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## Christmas Eve fire in downtown Charlevoix cause undetermined Likely caused by

human activity

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX - While officials now believe that "human activity" is to blame for a fire that destroyed a downtown Charlevoix business on Christmas Eve, whether that activity was intentional or accidental may never be known.

Michigan State fire investigator Sgt. Daniel Drew said state fire and insurance investigators have determined that the blaze which destroyed the Cherry Republic business at 221 Bridge Street on Christmas Eve started in an unlocked shed behind the building by

what they consider to have been 'human activity.'

He said that activity could include someone who may have been smoking and carelessly discarded a cigarette inside or near the shed, possibly a patron at the neighboring Townhouse Bar. Or the fire could have been intentionally set, Drew said.

And while highly unlikely, he said it's also possible that an animal wandered into the shed and perhaps chewed through electrical wires that started the blaze.

"The fire was started intentionally or unintentionally in the unlocked shed behind the building," he said, noting that after it started and grew, the flames spread through the first floor window and then into the rest of the building.



Firefighters were called around 3 a.m. on Christmas Eve to the Van Pelt Building on Bridge Street, where the Cherry Republic store was located, after a Boyne City police officer driving by reported seeing smoke coming from the building.

Crews from Charlevoix, Charlevoix Township, Petoskey, East Jordan, Boyne City and other surrounding agencies responded and fought for hours to put out the blaze, which re-ignited on Christmas Day and again needed to be extinguished.

It was the second major fire to break out along a two block stretch of Bridge Street within a matter of weeks. The first fire erupted on November 13 and destroyed Johan's Cafe at 327 Bridge Street and also the next door Round Lake Gallery, at 325 Bridge Street.

Investigators recently listed the cause of that blaze as undetermined.

# "Sno-Blast" festival in East Jordan this weekend

By Jim Akans

There is a real "Sno-Blast" coming to East Jordan this weekend! Starting on Friday, January 20, and continuing on Saturday and Sunday, East Jordan will be hosting its 36th annual Sno-Blast. The winter festival will feature wonderful snow sculptures around town, the EJ Rotary's famous Chili Supper, an always fascinating antique snowmobile snow and ride, the crow ing of the "Belle of the Blizzard" and "Winter Knight," a Snow Shoe Hike, Fishing Tournament, a Softball in the Snow Tournament, a Dog Gone Fun Dog Show, Winter Dance Party and much more indoor and outdoor sea-

There will also be a Coloring Contest with prizes being awarded in four age groups; 5 and under, 6 to 10, 11 to 15 and adult. A coloring page is available at the Chamber of Commerce or online at www.ejchamber.org.

Fishermen and women, try your luck at the Mid-Winter Classic Fishing Tournament that begins on January 20 at 7am and goes until January 22 at noon. There will be cash awards



Vintage snowmobiles will be on display on Saturday at the East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club House, located on Mt. Bliss Rd. Courtesy photo

and prizes, and information is available at Tom's Bait & Tackle (231) 53-

The EJ Sno-Mobilers Club on Mt. Bliss Road will host an antique and vintage snowmobile show on Saturday, and Father Chet Collins will hold a "Blessing of the Sleds" at 10am. The delicious and bountiful Sno-Lovers Breakfast will be taking place on Sunday morning at the Club from 7am until noon. After breakfast, wear off

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Don't miss the "Blessing of the Sleds" by Father Chet Collins at 10am on Saturday. Courtesy photo



## Boyne City man sentenced to prison for brutal stabbing of childhood friend

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX - A Boyne City man will spend

the next 10-15 years in prison for brutally stabbing to death his

MATTHEW FRUGE childhood

friend outside his Bay Township home in 2015. Charlevoix County Circuit

Court Judge Roy C. Hayes III last week sentenced 35-year-old Matthew Fruge of Boyne City to the maximum sentence of between 10-15 years after a jury found him guilty of voluntary manslaughter at his trial in December.

Fruge was found guilty but mentally ill in the stabbing death of his childhood friend, 34-year-old Jacob Daniel Conklin, in an incident that occurred October 1, 2015 outside Fruge's home at the Villa de Charlevoix near Horton Bay.

According to police, Fruge's wife called 9-1-1 around 7 pm that evening to report her husband had stabbed Conklin outside their home. Witnesses said they found Fruge in his driveway lying on top of Conklin and pushed him off to discover Conklin bleeding heavily from the neck with a knife on the ground next to him. Conklin died from what was later found to be ten stab wounds to the neck and back areas.

Conklin was born in Charlevoix in 1981 and attended Boyne City Schools when he met Fruge. The two became friends but lost touch over the years. Conklin moved away from the area and had been in Florida, only returning to northern Michigan the day prior to his stabbing death so he could spend time with Fruge and work out some personal affairs.

Conklin's mother, Martha Murner, told the court her son had come to the Boyne City area at Fruge's request to help him. She spoke to Fruge during her victim's impact statement and asked the court to impose

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## Richard E. (Dick) Georgi

RICHARD GEORGI PASSED AWAY JANUARY

Arrangements are pending at Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix

## Cynthia Marie (Carson) Yamuni, 54

(SEPT. 28, 1962 - JAN. 10, 2017)

Cindy Marie (Carson) Yamuni passed away

January 10, 2017 after battling cancer for two and a half years.

Cindy is survived by Marco Yamuni, her husband, Andrea, Megan, Hannah, and



Born on September 28, 1962 Cindy was blessed with a heart and mind ready to change the world. She attended Western Michigan University to obtain a degree in social work. Then, she devoted her life to caring for others with great dedication that touched the lives of

She worked at the Women's Resource Center, and later, the local Head Start program to share her passion for life with others.

Her visitation will be held at Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix on Friday, January 20th from 5-8pm.

#### The following day, January 21st, a mass will be held in her name at St. Mary's Catholic Church at 11am with a luncheon following the cere-

Memorial contributions may be made to the Women's Resource Center, 423 Porter Street, Petoskey, MI 49770. Please visit Cindy's guestbook at www.winchesterfuneral-

## Delbert J. Batdorff, 76

(FEB. 17, 1940 - JAN. 10, 2017)

Delbert J. Batdorff of Charlevoix

went to be with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ unexpectedly on January 10th, 2017. He was born February 17th, 1940 to Howard and Madeline Bat-



dorff of Sunfield, Michigan. Delbert, youngest of five children, is survived by Joyce, Donna and Lois and was preceded in death by Howard.

Delbert, a Sunfield High graduate, attended Huntington University where he met and married Carolyn Stricker, the love of his life for over 57 years. Delbert had a passion for work, which he fulfilled as a railroad fireman/engineer before pursuing his dreams by moving to Northern Michigan. In Charlevoix he channeled this passion into surveying then working as a repairman at St. Mary's Cement Plant. In retirement he filled this passion working for Fox Motors.

Del loved John Deere tractors and hunting in Michigan and Colorado. He was enthusiastic about singing and enjoyed gospel music. He had a warm, friendly personality and

could talk to anybody. He loved the outdoors, large bonfires, sharing the bountiful produce from his huge garden and spending time

**OBITUARIES** 

with family and friends. Delbert is survived by his loving wife Carolyn and five children whom he loved and was very proud of: Deb (Randy) Magnus, Dennis, Dave (Susan), Dan (Suzanne) and

Darrin (Krista). Delbert also was proud grandfather to twelve exceptional grandchildren whom he loved dearly: Benjamin, Gabriel (Lily), and Hope Magnus; Matthew, Crystal and Naomi Batdorff; Rachel and Luke Batdorff; Wyatt and Quinn Batdorff; and Emma and Morgan Batdorff.

A celebration of Delbert's life took place January 14.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Huntington University, 2303 College Ave., Huntington, IN 46750; Community Reformed Church, 100 Oak Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720 or Munson Healthcare Charlevoix, 14700 Lakeshore Drive, Charlevoix, MI

## **Kerry Allan** Argetsinger, 68

(OCT. 17, 1948 - JAN. 16, 2017)

Kerry Allen Argetsinger, born October 17, 1948, in Muskegon, Michigan to Harley and Helen Argetsinger. He moved to East Jordan MI with his parents and siblings in February of 1955. Kerry attended East Jordan Schools where he graduated in 1966. He then started into the work force doing anything from furniture building, siding houses, truck driving, and scuba diving before landing at Boyne Mountain for 28 years.

Kerry played in numerous bands, finishing his time in music with "Whisky Creek" alongside two of

his sons (Mike and Matt), lifelong friends, father and son set, Jodie and Bobby Jo Givens and Jim Clark. He also enjoyed being outdoors, hunting, fishing, and being around his family with a guitar in hand.

Kerry was always quick with a good story, or advice on how to fix your car. You could always count on a helping hand when you needed it (as long as Jeopardy wasn't on). When his kids needed their dirt bikes or snowmobiles fixed he was there, not to do it for them, but to teach them how to do it so when their kids needed something fixed they could again pass it on.

Kerry is survived by his wife, Kathryn Argetsinger of East Jordan; his six children, Krista (Thomas) Baumann of East Lansing, Michael (Nicki) Argetsinger of Charlevoix, Del (Lori) Hart of Charlevoix, Chad (Abbie) Hart of Charlevoix, Matthew (Tammy Clark) Argetsinger of East Jordan, and Carrie Ann Argetsinger of North Carolina; sixteen grandchildren, Tim, Suzie, Elizabeth, Brandon Darrah, Erica, Tre, Caleb, Braxton, Ashton, Brandon Flynn, Briar, Wyatt (Buddha) Garrett, Hunter, Lindsey and Katie; and four great grandchildren, Mason, MaKenna, Kairi, and LaRue.

Kerry was preceded in death by his parents, Harley and Helen Argetsinger, and brother, Terry Argetsinger.

A visitation will be held at Penzien Funeral Home, 621 Main Street, East Jordan, MI on Friday January 20th from 5-7pm.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday January 21st at 11am at Penzien Funeral Home with a luncheon to follow at the Boyne City Eagles, 106 River Street, Boyne City, MI from 1-3pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the East Jordan Sno-Mobilers, Inc., PO Box 80 East Jordan MI, 49727.

### Myrtle Pauline (Myrt) Christiansen, 90

(OCT. 21, 1926 - JAN. 11, 2017)

Myrtle Pauline Christiansen of Eastport passed away January 11, 2017, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

She was born October 21, 1926, in Sidney, Mich. to Peter and Minnie M. (Petersen) Christensen. Myrt attended school in Sidney and graduated from Stanton High School.

On June 7, 1946, she married Kenneth Christiansen in Greenville. They made their home there where she was a member of the Lutheran Church. In 1965, they

moved to Eastport. Myrt worked in bookkeeping at Freedman Artcraft, the Charlevoix Co-op and for the Elzinga Insurance Agency. She also worked as a housekeeper for families at the Belvedere Club in Charlevoix. Myrt enjoyed traveling and camping. She

and Ken wintered in Arizona. Myrt is survived by her husband Kenneth C. of Eastport; daughter, Mary (Silas) Doctor of East Jordan; son, David (Julie) Christiansen of Charlevoix; daughter-in-law, Paula Christiansen of Greenville; grandchildren, Andrea Doctor, Julia Graves, Steven Doctor, Daniel Doctor, TJ Christiansen, Brian Christiansen, and Laura Christiansen; ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Gerry in October, 2016.

Memorial service was held Monday, January 16, at the Winchester Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Interment in Brookside Cemetery in

Memorial contributions may be made to Good Samaritan Family Services, 9746 Main Street, Ellsworth, MI 49729.

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the People Fund. During 2016, the People Fund charitable and community organizations. The Great supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members who allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dol-

The grants funds were community organizations ergy's 26-county service area, which stretches from

of our members we've awarded more than \$3 million in grants since 1999 to organizations," says President/CEO Bill Scott. "The local communities in our service area benefit greatly from this program that is who allow their bill to be rounded up to the nearest

Members of the electric cooperative who wish to participate are encouraged to enroll in the People Fund online at gtlakes.com or by contacting Great Lakes Energy's office.

"People may not think 50 contributions of other Great are able to help so many," explains Scott. "Giving back to the community is one of the we couldn't do it without our members' generosity."

The following groups in the northern Lower Michigan area received People Fund grants during 2016:

Association, Gaylord: \$5,000 for four tennis courts.

# Over \$204,000 in People Fund grants awarded to local groups in 2016

Great Lakes Energy, with the help of its members, continues its commitment to local communities through awarded \$204,752 in grants to Lakes Energy People Fund is

awarded to 60 charitable and throughout Great Lakes En-Kalamazoo to the Mackinac "Thanks to the generosity

local non-profits groups and fully funded by our members dollar each month."

cents a month can do much, but when added with the Lakes Energy members, we cooperative principles and

Alpine Regional Tennis - Boyne City Preschool:



Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers Club in Walloon Lake were among the recipients of People Fund Grants in 2016, with a \$2,500 grant for Student Harvest Days. COURTESY PHOTO

\$5,500 for energy efficient windows.

C.S. Lewis Festival, Petoskey: \$1,000 for C.S. Lewis books for students.

- Charlevoix Conservation District, Boyne City: \$1,800 for tools and equipment for a beachgrass harvest pro-

Charlevoix Ministerial Association: \$2,500 for benevolence needs.

- Christ Child Society of Northern Michigan, Harbor Springs: \$1,500 for diaper pantry stock. Crawford AuSable Day

Care Center & Preschool, Grayling: \$2,000 for play and learning equipment. - Crawford County Com-

mission on Aging, Kalkaska: \$3,000 for commercial refrigerator. - Crooked Tree Arts Coun-

cil, Petoskey: \$6,000 for building improvements. - Edelweiss Garden Club,

Gaylord: \$1,800 for supplies and plants for two community gardens. - Good Samaritan Family

Services, Ellsworth: \$2,000 for computer upgrades. **Grass River Natural** 

Area, Bellaire: \$3,000 for field guide for the outdoor student and public education and outreach.

- Great Lakes Chamber Or-

chestra, Petoskey: \$1,000 for educational outreach to schools and the Day for

Strings program. - Little Traverse Conservancy, Harbor Springs: (two grants) \$1,200 for eight trail cameras to help determine preserve usage and \$2,000 for supplies for volunteer-led projects through the

EcoStewards program. - McLaren Northern Michigan Foundations, Petoskey: \$5,000 for patient assistance program to help patients and families.

- North Country Kids, Harbor Springs: \$1,000 for indoor play equipment.

- Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers Club, Walloon Lake: \$2,500 for Student Harvest Days. - Northern Michigan

Equine Therapy, Boyne City: \$2,000 for arena improvements for the outpatient rehabilitation and therapeutic riding center.

- Otsego Conservation District, Gaylord: \$5,000 for education center with storage and handicapped accessible restrooms.

Otsego County Community Food Pantry, Gaylord: \$5,000 for food for backpacks

for students - Otsego Habitat for Humanity, Gaylord: \$2,000 for flatbed trailer.

- Ralph Holewinski VFW Post 1518, Gaylord: \$10,000 for pavilion for recreational, social and patriotic events.

- The Manna Food Project,

Harbor Springs: \$5,000 for Food 4 Kids Backpack Pro-- Top of Michigan Trails Council, Petoskey: \$5,000 for

furnishings for the Trail Center. - Wolverine Joint Fire

Board: \$1,000 for 9-1-1 sign project.

The 2016 People Fund Annual Report is included in the January issue of Michigan Country Lines magazine recently mailed to Great Lakes Energy members. Others may obtain the report by contacting Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-485-2537 or by visiting gtlakes.com and downloading the report.

The Great Lakes Energy People Fund invites applications for 2017 grants from local non-profit organizations. Deadline for applications for the 2017 grant cycles are April 15 and Oct. 15. Request an application by calling 888-485-2537 ext. 1313, or request it online by visiting gtlakes.com.

# January 19, 2017

## **SNO-BLAST**

**CONTINUED FROM PG. 3A** 

some calories at the interpretive and interactive guided ski/snowshoe hike starting at the Wagbo homestead at noon. RSVP's are requested for this event at (231) 536-0333.

For more information contact the East Jordan Chamber at 231-536-7351 or visit www.ejchamber.org or check out EastJordanSnoBlast on Facebook.

### 36TH ANNUAL SNO-BLAST SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Note; some events are dependent on weather conditions

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

(East Jordan Middle/High School Cafeteria.)

4:30 – 7:00 PM - CHILI SUP-PER –Enjoy chili, salad, bread, dessert & beverage. \$7 adults, \$5 seniors and children (12 & under). Sponsored by East Jordan Rotary Club.

5:30 PM - CROWNING OF WINTER KNIGHT AND BELLE OF THE BLIZZARD - At the Rotary Chili Supper, E.J. Middle/High School Cafeteria.

2017 Candidates: Belle of the Blizzard

- Kelly Kava
- Brenda Bingham - Miki Campbell

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- Winter Knight - Alan Kava
- Ron Whitaker - Dave Campbell

Grand Marshal – Michigan Snowmobile Magazine

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

(East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club House, Mt. Bliss Rd.) 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM - CLAS-SIC & ANTIQUE SNOWMO-BILE SHOW

10:00 AM Sharp – BLESS-ING OF THE SLEDS – Father Chet Collins, all sleds welcome.

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Concessions at Club House. 1:00 PM - ANTIQUE/VIN-

1:00 PM - ANTIQUE/VIN-TAGE/CLASSIC SNOWMO-BILE RIDE (Everyone Welcome) light lunch served.

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM – SNOW SHOE HIKE – Take a hike around the beautiful grounds at the Sno-Mobilers Club House and enjoy the beautiful winter scenery. Sponsored by: Little Traverse Conservancy & Jordan Valley Outfitters. (Children & Adult size snow shoes available)

## **SATURDAY, JANUARY 21** (Locations around town)

11:00 AM – THE GRAND STORY HOUR – Family Story Time with Luanne Reed, Refreshments. Location & Sponsor: Books N' Things

12:00 PM - SOFTBALL IN THE SNOW TOURNAMENT – Adult softball field. Put a team together and play ball! Contact Nikki Skrocki 231-

231.547.4172

536-3331. Sponsored by: Essence Hair Salon

1:00 PM – DOG GONE FUN DOG SHOW – E.J. Civic Center. Sponsored by: East Jordan Lion's Club. Enter your furry friend or just come and watch the fun.

5:30 PM – WILD GAME & FORAGED FOOD DINNER AND MOVIE – Martha Wagbo Farm & Education Center, family friendly. – Feast & Film, Info. 231-536-0333

7:00 – 10:00 PM – ANNUAL WINTER PARTY – Jordan River Arts Council, 301 Main Street, Party & Dance, Music by "Full Circle", Admission: By Donation

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 (Fast Jordan Sno Mobilers

(East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club House, Mt. Bliss Rd.) 7:00 AM – NOON – SNO-

LOVERS BREAKFAST – "The Works" Pancakes, bacon, sausage, potatoes, and eggs: \$6 Adults \$3 Kids 10 & under

NOON – INTERPERTIVE & INTERACTIVE GUIDED SKI/SNOWSHOE HIKE - Wagbo homestead, fields and forests. All abilities, and families with children welcome. Limited equipment available - please call ahead. Hot beverages, light snack and warmth served in our beautiful old farmhouse community space! RSVP helpful. Donations accepted. 231-536-0333

#### CONTESTS

- SNO-SCULPTURE CON-TEST – This year's theme "The Great Sate of Michigan" Entry fee \$5: deadline Wednesday, January 18th. Cash prizes awarded. Get your application at the Chamber Office. Sponsored by Darlene's Restaurant.

- VOTE FOR YOUR FA-VORITE BELLE & WINTER KNIGHT CANDIDATE – Look for the donation cans around town to vote for your favorite Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight with your spare change. Proceeds help to fund the Sno-Blast Festival!

- COLORING CONTEST –
Everyone is welcome to compete in a Sno-Blast Coloring Contest. Prizes awarded.
Sponsored by East Jordan
BC Pizza. Age Groups: 0-5, 6–10, 11-15 & Adult. Coloring page available at Chamber Office or on line at www.ejchamber.org

- MID-WINTER CLASSIC FISHING TOURNAMENT – Fishing starts at 7:00 AM on January 20th and ends, January 22nd at Noon. For more information contact Tom's Bait & Tackle, 231-536-3521. Cash & prizes.

## Out on the Town – All weekend long

Enjoy breakfast, lunch, dinner, happy hour or just dessert at one of the restaurants or bars. Ask about Sno-Blast Specials.

Indoor Sidewalk Sales – Local businesses will offer clearance sale events.

Ice Skating Rink – Community Park - free

#10 Regular 500 - \$55

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## Clock/Bell towers to be installed at new Boyne City Hall

On Wednesday, January 18th the skeleton of the clock and bell towers for the new the City of Boyne City's facilities project currently under construction at 319 North Lake Street in Boyne City are scheduled to be delivered as two units and then lifted into their final positions by crane. This will be a major moment in the continuing progress of this new nearly \$7 million dollar project which will house Boyne City's Police, Fire, EMS, City Hall and Museum operations. The new building is expected to open to the public in July 2017.

The public is welcome to view this important and exciting phase of the project from across North Lake Street or on adjoining properties. The anticipated schedule for the installation follows:

- The tower will be loaded at Jacklin's yard in Traverse City at 8:00 am.

- Will travel to site arriving around 11 am. Crane will be on site and "set up" in the morning before the tower arrives.

- Will then "pick" the clock tower from the trailer to the building (best



Architect rendering of the new City Hall. The clock tower is nearly 24 feet tall (57 feet from ground level) and weighs about 4600 pounds and the bell tower rises just over 14 feet (30 feet from ground) and weighs about 4100 pounds. RENDERING BY ENVIRONMENT ARCHITECT.

guess is around 11:30 to Noon).

- The bell tower structure will be "picked" next.

Finally, the City's historic 1905 bell will be installed on the structure. (late afternoon).

## Snowshoe by torchlight at Camp Daggett



On January 28 and February 25, experience the ambiance of snow-covered trails illuminated by more than 100 torches on your trek at Camp Daggett. COURTESY PHOTO

Camp Daggett offers great activities for families this winter. On January 28 and February 25 from 5 until 9pm, it's the ever-popular Bearcub Outfitters Torchlight Snowshoe Demo. Experience the ambiance of snow-covered trails illuminated by more than 100 torches on your trek.

Afterward, come inside for a cup of hot chocolate, freshly baked cookies and to warm-up by the crackling fire in camp's beautiful main lodge. Buy raffle tickets for great Bearcub Outfitter products

with all proceeds going to Camp Daggett. Admission is free, donations are encouraged, and snowshoes are available for all ages.

Registration is now open for Camp Daggett summer camp. Applications are available online or at area schools and local chambers of commerce. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more about Camp Daggett, visit www.campdaggett.org or call executive director, Brent Marlatt at 347-9742.

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## "Friday" January 20, 2017 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

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### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **CHAMBER ANNUAL MEETING & AWARDS CEREMONY**

January 19, 5-8:30pm, Boyne Mountain Resort. It's the "can't miss" event of the year and typically sells out with 300 people attending. The program is an upbeat gathering with great food and drink, live and silent auctions, live music and the introduction of our Chamber Board members. We will also be announcing six awards for business leadership, volunteer of the year, nonprofit of the year, entrepreneur of the year, young entrepreneur and heritage award. Tickets are \$50 per person. Table sponsorships are \$420, including 8 seats, a table sign, program listing, listing on overhead screens and introduction at the event. Call the Chamber at (231) 582-6222 for ordering information.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### FRIDAY NIGHT FILM FESTIVAL

January 20, 6:30-9pm. Boyne District Library. "The Painted Veil", Edward Norton, Naomi Watts, The lives of a doctor and his spoiled young bride are seriously tested by events in late 19th century China when they are sent to manage a cholera epidemic. In the midst of the Box rebellion the drama unfolds. (2006) PG-13. Free Admission, refreshments available for a small donation. Sponsored by the Friends of the

#### EAST JORDAN

#### **36TH ANNUAL SNO-BLAST**

January 20-22. This annual event includes Sno-Sculpture Contest, Crowning of the Belle of the Blizzard & Winter Knight, Blessing of the Sleds, the Annual Rotary Chili Supper, Antique Snowmobile Show and much more.

### CHARLEVOIX

#### **FAMILY NATURE HIKE**

January 21, 10:30am-Noon. Susan Creek Nature Preserve. Join Mary Trout on winter trails looking for critters and their tracks. Which critters go into a dormant stage and which hibernate? What is the difference? We will also look

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why some birds go south while others stay and brave our winters? What do they eat and how do they stay warm enough to survive our cold winter temperatures? Join us to find out and have an invigorating hike in the winter woods! Snow shoes for both adults and children can be provided but bring your own if you have them. We will meet in the Susan Creek parking area off US 31. Pre-registration is requested online at www.landtrust.org or by calling 231.347.0991.

#### CHARI FVOIX

#### AN EVENING WITH JOSHUA DAVIS.

January 21, 8-10pm, Charlevoix Cinema III. Night after night, song after song, show after show Davis simply delivers every performance as though his life depends on it. He has explored the common thread connecting folk, blues, jazz, ragtime, and country forms. Tickets (\$25) available online at www.livefromcharlevoix.com

#### EAST JORDAN

#### DOG GONE FUN DOG SHOW

January 21, EJ Civic Center. Registration is at 1pm and events start at 1:30pm. There will be games and prizes for all kinds of dogs: smallest, largest, scruffiest, best trick, etc. Entry fee is \$5 per dog with spectators by donation. Dogs must be leashed at all times. Proceeds from the event will be given to our local Charlevoix Area Humane Society. Presented by the East Jordan Lions Club.

### ELLSWORTH

#### **SOUP FILLED BREAD BOWL AT** FRONT PORCH CAFÉ

January 21, 4:30-6:30pm. 9235 Main Street. Purchase tickets in advance or at the door. Adults \$10, Child \$6.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### HAITI EARTHQUAKE SURVIVORS **INTERVIEWED**

January 22, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled, "Why Did I Survive? Questions From Natural Disasters and Other Scrapes with Death," features a filmed interview with

Safe exercise to improve

muscle strength and

tone

Rodney and Lillian Smoker who were serving as missionaries in Haiti when the earthquake occurred. During the program, participants will see personal video footage of the aftermath of the earthquake. Admission to the 60minute event is free

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOP**

January 4-5:30pm, Charlevoix Library. The Charlevoix Convention and Visitors Bureau is hosting a free Social Media Workshop to help you to learn more about the latest trends. Space is limited to 10 people, so please RSVP as soon as possible to katherine@visitcharlevoix.com. Once we have confirmed your reservation, we will send you a survey to better help us tailor the workshop specifically to meet your

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **5TH BI-ANNUAL NAVIGATING THE ARTS PERFORMANCE**

January 25, 6pm, Charlevoix Public Library Conference Room. The program features dance and theater that integrate core academic subjects with the performing arts. A culmination of Charlevoix Montessori Academy's study of North America, the program offers Native American stories and various dances performed by the high school, middle school, and lower grades Donations will be greatly appreciated, with a suggestion of \$5. All ages are welcomed. Come see Charlevoix Montessori Academy students of all ages in a performance that promises to entertain and inspire

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **STIGGS BREWING COMPANY GRAND OPENING**

January 27, 112 S. Park Street. The Bovne Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting at 11 a.m. and the opening festivities will continue throughout the day and into the night. They will have a live broadcast with 106KHQ Radio at 5 p.m. You can join their Mug Club for \$55 and receive these benefits: your first beer

is free, 4 oz more per pour, free birthday beer, 50 cents off all beers on Mug Club Wednesdays, discounts on growlers and refills, and exclusive invitations to Mug Club

#### EAST JORDAN

#### **CHAMBER ANNUAL DINNER/MEETING/AUCTION**

January 28, 5:30-9pm. The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to join us for our annual Dinner/Meeting/Auction held at Castle Farms. This is a wonderful time to network with local businesses and community leaders. The Chamber will announce the 2016 award winners, as well as, hold the annual auction that is the Chamber's largest fundraising event next to the annual dues. Ticket information: 231-536-7351 or info@ejchamber.org

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **ONE MAN'S STAND AGAINST EVIL EXPLORED**

January 29, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Confronting Evil: One Man Takes a Stand," features a filmed interview with Peter Ash. founder of Under the Same Sun, an organization dedicated to helping people with the genetic condition of albinism overcome often deadly discrimination. During the program participants will also have the opportunity to discuss places they've seen evil in their own world and what they've done about it. This Lifetree Café Program may not be appropriate for younger viewers. Admission to the 60minute event is free.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

### **GLCO SUNDAY SERIES CONCERT**

January 29, 4pm, First Presbyterian Church. Join us for the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra's Woodwinds & Brass ensemble performing music from Gustav Holst. Suite No. 2 in F and Victor Ewald's Quintet No. 3. Performances by Vern Campbell, trumpet: Pat Jarve, trumpet; Bev Isenbarger, horn; Ed Bahr, trombone; and Carl Hawkins, tuba. A free will donation will be taken at the door.

**CHARLEVOIX COUNTY** 

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est quality senior services in partnership with the community. We focus our efforts

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ness, and education to achieve a dignified and enriched quality of life.

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#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **CHAMBER ANNUAL MEETING & AWARDS BREAKFAST**

February 3, 7-9am, Castle

Farms, catered by Grey Gables. This feature Chamber event will review the 2016 Chamber year and acknowledge and honor our Business/Member of the Year (Northern Michigan Sports Medicine Center), New Business of the (Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Wellness Workshop), Young Professional of the Year (Luther Kurtz), Customer Service of the Year (Cheryl Carey), Ambassador of the Year (Dennis Kusina), and Outstanding Citizen of the Year (Tim Fore). This year's featured speaker is Lyn Jenks, CEO of Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital. Cost is \$30 per person or \$240/Table of 8 with Sponsorship. To reserve your spot for this signature event, call the Chamber office at 231.547.2101

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### CHOCOLATE COVERED BOYNE February 10 & 11. Boyne City will celebrate everything chocolate. Sponsored by the Main Street Program and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, the event includes more than 40 businesses offering chocolate treats and sales. Chocolate-Covered Boyne has a combined chocolate/Valentine theme and there are tastings (food and drink) of chocolate treats and goodies, and special chocolate desserts. For the latest schedule events. please visit

or email info@charlevoix.org

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **5TH ANNUAL DOGMAN CHALLENGE FAT BIKE RACE**

www.boynechamber.com

February 25. Mass start at Noon on top of the bunny hill at Mt Mc-Sauba in Charlevoix. Riders will race Fat Bikes on a 1.8-mile loop through the trails of Mt McSauba and North Point Nature Preserve. The riders to complete the most laps in two hours are the champions and will be awarded sweet, one-of-a kind Dogman medals and cash prizes. Medals and prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in the men's and women's division both Expert and Sport. Awards ceremony at 4pm at Lake Charlevoix Brewing Company. Event hosted by Revolution Bike. For more information or to register to compete, contact Revolution Bike at 231-237-0900 or visit www.dogmanchallenge.net.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **FARMERS MARKET**

Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9am - Noon, Red Barn at Boyne

#### **BOYNE CITY**

The warming house at Boyne City's Avalanche Mountain Park is now open for the season. Its hours are: Monday thru Friday 4 to 9pm, Saturday & Sunday 11am to 9pm. Free ice skates and sleds (limited quantity) are available, and the city does accept donations of sleds and tubes in good shape. They also try to arrange extra hours on school snow days

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **BOYNE AREA GYMNASTIC FUNDRAISER AT FRIGGY'S**

Friggy's of Boyne City has teamed up to help the Boyne Area Gymnastics team in their fundraising efforts. For the Month of January, if you do any of the following, a portion of their sales will go directly to the BAG team.

1. Dine in at Friggy's and order any of their pasties

2. Order any pasties to go from Friggy's.

Order pasties from one of the team gymnasts.

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### INTRODUCTION TO RAW FOODS **CLASS**

Join us for a fun, hands-on introduction to the benefits of a "high-raw" diet. Prepare and eat a variety of healthy, flavorful raw food dishes. Learn about the benefits of eating foods in their natural. most useful form. Leave with recipes and resources to continue your path to a healthier you. Presented by Rachel Sytsma Reed. Rachel will share her passion for eating foods in their natural and most useful forms as well as sharing her personal journey to healthier eating. Classes are held at the Munson Charlevoix Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street on January 13, February 10, March 3, April 28, May 19th, all classes are held from 5:00PM -7:00PM. Take one or more classes - cost is \$35/person per class. Call to reserve your spot for one or more class, space is limited. (231) 437-

## **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 addidonations from Gaylord dle School and others. Other opportunities include 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 who are descendants of wartime service veterans are eligible to compete for \$1,000 or \$20,000 Samsung Scholarships. Due by May 26, 2017. 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 WEDNESDAYS**

Every Wednesday from 8am-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, Glu-cose 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 Triglyceride 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. Walkins only, no appointment required. For further information, contact the office of Community Health Education at the Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop at 231-437-3482.

**BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES** 

house.

11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program **Wii Bowling** 

Thursday, January 19

Friday, January 20 After Lunch: OJ Adkins

Use proper shower

chairs, walkers and

wheelchairs at home

Monday, January 23 Bingo• Gift Certificate Prize Rummikub

Wear sturdy shoes that

do not slip or slide but

also not too bulky

Tuesday, January 24 9-11am Veterans Social **Gathering & Lunch After** Veterans Eat Free! 10:30-1:30 Veterans Affairs

11am Music

Get rid of clutter, throw

rugs, loose objects,

electrical cords in the

10:30am Wii Bowl Practice Various Card Games

Wednesday, January 25

fall.

11am Arthritis Foundation **Exercise Program** Wii Bowling

Thursday, January 26

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11am Chair Yoga Class

1pm Mahjong

**Wii Bowling** 

w/Boyne City in Charlevoix

**1pm Ceramics** 

Go over all of your

medication because

some can cause you to

#### **CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES** Monday, January 23 Tuesday, January 24 Wednesday, January 25

Thursday, January 19 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30am Back Porch Music 1pm Mahjong 1pm Wii Bowling Practice

Thursday, January 19

**Foot Clinic** 

11am KARAOKE DAY!

12:30pm Euchre

**1pm Ceramics** 

MIS-MATCH SOCKS

Thursday, January 19

**MEATBALLS** 

Friday, January 20 9:30am Craft Class

Friday, January 20

11am Dollar in a Jukebox

Bingo

Baie Raffle - evervone

bring something!

WEAR RED

1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study

1pm Mahjong Wii Bowling in EJ

**JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES** Wednesday, January 25

GAME DAY!

Pool Table / Ping Pong

10:30am Crafts

1pm Texas Hold-Em

1pm Bingo

Thursday, January 26 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre

#### 1pm Paint Class **CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU**

Friday, January 20 **BAKED CHICKEN** 

Monday, January 23 **REUBEN CASSEROLE** 

Monday, January 23

8am-1pm Walking M-F

10:30am Exercise

12:30pm Wii Bowling

Tuesday, January 24 COOK'S CHOICE

Tuesday, January 24

Wii Bowling

w/Charlevoix in East Jordan

12:30pm Bingo

Meal Ticket Prize

Wednesday, January 25 **GARLIC CHICKEN** 

Thursday, January 26 **BEEF AND ALMOND RICE** 

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# News

## Walkabout Sculpture Show is an interactive experience

Boyne City's Walkabout Sculpture Show is again asking people to get involved by voting for their favorite, taking a picture, taking a selfie, or (if you're a student) writing an essay.

"We are encouraging people to get involved in several ways," said sculpture committee member Becky Harris. "First, people can vote for their favorite piece either at www.walkaboutsculptureshow.com or by picking up a brochure at downtown businesses, taking a tour of the eight sculptures and completing the ballot.

The People's Choice Award of a \$1,000 prize will be presented to the winning artist at the culmination of the show in June.

"Second, we are continuing our photography contest open to all amateur or professional photographers," Harris said. "This year we will have two photo contest categories: selfie photos and regular photos. Additionally, we will be introducing a student essay contest on why students think the Walkabout Sculpture Show is important and which sculpture is their favorite and why.'

The winner for each photo and essay category will receive \$100. All photo and essay entries must be posted on the Boyne City Main Street Facebook page. The photo and essay contests will run from

ner announced and recognized at the Second Annual Boyne Spelling Bee event on March 22. The winner will be chosen by the Walkabout Committee.

The installation of Boyne City's Walkabout Sculpture Show last June with eight beautiful sculptures in and around downtown Boyne City has created a buzz in the community.

"Bringing art to the out-of-doors where it can be enjoyed in tandem with our already beautiful landscape of parks, rivers, and lakes has added another wonderful dimension to our downtown vibrancy," said Martha Sulfridge, sculptor and

Ann Gildner of Cheboygan and creator of the Becca Triumphs sculpture, said, "The Walkabout Sculpture Show is enjoyed by all because it is outdoors. Many people never go to museums or galleries, but to take a nice walk around town and see artwork displayed reaches out to a wide range of people with many diverse backgrounds and ages. Art happens. All you have to do is show up or just look around. I am pleased to be a part of this art display for all to enjoy.'

Sulfridge said that "The goal is to create a new and fresh show each year and expand the tour to include more sculptures and artists from

around the country. Thousands of patrons, gallery owners, collectors and art enthusiasts will have the opportunity from now until June to admire the sculptures while taking in our wonderful area."

The show is free and accessible to all viewers 24 hours a day. All the featured art works are for sale. Anyone interested in purchasing a piece or finding out more about the photo contest may contact the Boyne City Main Street office at 231-582-9009, or by sending an email to Mainstreet@boynecity.com.

## **Charlevoix County Community Foundation adds new Trustees**

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of three (3) new trustees; Carol Burton, Bob Hoffman and Tami Vincent.

Carol Burton joins the Board of Trustees as a representative from Beaver Island. With her husband, Dan, Carol owns and operates the St. James Boat Shop, Dan Burton Builders and the Beaver Island Hideaway Campground. Carol. Dan and their five children have lived on the Island since 2002. Since that time, Carol has been the Executive Director/Festival Coordinator of the Beaver Island Music Festival. Carol served five years as a Girl Scout leader and is an active volunteer at the Beaver Island Community Schools, where she serves as the President of the Sports Boosters. Carol served on the board of the Beaver Island District Library and is a member of the Peaine Township Board of Re-

"I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as a member of the community foundation Board of Trustees," she said, adding, "I've seen the benefits of the foundation's grants, and I'm looking forward to being engaged in the years

Bob Hoffman will represent the Charlevoix area on the Board of Trustees. Bob is the Managing Member of Hoffman CPA Firm, PLC, a Certified Public Accounting and Consulting Firm that serves more than 900 clients in 19 states. The Firm employs a staff of 7. Born in Detroit, Bob attended Wayne State University. Bob moved to Charlevoix full-time in 1987, and he, and his wife, Linda, have two daughters and five grandchildren. Bob is an active member of the Charlevoix community, serving over the years on the executive board of Keep Charlevoix Beautiful, while also serving on the Charlevoix Zoning Board of Appeals. He currently serves on the boards of the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce and the Munson Healthcare Charlevoix



(I-r) Tami Vincent, Bob Hoffman and Carol Burton are the newest members of the Board of Trustees of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. COURTESY PHOTO

Hospital Foundation. Bob is also a member of the Rotary Club of Charlevoix.

"I believe in giving back to the community, and I'm honored to have the chance to be of service to the community foundation," he said, noting, "the foundation's good work in the community makes such a positive impact, and I'm looking forward to being a part of that ef-

Tami Vincent will represent the East Jordan area on the Board of Trustees. Tami is the Vice President, Human Resources and Administration for EJ, the worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of infrastructure access solutions, headquartered in East Jordan. A native of Traverse City, Tami is a graduate of Central Michigan University (BS) and Lake Superior State University (MBA). She is certified as a Senior Professional in Human Resources with the Human Resources Certification Institute and the Society for Human Resources Management. Tami is active in the East Jordan Rotary Club, serving on the Board

of Directors, and as an active participant in the annual Rotary Variety Show. She will serve as the Club President in 2017-18. Tami, and her husband, John, have two daughters

"I was humbled by the invitation to join the Board," she said, adding, "I feel like the foundation is the perfect place to work with others to make a positive impact in my community, and throughout Charlevoix County.'

Bill Aten, Chair of the Foundation's Board of Trustees, is looking forward to working with the new trustees. "Carol, Tami and Bob are a great fit for the community foundation. They're committed community citizens, and they bring a wide range of skills and experiences to the group," Aten said, adding, "we're so fortunate to be in a n tion to attract such capable people, and know that their engagement will benefit the foundation as well as the greater Charlevoix County community."

Including the new appointments, the Foundation's Board of Trustees includes fifteen members, repre-

senting all regions of Charlevoix County. Other trustees include; Don Spencer of Beaver Island; Bill Aten of Boyne Falls; Michelle Cortright, Evelyn Howell, Josette Lory and Lori Meeder of Boyne City; Perry Irish Hodgson, Ann Hollis and Dave Leusink of Charlevoix; and Scott Diller, Barbara Malpass and Jack Poindexter of East Jordan.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a grassroots charitable organization made up of various funds - all of them established by local donors. Some funds are earmarked for specific causes, and others are open-ended to meet changing needs. The funds are held in permanent endowment, so they can continue to grow and generate income to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County now and for generations to come. For more information about the grant-making process, establishing a fund, or making a gift, please contact the Charlevoix County Community Foundation at (231) 536-2440, or online at www.c3f.org.

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# **Local Lights of Love events** brighten holidays

The lights of the holiday season shone a little brighter this year after the Charlevoix and Boyne City Lights of Love tree lighting ceremonies remembering and honoring loved ones who had passed and those who could not be together for the holidays.

Charlevoix's 1st Annual Lights of Love benefit was held on Saturday, December 3, 2016 in East Park, Charlevoix. Hospice of Northwest Michigan raised \$4,400. Eta Nu's 29th Annual Lights of Love of benefit was held on Wednesday, December 7 in Boyne City. The Boyne Eta Nu Charities raised \$3,900 for Hospice of Northwest Michigan. Amy Wieland, Executive Director of The Hospice of Northwest Michigan, thanked the Boyne City crowd for their support for the past 29 years of giving totaling over \$114,000. The combined monies raised from these events will be used for unfunded hospice patient needs and care locally.

These funds were raised by the sponsoring of Christmas tree lights, the purchasing of hearts and ornaments, the sponsorships of the event, and proceeds from special Lights of Love beverages & sales along with the donations of the tree, lights, location, signs, and

Boyne Eta Nu Charities and Hos-



Charlevoix Lights of Love event. COURTESY PHOTO

pice of Northwest Michigan would like to thank all the people and families who sponsored lights and purchased ornaments and hearts. We could not have done it without the local businesses and merchants who sponsored the event and made donations to make this a very special event. Again a huge Thank you

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

McLaren offering primary care in Charlevoix

January 19, 2017

McLaren Northern Michigan is pleased to announce that Primary Care services will be offered starting Monday, January 23 at the McLaren Northern Michigan Charlevoix Clinic located at 1404 Bridge Street in Charlevoix. Robert Allum, DO, Primary Care Physician is expanding his Petoskey practice to serve patients in Charlevoix.

"I am looking forward to serving patients in the Charlevoix area and to grow the exceptional care McLaren Northern Michigan provides," stated Dr. Allum. "I will continue to see patients in Petoskey at the Demmer Wellness Pavilion.'

In addition to Family Medicine, Cardiology services, through Michigan Heart and Vascular Specialists of McLaren Northern Michigan, will continue to see patients at this location.

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#### Registration opens for Dogman Challenge Bike Race

Revolution Bike in Charlevoix is proud to host the 5th Annual Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race with the support

of Bickersteth Brown & Associates, Lake Charlevoix Brewing Company, Charlevoix Convention & Visitor's Bureau, and Mt Mc-

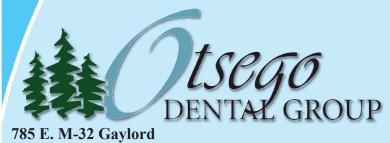
Sauba Recreation Area,. The event is on tap for Saturday, February 25th beginning with a mass start at 12:00 Noon on top of the bunny hill at Mt McSauba in Charlevoix. Riders will race Fat Bikes on a 1.8-mile loop through the trails of Mt McSauba and North Point Nature Preserve. The riders to complete the most laps in two hours are the champions and will be awarded sweet, one-of-a kind Dogman medals and cash prizes. Medals and prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in the men's and women's division both Expert and Sport. Businesses wishing to donate prizes for the riders should contact Revolution Bike.

The awards ceremony will be held at Lake Charlevoix Brewing Company beginning at 4:00pm. Prize donors and sponsors will be recognized, and all are invited to attend.

Not a competitor? Not a problem. The course is spectator friendly. There will be fire pits. s'mores, and excitement galore, so we hope that you are able to come out and watch these amazing athletes compete. Spectators can even get in out of the cold and watch the action unfold from the upper level of the ski lodge. It's a great day to bring the family to Mt. McSauba to watch an extreme sporting event and/or partake in some fantastic skiing, sledding, skating, or snowboarding.

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# News

## **SENTENCING**

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maximum sentencing. "The only reason Jacob came up there was because you told him that you needed him. He loved you. You didn't deserve his friendship," Murmur told Fruge, "I loved my son, we'll never get him back. You have your life. You'll always be alive."

Murner continued to address the court about Fruge: "He chose to brutally, gruesomely murder my son and then I had to stand there and bury him and know that would be the last time I'd ever see him."

Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof said he asked the judge to impose the maximum sentence on Fruge primarily for "public safety reasons" because he is "a dangerous person due to his combination of mental health and substance abuse issues."

Fruge's defense attorney, Brvan Klawuhn of Petoskev. argued that substance abuse was not to blame in Conklin's death, however, and asked the court to instead impose a five year-minimum sentence based on his client's mental health history, which includes prior mental illness and diagnosis of post-traumatic stress dis-

"He needs (mental) help because he has to learn how to live in society because this cannot happen again," Klawuhn told the court.

Conklin's widow, Jessica, also read an impact statement to the court on behalf of herself and the couple's four young children. "My heart breaks for my kids every day. They need him just like any child needs their dad. Matt (Fruge) still gets to have a relationship with his kids," Conklin said.

Fruge himself addressed the court prior to sentencing: "If I could take back things, there would be no doubt..." Fruge said, "This has impacted me and a lot of other people as well and I'm

In sentencing Fruge to 10-15 years in prison, Telgenhof said Hayes agreed that substance abuse was indeed a contributing factor in Conklin's stabbing death and therefore imposed the maximum time possible. Fruge will be eligible for parole in ten years, Telgenhof said.

He also noted that Fruge's guilty but mentally ill conviction means that during his sentence, Fruge will receive mental health treatment from the Michigan Department of Corrections and also from the Department of Mental Health, if necessary.

At sentencing, Hayes told Fruge, "Your substance abuse problems have resulted in the loss of Jacob Conklin's life and they have truly devastated two families.'

Murner remembered her son as a loving, generous and dedicated family man with a wonderful sense of humor, "He loved everybody. He never did anything to hurt anybody.'

## Woman killed in sledding accident at Boyne Mountain Resort



Sally Anna Ottenhoff, 20, of Grosse Pointe Park, died last weekend in a sledding accident at Boyne Moun-

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE FALLS - Alcohol is a likely factor in the death of a 20-year-old downstate woman who was killed in a sledding accident at Boyne Mountain last weekend.

Charlevoix County Sheriff Chuck Vondra said Sally Anna Ottenhoff, 20, of Grosse Pointe Park, was taken to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey in the pre-dawn hours of Sunday, January 15, where she later died from injuries suffered in a sledding accident on a ski slope at Boyne Mountain.

Vondra said the slope, designed for use only by skiers and snowboarders,

was closed when the 9-1-1 call came in just before 3 a.m. Sunday morning.

He said emergency crews arrived at Boyne Mountain Resort to find Ottenhoff lying on a plastic table near the Civic Center loading dock where her friends dragged her after finding her.

It was later learned Ottenhoff had been staying at the resort with family and had gone with a group of friends who decided to go sledding on the ski slopes after hours.

Ottenhoff somehow lost control of the saucer-style sled she was using, Vondra said, and careened into a building at high speed.

He said it's likely that alcohol was a factor in the accident.

Boyne Mountain Resort President

and General Manager Ed Grice issued a media statement regarding Otten-

hoff's death in the sledding accident: "This is a terribly tragic event and our team is keeping this young woman, as well as her family and

friends, in our hearts. Our security department received the call at 2:47 Sunday morning, 9-1-1 was also called and first responders arrived shortly after and rendered assistance until she was transported.

Boyne Mountain Resort does not authorize the use of any form of sledding equipment on trails intended for skiing and snowboarding at any time."

EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, JANUARY 17, 2017

## City of East Jordan talks property sales

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN - East Jordan city commissioners passed an ordinance Tuesday evening allowing for the monthly billing of water to begin this February and had discussions related to the Air Industrial Park, potential purchase of city property on Bridge Street, and a medical marijuana ordinance.

After many conversations between City Administrator Tom Cannon and a potential property buyer, the hope for a new business at the Industrial Park recently fell through. At the recommendation of real estate agents, the commission gave Cannon permission to offer the property at \$14k per acre after the last December commission meeting.

"Honestly, I thought \$14k was reasonable...but it sounds like in the last email that the potential

buyer has moved on," Cannon said. "We definitely tried to reach out to get this going."

The potential buyer was looking for a space to build a warehouse for a startup sock company, and while he lives overseas, East Jordan was the community he lived in as a foreign exchange student years ago. The city plans to find new ways in which they might be able to better market the property in the future.

Homeowners on Bridge Street have approached the city about purchasing city-owned property that sits adjacent to their parcel. The vacant land which sits at the corner of Bridge Street and Jordan Street is too small to build on and offers no real benefit to the city.

"In my opinion, selling this property is a win-win for both sides," Cannon said. "The property is now on the tax rolls, eliminates cost to

Public Works (due to mowing), and increases the available yard space for the homeowner."

While commissioners were in favor of selling the property, the issue has been tabled, as the original property deed from 1913 states that the property is to be put in park land for public use.

After being approached by an area citizen at the December 20 commission meeting requesting the city have an ordinance put into place for a medical marijuana dispensary, commissioners briefly discussed the topic Tuesday evening.

Cannon said he spoke with several other city managers, and the consensus seems to be that cities should wait it out for now.

While Governor Snyder did sign the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMFLA) that went into effect December 20, 2016, the

MMFLA allows for 360 days for implementation. This means that no one can apply for a state license under the MMFLA until December 15, 2017. And a state license cannot be applied for without an already adopted ordinance within a city or township that authorizes a facility of that nature

"This is really, in my opinion, a social issue and a zoning issue," said City Attorney Scott Beatty.

City staff and commissioners hope to attend local government training related to the MMFLA through MSU Extension this Febru-

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

## **Inauguration Day trivia**

### **Compiled by Jim Akans**

Here we go! At high noon on Friday, January 20, Donald J. Trump will be sworn in as the 45th President of the United States on the West Front of the Capitol Building in Washington D.C. Like our country, inauguration day has undergone some interesting changes throughout our Nation's history. Following are some inauguration and presidential trivia tidbits to ponder as we officially move into the next phase of leadership in the good old USA.

With a record crowd of approximately 1.8 million people in attendance, Barack Obama is sworn in as the 44th president of the United States by Chief Justice of the United States, John G. Roberts, Jr. on January 20, 2009, WIKIPEDIA COMMONS FILE



- The first inaugural ball was held in March of 1809 following the inauguration of James Madison. Dolly Madison, the wife of President James Madison, organized the first event. It took place at Long's Hotel and tickets cost \$4 each.

- At first, March was a common month for inaugurations. The 20th Amendment, ratified in 1933, set the official Inauguration Day date at the 20th of January. The first President inaugurated under this new guideline was Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1937. Roosevelt was also the only President elected to office four times. The 22nd Amendment, ratified in 1951, limiting the office to

the oldest first term elected president. John F. Kennedy is the youngest (43 years old), though Teddy Roosevelt was sworn in at age 42 following the death of President McKinley.

- Abraham Lincoln was the tallest president (6'4"), James Madison the shortest (5'4") and lightest (100 pounds) and William Taft the heavi-

president and president without being elected at all. He took the VP office after Spiro Agnew resigned and became president after Richard Nixon resigned.

two terms. At age 70, Donald J. Trump is

est (332 pounds). - Gerald Ford became both vice

The shortest inaugural address was 135 words by George Washington. At 8,445 words (about 105 minutes), William H. Harrison's was the longest inaugural address. Stand-



President Lincoln (out tallest president) delivering his second inaugural address with papers in his hand. Public domain media file.

ing outside that long may have not been such a good idea. Harrison died of pneumonia after just a month in office.

- Ronald Reagan holds the distinction of being sworn in on both the coldest and warmest of inauguration days. January 20, 1981 was a balmy 55 degrees in Washington and January 21, 1985 the temperature was in the single digits. Reagan's second inauguration did take place privately on January 20, but since that happened to also be Super Bowl Sunday; the public ceremony took place on Monday, Janu-

- Largest inauguration day

turnout; the swearing in of Barack Obama in 2009 (approximately 1.8 million attended).

The phrase "so help me God" during the Oath of Office is not actually contained in the oath as mandated by the Constitution. It was first spoken by Chester Arthur at the end of his oath in September 1881, referring to the rebuilding of our nation after the assassination of President James Garfield.

- The phrase "the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans..." was spoken by John F. Kennedy during his inauguration address in 1960.

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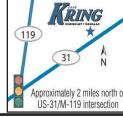




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