grand Royale Parade
 11:00 a.m. – Methodist Church holding bake sale during parade. Stop in!
 12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus Auxiliary Bingo
 Noon – 5:00 p.m.: The "Box On" Band
 4:30 p.m. – Gates opens at 4:30 for Battle of the Bands, music starts at 5:15 p.m. and the competition starts at 6:00 p.m.
 5:00 p.m. – Polka tent closes for clean up
 5:30 p.m. – Polka Tent reopens until 1:00 a.m.
 5:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.: Darrell Welton & The New Brass Band alternating with New Generation
 6:00 p.m. – Battle of the Bands Competition starts (Gates open at 4:30 p.m., music begins at 5:15 p.m., competition starts at 6 p.m. – located at the East end of Church Street (where the Mud Run is)

Sunday, August 7th – Family Day

9:00 a.m. – Mass for the

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time Celebrated under the tent.
 11:00 a.m. – Horseshoe Pitching Tournament
 11:00 a.m. – Concessions and Arnold Amusements opens
 12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus Auxiliary Bingo
 12:00 p.m. – Polka Tent Opens
 Noon – 5:00 p.m.: Judy and Her Suchey Brothers
 12:00 p.m. – 4-Wheel Drive Mud Run
 5:00 p.m. – Polka tent closes for clean up
 5:30 p.m. – Polka Tent reopens until 11:00 p.m. – New for 2016 – Polka Tent open to all ages 5:30 – 11:00 p.m. (close) on Sunday! (do not have to be 21)
 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.: The Cookies
 10:00 p.m. – Arnold Amusements Carnival closes



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Demonstrating tremendous power, the horse pulls on Friday evening offer attendees an amazing show. COURTESY PHOTO



There's something for everyone this weekend at the Boyne Falls Polish Festival, including a Grand Parade on Saturday. COURTESY PHOTO

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tures in use as the water treatment plant, parking area, ski area, skating pond and other uses in existence as of November 8, 2016.”

A conservation easement is a voluntary legal agreement between a landowner and a land trust or government agency that permanently limits uses of the land in order to protect its conservation values DPW workers were praised for their excellent job during the Venetian Festival by Councilperson Bill Supernaw. “Thanks to that great staff,” he said.

The next city council meeting is scheduled for August 15 at 7 p.m.

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The Light Fantastic

“The Light Fantastic” is an evening of classical music, youthful singing voices, and the inner light of poetry produced by Armchair Theatre on Sunday, August 7, at 6:30 p.m. at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts. The Show will be staged surrounded by the paintings of the current exhibit “Chasing the Light”.

Kahlil Gibron said “Art is a mist that turns into an image.” The Light Fantastic program expresses the atmosphere of light thru the performing arts.

Armchair Theatre is in its fourth season, and Grandville Ensemble is its first classical music program played by professional string players. Robert Dudd, David Sawtell and Marga Eickhart will perform a 40-minute concert. Some compositions are from the turn of the 20th century, when Plein Air painters were emerging into Impressionist art.

Grandview Ensemble will play the shimmering “Pavane for a Dead Princess” by Maurice Ravel and “Clair de Lune” by Claude Debussy. Music celebrating summer light will include the explosive “Rejoicing” from “The Royal Fireworks” by Franz Joseph Handel, and “A Midsummer Night’s Dream” by Felix Mendelssohn.

The Light Fantastic evening also presents the young lively and endearing voices of Catherine and Sloan Hayes, and the lovely Kate Heady.

Short selections from poet/philosopher/artist Kahlil Gibran (author of “The Prophet”) and contemporary poet Naomi Shihab Nye (author of “Words Under the Words”) will be read by experienced actors Tim Cox, Dale Hull, Kay Hull, Chris McCauley, and Rick Torres.

The reception chair is Nancy Kaulens. A \$5.00 donation is appreciated.

East Jordan Music in the Park; “Steel and Wood” Bluegrass



The “Steel and Wood” Bluegrass band features John A Neiswander on guitar, Irene Kazmers playing the fiddle, Bruce Walker on mandolin and John Hussey playing bass and banjo. COURTESY PHOTO

The final concert of the East Jordan Music in the Park Concert Series will feature “Steel and Wood” Bluegrass on the bandshell stage, Friday, August 5 at 7pm. This bluegrass band hails from Petoskey, Michigan and features John A Neiswander on guitar, Irene Kazmers playing the fiddle, Bruce Walker on mandolin and John Hussey playing bass and banjo.

Before settling on your favorite blanket or chair in Memorial Park, enjoy shopping and dining in East Jordan. Concertgoers are able to attend by car, cycle or boat.

Music in the Park Concert Series is made possible by the generosity of several donors. To make a tax deductible contribution toward the 2017 series, please send your check to the City of East Jordan, with “Music in the Park Concert Series” in the memo section. Mail donations to P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727. The Music in the Park Concert Series is proudly co-sponsored by East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, East Jordan Downtown Development Authority and the Jordan River Arts Council. For more information, contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351.

Art from the Attic: Act II

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts will present its second annual, Art from the Attic: II, silent auction/buy it now fundraiser on August 12th & 13th. Up for auction will be a variety of items ranging from fine art, vintage goods, furniture, jewelry, decorative accessories and more. Donations are now being accepted for interesting; previously loved items that you feel would be welcome in a new home. All items are to be considered to be a donation and not placed in the auction as a consignment item. Donations are tax deductible.

New this year is the location of the event. “We have been offer the use of the space at 405 Bridge Street as a location to set up shop,” explains Gail DeMeyere, Executive Director of the Circle of Arts. “This seems to be the perfect location to be able to introduce the auction to a larger audience, especially as it will coincide with the Charlevoix Waterfront Art Fair.”

Some of the notable items that have come in thus far are: a painting by Grace Hall Hemingway (the mother of Ernest Hemingway), a table crafted by Norman Brumm, a full scale merry-go-round horse and a brass dog bed fir for a King or Queen pooch, complete with a custom leopard spotted cushion.

The Circle has been adding additional programming and is looking forward to the fall when they will have a new dance floor in place in the lower level of the 109 Clinton Street location. They will then be offering dance for all levels as well as yoga classes. A portion of the proceeds of the auction will help offset the installation. This project is also funded in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

You are encouraged to contact the Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton Street to fill out a donation form or go online to www.charlevoixcircle.com and register on the Art from the Attic: II page. Donations will be accepted through August 9th.

Raven Hill hosts “NASA in Your Neighborhood”

Save the date! Saturday, August 20, Raven Hill Discovery Center will host the NASA Glenn Research Center from Cleveland, at the second annual Community TEC (Technology Explorations and Challenges) Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. NASA Glenn outreach staff will be on site to present NASA themes such as Power Energy Storage and Conversion, Materials and Structures for Extreme Environments, Technology Drives Exploration and NASA is with you when you fly.

Space enthusiasts of all ages can take part in ‘make-it, take-it activities’ which will give guests an opportunity to construct a handheld jet engine model, build a robotic arm end effector, assemble a model of Orion and create energy storing bead bracelets that harness the sun’s power.

Demonstration carts will be available where visitors can learn about wind tunnels, alternative energies and 3D visualizations. NASA will also feature an App Lab offering visitors a Science, Tech-



Participants at a previous Eggdrop open their packages to see if their “delicate instrument” (raw egg) survived the landing. COURTESY PHOTO

nology, Engineering and Mathematics-based, digital learning experience; a “Picture Yourself in Space” photo booth and a variety of NASA exhibits and artifacts. NASA bags, lithographs, book-marks, stickers and other materials will be available at the information booth, and a NASA Subject Matter Expert will make a presentation at

1:30 p.m. In addition to NASA activities, Raven Hill Discovery Center offers families an opportunity to explore engineering careers and collaborate to solve real-world science and technology challenges, encouraging student interest in STEM and strengthening the nation’s future workforce.

Area families can also pre-build and then test a shoebox glider at 11 a.m. or package a raw egg (simulating delicate instruments) to be dropped 1,000 feet from a plane at 1 p.m. Directions for the shoebox glider and the eggdrop package are available by calling the Center at 231-536-3369, emailing info@ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org or checking out the Raven Hill website: http://www.RavenHillDiscoveryCenter.org Families can also explore various engineering careers, collaborating on real-world science and technology problems, such as civil, structural, aeronautical, mechanical and materials engineers.

The regular Raven Hill \$10/person admission will be reduced to \$5 for TEC Day and larger families can pay a family rate of \$20. Picnic tables are available for lunches and snacks and a food truck will be on site all day. For more information or questions, feel free to call Caitlin or Cheri at 231.536.3369.

BC POLICE DEPT INCIDENT REPORT

Monday, July 11, 2016
 0101 Noise complaint in the 500 block of N Lake St.
 0618 Report of a fawn stuck in a fence on State near East.
 0923 Report of bike left at Maple Lawn Cemetery.
 1122 Subject in to report stolen bike. Was the one left at the cemetery.
 1349 OWI on E Division.
 1452 Report of subject in the 400 block of N Lake St who has a warrant. No warrant
 1550 Found check book dropped off at PD. Located owner and returned.
 1643 Assist Sheriff Dept on Tamarack LN. Suicidal armed intoxicated subject.
 1814 Report of little girl on bike in roadway on pleasant at Cedar. Gone on arrival.
 1847 Lodged dog at the pound
 2209 Report of fireworks in the area of Vogel and N East St.
 2316 Arrested subject for Operating Without Security on Boyne Av near Beardsley
 2357 Citation issued for No Proof of Insurance on Boyne Av near Fall Park Rd.
TUESDAY JULY 12, 2016
 0738 Report of a dog charging a woman and her service dog in the 300 block of E Division St.
 0839 Report of abandoned vehicle on private property at Lake and Water. Property owners will have removed.
 0917 2 vehicle property damage crash at Spring and Jefferson.
 0927 Report of fraud calls from male claiming to be with the Dept of Legal Affairs. Claims resident owes them money and will be arrested if doesn't pay immediately.
 1304 Landlord tenant civil dispute reported from the 300 block of Silver St
 1812 Assist Fire Dept in the 300 block of E Division St
 1855 Vehicle unlock on Smith St.
 2200 Fireworks being set off at the City Boat Launch
 2230 Arrested subject on our warrant on Lakeshore Rd.
WEDNESDAY JULY 13, 2016
 0033 Report of an assault in progress on Jersey St. No assault but arrested subject on warrant from Emmet Co.
 0144 Alarm in the 400 block of S. Park St.
 0223 Report of something on fire on Roosevelt St. It was an unattended campfire. Fire Dept also

responded.
 0312 Civil dispute in the 900 block of Roosevelt
 0405 Report of a prowler on Ottawa St. Unable to locate anyone.
 1428 Driving complaint coming in from Behling Rd. No bad driving observed.
 1442 Report of juveniles jumping off the boardwalk near Lake St
 1510 Threats complaint received from M-75 S
 1713 Assist EMS in the Industrial Park
 2031 Suspicious vehicle and subjects in the 400 block of Front St
 2123 Delivered emergency message in the Industrial Park.
 2149 Assist with alarm problem in the 300 block of S Park St
 2340 Citation issued for speed at Lake and State. Warned for violation graduated license and No proof of insurance.
 0010 Report of a large water leak in Veteran's Park. Notified water dept.
 0537 Report of B&E from the 1000 block of S Lake. Was canceled on arrival.
Thursday, July 14, 2016
 0830 Report of dog running at large in the area of Jefferson and North.
 0958 Driving complaint from the 700 block of S Park.
 1031 Larceny report from E Pine St
 1118 Assist with traffic due to flat tire at Division and Pleasant
 1158 Report of skateboarders at East and Vogel.
 1222 Assist EMS in the 300 block of E Division St.
 1510 report of speeders on Charlevoix St
 1540 Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of N Lake St
 1722 Complaint of a dog left in a vacant house on Groveland.
 1756 Report of a lost 7 year old child in the 200 block of E Water St. He was located.
 1904 Gasoline drive off from the 1300 block of Boyne Av
 1913 Alarm in the 400 block of S Park St
 2245 Gasoline drive off from the 1300 block of Boyne Av
Friday, July 15, 2016
 0009 Citation issued for speed at N Lake St and Vogel St.
 0900 Transport subject arrested on our warrant from Mecosta County
 1030 Report of lost phone in purple case.
 1216 Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of E Lincoln
 1300 Report of subject pulling pipeline flags up between McDonalds and Fall Park Rd. Gone on arrival.
 1339 Request for welfare check in the 500 block of N Lake St
 1532 Civil dispute at PD from the 100 block of S Lake St

1556 Threatening message left in the 1200 block of Boyne Av
 1907 Civil custody dispute in the 500 block of N Lake St
 2112 Vehicle unlock at S. Lake St. and Water St.
 2202 Vehicle parked blocking roadway at S. Park St. and E. Cedar St. Located owner who moved it.
 2232 Suspicious vehicle Maple Lawn Cemetery. Owner was playing Pokemon Go.
 2332 Fall Park Rd and Boyne Ave. Disabled vehicle at the stop sign.
SATURDAY JULY 16, 2016
 0436 Assisted Sheriff Dept with prowler complaint on Sho Sho Nie Beach.
 2052 Report of disturbance in the 100 block of Trent St
 2247 Report of damage to sign at the Veteran's memorial.
 2345 511 Groveland St. Two calls reporting fireworks on Groveland.
SUNDAY JULY 17, 2016
 0042 A neighbor reported hearing a subject yelling for help in the 400 block of State St. found intoxicated injured subject who was transported by EMS
 0323 Assist Sheriff Dept with OUID arrest on M-75 near Dam Rd
 0921 Report of subject getting into a vehicle in the 300 block of E Division St. Was owner.
 0930 Subject in to drop off found ID clip from avalanche. Was returned to owner.
 1106 Barking dog reported in the 400 block of Groveland. Caller concerned that nobody is taking care of the dog. ACO already working on this case.
 2054 Disturbance reported in the 200 block of Vogel St. Arrested one subject on a warrant from Gaylord PD.
MONDAY JULY 18, 2016
 0251 Arrested subject on warrant
 0831 Assist Fire Dept with alarm on W Morgan.
 1340 Assist with locating a lost phone from the weekend
 1536 Suspicious subject at the marina.
 1841 Citation issued for speed at Pleasant and Ann
 1856 Assist EMS in the 800 block of S Park St
 1935 911 hang up from the 600 block of Jefferson St
 2156 Suspicious vehicle in Harborage Park. Having mechanical issues.
 2214 Abandoned vehicle at the cemetery.
 0847 Subject in with found credit card. Returned to owner.

1010 Assist ACO on Groveland
 1311 2 vehicle private property crash in the Industrial Park
 1519 Assist EMS at the PD
 1545 Out on Groveland to assist ACO.
 1847 Report of a dog running at large on State St
 1915 Report of equipment malfunction at the Recycling Center.
 2000 Vehicle unlock in the Industrial Park.
 2103 Report of disturbance on W Main St
Wednesday, July 20, 2016
 0552 Report of barking dog in the 300 block of Silver
 0923 Report of lost eyeglasses
 1110 PPO violation reported from Main St
 1150 Fraud complaint received at the PD
 1210 Report of hit and run accident on East St
 1416 Vehicle unlock on W Water St
 1555 Signed off No Proof of Insurance ticket at the PD
 1728 Report of a dog left outside in the heat in the area of Boyne Av and E Main.
 1732 Report of speeders in the area of Division St. and S. Lake St.
 1810 Annoying texts and phone calls being received in the 400 block of State St
 2018 Arrested subject for PPO violation in the 300 block of N park St.
 2105 Vehicle unlock on State St.
 2211 Assist Sheriff Dept on Camp Ten Rd.
 2300 Report of possible intoxicated driver on N Lake St. Followed the vehicle to Alice St. No violations observed.
THURSDAY JULY 21, 2016
 0413 Assist Sheriff Dept and EMS at Boyne Mountain.
 0558 Citation issued for Speed at Boyne Av and Hemlock St.
 0950 Property damage crash in the 300 block of E Water St
 1205 Assist to Mackinac Co SO attempting to locate subject on McKinley St
 1352 Report of lost cell phone today.
 1427 Report of subject in filling buckets with rocks by the shovel load at Tannery Beach. Gone on arrival.
 1610 Subject in to post bond on warrant from E Lansing PD
 1639 Private property damage crash on River St
 1825 Assist Sheriff Dept with a Motorcycle crash on the 1700 Block Wildwood Harbor Rd
 1948 Assist Sheriff Dept with arrest on Slashing Road.
 2034 Report of speeders on Cherry St
 2352 Citation issued for Expired Plate in the 600 block of N Lake St

FRIDAY JULY 22, 2016
 0033 Citation issued for speed at N. Lake St. and Lower Lake St.
 0938 Report of lost wallet
 0950 Report of IRS fraud calls.
 1110 2 vehicle Property damage crash at Pleasant and Front
 1240 Driving complaint in the 300 block of N Lake St. Report of a vehicle nearly hitting subject in the crosswalk.
 1255 Subject at the PD to report scam calls from the IRS.
 1526 Civil complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
 1701 Served a Notice of Hearing from the City's Attorney ref. Blight
 1853 Two car Property damage crash at Division and S. Lake. Citation issued for Fail to Yield.
 2148 Civil complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
 2205 Report of subjects smoking marijuana in the 200 block of Vogel. Also reported vehicle registration violations at the residence as well.
Saturday, July 23, 2016
 0109 Removed a deer carcass from the road M-75 just outside the city.
 0939 Found a 2 year old playing in/near the street in the 300 block of N Park. Made contact with parent.
 1445 Vehicle unlock in the 700 block of Line St.
 1917 Driving complaint called in from Boyne City-Charlevoix Rd.
 2005 Hit and run in the boat launch parking lot.
 2031 Report of a stolen vehicle in the 700 block of N park St. Miscommunication. Vehicle was being picked up by its owner.
 2113 Assist Citizen at the marina.
 2159 Citation issued for defective headlight at Park and Water.
 2239 Report of a loud party on Cherry St. Located large group of juveniles playing and singing in yard.
Sunday, July 24, 2016
 0048 Checked a suspicious person on East St.
 0131 Found 3 juveniles walking in pajamas on Morgan near Lake. All turned over to parents and warned for curfew violation. Citation issued for speed at S Lake and Pine
 1003 Trespass complaint in the 400 block of Lewis Ave.
 1231 Stopped skateboarder in the roadway at Park and Vogel.
 2341 Assisted Sheriff Dept in attempt to locate a suicidal subject.

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Community Foundation surpasses grants & scholarships milestone

The past 24 years, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation has developed a substantial endowment with a growing benefit to our community. Each fall and spring, the foundation distributes grants to numerous nonprofit organizations throughout Charlevoix County and elsewhere. Over the past year, the organization distributed more than \$1.8 million in grants and scholarships, bringing the cumulative total to over \$20 million since the foundation was started in 1992.

"I think it's a remarkable number for Charlevoix County," said Chip Hansen, foundation president. "Every person who has contributed in some way to the Community Foundation in the past 24 years should feel a sense of satisfaction in what we have accomplished together. When I think of all the good that has been done in our communities through the foundation, and all of the positive impact those grants and scholarships have made, it makes me appreciate the generous nature of the people who live here even more."

The community foundation partners with multiple nonprofit organizations throughout the county to support artistic and cultural programs, environmental conservation initiatives, youth and recreational activities, educational services, economic development and much more. Wherever you go in Charlevoix County, you will see the impact of grants from the foundation. From the canopy of trees lining the streets in Charlevoix to the community pool in East Jordan to science equipment in Boyne Falls Public School to the health center on Beaver Island to the library in Boyne City—and nearly every spot along the way—you'll see grant dollars at work. Grants range from a few hundred dollars used to purchase food for a local food pantry to tens of thousands of dollars used to reconstruct bridges, build trail systems or improve facilities. These developments and projects are made possible by the generous donors who give to the community foundation and in turn give back to the communities they love and the causes they care about.



Charlevoix County Community Foundation Board Chair, Michelle Cortright, and President, Chip Hansen, outside the Foundation's offices in East Jordan. COURTESY PHOTO

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— Chip Hansen, foundation president

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This past year, the foundation created a new tagline, "Giving Back. Moving Forward.," to help communicate the organization's mission to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come. Hansen said, "We have seen just how important giving back to our community can be. Now, as we move into our 25th year, we are positioned to continue giving back, but we

are also committed to continue moving forward toward the future and toward more strategic and purposeful support."

Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Michelle Cortright, agreed. "The wonderful thing about the community foundation is the sustained commitment to its mission. As a trustee, I see it as my privilege to carry on the work that those before me have started. Because of the way the foundation was established and operates, it will continue to support our county in tangible and valuable ways so there is much more yet to come!"

ELECTION RESULTS

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 Matt CunninghamRepublican.....183
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Exciting treasures always on hand at New Beginnings Thrift Store

By Jim Akans

"We are well known for having very high quality items that someone doesn't typically find in a resale shop," observes New Beginnings Thrift Store manager, Carol Grissom. "Our inventory is constantly changing, so there is something new and exciting to discover here each and every day."

Located at 650 W. Conway Road in Harbor Springs, New Beginnings Thrift Store has an incredible selection of top quality, gently used clothing and accessories, furniture, books, jewelry, tons of household items, and much more on display at their 12,000 square foot facility.

The shop was originally located in the basement of the Holy Childhood School when the operation was founded back in the 1980's. Proceeds at that time helped to support the school's day care program.

The Shop began operating under the direction of the Holy Childhood of Jesus Church in 2005, being re-organized to function more like a typical Thrift Shop, featuring donated inventory from local residents and businesses with a level of quality that far exceeded shoppers expectations. Proceeds from sales at the shop are utilized to support tuitions for children from Holy Childhood School

who attend St. Francis in Petoskey, with remaining funds going to assist area individuals in need.

"What truly sets our shop apart is the incredibly high level of quality items that we offer," states Grissom. "The clothing, furniture, and other household items we have to offer are beyond what shoppers will typically find at a resale store."

New Beginnings Thrift Store is open Monday through Friday from 9 am until 6 pm, and on Saturday from 9 am until 5 pm. For additional information call (231) - 348-2980 or visit New Beginnings Thrift Resale on Facebook.

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August 4, 7:30pm, Bandshell located by the Train and Marina. Free concert. Bring chairs, blankets, or use the park picnic tables to enjoy the Band music. Tap your feet to the Marches, hum along with the Show Tunes, Favorites, and familiar tunes. The Band looks forward to seeing you! In the event of rain, join the JVCB in the Band Room at the E. Jordan High School using the back door entrance.

BOYNE FALLS 40TH ANNUAL POLISH FESTIVAL

August 4-7. Polka Tent, Youth Day, Parade, Mud Run and more. Schedule at www.boynefallspolishfestival.com

EAST JORDAN MUSIC IN THE PARK

August 5, 7pm, East Jordan Band Shell in Memorial Park. Featuring the Bluegrass music of Steel and Wool.

EAST JORDAN RAVEN HILL DISCOVERY CENTER 5K/1-MILE FUN RUN/WALK

August 6. The 5k Raven Run begins at 9 am and the entry fee is \$20 per person and for the 1-mile fun run/walk, it is \$5 per person. The Raven Run 5k takes place on the campus of Raven Hill Discovery Center and con-

tinues through Raven Ridge Nature Preserve. The run will begin and end at the Discovery Center. The Raven Run 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk takes place on the campus of Raven Hill Discovery Center around the Taxi Trail and through the Ancient World and includes a variety of fun educational activity stations along the way. All proceeds will benefit programming at Raven Hill Discovery Center. For more information or to register, go to miravenhill.org or call 231.536.3369.

EAST JORDAN 54TH ANNUAL PORTSIDE ARTS FAIR

August 6, 10am-5pm & August 7, 10am-4pm. Elm Point. Besides an impressive selection of juried artists, lunch/dessert/refreshments will be available at the Lutheran Church booth, the East Jordan Historical Society Museum will be open and Musical entertainment by Michelle Chenard, John Phillips, Nelson Olstrom and Louis Seiler on the picturesque lawn of Elm Pointe Estate. For more information contact Kim Prebble at 536-3282.

BOYNE CITY LIFE LESSONS FROM A DYING MAN EXPLORED

August 7, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Facing a Terminal Illness: Insight's From a Dying Man," features a filmed interview with Richie Bertoletti—a cancer patient who chronicled his last days through artwork and dramatic storytelling. Admission to the 60-minute event is free.

EAST JORDAN WILD HARVEST

August 7, 1-3:30pm, Martha Wagbo Farm. The Wagbo Farm brings in foraging expert Maria Wesseler to teach us how to take part in bountiful wild harvests. We will take a short hike and learn how to identify, har-

vest, and prepare wild foods such as day lily, pineapple weed, chanterelle mushrooms, cattail, and more. After the hike we will return to the farmhouse to enjoy snacks made from wild plants. \$5 suggested donation. Space is limited. To register, please go to <http://goo.gl/forms/9UFwhw1JzsEaH5bF2>. For more info, call 231-536-0333.

CHARLEVOIX THE LIGHT FANTASTIC

August 7, 6:30pm, Charlevoix Circle of Arts. An evening of classical music, youthful singing voices, and the inner light of poetry produced by Armchair Theatre. The Show will be staged surrounded by the paintings of the current exhibit "Chasing the Light". Grandview Ensemble will play the shimmering "Pavane for a Dead Princess" by Maurice Ravel and "Clair de Lune" by Claude Debussy. Music celebrating summer light will include the explosive "Rejoicing" from "The Royal Fireworks" by Franz Joseph Handel, and "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Felix Mendelssohn. The Light Fantastic evening also presents the young lively and endearing voices of Catherine and Sloan Hayes, and the lovely Kate Heady. A \$5.00 donation is appreciated.

EAST JORDAN BLOOD DRIVE

August 9, Noon-5:45pm. East Jordan Civic Center, 101 Civic Center Lane. Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information.

EVELINE TOWNSHIP FERRY AUTHORITY INFORMATION SESSION

August 9, Eveline Township Hall. The Ferry Authority will be holding an informational session during the Eveline Township Board's regular meeting at the Eveline Township Hall. We will be listening for input on possible

changes in hours for the 2017 season. Please, come and join us with your ideas and comments.

CHARLEVOIX FIVE WISHES AND MORE...

August 10, 5:30pm, Christ Episcopal Church, 200 State Street. The Five Wishes program gives you a way to control something very important - how you are treated if you get seriously ill. Brownie Flanders, CEC Treasurer and Vestry Member, will lead us through the process of completing the Five Wishes document, which when filled out and properly signed, is valid under the laws of most states. Amy Wieland, Executive Director of Hospice of Northwest Michigan, will discuss hospice care and what options are available in our area. There is no fee and a light soup/salad dinner will be provided following the presentations. For reservations go to CEC's website www.christepiscopalchurch.net. Please leave a message at the church if you would like to reserve a seat or have questions: 231.547.6322

EAST JORDAN RARE THREADS TEA AND TALK

August 10, 1-5pm, Jordan Valley Barn. A fun-filled afternoon English tea featuring MSU Professor Sally Gray talking on early 20th century fashions. Admission by pre-purchased tickets, \$45 per person. Tickets will go fast - so don't miss out! Get your tickets today. www.jordanriverarts.com Food, music, door prizes, vintage fashions, vendors and "Laura's Picks" Wine Bar

EAST JORDAN DR. CAREY OPEN HOUSE/RETIREMENT PARTY

August 11, 4-6pm, East Jordan Family Health Center, 601 Bridge Street. Celebration of over 37 years of dedicated service to patients and the community.

EAST JORDAN

FAMILY PICNIC

August 12, 6pm, Tourist Park. Bring your appetite and the whole family to the Good Samaritan Family Picnic! This event will feature Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and all the fixins you can handle. Music and games will entertain as we gather together and share a fun filled evening.

EAST JORDAN COMMUNITY DANCE

August 12, 7-10pm, East Jordan Civic Center. Music by the Pine River Jazz Band. Snacks and water available for purchase. \$10 per person. For more information call Gary Stutzman (231) 675-4800.

CHARLEVOIX TREASURE LAKE CHARLEVOIX POKER RUN

August 12, 11am-4pm. Participants will spend a leisurely day on the lake traveling to 5 of 8 card pick-up locations to collect the 5 cards needed for a poker hand. Following the boating event there will be a reception at Somerset Pointe Yacht Club. Proceeds go to projects that protect Lake Charlevoix.

BOYNE CITY DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SALES

August 12 & 13. Nearly every downtown Boyne City store will be offering big discounts during Sidewalk Sales.

CHARLEVOIX ART FROM THE ATTIC II

August 12 & 13, Charlevoix Circle of Arts, 405 Bridge Street. Up for auction will be a variety of items ranging from fine art, vintage goods, furniture, jewelry, decorative accessories and more. Donations are now being accepted for interesting; previously loved items that you feel would be welcome in a new home. All items are to be considered to be a donation and not placed in the auction as a consignment item. Donations are tax deductible.

BOYNE CITY IMMIGRATION CONTROVERSY DISCUSSED

August 14, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The program—titled "Border Wars: Is There a Compassionate Response to Illegal Immigration?"—features filmed interviews with a border patrol agent, Mexican nationals, and former U.S. Representative Tom Tancredo, an outspoken critic of immigration policy. During the program, participants will examine various sides of the issue and be given an opportunity to share their own perspectives. Admission to the 60-minute event is free.

EAST JORDAN FRIENDS OF THE JORDAN SUMMER PICNIC

August 14, 1-3pm, Watershed Center, 101 Union Street. Parking at Sportsman's Park. BBQ style food catered by Pigs Eatin' Ribs and family-friendly yard games. Vegetarian option will be available. No charge but please RSVP by August 1 at www.friendsofthejordan.org or at (518) 593-9600.

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August 14, starting at 3pm. Meet at Coveyou Farm for a conversation with Dave Coveyou. Then move to Blackbird Gardens for a tour including an appetizer and drink. The final destination is Walloon Lake Winery for a four-course meal prepared by Mike Everts, Real Food Dream Kitchen, overlooking their beautiful vineyard vista. \$75 per person, proceeds to help the building of Community Pavilion. Sign up at the Farmers Market Booth or contact Erica Tosch, (231) 330-0139 or email etosch@boynecity.com.

EAST JORDAN 37TH ANNUAL SENIOR PICNIC AND HEALTH EXPO

August 16, 9am-1pm, Harvest Barn Church on Lake Street. The event is sponsored by the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging and features a delicious lunch, music, prizes and opportunities to visit more than 18 local health care vendors – all in one site. Tickets are only \$5 for seniors aged 60 and older, or \$8 for those under 60. They are available at each of the Senior Centers, at the Commission on Aging main office and at the door. For more information contact Theresa Graham at the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging by calling 231-237-0103.

CHARLEVOIX SUMMER SIDEWALK SALES

August 18-20, downtown Charlevoix. Participating Charlevoix area merchants are pleased to once again offer hot summer deals at their annual end of summer sidewalk sales. Take advantage of substantial reductions on a variety of seasonal inventory that must go. Merchants will be out in force with great sales to reduce inventories before the fall season. Shoppers will find great discounts on gift items, home decor, clothing, books, jewelry, accessories and more. Hours may vary, but most merchants will be on the sidewalk from 9am to 6pm and inside after 6pm. So shop early for the best steals, deals and unbelievable savings.

BOYNE FALLS KIERSTEN'S RIDE

August 20, Chandler Hills Campground, 2930 Magee Rd North. Horseback/Walk/ATV Ride for suicide prevention programs in Northern Lower Michigan. 10am; Horseback Trail Ride, \$10 pre-registration or \$25 day of event (8:30-9:30am). 10-mile ride, riders provide own horse. 11am; Walk, \$10 pre-registration or \$25 day of event (10-10:30am). 1.3 mile nature walk with optional additional 1.2 miles. 2pm; ATV Ride, \$10 pre-registration or \$25 day of event (12:30-1:30pm). 30 to 40 mile trail ride, gas available at campground or on trail. Must be 14 or older with ATV certification. Prizes awarded for most money raised, free t-shirt for participants raising \$50 and free hooded shirt for participants raising \$250. Camping available by reservation at Chandler Hills Campground. Camp phone; (231) 549-7878.

EAST JORDAN RAVEN HILL "NASA IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD"

August 20, 10am-4pm. Raven Hill Discovery Center. NASA Glenn Research Center of Cleveland, Ohio will be presenting at Raven Hill from 10 am to 4 pm on Saturday, August 20. Highlights of the day will be the testing of Shoebox Gliders at 11 am, an Eggdrop (from 1000 ft.) at 1 pm and at 1:30 pm a NASA Subject Matter Expert presentation. If you have questions or need more information, please call Cheri or Caitlin at 231.536.3369 or email info@ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org



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- 8/3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Weds, 8am - 12pm
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- Boyne City Farmers' Market**
Outdoor market in Veteran's Park, 207 N. Lake Street.
- 8/4, 11, 18, 25, Thursdays, 8am - 1pm
- Charlevoix Farmers' Market**
East Park, along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix.
- 8/4, 11, 18, 25, Thursdays, 9am - 1pm
- East Jordan Farmers' Market**
Sportsman's Park, 85 Bridge Street.
- 8/4, Thursday - 8/7, Sunday
- 42nd Annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival**
The festival features the polka tent, car show, 4-day carnival, grand parade, food, entertainment, and more.
www.boynefallspolishfestival.com
- 8/5, 12, 19, 26, Fridays, 6pm - 9pm
- Stroll the Streets**

- Every Friday night with live music, balloon artists, face painters and more throughout downtown Boyne City.
- 8/6, Saturday, -8/7, Sunday
- Portside Arts Fair**
Held at Elm Pointe on M-66. The fair goal is to help local artists exhibit and sell their works. Works of established artists as well as the works of new and innovative artists is displayed. Artwork deemed "best of show" will become part of the permanent Portside collection at Elm Pointe.
www.portsideartsfair.org
- 8/13, Saturday, 9am - 6pm
- 57th Annual Charlevoix Waterfront Air Fair**
Many of the nation's finest artists & craftsmen will be coming to exhibit their best works. This is the second oldest juried art fair in Michigan. This popular event will

- take place in East Park, Downtown Charlevoix.
- 8/13, Saturday - 8/14, Sunday
- 43rd Annual Antique Auto Show & Flea Market**
Flea Market (9am - 4pm); Antique Auto Show (9am - 3pm)
On the shores of beautiful Lake Charlevoix in Veterans Memorial Park on Lake Street, in Boyne City. www.boynechamber.com
- 8/16, Tuesday, 9am - 1pm
- 37th Annual Charlevoix County COA Senior Picnic**
& Health Expo @ the Harvest Barn Church
Enjoy a delicious BBQ chicken dinner (grilled by the BC Rotary and EJ Lions Clubs) with all the fixins', entertainment by O.J. Adkins, a Health Expo, and door prizes.
Cost is \$5 (60 yrs +), \$8 (under 60 yrs). www.ejchamber.org

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, August 4 9-10am Food Distribution 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling	Friday, August 5 Foot Clinic (by Appt) 11am Dollar in a Jukebox Raffle Rummikub	Monday, August 8 10:30am Line Dancing Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize Rummikub	Tuesday, August 9 11am Walk With Ease Bingo - Free Lunch Prize Mexican Train	Wednesday, August 10 Foot Clinic (AM by Appt) 4-6pm CVX Veterans Affairs John Hess 5:30-7pm Cal Manis 50/50 Raffle NIGHT DINNER! BAKED FISH	Thursday, August 11 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling
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CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, August 4 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:45am Roger Hartson Music 1pm Mahjong	Friday, August 5 9:30am Craft Class 1pm Euchre/Games	Monday, August 8 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	Tuesday, August 9 Wii Bowling in Petoskey 1pm Paint Class 1pm Mahjong	Wednesday, August 10 NIGHT DINNER! HOT TURKEY 3pm Wii Bowling Practice	Thursday, August 11 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, August 4 Foot Clinic 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre	Friday, August 5 BIRTHDAY DAY! 11am Barry Loper Bingo/Raffle Cards	Monday, August 8 Foot Clinic Exercise Room 8am-1pm Walking M-F Wii Bowling 12:30	Tuesday, August 9 12:30pm Bingo - Meal Ticket Prize Mexican Poker	Wednesday, August 10 2:30pm Crafts 4pm Barry Loper NIGHT DINNER! BAKED FISH	Thursday, August 11 10am Advisory Bd Mtg 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, August 4 CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS	Friday, August 5 COD ALMONDINE	Monday, August 8 BEEF LASAGNA	Tuesday, August 9 CRUNCHY DRUMSTICKS	Wednesday, August 10 NIGHT DINNER! 5-6pm	Thursday, August 11 HAMBURGER w/BUN
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Ellsworth School building project will improve facility for students

ELLSWORTH – Ellsworth Community School is nearing the end of the design phase for building and facilities improvements related to the bond issue passed by district residents last fall.

In November 2016 ECS district residents approved a 2.0 mil bond issue designed to address a number of school building and facilities needs. Since that time the district's Building and Site Committee has been working to design a project that both meets the long-term needs of the district's students while staying within the budget established by the bond.

"We've spent the last six months engaged in an extremely detailed design process," said ECS Superintendent, Aaron Gaffney. "Working with our architects and construction manager we believe we've developed a plan that delivers the best possible project with the funds we have available."

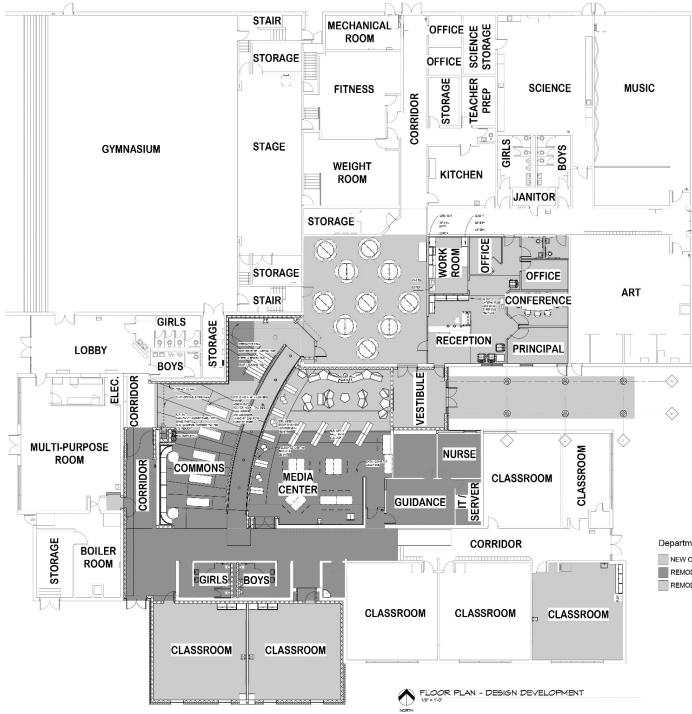
Highlights of the phase one planned improvements include:
Addressing building accessibility by improving access to meet ADA requirements

Repairing aged infrastructure including heating and electrical
Increasing building security
Providing additional classroom space

"The planned improvements touch every area of our facilities," said Gaffney. "From a completely redesigned middle/high school building that improves access for all students and increases security to a new bus loop and gymnasium at the elementary school, every ECS student will benefit from the changes."

In addition to visible changes, there will also be many improvements to the buildings' infrastructure. "The middle/high school building's heating system will be completely replaced in addition to an upgrade to the electrical service," indicated Gaffney. "We are also making major changes to the site and grounds at the elementary school to correct drainage issues."

Over the course of the next month the district's architects will be finalizing phase one construction documents with the construction manager releasing the projects to bid in early September. "The goal is to begin construction on the new additions this fall," said Gaffney. "We'll try to accomplish



as much as possible while school is in session this year. However, the vast majority of the phase one work will take place during the summer 2017 recess."

Once the major work at the middle/high school and elementary buildings is underway, the district

will begin to look at additional phase two projects to take place during the 2017 school year. Phase two projects may potentially include the partial remodeling of the current elementary cafeteria into an early childhood learning center and the remodeling of the bath-

rooms in the elementary school. "The final scope of the phase two projects will not be known until after phase one bids are received and a majority of the major construction at the middle/high school is underway," Gaffney indicated.

"The ECS Board of Education, staff, and students would like to thank the residents of the district for approving the bond issue last

November," said Gaffney. "Thanks to their support we will be able to improve and expand upon the already quality education provided to the district's students."

For more information on the proposed projects, or Ellsworth Community School in general, please contact Superintendent, Aaron Gaffney at (231) 588-2544 or info@ellsworth.k12.mi.us.

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JRAC Invitational Arts Exhibition opens



ABOVE: Howard Ellis, curator and Wendy Froud, daughter of Peggy Midener were in attendance for the opening of the 26th Annual Invitational Arts Exhibition. DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPH OF PEGGY MIDENER BY KAREN WALKER.

LEFT: Glen McCune standing by his life-size drawing and clay bust of Ernest Hemingway being shown at the 26th Annual Invitational Arts Exhibition. COURTESY PHOTO

The 26th Annual Invitational Arts Exhibition opened Sunday, July 31 at the Jordan River Art Center, East Jordan. Many artists, friends and community members marveled at the many quality works both two and three-dimensional. The exhibition was held at a later date enabling more area artists to participate.

Artists submitting two works are; Roberta Amstadt, Kurt Andersen, Kristy Avery, Peter Balestrieri, Prudy Barber, Su Bishop, Kerry Bowes, C.M. Brown, Beth Rynum, Lynn Carson, Phyllis Childs, Cathy Cohen, Diane Cox, Roddy Dammeyer, Elaine Dettman, Cyd Dutcher, Resita Gender-

nalik, Margie Guyot, Charles Herschberger, Karen Kimmell, Merideth Krell, Richard Lentini, Glen McCune, Julie McLemore, Charlene Michael, Peggy Midener, Bob Mohr, Nelson Ogden, Beth Radatz, Margaret Schroeder, Jan Shilling, June Storm, Cynthia Tschudy, Ron Tschudy, Barbara VanPelt, Guy Veryzer, Paula Vivyan, Karen Walker, and Sylvia Walworth.

This year the featured artist is Peggy Midener who was an incredibly gifted artist, a long time JRAC Board member. She was a seeker of truth and inspired many people. Karen Walker stated, "The world has lost a wonderful woman. She

was an artist, mentor, friend, and all around classy lady. She will be missed."

Congratulations should go to Howard Ellis for continually being curator of this exhibition since its inception. This is an exhibition art patrons and collectors should not miss. Many works are for sale at affordable prices. The show runs through August 28, open daily 1-4 pm. Other viewing times can be arranged. The Jordan River Art Center is located 301 Main St., East Jordan. Please direct questions to Howard, 231 536 2152 or jracinfo@att.net.

GLE sends students to Washington, D.C.



Six high school students represented electric cooperative Great Lakes Energy at the Rural Electric Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. June 11-16, 2016. Attending the event were (L to R) Cody DeVries, Alex Mason, Spencer Joles, Marie Groenink, Morgan Graeber and Daly Narmore. COURTESY PHOTO

Six students representing Great Lakes Energy Cooperative were among 1,700 high school students who attended the June 11-16 Youth Tour hosted by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). Those attending from Great Lakes Energy included Cody DeVries (New Era), Morgan Graeber (St. Joseph), Marie Groenink (Ellsworth), Spencer Joles (Boyer City), Alex Mason (Elmira) and Daly Narmore (Custer). Students met with their elected officials, engaged in leadership training and bonded with students from electric co-ops all across the country.

NRECA initiated Youth Tour after Senator Lyndon Baines Johnson suggested to co-op leaders at an NRECA annual meeting that they "send youngsters to the nation's capital where they can actually see what the flag stands for

and represents." The tradition of sending students to D.C. continues each June.

Previous Youth Tour participants have become university presidents, CEOs of Fortune 500 companies, and members of Congress. In fact, Apple CEO Tim Cook credited Youth Tour with his first trip to Washington in his commencement speech to graduates of George Washington University in 2015. Over the past 51 years, nearly 50,000 students have visited Washington through Youth Tour.

Eligible students of Great Lakes Energy members can apply for the 2017 Youth Tour later this year.

Great Lakes Energy is a consumer-owned business providing electric service to over 120,000 members in parts of 26 counties along the west side of Michigan's lower peninsula.

Working together to keep kids reading

Look at these smiling faces! Why are these kids so happy? Well, to answer that question we must rewind to June.

In June, East Jordan Public Schools received a grant from Char-Em United Way to provide books to kids. Hoping to prevent their students from having their reading skills regress over the long summer break from school, a group of volunteers set to work to ensure the kids had access to books all summer long.

Before leaving for summer break, kids sat down with Scholastic Reading Club flyers to select the books that they would receive during the summer. Volunteers from East Jordan's Title 1 Reading program helped the kids select 'good fit books' - meaning that the reading level of the book is a perfect fit with the child's current level of reading ability. The books were then ordered from Scholastic, sorted and bagged up. Ready for delivery to EJ's young readers.

Next, volunteers Kathy Keyser, Al Joseph, and Tina McDuffie quartered East Jordan into four delivery areas. A box of books was filled for each delivery area. Finally, volunteers from East Jordan Rotary and East Jordan Elemen-



In June, East Jordan Public Schools received a grant from Char-Em United Way to provide books to kids. COURTESY PHOTO

tary spent a beautiful summer morning delivering the books to a bunch of excited, grateful kids.

Thank you to Matt Stevenson, Paul Keyser, Tina McDuffie, Meg Kitson, Wendy Crick, Kathy Keyser, Mali and Gabby Hamilton for delivering the books.


Thank you Char-Em United Way for making all these smiles possible.






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Dear Editor:

The Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) staff, Board of Directors and Women Can/Women Do committee members thank the volunteers and donors who helped make our 10th anniversary fundraising luncheon in Charlevoix a great success.

We thank the talented table designers who created stunning displays; your generous donation of time and talent helped ensure the success of this annual luncheon: A Touch of Spring & Other Things, Beaver Island Boat Company, Belvedere Golf Club Buddies, BLOOM Floral Design, Castle Farms, Charlevoix Area Garden Club, Charlevoix Circle of Arts/Tour Michigan, Christ Episcopal Church, Connie Carr, Creative Cupcake Charlevoix, Deer Creek Junk, Elements, Harwood Gold, Hearts to Holly Quilt Shop, Kilwins of Charlevoix, L. Burnham and Associates, MerryMakers, Monarch Garden & Floral Design, Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital, Panache Hair Studio, Petals Custom Floral Designs, Rafina Grove, Raven Hill Discovery Center, Ser-radella Vintage, Simply Sweet by Jessica, Straddle Books, That French Place, The Lake House, The Spa at Boyne Mountain, Upsy-Daisy Floral and Van Dam Custom Boats.

This event was also made possible through the efforts of dedicated table captains who ensured seats at their table were filled. We could not pull off this event without your generosity and commitment.

We are grateful for the lovely and unique setting at Castle Farms and thank owners Linda and Richard Mueller and their top-notch staff. We thank Grey Gables for the delicious catered luncheon and Creative Cupcake Charlevoix for providing the complimentary, delectable dessert. Many thanks to silent auction donors Ace Hardware Charlevoix, Cherry Republic, Fustini's Oils and Vinegars, Porter Creek Fish House, and Marcia Farmer, Nan Winter and Nancy Wright.

Many thanks to the hundreds of attendees at this event; please know your support provides critical dollars to help fund a myriad of WRCNM programs and services relied on by thousands of women, children and individuals every year. We also thank title sponsors Fifth Third Bank and Blue Cross Blue Shield-Blue Care Network of Michigan for your significant contributions and your support of the work we do.

Sincerely,
Gail Kloss
Executive Director

DALLAS TRAUMA

To the Editor,

COUNTRY STAR DALLAS TRAUMA records tribute album to Dallas cops gunned down in the line of duty, now extended to honor three more busted dead in Baton Rouge, goes platinum. "This has become an epidemic" intoned writer M J MacKay in blog format as he predicted correctly this emergence of retributive violence some two years ago. Nashville musicians and songwriters have never been remiss in vocalizing their patriotic purviews on politics.

Naturally the sentiment is forthcoming from the country music venues forthwith as that's the generic version of the American persona two-stepping their way to the wet bar. Sentiment is loud and raucous as the cops are laid to rest and the country music moguls ramp up their distribution and promotion machinery to complement the citizen unrest and indignation. Even the recent killing of an innocent bystander at a protest congregation of Black Lives Matter, Mrs. Hattie McDonald, a white grandmother, seems not to alter the crowd agitation against black cop-killers who maintain that it's black folks at fault, not white cops. The implication is that if blacks didn't protest, white cops wouldn't be shot. Hattie McDonald wasn't there to protest or intervene in the least; she was there to collect rent from the tenants in a building owned by her and her husband George McDonald, a Senator in the state of Missouri. The fact that the tenement in question lay in midst the venue of so much shooting and looting is said to have no bearing upon the killing of Mrs. McDonald, merely "collateral damage" as such purveyors as Timothy McVeigh alluded to child victims of his carnage.

"Some gotta win, some gotta lose", as the penultimate punch line of GOOD TIME CHARLEY'S GOT THE BLUES reverberates. As afore-said writer MacKay reiterates, "What the hell ya expect?" He did indeed predict these events and is now under investigation by the Justice Department (DOJ) of the federal government for subversion, espionage and treason as well as capital murder charges by association. Video evidence is said to be forthcoming although alterations are suspected. MacKay's retort: "Bring 'em on" in true George Dubya Bush character. The writer is rumored to have savage dogs and cannon positioned on his property as well as WWII Sherman tanks ready at hand fully restored and armed with anti-aircraft artillery

and remote controlled anti-drone weaponry and detection systems. His allusion to fallout shelters stocked with a year's supply of blended scotch whiskey is generally taken as fact by the local authorities who have monitored the delivery thereof.

As to our Dallas Trauma's part in this, he is proudly redneck and bigoted as he says all good country folk oughta be. As he sings in one of his hit songs, "Hell, it don't matter if I do wrong if'n I'm doin' right". That song may be heard blasting from many a vehicle cassette window or house radio when the wind is right or you're stopped at a red light or traffic congestion due to protest marches or police chases, cop killings and the like. His record company RCA Victor His Master's Voice proudly stands behind him in his quest to improve racial relations by insisting on a return to the good old days of plantation equilibrium when everyone knew his/her place. Dallas is of course the scion of that era of good natured attunement to the ambience of workers' rights and overseers kindness when new pairs of dungarees and house dresses were distributed every year free of charge, pork spare ribs were complimentary and bacon was a staple, garden plots included also free of charge, ample portions of watermelon provided as incentive. Dey be stamprin' dey feet on da Mississippi mud.

Trauma's representative performances are being archived by the Library of Congress for potential folklore historic relevance as per Lomax recordings of yore. With reference to the ongoing altercations between Negroes and white police, it is to be noted that sentiment for the white police forces is gaining traction and empathy seems forthcoming from many directions. These are after all hard-working family men and women of the god-fearing variety who merely want to keep the blacks in their place, uh, that is in their places of work and worship, guitars in hand - after work of course. As Martin Mull has sung "The blacks are giving me the blues" and we should be thankful for that. We mean, look at Elvis Presley and Mick Jagger. Thanks to Robert Johnson and Chuck Berry for that. And let us thank Dallas Trauma too for his part in bringing these critical issues to the bargaining table that we may attain equality for all in its country music bargain of those served and those serving, givers and takers allocated accordingly. So let's hear it for Dallas Trauma, ladies and gentlemen, a true purveyor of this country's great heritage in song. Dallas Trauma songs

go on and on. - Southern Gentleman/Belle Press, Nashville TN
Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

THE VIDEO REVOLUTION

To the Editor,

FOILED. Police have already learned how to get around the camera. Okay, video cams are worn on the body and/or mounted in squad cars, right? But they're pointed straight ahead. Solution: face a different direction. Point that cruiser on an angle at the point of altercation, approach suspects sideways, park in front of a vehicle stopped, approach drivers at odd angles. It might sound ridiculous but that's already the reality.

The Age of Video has proven amazingly effective even though the results have been also amazingly redundant. We've all seen videos of cops shooting persons point-blank with impunity from court action, court indictment resulting in acquittal, and so on, but still there are those live action videos to prove police misfeasance, they remain on record. Solution? Simple: fudge the record. Now we'll see videos of cops walking backwards, parking askew, any which way to hide their actions and intentions.

They can assuredly place a hand over the body-cam as they're going about their business but that's too blatant, so some other actions become the trick. Now they'll have to figure ways of explaining why they're walking backwards and parking cars so oddly when heretofore they made a show of flashing lights and blocking traffic. They're working on it.

Of course we know how a piece of tape or wad of gum can obscure video lens effectively but that's too obvious even for police. Those video-cams are supposed to be operable at all times. So simply point them in different directions. These are not Einsteinian equations, these are simple tactics. But, officer, why were you walking sideways during this investigation? Uh, well, I was making a narrower target, says the 240-pound cop whose silhouette is the same from all angles. But why was your squad car not parked facing the vehicle in question? Uh, well, we wanted to block traffic so the suspect couldn't escape. And so on. Of course the down side is that cops will no longer be able to view videos of roadside strip searches of pulchritudinous young women back at the precinct if their cams are not positioned opportunistically but that's the tradeoff.

And the actual technology? Cops hate 'em. They don't want to be recorded out in the field where

most of the action takes place. They like to stay in their precinct buildings or in their squad cars and let those edifices do the talking, the intimidating. When they have to approach subjects they don't want to be caught on video because then they're inhibited by being observed and recorded and can't react according to adrenaline. Adrenal dictates spontaneous action and it's never according to procedure as one expects from the protectors of the public. These guys are fighting for their lives as they perceive it, don't want to take a bullet unsuspectingly, shoot first, ask questions later, let God sort 'em out, and so on. These guys are only human, not psychologists, clergy, attorneys or heroes. They just want to get through the shift and go home.

Because I said so is the implication behind many altercations with those observing police actions, especially news reporters trying to get stories or video of the situation. Police don't want to be caught on camera doing what they do or even the aftermath of scenes of police involvement for fear they'll be seen doing something they're not authorized to do - like shooting people. They much prefer to charge persons with crimes concocted to dismiss their actions as necessary whereas those of the public with malice aforethought, disturbing crime scenes and such drive as passes for police blotter insinuation. If they beat somebody up it's invariably written as subduing attack by perpetrator and the like.

Police work carries some danger to be sure as we're seeing of late. You take these ordinary guys and put guns in their hands you've got paranoia personified. The only solution is take the guns away. Cops don't wear guns in England. US cops would be far more effective unarmed. Then they might even appreciate the video cams they wear because the true story would be filmed. We can't expect cops to tell the truth, they'll make up some excuse every time. Let the video do the talking. Take away the guns. That reduces the equation to one of observation. If they want to be bullies there's always someone tougher out there and the whole event will be videoed anyway. Even prosecutors and jurors can see that. Without guns police will welcome the video revolution. This is the way to shoot people. Bang, bang, you're on video.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

American Legion Riders present donations to Patriot Place



On Monday afternoon, August 1, approximately 25 motorcycle riders from the Boyne City and Lewiston chapters of the American Legion Riders arrived at Patriot Place in Gaylord to present donations to help support the transitional housing facility. Patriot Place, operated under the direction of Goodwill Industries of Northern Michigan, helps homeless veterans get a fresh start through a two-year housing and support mission. The American Legion Riders from the Lewiston chapter donated a \$3,038 check and the Boyne City chapter donated \$1,200. Shown here are members from both American Legion Riders chapters, Patriot Place residents and staff, with Program Manager, Tom Pratt at center (blue shirt). PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

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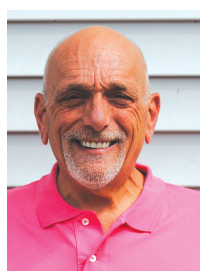
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