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in her home.

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pointed attorney Kyle Legel

to represent her in the case

when it became clear she

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Police found 53-year-old Regina Plevinski de-

ceased "apparently from stab wounds" inside

her home on East Main Street in Boyne City on

October 25. Her daughter, 30-year-old Rachael

Crisman, is being charged in her murder.

Friends and family remember Plevinski as a

"kind woman" who spent much of her time

volunteering at the Boyne City food pantry.

has become arguably one of the

in northern Michigan will also

represent them at the state and

local level.

election.

likely see big changes in who will

From local city councils to the

state legislature, numerous area

trict-which includes the entire

Upper Peninsula and parts of

candidates are angling for wins in

the upcoming Tuesday, November 8

In the 1st U.S. Congressional Dis-

northern lower Michigan-former Michigan Democratic

Party chairman Lon Johnson will square off against re-

tired U.S. Marine Corps lieutenant general and Republi-

who has filled it since 2010 but is not seeking re-election

Johnson, 44, owns a small home in Kalkaska County

can Jack Bergman. The seat is being vacated by U.S.

State representative Dan Benishek (R)-Crystal Falls,

most contentious presidential elec-

tions in the nation's history, voters

SALE ENDS

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX - Accused

of brutally stabbing her

mother to death, a Boyne

City woman has been de-

lodged in the Charlevoix

of open murder.

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County jail facing a charge

Rachael Marie Chris-

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man, 30, of Boyne City, was

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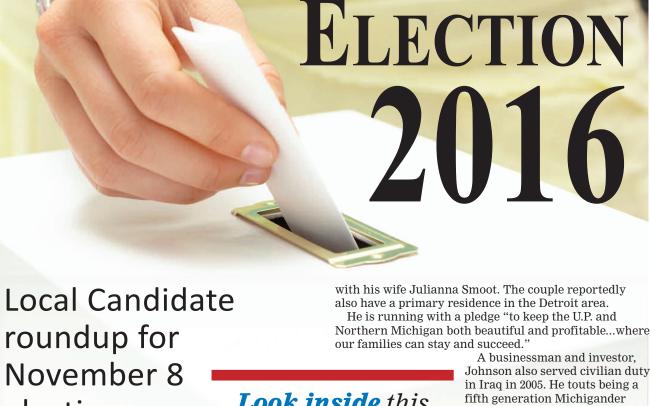
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election By Michelle Medjesky With just days left before what

Tuesday, **NOVEMBER 8**

week's paper for Charlevoix County candidate profiles

ELECTION DAY

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it safely can transport fuel as it runs beneath the Straits of Mackinac. Johnson furthermore said he's against privatizing social security and is dedicated to protecting citizens' Second Amendment rights.

If elected, Johnson said he will furthermore work towards rejecting the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership, or TPP, calling it a "disastrous trade deal" that would result in a spike in unemployment due to jobs lost to overseas employers.

Johnson's opponent is Lt. General Jack Bergman, a 3star general of the U.S. Marine Corps who retired after

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who is focused primarily on investing in and protecting what he

said are the state's greatest re-

sources: "our people, our land

Johnson has been campaign-

ing vigorously for more than a

year and spoken publicly many

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EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2016

Rachael Marie Crisman,

30, of Boyne City is being

held in Charlevoix County

jail accused of murdering

her mother, 53-year-old

East Jordan: a place to live, work, and recreate

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN - Mayor Russ Peck opened the city commission meeting Tuesday evening with his annual State of the City address, which was followed by a bid award for playground equipment, and a discussion surrounding housing commission requests.

Mayor Peck described East Jordan as a great place to live, work, and recreate. In the past year, the city has presented a balanced budget for the 2016/17 fiscal year, the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) has paid off all debts, and a master plan has been completed and adopted. The city has also had many technological improvements Peck said, with the downtown being enhanced by Merit high-speed internet free for the public to use, and water meters have been converted to allow for monthly billing beginning in February

Within the parks department, the city has put grant money to use with the purchase of movie equipment and a new outdoor ice skating rink, as well as had the basketball courts resurfaced.

This summer saw grant funds for Safe Routes to School come to fruition, with new sidewalks, crosswalks, and signage being completed, allowing for safer and more convenient ways for students to walk and bicycle to school. And in 2017, groundbreaking for the new wastewater treatment plant is planned to take place, Peck said.

Following Peck's address, the city awarded a bid on playground equipment at Watson Field. Commissioner Mark Penzien opposed the recommendation to award Glen Thorman's bid of \$250 for equipment, including a climbing structure, slide, swings, and merry-goround; however, the recommendation passed. Commissioners had discussion surrounding a desire to know what items are going out for bid ahead of time in the future.

The East Jordan Housing Commission (EJHC) has been in discussions with the city, seeking some financial relief, as the $\bar{\text{E}}\text{JHC}$ is currently in its budget process for 2017.

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FRIDAY

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

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Annalane Marie Maurer, 98

(APRIL 29, 1918 - OCTOBER 29, 2016)

Annalane M. (Groenink) Maurer died peacefully October 29, 2016 with her niece Celia Hastings by her side. She was lovingly cared for by the staff at Boulder Park Terrace Nursing and



Rehab Center. Ann was born April 29, 1918 to Martin and Winifred (Burggraaff) Groenink at the Groenink Farm in Banks Township. She graduated from Bentley Hill Country School in 1932, spent a couple of years at home and then graduated from Banks Township Public School in

She worked one year at the Reid, Murdoch & Co. "canning factory" as a food inspector. She went to Kalamazoo in 1939 and graduated from Western Michigan's College of Education with a teaching certificate in 1941. She taught in Casanovia from 1941 to 1942. When WWII broke out she enlisted in the WACS (U.S. Army), typing munitions inventory in code in the ordnance section of the Fifth Army as they advanced through the North Apennines and Po Valley toward the Alps. The troops built a special desk for her and moved her work station as the army advanced. At the end of the Po Valley Campaign she saw Mussolini hanging from his heels. While on furlough the WACS were given a Jeep and driver to tour Europe.

Ann attended Bob Jones University for a semester, then moved to California where she worked in Defense. When she saw a notice for former WACS to re-enlist and go to the Pacific Theater, she re-enlisted and sailed for Occupied Japan. She later worked at the Pentagon and at Percy Jones Hospital in Battle Creek. Throughout her military service, she neither smoked nor drank – not even vino in Italy!

While in Battle Creek she met and married Bernard Maurer. They had twin sons John and Louis, and a daughter Debra. The family enjoyed camping trips to many of the Na-

tional Parks and to Washington D.C. When her children were grown,

Ann returned to college and taught for thirteen years in Battle Creek, including substitute teaching and special education. She later worked as a secretary in a hospital labora-

After Bernie died in 1988 she lived in Battle Creek, then with her daughter in Florida until 2001 when she moved back to the Groenink farm.

Ann is survived by her children John (Beth) Maurer, Louis Maurer and Debra Hind; 8 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; her sister Wilma (Fred) Bolhuis. She was a special aunt to Ardith (Jack) Tornga, Celia (John) Hastings and Mark (Cindy) Groenink and honorary grandmother to Marie, Lexi and Robert Groenink.

At Ann's request, there will be no service at this time. As she writes, "When I depart this world, celebrate my life by being happy. When you feel sad, remember I am happy with all of my loved ones who have gone before me, and we are busy catching up and watching over you."

Chester Gerald Bernadyn, 79

(JULY 8, 1937 - OCT. 29, 2016)

Chester Gerald Bernadyn of Boyne Falls died October 29, 2016 at The McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

Chester was born on July 8, 1937 in Melrose Township, Michigan, the son of Frank and Anna (Kondrat) Bernadyn and was raised in Boyne Falls, attending school in Clarion. Following school, Chester went to work on local farms before going to work at Howard Plating.

Chester was always a very loving and easy going man who even in his youth, never fussed about anything and would eat any food you put in front of him. He will be greatly missed by his family and those who knew him.

Chester is survived by 3 siblings, Pauline Kudla of Warren, MI, Rose Mary Dawson of Warren, MI, and Raymond Bernadyn of Boyne Falls: and by many, many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by 8 siblings, Mary Washevski, Joe Bernadyn, Peter Bernadyn, Josephine Rauzer, Walter

Bernadyn, John Bernadyn, Frank Bernadyn Jr., and Michael Berna-

OBITUARIES

A funeral Mass will be held on November 2 at 11:00am at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Boyne City. The family will receive friends at the Stackus Funeral Home on Tuesday from 6-8pm with the Rosary being recited at 6:00pm. Chester will be laid to rest with his family at the St. Augustine Cemetery in Boyne Falls.

Leonard Skop, 83

(AUG. 9, 1933 - OCT. 25, 2016)

Leonard Skop lifetime resident of Elmira died Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at McLaren Hospital in Petoskey

Leonard was born on August 9, 1933 in Elmira to Peter and Victoria (Petroski) Skop.

Leonard attended St. Mary School, and graduated in 1954. On April 16, 1955 in Texas, he married the former Lauretta Milbocker.

He served in the army in Texas from 1954-1956, worked the family farm with his wife, and was employed at Standard Products for 34 years, retiring in 1997.

He was a very active member of the community, serving on the Elmira Twp. board for 42 years, acting supervisor of the board for the years of 1972-1984, member of the Twp. planning commission, a member of the bargaining committee of Standard Products, and was a member of St. Mary Cathedral where he served as an usher.

Leonard is survived by his wife Lauretta, children; Barbara (Robert) Fate of Petoskey, Denise (Thomas) Burzynski of Gaylord, Linda (Steve) Scott of Gaylord, Geraldine (Mitch) Pasinski of Traverse City, Michael (Laura) Skop of Gaylord, Thomas (Cindy) Skop of Gaylord, Brian (Sally) Skop of Elmira and Marina Friend of Elk Rapids, 16 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are siblings Edward (Edna) Skop of Milford, Chester Skop of Houghton Lake, Eugena Kubacki of Gaylord, Richard (Christina) Skop of East Jordan, and sister in law Kay Skop.

He was preceded in death by his brother Donald and his parents.

A memorial mass was held on Friday, October 28, 2016 at St. Mary Cathedral

Interment at Resurrection ceme-

Memorial contributions appreciated to American Cancer Society or St. Mary Cathedral through the Nelson Funeral Home and Cremation Service, PO Box 1548, Gaylord, MI

Regina J. Plevinski, 53

(NOV. 25, 1962 - OCT. 25, 2016)

Regina J. Plevinski of Boyne City passed away Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at home.

The family has chosen to remember her privately.

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

Justin Lee Rogers, 19

(MARCH 31, 1997 - OCT. 25, 2016) Justin Lee Rogers of Mancelona,

October 25, 2016. Justin was born on March 31, 1997, in Charlevoix, the son of Mary Bancroft and John Rogers.

passed away on



Justin resided in Traverse City for several years then moved to Mancelona where he attended Mancelona High School. He was an outdoor enthusiast and was often out in the woods hunting or fishing, riding dirt bikes, snowmobiles and sitting around a bon fire with his family and friends.

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He is survived by his mother Mary Orman (Matt Maciag) of Mancelona, his father, John Rogers of Traverse City, a brother, John Rogers II, sister Jaclyn Rogers, both of Mancelona, his maternal grandparents, Jack and Ramona Bancroft of Mancelona, paternal grandfather, William and Lynda Rogers of Mancelona, paternal grandmother Dolice Rogers of Traverse City, aunts and uncles, Mona and David Lock of Macomb, MI, Jack and Hiedi Bancroft of Mancelona, Brian Rogers of Traverse City and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his cousin and best friend David Lock.

Funeral service was held on Saturday, October 29, 2016 at the Mancelona Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Rev. Gerald Cook officiated. Interment in Fairview Cemetery, Mancelona.

Memorial contributions may be made to A.C. Paw, P.O. Box 94, Acme, MI, 49610.

Arrangements are being handled by the Mancelona Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Gerald M. Herholz, 86

(JULY 6, 1930 - OCT. 28, 2016) Gerald M. Herholz, 86, of East

Jordan, died Friday, October 28, 2016, at Boulder Park Terrace Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Charlevoix.

He was born on July 6, 1930, in

Flint, Michigan, the son of Henry and Edwina (Miller) Herholz. He graduated from Ferris State Univer sity in 1953, as a pharmacist.

He married Joyce Charleton on November 22, 1951. She preceded him in death on November 18, 2004.

Gerald enjoyed studying history, especially World War II.

He is survived by three children, Gerald "Bud" Herholz, Jr. of Cheboygan, Marguerite (Harley) Sewell of Cheboygan and Erika (Patrick) Hayden of East Jordan; daughter-in-law, Lisa Herholz of Boyne City; and grandchildren, Rhonda Wilhoit, Greg Wilhoit and Sean Lynch. Gerald was also preceded in death by a son, Erik Herholz in 2015.

No services are scheduled. The family would like to thank Boulder Park Terrace for their care the last several years.

Donations may be directed to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society and the Hospice of Northwest Michigan. Arrangements by Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

Sharon Ann Miller (Jewett), 67

(MARCH 17, 1949 - OCT. 27, 2016)

Sharon Ann Miller of East Jordan died Thursday, October 27, 2016, at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, Michigan.

She was born on March 17, 1949, in Traverse City, the daughter of Jack and Shirley M. (Paul) Jewett of Mesick, Michigan.

On May 23, 1970, at Hannah St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kingsley, Michigan, she married Randolph

"Randy" Miller.

Sharon was a devoted homemaker. She provided a nurturing and patient home for her children and most notably her autistic son that has helped him achieve a happy and productive life. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. In her spare time, she was an avid rock collector and particularly cherished Petoskey stones. She was so creative, crafting with rocks and pine cones, sewing and baking. She adored landscaping around her yard with rocks, flowers and trees. Sharon enjoyed bluegrass country music and birds, especially eagles, picking berries, hunting for morels and garage sale-ing. She loved the East Jordan area and walking the wooded trails with the grandchildren. She was an avid reader, loved crossword puzzles and playing word games.

She is survived by her husband, Randy Miller of East Jordan; three children, Kristy (Derek Smith) Miller of Ann Arbor and their twin daughters, Siena and Jadyn, Ross (Erin) Miller of Mt. Pleasant and their two daughters, Rachel and Sarah, and her special son with autism, Marcus Paul Miller, who lives at home with his dad; her mother, Shirley M. Paul of Mesick; four siblings, Jack L. (Ellie) Jewett of Mesick, Kathy J. (Bill) Ely of Mesick, Alan M. (Barb Schellie) Jewett of Mesick, and Garry P. Jewett of Mesick; and numerous nieces and nephews. Sharon was preceded in death by her father, Jack Jewett, on May 1, 2013.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2016, at 11:00 A.M. at the East Jordan United Methodist Church, 204 Fourth Street, East Jordan, Michigan 49727. Rev. Craig Pahl will officiate with interment following at Lewis Cemetery in Wilson Township, Charlevoix, MI.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 6:00 to 9:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. Memorials may be directed to Marcus Paul Miller, c/o North Country Enrichment Center, 615 Beardsley Street, Boyne City, MI 49712. Condolences may be given at www.penzienfh.com.

Frieda L Kingsbury

(JUNE 11, 1929 - OCTOBER 23, 2016) Frieda L. Kingsbury of Echo

Township died peacefully at home on October 23, 2016.

She was born June 11, 1926 in Ypsilanti the daughter of Bina and Mary Anna Pepper.

Frieda loved the outdoors and animals. She especially loved cats. Frieda enjoyed reading, doing crosswords, and putting together puzzles.

Surviving Frieda is her daughter Cheryl (Ron Potter) Demusky of Charlevoix, grandson Kipp Demusky of Central Lake, and great granddaughter Julia Demusky of Traverse City. She was preceded in death by her husband Lloyd who died in 2013 after 67 wonderful years of marriage. She was also preceded in death by her parents and 12 siblings

Funeral service was held Thurs. Oct. 27, 2016 at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Interment in Dunsmore Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be

made to the Humane Society. Please sign her online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

EJ COMMISSION

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EJHC requested the annual service fees to be reduced to \$800 for payroll and MERS administrative duties, Cannon said. The housing commission also requested that the city forgo paying the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) payment for two years and then reduce the payment to 4% of rent, less utility expenses beginning in 2018.

"Decisions like these can be very political," Cannon said, "and I at-

tempt to make my recommendations solely on our city's financial responsibilities. Forgoing payments could result in continued requests for property tax and PILOT reductions, which creates challenges with budgets and our day to day operations.

While Cannon and commissioners understood the organization's budgeting issues, just as many government agencies and other nonprofit organizations including the City of East Jordan are facing, Cannon did not recommend reducing revenue sources such as PILOT payments for EJHC.

Commission Andrew Boyer agreed that having a 10% to 4% decrease seemed like it would be a bad precedent to set.

Commissioners Doebel and Penzien opposed the motion to deny the PILOT decreases; Commissioners Boyer, Timmons, Johnson, and Mayor Peck voted in favor.

Commission Penzien commented that he hopes the city will find other ways to work with the housing commission.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 15, 2016.



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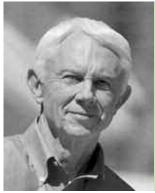
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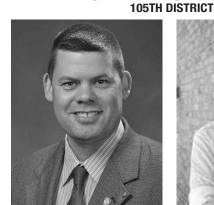
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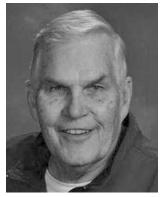


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LUTHER KURTZ



ELECTION ROUNDUP

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40 years in the military. He also was a pilot for Northwest Airlines and has launched two successful start-up businesses in the medical supply industry.

Bergman said he and his family have proudly called the U.P. home for generations, as his ancestors were iron workers who settled there in the 1800s.

He built a home in Watersmeet in Michigan's Upper Peninsula where he currently lives with his wife, Cindy. Bergman is taking a pro-life stance in his

campaign and also pledging to work to balance the national budget and simplify and lower tax rates for all citizens.

If elected, Bergman also promises to vigorously protect the Second Amendment.

"The right to bear arms is not just about hunting or target practice," Bergman stated, "It's about being a free nation."

Libertarian Diane Bostow and Green Party candidate Ellis Boal are also vying for the 1st Congressional seat.

In the Michigan House of Representatives 105th District race, incumbent Republican Triston Cole will square off against newcomer Democrat Wyatt Knight to represent those living in Antrim, Charlevoix, Montmorency, Oscoda and Otsego counties.

Cole has a farm in Antrim County where he lives with his wife, Stacey and their three daughters.

He also works as a semi-truck driver and was a former agriculture teacher.

Cole has been serving as state representative since January 2015 and said he is seeking a second term in order to continue working towards his "top priority" of making northern Michigan a "magnet for jobs" with the understanding that government does not create jobs, "local, small businesses do."

Cole said while in office, he wants to create an environment in the private sector that will stimulate jobs and energize overall activity in the regional economy.

He is also a strong proponent of finding ways to prioritize funding of road repairs without raising taxes.

At age 21, Cole's challenger Democrat Wyatt Knight of Gaylord is a first time political contender.

A graduate of Gaylord Public Schools, Knight has a bachelor's degree in political science from Northern Michigan Univer-

His campaign was launched with a focus on education and fighting against cuts in school funding. Knight stated he is also a strong supporter of the blue collar/working class and union representation, citing that as "the voice of the working individual and their families.

He said he furthermore wants to work to protect the Great Lakes and favors stronger regulation and monitoring of Line 5 that runs beneath the Straits of Mackinac.

Knight also favors legalization of recreational use of marijuana, stating on his website:

...recreational marijuana legalization would be a great addition to Michigan's economy.'

And while Hillary Clinton could make history if elected as the nation's first woman president, Charlevoix city councilor Shirley Gibson could do the same if she's elected the city's next mayor.

If elected, Gibson, 69, will be the first female mayor the city has ever seen.

She is being challenged by fellow city councilor Luther Kurtz for the mayor's seat, which is being vacated by Mayor Gabe Campbell, who declined to seek re-election

Gibson said she will bring along more than 20 years' experience in public service, including her time representing the city's Third Ward on its council six years on the city planning commission. She also serves on the Charlevoix Airport Advisory Committee, Main Street Design Committee and Conservation Easement Committee.

Gibson has worn many hats over the years-as a former legal secretary and downtown business owner and also having worked 18 years as classified advertising manager at the Petoskey News-Review before retiring in 2008.

Gibson said she's running because she believes her input and lengthy experience in civic service would contribute greatly to the growth and development of the Charlevoix community.

She said she intends to advocate a "smart growth" theory of urban planning and transportation which focuses on developing urban areas using a comprehensive approach of designing areas that are easily walkable or accessible by bicycle and include a mix of income available housing options and variety of businesses.

Gibson also wants to hire a professional economic development director to help guide the city in its progress. Kurtz, 39, has served as the city's First

Ward councilor and also would bring his experience as being president of Top of Michigan Trails Council, chairman of the Charlevoix Trail Ambassador Committee, and serving on the Charlevoix Alano Club board of directors, Main Street Economic Restructuring Committee and as co-leader at both the Charlevoix to Harbor Springs Marathon Committee and Live from Charlevoix concert series.

Kurtz has been living in Charlevoix since 1981 and is a 1995 graduate of Charlevoix High School. He and his wife, Mary, own and operate the Charlevoix III movie theater and also own several skydiving businesses and schools across the country, including one at the Charlevoix airport.

Kurtz's tagline during this election has been that he will bring a "fresh, positive" approach to Charlevoix city government.

If elected, he said

he hopes to find ways to make the city more approachable to its residents as well as to other communities. He said he will focus on stimulating an increase in year-round jobs and creating more affordable housing opportunities for low and middle income residents.

Three Charlevoix city council seats are also open this election.

In Ward One, Bob Bergman is being challenged by Janet Kalbfell.

And in Ward Two, incumbent Bill Supernaw will square off against Thomas Oleksv. Incumbent Shane Cole is running unopposed for the Ward Three city council seat.

Candidate choices appearing on the November 8 ballot

Yes, there is a presidential election going on, but there is so much more to decide in the voting booth this coming Tuesday. Following are candidate choices that will appear on the upcoming November 8 ballot. Local races with unopposed candidates are not detailed here.

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT

- Donald J. Trump/Michael R. Pence Republi-
- Hillary Clinton/Tim Kaine Democrat ■ Gary Johnson/Bill Weld - Libertarian
- Darrell L. Castle/Scott N. Bradley U.S.
- Walker Natural Law

■ Jill Stein/Ajamu Baraka - Green ■ Emidio Mimi Soltysik/Angela Nicole

Antrim, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Kalkaska, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, 1ST DISTRICT

- Jack Bergman Republican ■ Lon Johnson - Democratic
- Diane Bostow Libertarian
- Ellis Boal Green

REPRESENTATIVE IN STATE LEGISLATURE -**105TH DISTRICT**

- Triston S. Cole Republican ■ Wyatt Knight - Democratic
- MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Vote for not more than 2
- Tom McMillin Republican ■ Nikki Snyder - Republican
- Ish Ahmed Democratic ■ John Austin - Democratic
- Scotty Boman Libertarian
- Bill Hall Libertarian
- Karen Adams U.S. Taxpayers ■ Douglas Levesque - U.S. Taxpayers
- Derek M. Grigsby Green
- Sherry A. Wells Green ■ Mary Anne Hering – Working Class
- REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Vote for not more than 2

■ Carl Meyers - Republican ■ Ron Weiser - Republican

Natural Law

■ Denise Ilitch - Democratic ■ James Lewis Hudler - Libertarian

■ Laurence B. Deitch - Democratic

- John Jascob Libertarian
- Audra Driscoll U.S. Taxpayers ■ Richard A. Hewer - U.S. Taxpayers
- Latham Redding Green ■ Bridgette Abraham-Guzman

REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

- Vote for not more than 2
- Carl Meyers Republican ■ Ron Weiser - Republican
- Laurence B. Deitch Democratic
- Denise Ilitch Democratic ■ James Lewis Hudler - Libertarian
- John Jascob Libertarian
- Audra Driscoll U.S. Taxpayers ■ Richard A. Hewer - U.S. Taxpayers
- Latham Redding Green
- Bridgette Abraham Guzman Natural Law

TRUSTEE OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Vote for not more than 2

- Carl Meyers Republican
- Ron Weiser Republican
- Laurence B. Deitch Democratic
- Denise Ilitch Democratic
- James Lewis Hudler Libertarian ■ John Jascob - Libertarian
- Audra Driscoll U.S. Taxpayers
- Richard A. Hewer U.S. Taxpayers
- Latham Redding Green
- Bridgette Abraham-Guzman Natural Law

GOVERNOR OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY Vote for not more than 2

- Michael J. Busuito Republican
- Kimberly Shmina Republican ■ Yvette McElroy Anderson - Democratic

■ Marc Joseph Sosnowski – U.S. Taxpayers

- Mark Gaffney Democratic
- Bhagwan Dashairya Libertarian
- Al Seder Libertarian ■ Robert Gale - U.S. Taxpayers
- Margaret Guttshall Green ■ Fran Shor - Green
- Wendy Goossen Natural Law

JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT 8 Year Term

- Vote for not more than 1
- Doug Dern ■ Frank Szymanski
- David Viviano, Justice of the Supreme Court

JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT

Incumbent Position, Partial Term Ending 01/01/2019.

- Vote for not more than 1 ■ Joan Larsen. Justice of the Supreme
- Kerry L. Morgan ■ Deborah Thomas

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

- **BOYNE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
- 6 Year Term. Vote for not more than 2 ■ Trisha J Ager (has decided not to run)
- Kristine Brehm
- Alison Fuller-Mellon ■ Patricia Hills ■ Bob South

TREASURER - CHANDLER TOWNSHIP

Vote for not more than 1 ■ Shawn R Beeler – Republican

■ Carey Strong – Democratic

- **MAYOR- CITY OF CHARLEVOIX** *Vote for not more than 1*
- Shirley Gibson ■ Luther Kurtz

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX - COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 1

- Vote for not more than 1
- Bob Bergman ■ Janet Kalbfell

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX - COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 2

■ Tom Oleksy ■ Bill Supernaw

CHARLEVOIX TOWNSHIP - SUPERVISOR

Vote for not more than 1

Vote for not more than 1 ■ Chuck Center - Republican

■ Timothy Kochanny - No Party Affiliation

HAYES TOWNSHIP - CLERK Vote for not more than 1

■ Marlene Golovic - Republican ■ William E Eaton - No Party Affiliation

- **HAYES TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE**
- Vote for not more than 2 ■ Matt Cunningham - Republican
- Paul Hoadley Republican ■ Jim Rudolph - Democratic

ST. JAMES TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR Vote for not more than 1

- William J Haggard Republican
- Kathleen McNamara Democratic

News Briefs

FIRST FRIDAY BUSINESS BREAKFAST

November 4, 7:30-8:30am, Northern Michigan Sport Medicine Center. Start your weekend off at the Chamber's First Friday Business Breakfast, sponsored and hosted by Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center. Enjoy a great breakfast catered by Grey Gables Restaurant & Catering. Learn what is going on with other Chamber members and register for door prizes. Support Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center's annual Food Drive by bringing a non-perishable food item(s) that will be donated to the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

EAST JORDAN **ULTIMATE INDOOR GARAGE**

November 5, 8:30am-2pm, East Jordan Elementary Gym. The 7th grade class will be holding and indoor garage sale. All proceeds will go toward their Washington DC trip in 8th grade. Come get some great deals and do some holiday shopping.

EAST JORDAN

ZOMBIE RUN

November 5 (Rescheduled from October 29). Zombies will chase runners on a 5K crosscountry course, trying to "infect" them. Runners will wear a flag that symbolizes their health. Zombies try to remove the flag, therefore infecting the runner. Runner registration is \$10, and spectator admission is \$5 per car. Information and forms are available at ejps.org. This is a fund raising event for an East Jordan High School student group trip to Puerto Rico. Onsite registration is available at East Jordan Community Park, 805 Maple Street, from 1:30-3:15 with the run beginning at 3:30.

EAST JORDAN

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CLASS

November 5, 9am-3pm, East

Ages 12 - 17, but anyone is welcome. East Jordan Sno-Mobilers, Inc. Clubhouse 5586 Mt. Bliss Rd. Pre-registration is required. Call Gerry Argetsinger at 582-7970 or Don Massey at 536 - 2944. Lunch is provided.

BOYNE CITY

QUAD AMPUTEE STORY SHARED

November 6, 6:30p, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Choosing Resilience," features a screening of the inspiring true story of Staff Sqt. Travis Mills who lost both his arms and legs as a result of IED explosion Afghanistan. The film shows an intimate look at the daily inner and outer struggles of wounded veterans and the difficult rehabilitation processes they face. Participants will be challenged to look at the ways they deal with their own personal trials and will find encouragement and hope from Mills' story. Admission to the 60-minute event

BOYNE MOUNTAIN

WINTER JOB FAIR

November 9, 4-7pm, Vienna Room at Mountain Grand Lodge. Boyne Mountain will be hiring for a number of ski season positions and is welcoming local chamber members to join them for this event. Any member business that would like to recruit employees may reserve a table. Just send an email to Executive Director Ashley Cousens, ashley@boynechamber.com, or call the Chamber at 231-582-6222.

CHARLEVIOX

BLOOD DRIVE

November 10, Noon-5:45pm. Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak Street. Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information.

BOYNE CITY

VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST AND CEREMONY

November 11, The Boyne City American Legion will hold a Veterans Day ceremony in the Legion building, 302 S. Lake Street at 11am on Veterans Day, Veterans and their families are invited to a free breakfast at the North Central Michigan College cafeteria on Veterans Day from 8 to 10 a.m. The college Student Veterans Association and Chase Bank are sponsoring the event to show appreciation to our local veterans and their families. The Charlevoix County Transit System and the Commission on Aging are again working together to provide free rides on Veterans Day for senior veterans to any of the three mainland Senior Centers to receive a free lunch. They should bring their veteran ID card, or a means of identifying themselves as a veteran.

EAST JORDAN

JRAC HOLIDAY ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

November 12, 10am-4pm, East Jordan High School. The juried show features original arts and crafts by a wide variety of artists. Artist booths will be set up in the gymnasium, hallways and in the cafeteria area. Some of the artists will be demonstrating their works. Shoppers can dine on a gourmet lunch of soup in bread bowls, sandwiches, salad and desserts. Admission is by donation at both high school entrances. The event is a major fundraiser for the Jordan River Arts Council scholarship fund. For further information, contact JRAC (231) 536-3385, or jracinfo@att.net.

CHARLEVOIX

MUSIC TO KEEP WARM WITH

November 13, 6:30pm, Charlevoix Circle of Arts located at 109 Clinton. Gary Stutzman teams with Alex King, percussionist, in "Music To Keep Warm With." As the winds of November blow through northern Michigan, the audience will enjoy the melodious strains of well-known favorites. For additional information and registration, please call the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 231-547-3554.

CHARLEVOIX

GLCO CONCERT WITH PAUL

SONNER & FRIENDS November 13, 4pm, Castle Farms. Concertmaster Paul Sonner and Friends featuring Lynn Hansen as soloist playing Telemann's Oboe Concerto in E minor. The ensemble will play a Trio Sonata by C.P.E. Bach. The initial inspiration for the program is to feature works by the "famous" three B's - Bach, Beethoven and Brahms. A free will donation will be taken at the

BOYNE CITY

STRESS REMEDIES SHOWN

November 13, 6:30p, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled, "Lighten Up! Destress and Lift Your Spirits," offers practical suggestions for coping with and reducing stress while living healthier, happier lives. Participants will also see an exclusive screening of Dream Job. an independent short film. Admission to the 60minute event is free.

CHARLEVOIX

6TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARADE & COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING

November 25, 5:30pm. Bridge Street. Tree lighting from 3 to 5pm, East Park. Tree Lighting activities will take place from 3 to 5pm and include a complimentary holiday craft making workshop at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, complimentary photos with Santa at Charlevoix State Bank, hot cocoa and cookies in East Park, and of course, the lighting of the Community Christmas Tree for the first time this holiday season.

BOYNE CITY

EJ CHAMBER HOLIDAY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

November 30, 5:30-7:30pm,

Sommerset Pointe. Admission will be a cash donation to be divided between two local food pantries.

CHARLEVOIX

LIGHTS OF LOVE

December 3, 5pm, East Park. You are invited to participate in the 1st Annual Lights of Love Event in Charlevoix with all the proceeds benefiting Hospice of Northwest Michigan. Please join us for the lighting of our Christmas Tree in East Park, with a short dedication and caroling. Then all are invited to stay and join participating Charlevoix restaurants, bars and businesses in special food, beverage and sales opportunities supporting the event. You can NOW sponsor a light or pur-chase an ornament to decorate the tree in memory or in honor of loved ones this holiday. Donation and order form available at local merchants and Hospice office. Info call Amy Wieland, 231-547-7659

CHARLEVOIX

ALL IS BRIGHT

December 11, 6:30pm, Charlevoix Circle of Arts located at 109 Clinton. Santa, Bob T., and his elf, Kate Heady will perform for the audience and Ruth Willis, piano stylist, will play music of the season. For additional information and registration, please call the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 231-547-3554.

BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET Wednesdays and Saturdays,

9am - Noon, Red Barn at Boyne District Library.

CHARLEVOIX

FARMERS MARKET

Charlevoix Farmers Market, Thursdays, 3-6pm, Charlevoix Public Library. Orders can be emailed to chxfarmersmarket@gmail.com for pickup. Event updates at www.facebook.com/CharlevoixFarmers-Market

BOYNE CITY

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Three American Legion scholarships of \$500 each available to graduating seniors for the Class of 2017. These three scholarships come from funds raised with the 2015 motorcycle raffle and additional donations from Gaylord Middle School and others. Other opportunities include the The Guy M. Wilson Scholarship can be awarded to high school students planning on attending any Michigan college. The student must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and be a child or grandchild of a wartime veteran. Last year, ten \$500 awards were granted. Due by 1/9/17. The Michigan State Police sponsored Student Trooper program has opportunities for students entering the 10th, 11th, or 12th grades to win \$1,000 as Student Trooper of the Year, or \$500 for winning as Orator, Marksman, or Academic achievement. Deadline of 5/26/17. Eagle Scout of the Year for the Department of Michigan gets \$1,000. At the National level, there is a chance for \$10,000 or one of three \$2,500 scholarships. March 1, 2017 is the Department deadline. Boys State and Girls State delegates are descendants of wartime service veterans are eligible to compete for \$1,000 or \$20,000 Samsung Scholarships. Due by May 26, 2017. Constitution-based Oratory Competition, open to grades 9 through 12 students, \$18,000 first prize, many other prizes. Applications due by November Contact Boyne American Legion Post, (231) 330-4990 or adjutant@boynelegionpost228. org for information.

BOYNE CITY

Beginning September 8th and continuing until May 15, 2017; the Tennis Courts at Rotary Park will be closed to facilitate the reconstruction of the playing surface. This project involves removal of the current playing surface, proper subgrade installation, paving of the playing surface and all new marking (including "Pickleball") for the 4 courts. If you have any questions please contact City Hall at 231-582-6597.

CHARLEVOIX

WELLNESS WEDNESDAY

Every Wednesday from 8am-11am, Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital will be hosting their "Wellness Wednesday" health screening program at the hospital's Wellness Workshop at 411 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. Health screens include: Total Cholesterol. HDL. TC/HDL Ratio, Glucose Level, Body Mass Index Score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure Reading. No fasting is required. However, if you are fasting and LDL and Friglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost for the service is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$10. Participants will receive all test results at the time of the screening and a "Know Your Numbers" log to track progress. A Registered Nurse will adapt health consultation and educational materials to individual results. Walk-ins only, no appointment required. For further information, contact the office of Community Health Education at the Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop at 231-437-

EAST JORDAN **OPEN DOOR CHRISTIAN**

COFFEE HOUSE Held every first and third Sat-

urday 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

FREE COFFEE, DOUGHNUTS & **LUNCH FOR VETERANS**

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

CHARLEVOIX

Hospice of Northwest Michigan invites you to join our Monthly adult grief, loss & bereavement support group, which takes place the 2nd Sunday of each month from 4-5pm at the First Baptist Church, 6781 M66 North. This program is open to anyone in our community looking for assistance in their grief process and is facilitated by Rev. David Behling. There is no charge to attend. Please feel free to call Hospice at 231-547-7659 to register or for more information.

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Volunteer Opportunities



CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

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

New Changes to Medicare Drug Plans for 2017

Medicare has just announced the details for the Part D prescription drug plans available for 2017.

Beneficiaries can switch their plans during the Annual Enrollment Period that runs from October 15th through December 7th.

Jim Verville, Regional Coordinator for the 10 county Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program said "as is usually the case, there will be several changes in plan offerings, premium costs, and benefit details for Medicare Part D drug plans next year"

Following are some of the significant highlights of those changes:

· There is a marked reduction in the number of plan offerings. There will be 23 plans available for

the new calendar year, or 5 fewer than approved for Michigan Medicare beneficiaries in 2016. In addition, two of the plans for 2017 are currently sanctioned by Medicare due to noncompli-

Thursday, November 3

9-10am Food Distribu

11am Arthritis Founda

tion

Exercise Program

Wii Bowling

Thursday, November 3

Foot Clinic

11:30 Roger Hartson Music

1pm Mahjong

1pm Wii Bowling Practice

Thursday, November 3

Leadership Day

11am KARAOKE DAY!

12:30pm Euchre

1pm Ceramics

Thursday, November 3

Pepper Steak & Veg Rice

11am Chair Yoga Class

ance issues, and may not be available at the start of next year.

· The two plans under sanction are sponsored by Clgna-HealthSpring and include their Rx Secure and Rx-Secure-Extra Part D plans. Current members are permitted to remain in these plans for 2017, however, neither are available for new enrollment until the sanction is lifted

· Several Part D plans have an annual deductible. Medicare has authorized an increase of \$40 to a new ceiling of \$400. Normally, the deductible must be met before the plan will provide any insurance coverage for drugs.

When the full cost of medications reach \$3,700 in 2017, Medicare beneficiaries enter the donut hole, otherwise known as the gap. This results in significantly higher co-pays for their drugs. The donut hole will increase by \$390 next year. Those who enter the donut hole will pay 40% of the total cost of their

brand name drugs and 51% of tailed comparisons for each the full cost for the generic equivalents.

Part D companies are required to notify their subscribers of all of these details in their Annual Notice of Change mailing. Beneficiaries should have already received this information.

While the list of plan offerings is quite extensive and confusing to navigate, there is a very helpful tool available that can be used

to compare an existing drug

plan with other plans available for 2017. The tool is called the Medicare Plan Finder. To do your own comparisons, or get help in

finding the best plan simply select one of

the following options: • If you are comfortable doing your own research, visit the Medicare website at www.medicare.gov. Just click on the green box entitled "Find health & drug plans", and enter the information requested. You will be given de-

plan, sorted by lowest cost. Enrollment in a new plan can also be done at the same website.

· Also, you can call the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) at 800-803-7174, and ask to have a prescription drug worksheet mailed to you. Once you complete the form and return it to the MMAP office, a certified Counselor will review drug plan options and furnish vou with recommendations for 2017. Counselors can also help you enroll in a new Part D plan if needed. "Drug plan details and

costs often change each vear so we encourage all Medicare beneficiaries to have their plans reviewed during the fall Medicare Annual Enrollment Period", said Verville.

By: Jim Verville, Region 10 Coordinator, Michigan Medicare/Medicaid **Assistance Program Area Agency on** Aging, Traverse City, Michigan

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES Monday, November 7 Tuesday, November 8

Friday, November 4 After Lunch: Dollar in a

10:30am Line Dancing Bingo - Gift Certif Prize

Foot Clinic by Appt 11am Walk with Ease Bingo - Free Lunch Prize Mexican Train

Wednesday, November 9

10:30am Wii Bowl Practice 11am-2pm CVX Veterans Af fairs John Hess **Various Card Games**

Wednesday, November 9

1pm Bingo

12:15 ARC Winter

Preparedness Presentation

Exercise Program Wii Bowling

Thursday, November 10

11am Chair Yoga Class

11:30 Kevin Johnson Music

1pm Mahjong

1pm Wii Bowling Practice

Thursday, November 10

11am Arthritis Foundation

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Friday, November 4 9:30am Craft Class

Friday, November 4

Birthday Day!

11am Barry Lope

Ringo/Raffle

Friday, November 4

Chicken Cordon Bleu

1pm Bridge 1 pm Woodcarving 7om Bible Study

Monday, November 7

8am-1 pm Walking M-F

10"30 Exercise

12:30pm Wii Bowling

Monday, November 7

Breakfast

Monday, November 7

1pm Paint Class 1pm Mahjong Wii Bowling in Petoskey

Tuesday, November 8

12:30pm Bingo -

Meal Ticket Prize

1pm Paint Class

Mexican Poker

Tuesday, November 8

EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES Pool Table / Ping Pong

Tuesday, November 8 Baked Penne w/Italian Sausage

10:30am Crafts 1pm Texas Hold-Em **CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU**

Salisbury Steak

Thursday, November 10 Foot Clinic 10am Advisory Bd Mtg 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre **1pm Ceramics**

Thursday, November 10 Chicken Shepherd's Pie

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News

Boyne Falls Public Schools

Students of the Week



Logan Crocker

Grade: 7th Grade

Parent's Name(s): Jennifer Kind, Larry Crocker

Future Plans: Go to school to become a lawyer.

Favorite Book: The Maximum Ride

Hobbies and Interests Basketball, Math, Science

School Activities: Basketball

Staff Comments: "It has been a pleasure having Logan in my classroom this year. Logan is hardworking and stays focused on what he is working on. He is always willing to share information with the class, and if anybody needs extra help, he is the first to offer. I also have the privilege of coaching Logan in basketball. All the attributes he shows in the classroom carries over on the basketball court. He is a great team player and is always positive. Congrats Logan!" - Frank

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Tribute award honorees announced for 2016

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) will celebrate six community members during the Tribute awards reception at Stafford's Perry Hotel in Petoskey, 5:30 to 7:30pm, Thursday, November 10. Tribute reception tickets are \$25 per person, reserved by calling the WRCNM main office at (231) 347-0067. Community members submitted nominations in six categories. Highlighted below are a few of the accomplishments of this year's community-nominated Tribute award recipients.

ADVOCATE AWARD-GINGER STEVENS.

JOPPA HOUSE AND THIRD DAY FELLOWSHIP .

Ginger Stevens has created a legacy of helping women and children, who were once nearly invisible in Charlevoix County, experience love and understand their value. She opened the Third Day Fellowship drop-in center with food pantry, free WiFi for students and voluntary chapel services. Stevens rallied the community around her vision for Joppa House, transitional housing for women and children who are homeless or facing homelessness

BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS AWARD -PAULA MUSILEK. HARBOR HALL.

Paula Musilek has tirelessly helped female clients dealing with substance use disorders for the

past 15 years as a lead member of the Harbor Hall outpatient services clinical team. Musilek's grass roots understanding of the problems women face with substance use acts as a foundation for her professional education and development. She is not only passionate about providing counseling services, but also furthering her understanding of clinical needs through continued professional development.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD -LISA BLANCHARD,

CIVIC-MINDED COMMUNITY LEADER.

Lisa Blanchard's decades-long involvement with dozens of nonprofits and organizations includes the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation, the Resort Township Planning Commission, the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) Board of Directors and is a past board president, as well as the Sunday Soup Kitchen, Leadership Little Traverse, Northern Chaplain Services, Women Who Care Giving Circle, Walloon Trust and Conservancy and First Presbyterian Church.

MAN OF ACTION AWARD - STEVE VAN DAM, VAN DAM CUSTOM BOATS.

Steve Van Dam is a father, grandfather, husband, business owner and a pioneer of epoxy and wood boatbuilding in North Amer-

ica. Van Dam is also a community leader and man of action. Van Dam has taken a number of actions to become more aware of the issue of violence against women and the root causes of this pervasive societal problem. He and his son Ben, now president of Van Dam Custom Boats, have been contributors and active members of the 100 Men Campaign which aims to engage local men in the movement to end violence against women

PINNACLE AWARD -MARTHA LANCASTER.

RETIRED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHAR-EM UNITED WAY AND CIVIC-MINDED COMMUNITY LEADER.

As a concerned and civic-minded individual, Lancaster helped form a local chapter of the National Organization for Women. She was a founder of Citizens for Alternatives to Chemical Contamination (CACC) which informed the community about dangers of lawn, garden and other pesticides. Lancaster is also a founding member of the Hestia Women's Giving Circle. She has worked at the U of M hospital, Burns Clinic, was on the Northern Michigan Planned Parenthood Board of Directors, volunteer at the WRCNM's Safe Home, and the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council. Lancaster continues to gives back to the community as a United Way Literacy Corps volunteer, an AARP-Tax Aide, a

Red Cross Local Disaster Team member and as Conservation Co-Chair for Petoskey Audubon.

YOUTH AWARD -**EMILY KURBURSKI**, **VOLUNTEER AND COLLEGE STUDENT.**

Emily Kurburski, a high achieving student and engaged community member, is a Petoskey High School (PHS) graduate attending Kettering University. She earned the Girl Scouts Gold Award and was one of 23 grant recipients nationwide to earn funding for a project to provide fresh, healthy meals to domestic abuse survivors residing at the WRCNM Safe Home.

Kurburski's involvement spans many organizations such as Emmet County 4-H, Great Lakes Electric Co-op Youth Leadership Summit, Crooked Tree Youth Leadership Academy, First Tee Life Skills and Leadership Academy and National Grange. Last year she and other PHS students medaled for top 20 in the world at DECA International Career Development Conference. Kurburski was also recognized with the Char-Em United Way Michigan Student Service as well as the Farm Bureau Scholar-Athlete Award, First Tee of Northern Michigan Scholar

Crossroads Ecumenical Resale Shop helps serve needs of families

By Jim Akans

East Jordan's Crossroads Ecumenical Resale Shop is more than a great place to find fantastic values. It is also a valuable community resource for area families in need. The clean, well-organized resale shop features a wide selection of clothing, household items, home decor, lamps, furniture, vintage and retro items, collectibles, games, toys, shoes, purses, and unique treasures. Shoppers regularly compliment the staff about the facility's bright, cheerful atmosphere, making browsing items an enjoyable experience each time they visit.

Founded in June of 2005 by five East Jordan churches, Crossroads

East Jordan's Crossroads Ecumenical Resale Shop is more than a great place to find fantastic values on gently used clothing, household furnishings and goods, collectables and more. It is a tremendous community resource for area families in need. PHOTO BY TERRI WARNOS, MANAGING DIRECTOR AT CROSS-





Crossroads is always looking for caring individuals, such as board member and volunteer Carolyn Christensen, who would like to help with assorted tasks once a week, or even once a month, PHOTO BY TERRI WARNOS, MANAGING DIRECTOR AT CROSS-ROADS.

is a Christian organization dedicated to serving the needs of families utilizing proceeds from sales in several ways Crossroads financially supports programs in the community such as the Care & Share Food Pantry, a separate entity located adjacent to Crossroads. Each month, funds are given to help the pantry purchase food items for their clients.

Sales proceeds at Crossroads are also utilized to assist the East Jordan Ministerial Association. Funds are earmarked to help people with utility and medical bills, rent and basic needs. Crossroads also supports the annual Christmas Baske program, giving funds to purchase toys and teen gifts for families during the Christmas season, as well as the Vacation Bible School summer program sponsored by several East Jordan area churches.

While the wonderful items available for purchase at the resale shop are tremendous bargains for area shoppers, Crossroads donates some

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COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

on November 8 Ballot

While the primary election in August covered several proposals, there are a few proposals on the upcoming election ballot that need to be considered. Following is the language voters will find in these Townships and in the City of Charlevoix at the polls next Tuesday.

TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

BAY TOWNSHIP ROAD MILLAGE RENEW PROPOSAL

This proposal reestablishes the 1.0 mill road millage previously approved by the electors, which expires after the December 2016 levy, for the purpose of providing funds for township road improvements.

Shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be levied by Bay Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, against taxable property in the Township be renewed to the originally voted 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), and levied for two years, 2017 through 2018 inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for construction and maintenance of roads within Bay Township, and shall the Township levy such millage for these purposes? If approved and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$151,050 for the Township in 2017.

BOYNE VALLEY AND MELROSE TOWNSHIPS

CROOKED TREE DISTRICT LIBRARY - PROPOSAL FOR LIBRARY MILLAGE

This proposal will permit the Library Board to levy up to .5 mills for the purpose of providing funds for library services and operations. The electors previously approved .3 mills for these services. The .3 mills was then rolled back to .2989 mills by the Headlee Amendment. Specifically, this proposal renew s the current .2989 mills that was last levied, restores the .0011 mills previously rolled back by the Headlee Amendment, and seeks an additional .2 mills for library services and operations.

Shall the Crooked Tree District Library impose a tax on the taxable property in the participating municipalities of Boyne Valley Township and Melrose Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan in the amount of up to fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) (.5 mills) of the taxable value on all taxable property in both townships for a period of four (4) years 2017 through 2020, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds

for library services and operations, and shall the Crooked Tree District Library levy such millage for these purposes? If approved and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$166,324 for the Crooked Tree District Library in 2017.

CHANDLER, HAYES, MELROSE TOWNSHIPS

PUBLIC SCHOOS OF PETOSKEY
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PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Public Schools of Petoskey, Emmet and Charlevoix Counties, Michigan, be increased by 1 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2016 to 2018, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2016 is approximately \$175,000 (this millage will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?

CHANDLER, HUDSON TOWNSHIPS VANDERBILT AREA SCHOOLS BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy building and site sinking fund millage previously approved by the electors.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Vanderbilt Area Schools, Otsego, Charlevoix and Cheboygan Counties, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed .75 mill (\$0.75 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 4 years, 2017 to 2020, inclusive, to continue to provide for a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2017 is approximately \$70,000?

CHARTER AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II, SECTION 2.16(h)

Shall Article II, Section 2.16 (h) of the Charlevoix City Charter be amended to require the City to grant Little Traverse Conservancy conservation easements ensuring that Mt. McSauba 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. McSauba Recreation Area and Lake Michigan Beach Park, including presently existing uses and structures in use as the water treatment plant, parking areas, ski areas, skating pond and other uses in existence as of November 8, 2016?

MELROSE TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL FOR AMBULANCE MILLAGE

This proposal will permit the Township to levy up to .25 mills for the purpose of providing funds for ambulance services.

Shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be levied by the Township of Melrose, Charlevoix County, Michigan, against taxable property in the Township be increased by up to .25 mills (\$.25 per \$1,000 taxable value) for a period of four (4) years, 2016 through 2019, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for ambulance services, and shall the Township levy such millage for this purpose? If approved and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$36,152 for the Township when first levied in 2016.

ST. JAMES TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL FOR NEW EMS MILLAGE

This proposal will permit the Township to levy up to 2 mills for the purpose of providing funds for Advance Life Support services and general operation of emergency medical services.

Shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be levied by the Township of St. James, Charlevoix County, Michigan, against taxable property in the Township be increased by up to 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of four (4) years, 2016 through 2019, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for Advance Life Support services and general operation of emergency medical services, and shall the Township levy such millage for these purposes? If approved and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$93,538 for the Township in 2016.

Four candidates vie for two Boyne City School Board seats

By Jim Akans

At the polls this coming Tuesday, November 8, voters in Boyne City and the Townships of Bay, Boyne Valley, Evangeline, Eveline, Hayes, Melrose and Wilson will select two candidates from a list of four running for 6-vear term seats on the Boyne City Public Schools Board. Trisha J. Ager, whose name also appears on the ballot, has decided not to run as she is a substitute teacher in the school district and is not able to serve in that capacity and also as a board member.

The four candidates vying for the two 6-year terms are Kristine Brehm, Alison Fuller-Mellon, Patricia Hills and Bob South. The successful candidates will replace seats currently held by Lisa Schrock and Bea Reinhardt.

A partial 2-year term is also on the ballot, and Lisa Schrock is running unopposed for that seat. This is a seat that was held by Ed Vondra, who passed away last year. Robert South had previously been appointed to complete Vondra's term. South has decided to throw his hat into the race for the 6-year term seat, leaving Schrock to run for that partial term position unopposed.

The two-year partial term seat will take effect as soon as the election results are certified. The two 6-year term seats will take effect on January 1, 2017

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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PRESUMPTION

To the Editor,

OCTOBER SURPRISE rears its Twisted-Sister head again. FBI Director James Comey being the chosen surpriser, scant days before the most curious presidential election ever, one can only presume that it's a Republican plot to disrupt what otherwise looks like a shoo-in for Hillary. This latest episode is brought to us by Anthony Wiener – yeah, that wiener, the sexting kid.

As with the Reagan victory, it's clear they will stop at nothing to gain the advantage. Somebody got to Jim Comey and said, Listen up, Jim, and listen up good and intensely; this is what has to happen. Reopening a closed investigation without a shred of real evidence, admitted by Comey, is an eleventh hour ploy to sway the election toward Trump clearly putting a wider smirk on his already smirking mug. This is a political move by the FBI or maybe other shrouded entities in the murky background. Trump, if he has a couple billion dollars, could finance any subterfuge possible and we already know he's culpable of any interference in anything, of saying anything no matter how gauche and vulgar, of grabbing women by the

We'll read lots of commentary about this, of course, but Hillary Clinton is still the headliner for the presidency. People in general don't buy much stock in these allegations, being just politics as usual. But the pundits go to work on such drivel immediately and have some sway with the portion of the public predisposed to bigotry, misogyny, aversion to practically any other opinion than their own. They're desperate, these pachyderms, and quite literally have no concept of the rules of fair play. Not that Democrats are pristine exemplars of that, the October Surprise is unique to the elephants amongst us, though that could be simply because it never occurs to the ungulates. We can't say they're above being underhanded, just that they seem not to have propensity toward that tweaking of reality. And who likes politics anyway? Nobody I know. They never asked for

my opinion, can you imagine?!! Bill and Hillary will have to hit the campaign trail big time nonetheless to counter this purposefully distraught onslaught and presumably will decry the political motivation of the FBI, an agency that is supposedly devoid of political parties' ambitions but everybody knows they're all Republicans. I mean to say, if you're a Democrat would you go to work for the FBI? I. Don't. Think. So. James Comey was ordered to reopen the email investigation. By whom? His very own FBI.

Oh yeah, and a few high-ranking bankers, businessmen and bureaucrats.

Personally I split the ticket almost every election because I like some Republicans and some Democrats equally. Actually I get the message Trump has wrought, too much politics, that being essentially the message brought to us by Ronald Reagan, an actor by trade. The comedy trade has done well by Donald Trump, as it has Sarah Palin. So some of us were tempted to imagine these sorts of people as actually becoming what they seek, just for the supreme comedy of it. As they used to say in the 60s, "let it all hang out", see what destruction they might wreak, let it all come crashing down. (It's happening.)

Which assuredly would congeal if Trump were inexplicably elected. At least with Hillary we have someone who's been there, done that. Trump doesn't have a clue. We thought Bill Clinton was a lecher, a horn-dog, but Donald Trump is a guy in a trenchcoat with rubber-banded pantlegs. He's a creep. You want that for your president? Okay, Hillary's not the exemplary leader either. That's the essence of this election: "less than stellar talent". And we don't get to do other than vote for one of two, or the sideline possibilities that never get far anyway. Or you're free to write yourself in as a candidate if so inclined, and that's about it.

But the gist of this conversation is the October Surprise bit. It's the cheapest kind of politicking existent. And it's endemic to the Republican Party solely. Cheap tricks. Sure there are Limousine Liberals galore, that's their stock in trade, but their tricks are never cheap or sleazy - they're right up front with their effrontery. Thus the presumption remains that Hillary will win anyway and the Trump coterie will slink away like Saruman in Lord of the Rings (Wiener) to ruminate on the next potential takeover of the US Constitution, a precept already badly eroded. Naturally it's unclear what real effect this might have on the public's and the electorate's black ink on the ballots. The cat's out of the bag nonetheless, i.e. desperation. That can only mean Hillary's the next president of the United States, Bill's the, uh, First Gentleman. He's the guy in the apron watering flowers in the West Wing. Hillary's up there in the gilded ivory towers of the Oval Office. You know, that's the place where Bill used to reside in infamy/ignominy. Either way it goes the comedy show must go on. "The future", as Yogi Berra once quipped unwittingly, "ain't what it used to

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News

Housing Advocates receive Leadership Awards

A long-time advocate for supportive housing has received the Northwest Michigan Housing Solutions Network 2016 Housing Leadership Award. Carol Moorman received the award October 25 at the second annual Northwest Michigan Housing Summit in Traverse City. Housing advocates from Boyne City, Cadillac, and Leelanau County were also recognized at the Summit.

The Housing Leadership Award highlights the contributions of individuals in Northwest Lower Michigan who have made positive, significant contributions to housing for all residents. The award is for individuals including elected or appointed officials, professional staff, or volunteers who have:

 Made important contributions to the region's housing choices;

Increased the understanding and awareness of housing needs;

- Led efforts resulting in signifi-

cant economic, social, and/or political impacts in the community that have encouraged housing choices for all.

Moorman was recognized for her contributions to supportive housing for the region's homeless and those with special needs. As executive director for the Foundation for Mental Health, now Northwest Michigan Supportive Housing from 2002-2011, Moorman made significant contributions toward expanding the region's supply of supportive housing, working to secure funding and develop housing for those with mental illness or other disabilities. NMSH owns, develops, and manages supportive housing for people with special needs, providing housing for over 80 formerly homeless members of the community and their families. In 2011, Moorman took on the role of Housing Director at Goodwill Industries of Northern Michigan.

She led efforts to develop supportive housing at Carson Square in Traverse City, which provides 36 supportive housing units, along with veteran's housing at Patriot Place in Gaylord, Moorman was also active in the Grand Traverse Area Continuum of Care and the Northwest Michigan Housing Solutions Network, working to secure funding for homeless initiatives and drive outreach and education on housing issues. Moorman's efforts have ensured that supportive housing is an important part of the housing mix and conversation in Northwest Michigan.

The Housing Solutions Network also presented Community Cornerstone Housing Leadership Awards to three local officials at the Summit for their work on community engagement in housing. The award honors community leaders that

have worked to engage the community in addressing critical housing issues in a collaborative, proactive fashion. These leaders are ensuring that all stakeholders are at the table, that all voices are heard, and that all opportunities are considered. Recipients of the Community Cornerstone Award were:

- Ty Wessell, Leelanau County Commissioner and member of the housing nonprofit Leelanau REACH, for his work to create a Leelanau County Housing Task Force. The Task Force brought together County and local officials, businesses, realtors, and other housing stakeholders to explore and discuss to Leelanau County's housing challenges, and to identify potential roles for the County and other

stakeholders. - Marcus Peccia, Cadillac City Manager, for bringing together City officials, business and other community stakeholders to explore housing issues as the City reviews housing proposals and other opportunities. Community dialogues around have identified priority housing needs and informed City housing initiatives and actions, including support for renovation of existing affordable housing.

- Michael Cain, Boyne City City Manager, for coordinating the Boyne City Housing Summit, which brought together citizens, builders, City Commissioners, Planning Commissioners, and employers to discuss housing challenges and take steps toward solutions. The Boyne City Housing Summit was a first step towards meeting City Commission goals to address housing needs.

Registration open for Charlevoix Holiday Parade

Show your holiday spirit and community cheer by entering Charlevoix's 6th Annual Holiday Parade sponsored by 4Front Credit Union. Area Businesses, Organizations, and Individuals are invited to participate at no cost and lights are encouraged. The parade will be held on Friday. November 25th beginning at 5:30pm on Bridge Street in downtown Charlevoix.

The parade is a welcome addition to Charlevoix's annual Community Tree Lighting festivities, which run that same day. Tree Lighting activities will take place from 3 to 5pm and include a complimentary holiday craft making workshop at the Charlevoix Circle of Arts, complimentary photos with Santa at Charlevoix State Bank, hot cocoa and cookies in East Park, and of course, the lighting of the Community Christmas Tree for the first time this holiday season. And don't

forget about all the great deals and specials being offered by area stores and restaurants throughout the day!

All are invited to join the parade! No entry is too big or too small and there is no charge to participate. Pet owners are welcome to join the canine costume parade which is open to well behaved pooches sporting their best holiday attire. So, let's make the Community Parade a cherished tradition that will continue for years to come. Parade entry forms are available at www.charlevoix.org, or by contacting the Chamber at 231.547.2101 or info@charlevoix.org

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CHARLEVOIX -A Boyne City man is now facing a maximum sentence of life in prison after pleading guilty to assault with intent to murder and a slew of other felony charges related

By Michelle Medjesky

to the shooting and wounding of a Charlevoix County deputy last

James Cook

In what Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof called "a very rare Sunday court session" held October 30, James Franklin Cook, 54, of Boyne City pleaded guilty to eight felony counts that came about through a series of events that occurred in the Boyne City area on May 16,

Telgenhof said Cook pled guilty to assault with intent to murder, five counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, assaulting an officer causing serious impairment and possessing a firearm during the commission of a felony.

Cook pleads guilty to 8 more felony counts

Combined with five other guilty pleas Cook made previously in this case, he now has 13 felony counts against him and faces a maximum sentence for the most serious charge-assault with intent to murder Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office Corp. Fred Hasty.

According to court documents, police said on the date of the incident they had been searching for Cook as part of a stolen vehicle investigation and found him at a site in Boyne Valley Township on Addis Road. When officers approached Cook, he refused to comply with their instructions and shot at Hasty.

Hasty and other officers returned fire and Cook was shot mul-

Hasty was wounded by Cook's gunfire and off work for several months.

'Mr. Cook fired first and the officers showed incredible restraint, firing only when fired upon and only in short bursts to stop Mr.

Cook," Telgenhof stated in a media release, "Unfortunately, Corporal Hasty was injured but thankfully he is on the path to recovery and back to work."

The other officers at the scene who were involved in the assault by Cook included Boyne City Assistant Chief of Police Kevin Spate, Michigan State Police Trooper Zachary Helton and from the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, Corporal William Church, Sergeant George Robert Lasater and Undersheriff Chuck Vondra.

"I cannot stress enough the bravery and professionalism of the officers who were at the scene. those named above and Deputy Travis Williams who placed Cook under arrest," Telgenhof said, "They were faced with a situation that thankfully we don't see often in northern Michigan-a man with three loaded weapons, waiting for them behind a gate.'

Cook is scheduled to be sentenced on December 16, 2016 at 9 a.m. in the 33rd Circuit Court.

BOYNE CITY MURDER

CONTINUED FROM PG. 1A

The neighbor told police when she saw the woman, Rachael Crisman, walking towards her home, she went to ask if she was OK and Crisman replied that she was, however, someone else was

The neighbor said in a written statement that Crisman then told her she had killed her mother.

Once police arrived at the scene, they reported entering Crisman's home and finding her mother, 53year-old Regina Plevinski deceased, "apparently from stab wounds.

Crisman was arrested and taken to Charlevoix County jail where she remains without bond on the open murder charge

Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof explained that an open murder charge comes when a prosecuting attorney does not specify whether the murder was first degree or second degree. Open murder carries with it a maximum sentence of life in prison, he said.

Telgenhof noted how concerns about Crisman's alleged use of certain substances and other factors that came to light about her in a probate case she was involved with at an earlier date might also affect her impending court proceedings.

Family members said Plevinski knew that her daughter, Rachael, was struggling with some mental health issues that seemed to be escalating and had been awaiting professional help at the time she allegedly murdered her mother.

A probable cause conference for Crisman's case has been scheduled for November 8 and preliminary examination set for November 15.

ROLLOVER ACCIDENT ON HORTON BAY RD

Sheriff W.D. (Don) Schneider reports on Thursday, October 27, 2016, at approximately 5:30pm the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, Resort Bear Creek Township Fire Department and Bear Creek Township EMS responded along with Boyne City EMS to a one vehicle rollover personal injury accident.

Arkadiusz Jacek Bregula, a 20 year old North Central college student, residing in Boyne City, was northbound on Horton Bay Rd. when he appeared to have lost control of his vehicle exiting the road to the left and flipped into the trees. He was driving a 2011 Chevy Aveo. The jaws of life were used to free him from the vehicle. Bregula was transported to McLaren

Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey where he was treated for his injuries. This incident is still under investigation.

ACCIDENT ON US131 INJURES THREE.

Sheriff W.D. (Don) Schneider reports on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, at approximately 4:00pm the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office, the Boyne City Police Department, and the Michigan State Police responded to a two vehicle personal injury accident which occurred on Highway U.S. 131 near M-75 in Boyne Valley Township.

Olivia Grace Tackett, a 17 year old student from Wolverine, failed to yield to a vehicle traveling southbound on U.S. 131 while turning from M-75. Tackett had to be

transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital where she was treated for her injuries. Oliva was driving a 2000 Lincoln passenger

extracted from the vehicle and was

Robert Everett Tweedle Jr., a 71 year old Gaylord resident, driving 2012 Chrysler passenger car, was southbound on U.S. 131 and attempted to stop but was unable to avoid a collision. Both Mr. Tweedle and his passenger, Vickie Buckland, also of Gaylord were both transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital and treated for their injuries.

Boyne City EMS and Boyne Valley EMS responded along with the Boyne Valley Fire Department. This incident is still under investi-

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Over 110 people attend East Jordan State of the Community

Over 110 people including members of the East Jordan High School Senior Class attended the Chamber's annual State of the Community luncheon and presentations from local leaders. The event was held at the Harvest Barn Church on Tuesday, October 25

from Noon to 1:30pm. President/CEO Mary H. Faculak of the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce introduced alumni and current participants of the Leadership Charlevoix County Program. The City of East Jordan was recognized for having a participant in every class since the program's beginning in 2011. They include Tom Cannon, Cheltzi Wilson, Ben Newington, Troy Thomas and Heather Jackson. Trina VanderArk is currently in this year's class. To date, LCC has graduated 73 participants and this year's class is the largest to date with 21 participants. The East Jordan and Charlevoix Chambers of Commerce Presidents – Alison Hubbard and Mary Faculak are serving as program coordinators and Shannon Fender as administrative support.

The Green Light East Jordan Program was highlighted. The Breezeway Task Force is still meeting and producing events. The newly paved East Jordan to Ellsworth Road (C-48) and Deer Lake Roads will be well traveled and appreciated.

Carol Timmer, Grandvue Medical Care Facility Administrator, noted that Grandvue is celebrating 125 years of caring and earned a 5-Star Quality rating from Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Services. The facility also won Excellence in Action Awards for the past five years as a result of Resident and family satisfaction surveys. In 2016 Grandvue was cited as a Best Nursing Home by US News and World Reports.

Matt Stevenson, Superintendent for East Jordan Public Schools, highlighted the past year at East Jordan Public Schools. Among those accomplishments are leading the ISD in post-secondary credit opportunities, the ongoing success of the school Quiz Bowl, Robotics, Devil Rays swim teams, and the amazing student talent displayed at the spring Art Show. He also noted that the East Jordan 2016 graduat-



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ing class earned approximately \$210,000 in scholarships and grants, of which over \$92,000 came from local sources.

2016 also brought the completion of the Safe Routes to School project and the addition of a new welding program. Stevenson emphasized the need for passing new bonds to help solidify East Jordan Public Schools financially and in the area of infrastructure.

Tom Cannon, East Jordan City Administrator, summed up the State of the City as "progressive, motivated and engaged." He noted the city received a \$3.5 million USDA grant toward the construction of a new wastewater plant, and that the city is beginning the certification process to becoming a Michigan Redevelopment Ready Community. The Parks and Recreation/Tourism had record reservation numbers at Tourist Park and it

was also a near record year for the municipal harbor in 2016. MDOT invested over \$750,000 in the Safe Routes to School and MDOT highway construction projects in this last year.

State Representative Tristin Cole gave a brief legislative update following the program and met with attendees

The Chamber is presently recruiting new business and individual members. Faculak thanked existing members for their support and reminded those not-yet-members the up-coming months are prime recruitment time. The Chamber continues its Associate Membership in the Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance.

The Chamber is very proud to be the sponsor of this annual very informative and excellent networking event.



Speakers at the State of the Community event included; Tom Cannon - East Jordan City Administer, Mary Faculak - East Jordan Area Chamber President, Carol Timmer - Grandvue Medical Center Administrator and Matt Stevenson - East Jordan Public School Superintendent. COURTESY PHOTO

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