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County law enforcement officials trained to detect drivers under the influence

By Michelle Medjesky



Charlevoix County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Katrina Martin. COURTESY PHOTO.

CHARLEVOIX - Being able to accurately detect whether a driver is impaired has become a vastly more difficult task for law enforcement in recent years in the midst of an ever-growing list of both legal and illegal drugs being used.

From heroin and crack cocaine to legalized medical marijuana and prescription drugs, what seems to be arguably an almost ubiquitous use of drugs has become a nationwide problem, and one that

Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof said is clear that residents of this county have not been immune to this growing problem.

In effort to better learn the subtleties of detecting specific behaviors as they might correspond to the use of different substances, Telgenhof said two members of his county law enforcement team were sent to Lansing where they recently completed a two week-long course to become a Drug Recognition Expert

(DRE).

Telgenhof said Charlevoix County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Katrina Martin and Charlevoix County Sheriff's Corporal Nate Kaminski both completed the course this month. The training will enhance the pair's ability to detect and better prosecute drivers under the influence of drugs, he said.

"This has always been an important area, but with medical marijuana growing in popularity, the ability to detect and prosecute drugged drivers is more critical than ever," Telgenhof stated in a media release. He noted that for the first time since 2007, there were 1,000 road deaths in Michigan last year. "Drugs

are a large factor," he said.

While other states offer DRE training programs, Michigan is the only one to allow prosecutors to complete the course, Telgenhof added, noting his assistant prosecutor, Martin, was a perfect candidate to participate since she has handled all cases of impaired or intoxicated driving in Charlevoix County since 2012.

"Katrina is one of the leading prosecutors in the state," Telgenhof said, "Her commitment and knowledge in the area of impaired drivers are exceptional. Our county is very lucky to have her."

During their training, Telgenhof

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Boys Falls Logger Hunter Sparks (33) goes up strong for a shot attempt early in the contest against Harbor Light. Story inside in Sports. (PHOTO BY SCOTT RICHARDS)

Charlevoix indoor sidewalk sales this weekend

It may be cold outside, but the deals are hot at the Charlevoix Indoor Sidewalk Sales taking place over Presidents' Day weekend. This annual shopping event begins on Friday, February 17th and runs through Monday February 20th.

Enjoy countless bargains and more on a variety of great merchandise at participating stores. Take advantage of substantial reductions on seasonal inventory that must go. Shoppers will find great discounts on gift items, home decor, clothing, books, art, jewelry, accessories and more. While in town, be sure to enjoy a bite to eat at one of our many fantastic restaurants. Charlevoix is open for business, so Shop Local for spectacular deals over the holiday weekend!

For more information, contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-547-2101 or info@charlevoix.org.

Short-lived fire at Harborside Home in Bay Harbor

Bay Harbor - Monday morning at approximately 7:45 a.m., smoke was seen coming from an area located in the Harborside neighborhood of Bay Harbor. Firefighters arrived on the scene within minutes of the 911 dispatch, and at that time flames were seen coming from the roof of a home located on Vista Drive.

The Bay Harbor Company is pleased that thanks to the quick response by the Petoskey Department of Public Safety and the Re-

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THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY



HIGH: 23
LOW: 15



HIGH: 40
LOW: 31



HIGH: 48
LOW: 31

SUNDAY MONDAY



HIGH: 43
LOW: 30



HIGH: 46
LOW: 38

snowfall

DATE	2015-16
2/15/2016	36.3
2/15/2016	64
2/15/2016	51.9
2/15/2016	75.2
2/15/2016	92.4
2/15/2016	99
2/15/2016	39.9
2/15/2016	93

DATE	2016-17
2/13/17	44
2/13/17	89.4
2/13/17	50.3
2/13/17	97.5
2/13/17	154
2/13/17	119.7
2/13/17	43.7
2/13/17	100.1

record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
FEB 16	11°	32°	-28° (1963)	50° (1981)
FEB 17	11°	32°	-41° (1979)	52° (1981)
FEB 18	12°	33°	-13° (1989)	57° (1994)
FEB 19	12°	33°	-21° (1979)	56° (1994)
FEB 20	12°	33°	-21° (1950)	57° (1983)
FEB 21	12°	33°	-20° (1978)	52° (1983)
FEB 22	13°	34°	-24° (1963)	57° (2000)
FEB 23	13°	34°	-20° (1962)	57° (1984)

Helen Alma Lick-Lyons, 93

(MARCH 10, 1923 - FEB. 9, 2017)

Helen Lick-Lyons passed away Thursday, February 9th in Petoskey, MI.

Helen was born March 10, 1923 to Amelia and Gustav Lick. She lived in the Boyne Falls and Boyne City area all of her life. Helen graduated from Boyne Falls High School in 1942 and took a Home Economics course from MS College in 1944. She was employed by Michigan Bell Telephone Company for 18 years. She enjoyed making quilts, crocheting, sewing, canning, cooking and baking, and rummage sales. She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary and the Lutheran Ladies Aid. In 1946 she married Orvis Lyons and they made their home in the Boyne Falls Area.

She is survived by her adopted daughter Gissele (Alan) Massey and 5 grandchildren; Alan (Amy) Massey, Diana (Dannie) Arnold, Amy (Jeremy) Massey-Knapp, Jessica (Stephen) Ward, and Matthew Massey; and 9 great-grandchildren, Thane, Savannah, Mackensie, Mikaiyla, Dannie, Rianna, Connor, Aiden, and Madalynn.

The funeral will be held at the Boyne City Christ Lutheran Church at 11:00 am on Wednesday February 15, 2017 with visitation being held from 10:00 AM until the time of service.

Memorial donations may be directed to the Boyne City Christ Lutheran Church.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Helen are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Interment will be in the Boyne Valley Township Cemetery.

Francis "Frank" J. Scanlon, 94

(FEB. 16, 1922 - FEB. 8, 2017)

Francis J. "Frank" Scanlon of Cheboygan passed away Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at his home. He was born February 16, 1922 in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, the son of Frank and Stella (Porter) Scanlon. On January 12, 1942 in Sault Ste. Marie, ON, Frank married Mona E. Reid who preceded him in death in 2009.

Frank enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII, serving in the Pacific Theatre and was honorably discharged in 1945. He re-enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1948 and retired in 1966 as Senior Chief. Upon his discharge, he and Mona retired to Connecticut. He started a second career as an electrician with Dow Chemical Company in Ledyard, CT and had also spent 20 years at William Backus Hospital in Norwich, CT as the maintenance manager, finally retiring in 1987. He and Mona moved to Cheboygan in 1991 from Griswold, CT. Frank was a life member of the V.F.W. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed cutting and splitting firewood, hunting, fishing and camping.

Survivors include his three sons, Frank G. (Cathy) Scanlon of Cheboygan, John Scanlon of Ann Arbor and James Scanlon of Boyne City, five grandchildren, Patrick

Scanlon, William (Denise) Scanlon, Steven Baker, Alan Baker and Joshua Scanlon, four great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Besides his wife, Mona, Frank was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Scanlon and Virginia Fletcher.

A graveside memorial service to be held at Mt. Calvary Cemetery will be announced in the spring. Memorial contributions in Frank's name may be directed to Hospice of the Straits in Cheboygan, MI. Arrangements are being handled by the Nordman-Christian Funeral Home.

Don D. Dixon, 79

(JULY 17, 1937 - FEB. 5, 2017)

Don D. Dixon passed from this life gently and peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Sunday, February 5, 2017 at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix.

Don's life will be remembered and celebrated during a memorial service that will be held this Saturday, February 11, 2017 at the Boyne City United Methodist Church at 11:00 a.m., the service will be led by Pastor Eun Cloud. Don's family will receive friends at the church beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Don was born on July 17, 1937 in Boyne Falls, his parents were Harry and Henrietta (Gillis) Dixon. Don grew up in Boyne Falls and attended school there. In February of 1957 Don enlisted in the United States Army serving until his honorable discharge in 1960. As a young man, Don worked alongside his father at their family restaurant, "The Baby Grand". On July 7, 1961, he married his lifelong love, Shirley Bascom; the two made their home initially in Petoskey. Don and Shirley moved to Ludington and Don began a decade's long career in the building trades. He worked on projects both big and small all over the state. In the mid 1970's Don and Shirley moved their young family back north to Boyne City. Don retired in 1991.

Don was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend; his love for those close to him knew no bounds. He had a keen if not a mischievous sense of humor and could always be counted on for a good laugh. He loved and collected antique cars, and participated in many auto shows in which he won several trophies.

Don is survived by his loving wife Shirley and by their three children, daughter, Pam (Pat) Kruskie of Alanson, Julie Swanson of Boyne City and Rick (Paula) Dixon of Alba, and by his seven grandchildren, Melissa, Amanda, Kari, Elizabeth, Joe, Spencer and Jake and his great granddaughter Layla, who Don called, "his special angel from heaven", as well as his faithful and cherished cat, Missy. Other surviving family members include Don's brothers and sisters, Darlene Massey, Dorris Dambert, Bruce Dixon, Christena Hosmer, Bill (Pam) Dixon, Coleen (Ron) Nesson and Ed Dixon. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Dale and numerous aunts and uncles, especially his aunt, Lola Franklin

with whom Don was very close.

Those wishing to remember Don with a charitable contribution may direct gifts to his family in care of his wife Shirley, donations will be directed to a charity for children.

Joseph Louis Foster, 45

(OCT. 2, 1971 - FEB. 11, 2017)

Joseph Louis Foster of Boyne City, MI, passed away Saturday, February 11, 2017.

Joseph was born to Joseph and Alta (Leist) Foster in Flint on October 02, 1971. One of five siblings, family was always one of his great loves, and he enjoyed spending time with all his nieces and nephews.

He was also an outdoorsman that liked to hunt and fish, as well as a creative type—he enjoyed wildlife painting and drawing (even designing his own tattoos) and playing his guitar. Above all, his family will remember his strong will and his love for life.

He is survived by his father, Joseph (Karen) Foster; siblings, Joella Foster, Terry Lynn (David) Padgett, Ryan Foster, Sheila (Clifford) Diener, Dawn (Matt) Pokorski, and Richard "Lance" Diamond; and nieces and nephews Tabitha, Kasara, Tiia, Everette, Alex, Jacob, Matt, and Jonathan.

Joseph was predeceased by his mother, Alta Elaine Leist.

Memorial contributions in his honor may be made to the American Cancer Society and/or Self-Help Addiction Rehabilitation, Inc. of Detroit through Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548 Gaylord, MI 49734.

Michael F. Shananaquet, 34

(FEB. 4, 1983 - FEB. 10, 2017)

Michael F. Shananaquet Jr. of Williamsburg passed away Friday, February 10, 2017. He was born February 4, 1983 in Traverse City, the son of Michael F. and Shirley (Houser) Shananaquet. Mike loved spending time with his family. He enjoyed many outdoor activities, especially hunting, fishing, camping, mudding and various winter activities. Mike graduated in 2006 with degrees in science, automotive and carpentry. He was a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

In December of 2011 Mike changed his troubled life course and became a great leader. He was a para-pro for college students and Den Leader with the Boy Scouts of America. He worked for both Turtle Creek Casino and Great Lakes Stainless Steel.

Mike is survived by his wife, Dawn Taylor of Williamsburg; children, Essence (Ess) of East Jordan, Logan of Traverse City, Mikenzey (Kz) of Williamsburg, Keegan (Spud) of Williamsburg; mother, Shirley Shananaquet of Traverse City; sisters, Shannon Rouch of Grawn, Brandy Shananaquet of Grawn, Katrika (Dave) DeMars of Thompsonville, Clara Shananaquet of Peshawbestown, Alicia (Robert) Emery of Williamsburg; brother, Misheka Floyd of Peshawbestown; his lifelong friends (cousins) Marc Shananaquet and Carmen Sciuto along with many other close beloved cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Michael F. Shananaquet Sr. in 2012 along with grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services will be

held Wed. February 15, 2017 at 1:00pm in the Michigan Ball Room at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme with Pastor Christine Johnson officiating. The family will receive friends Monday evening until 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday at his home, 3975 Pulverwoods (known as Hursh Road) Williamsburg, MI. The family will also hold a short service on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at his home.

Memorials may be directed to Mike's family in care of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Arrangements have been handled by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Nancy Kay Allison, 68

(APRIL 13, 1948 - FEB. 12, 2017)

Nancy Kay Allison age 68 lifelong resident of Charlevoix passed away on February 12, 2017 at her home.

Nancy was born on April 13, 1948, daughter of the late Albert and Neva (Webster) Smith.

Nancy worked at North Central Michigan College for 37 years as a controller in the accounting department and as the treasurer for the United Methodist Church. She served as Charlevoix Public School Board Member as well as at the Charlevoix Children's House. Nancy was the owner and operator of Curves in Charlevoix for five years. She was a volunteer at Charlevoix Elementary School helping read with children as well as the Kids Hope Program Organization. She enjoyed spending her free time golfing, boating, and spending time with her grandchildren.

On July 21, 1974 in Charlevoix Nancy married Clyde Allison who survives. She is also survived by her children, Jodi (Greg) Shepard and Traci (Christopher) Mailoux all of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Lauren Shepard, Kaylyn Mailloux and Madeleine Mailloux; sister, Ruth Ann (Howard) Campbell of Charlevoix; sister-in-law, Gail Baldrige of Charlevoix and mother-in-law, Phyllis Allison of Charlevoix and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, Dick Smith; sister-in-law, Bev Smith and father-in-law, Warren Allison.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, February 17, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Charlevoix United Methodist Church with Pastor Greg Culver officiating. The family will receive guests for visitation one hour prior to services.

Memorial contributions in Nancy's name may be directed to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 W. Garfield Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Please visit Nancy's online guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com to share your memories or condolences with her family.

Eugene S. Steele, 80

(JUNE 7, 1936 - FEB. 11, 2017)

Gene Schust Steele of Charlevoix passed away on February 11, 2017 at his home.

He was born on June 7, 1936 in Saginaw, MI to the late Rex and Leah Steele. He served in Korea. He attended Hillsdale College and later graduated from Michigan State University.

He had been a Charlevoix resident since 1970 and he was in the business of real estate as both a realtor and broker for 45 years. Having owned his own company,

Charlevoix Properties in the 1970s and 80s. Gene retired last year from the business he loved and he often spoke of the many friends that he had come to know as a result.

Gene is survived by his wife of 53 years, Barbara; two sons, Michael and Charles; brother Rex (Judy) Steele and step brother Bill Coolidge.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and step brother John Coolidge.

Gene loved sailing especially in the Bahamas and West Indies. He was an avid golfer, automotive enthusiast, and with Barbara toured throughout the United States by motor home.

Gene's wish was to have his ashes scattered on waves of Lake Michigan. There will be a plan for this farewell this summer.

In lieu of flowers or cards memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan, Donation Processing Center, 112 W. Chisholm Street, Alpena, MI 49707.

Please visit Gene's guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com to share your memories or condolences with his family.

Virginia Johnson, 89

(APRIL 3, 1927 - FEB. 11, 2017)

Virginia M. Johnson of Petoskey died on February 11, 2017 at The Villa at The Bay.

No services are planned at this time.

A burial will be held at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix in the spring.

Mark William Kantola, 66

(JUNE 23, 1950 - FEB. 10, 2017)

Mark W. Kantola of Charlevoix died February 10, 2017 at his home.

No services are planned at this time.

Arvita C. (Liskum) Walczak, 82

(APRIL 21, 1934 - FEB. 6, 2017)

Arvita C. Walczak of East Jordan passed away Monday, February 6, 2017, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility. She was born April 21, 1934, in East Jordan to Harold Rv and Sadie (Murphy) Liskum. Arvita graduated from East Jordan High School. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in East Jordan.

Arvita was preceded in death by her husband, Robert. She is survived by her daughters, Margo Burton, and Carolyn both of Ionia, Lynnora Walczak of East Jordan; grandchildren, Steven Walczak, Karri Walczak, Wendy (Casey) Lawson, and Robert Wiser; sister, Sandina (Leon) Reister of Ionia.

No services are planned.

REV. William P. Cook, 89

(JAN. 15, 1928 - FEB. 5, 2017)

Rev. William P. Cook went to be with his Lord on Sunday, February 5, 2017, at his home in Holt, Michigan.

He was born in Ontonago (Portsmouth), OH, on January 15, 1928; the youngest of four children to Charles Bonner and Gladys Ruth Cook. He graduated from Wheelersburg High School in 1945 and shortly thereafter joined the army, being sent to East Africa, to be a radio intercept operator (Code Breaker), during World War II. Upon return, he enrolled at Lincoln Christian University, where he met and married Mary Ellen Bender. They wed on his favorite day of the year, Christmas, in 1949.

Bill served small Christian churches as a preaching min-

ister, in IL, IN, MI, KY, and OH, and as the Director of Maintenance, of what was then known as Eastern Christian College, in MD, where he also "supply preached" on weekends. At various times, to supplement his preacher's salary, he worked in a broom factory, a lumberyard, as a car mechanic, and as extra snow-plow help during Michigan's rough winters. After retiring from the pulpit, he worked for AT & T, as a supervisor of mechanics and printing presses before moving to Wabash, IN, where he was an "interim" minister for 17 years for the First Brethren Church, in Mexico, IN. The people of Wabash also knew Bill as a long-time greeter for Wal-Mart. All told, Bill preached for his Savior for 62 years.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Mary Ellen, and by their four children: Pollianne and John Bates, Bill C. and Pam Cook, Leah Rose and Gary Johnson, and Ed, who had the privilege of caring for his parents the past two years. Bill has five grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at the Holt Christian Church, 2424 S. Washington Road, Holt, MI 48911. Rev. Conrad Gonzalez officiated.

Jane Helen Meade (Graham), 72

(JUNE 25, 1944 - FEB. 7, 2017)

Jane H. Meade died Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at her home near East Jordan.

She was born a twin on June 25, 1944, in Charlevoix, the daughter of Hugh and Gertrude (Duckworth) Graham.

Jane graduated from East Jordan High School in 1962 and then attended business school. Jane had several careers in local business over the years.

In December of 1963, she married Glenn Mayhew. He died in 1982. On March 17, 1990, in East Jordan, Jane married Clayton Meade. He survives.

Jane was very active in community affairs for many years. She had served as a board member of the South Arm Township Zoning Board, South Arm Township Zoning Board of Appeals, Grandvue Medical Care Facility and the East Jordan Sports Boosters. She had been an active member of the East Jordan Lioness as well as playing and coaching softball in East Jordan.

She was an avid fan of the Detroit Lions and NASCAR. She was a Dale Earnhardt, Jr. enthusiast. She loved assisting with the Freedom Festival Parade, flower gardening, bird watching and spending time with her grandchildren.

Jane is survived by her husband, Clayton Meade of East Jordan; five children, Kevin (Pam) Mayhew of Moore, Oklahoma, Brad (Kathy) Mayhew of Lafayette, Indiana, Kelli (Tim) Streufert of East Jordan, Pat (Brad) Bloomquist of Grand Rapids and Scott (Cindy) Meade of East Jordan; thirteen grandchildren; five great grandchildren; two sisters, Louise "Peg" Nelson of Waynesville, Missouri and Jane's twin, Jean (Jerry) Strejc of Cadillac; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan. Rev. James Jordan officiated.

Memorials may be directed to East Jordan Lioness Cancer Fund.

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Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race is next Saturday

By Jim Akans

The 5th annual Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race is set for next Saturday, February 25. The event will kick off with a mass start at noon on top of the bunny hill at Mt McSauba in Charlevoix. From there, riders aboard fat tire bicycles will compete along a nearly two mile loop across the trails at Mt. McSauba and the North Point Nature Preserve.

The race is not only a blast for the riders, spectators will enjoy watching the fun. There will be fire pits and s'mores to keep warm both inside and out, and for a full warm up the view is also great from the upper level at the ski lodge.

"Everyone has a great time," states Chet Morris, owner of Revolution Bike. "We expect to see around 50 riders, local, regional and from out of the state. Last year we started our after



race party at The Lake Charlevoix Brewing Company. They even have a special local brew for this event called the Rabid Racer. Attendees can spin the wheel at the after party for a chance to win prizes."

Competitors at the Dogman Challenge vie to complete the most laps in a two-hour period. Top placers will receive the coveted Dogman medal as well as cash prizes. Awards will be presented to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in Expert and Sport classes for both men and women. The awards ceremony will take place at the Lake Charlevoix Brewing Company starting at 4pm, and all are invited to attend.



And they're off! The 5th annual Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race is set for next Saturday, February 25. The event will kick off with a mass start at noon on top of the bunny hill at Mt McSauba in Charlevoix. COURTESY PHOTO.



Riders aboard fat tire bicycles will compete along a nearly 2-mile loop across the trails at Mt. McSauba and the North Point Nature Preserve. COURTESY PHOTO

What a great way to spend the afternoon in the north...bring the entire family! The 5th annual Dogman Challenge Fat Bike Race is hosted by Revolution Bike in

Charlevoix and is being sponsored by Bickersteth Brown & Associates, Lake Charlevoix Brewing Company, Charlevoix Convention & Visitor's Bureau and Mt

McSauba Recreation Area. For more information or to register to compete, contact Revolution Bike at 231-237-0900 or visit www.dogman-challenge.net.

DUI TRAINING

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explained Martin and Kaminski learned how impairment is detected and observed, which will help them to discover and utilize critical information and observations from officers who have not been trained in the DRE method, even when those officers didn't think their information was relevant.

That information might include even subtle changes in a person's attitude, level of consciousness, or their ability to carry on an intelligent conversation, Telgenhof said.

He added that Kaminski's completion of the DRE training course now qualifies him to testify as a drug recognition expert in courts throughout the state of Michigan.

BAY HARBOR FIRE

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sort/Bear Creek Fire Department, the fire at 1080 Vista Drive was contained to the one home. A neighboring home has received smoke and water damage as a result of the fire.

Bay Harbor Company is very pleased that no injuries have been reported. Our thoughts and prayers are with the homeowners affected by this event.

The home has been declared a total loss, with investigation scheduled to begin later today.

EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, FEB. 7, 2017

Failure to launch:

East Jordan pursues new boat launch location

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN - East Jordan city commissioners exchanged ideas at the Tuesday, February 7 meeting concerning city property sales, the Old State Bridge project, a conceptual Tourist Park boat launch, and the EMS Authority proposed budget.

Homeowners on Bridge Street recently 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.

While commissioners were in favor of selling the property, they agreed a policy concerning the sale of city property may need to be developed in the future. At the request of City Attorney Scott Beatty, the possible property sale has been tabled for a later meeting.

"I have a lot of confidence that the closure of the river will be at a minimal amount that is not going to affect the summer traffic," City Administrator Tom Cannon said. "However, there will be a few days in the spring when there will be heavy equipment."

The Old State Bridge will undergo renovations beginning this spring due to erosion being caused at the access site on the Jordan River from the two culverts.

"I have a lot of confidence that the closure of the river will be at a minimal amount that is not going to affect the summer traffic," City Administrator Tom Cannon said. "However, there will be a few days in the spring when there will be heavy equipment."

The city continues to move forward with a conceptual plan for a new boat launch at the Tourist Park. The current boat launch, located downtown on the corner of Mill and Water streets, has not been fully operational due to low

water levels and the sand and silt that is carried into the lake from the Jordan River. Phase one for the prospective launch site would include a near \$377,000 price tag. This cost includes initial dredging of the area, construction of a parking lot and new concrete ramp, wetlands restoration, lighting, landscaping and more.

Located near softball fields, a playground, campground, basketball and tennis courts, the new launch site would be close to recreational areas and would be less likely to fill with silt from the Jordan River, as the ramp will not sit directly at the mouth of the river. With the state's recent approval to move the launch site, commissioners approved proceeding with

the grant application process.

Commissioners also briefly discussed the Jordan Valley EMS Authority 2017/18 budget

John Doebel, city representative on the authority board said that the authority hopes to use some of the millage this year to pay for ambulances they have already purchased but have not yet paid off. He also commented that the authority might have the opportunity to purchase a used ambulance with low mileage from Boyne Valley at a good price.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

Northern MI Brass Band Concert

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BC POLICE DEPT INCIDENT REPORT

Monday, January 30, 2017
0820 2 vehicle crash in the 1000 block of Boyne Av.
0936 Request for welfare check on N Park St.
1448 Civil complaint from the 300 block of E Division St
2015 Suspicious situation on Wilson St

Tuesday, January 31, 2017
0535 Driving complaint coming

into Boyne City on Boyne City Rd
1009 Threats complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1041 Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of S Park St
1725 Property damage crash at Division and Grant.
1803 Report of stalking issues in the 400 block of Boyne Ave.

Wednesday, February 1, 2017
1041 Parking violation on W Water St
244 Found purse located in the 100 block of E Water St. Owner contacted
1718 Assist to Sheriff Dept in

Horton Bay.
2242 Report of a possible Domestic in the 1400 block of Pleasant Ave.

Thursday, February 2, 2017
1425 Medical Alarm in the 300 block of E Division St
1754 Car deer crash on State St at the City Limits
1839 Motorist assist M-75 City Limits.
2013 Assist to parole Officer on N East St

Friday, February 3, 2017
0009 Assist EMS in the 300

block of Front St.
0950 Assist EMS in the 700 block of Vogel St
1045 Juvenile complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1533 Report of subject running red lights on school bus at Park and Vogel. Made contact w/driver
1624 Driving complaint reported in the area of Main and Lake St
1714 Harassment complaint on Facebook reported from Florida
2045 Parking complaint on E Water St.
2109 Report of a dog in a car on S Park St.

Saturday, February 4, 2017
0104 Assist Sheriff Dept on M-75
1153 Alarm in the 300 block of Bay St
1242 Parking violation in in the 100 block of E Water St
1342 Report of subject being harassed on Facebook by person in Florida.
1750 Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St
2000 Assist EMS in the 100 block of E Water St
2020 Alarm in the 300 block of E Division St.

2100 Report of fireworks in the area of W Court and N Lake. Unable to locate
2230 Alarm in the 400 block of N Lake St.

Sunday, February 5, 2017
0223 Assist EMS in the 600 block of Jefferson.
0830 Was dispatched to vehicle unlock on S Park St
1256 Assist EMS in the 300 block of E Division St
2127 Assist EMS in the 400 block of Front St
2350 Assist EMS in the Industrial Park

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BOYNE CITY

ONLINE DATING WORKSHOP

February 16, 6pm, Boyne District Library. The technology department is sponsoring an Online Dating Workshop featuring information about how to access online programs, how they work, and, hopefully, a few success stories will be shared. Free event.

BOYNE CITY

PLANNING/ZONING TRAINING SESSION

February 16, 5pm, St. Matthews Parish Hall. Members of the Boyne City Commission, Planning Commission and City staff will meet for a planning/zoning training session. The primary focus of the training will be the roles, rules and proper procedures for conditional re-zonings and its use. This session is intended to focus on conditional re-zonings in general; it will not specifically deal with re-zoning requests currently before the City. The meeting will be facilitated by an outside planning/zoning expert. While this is a training session, the meeting is open to the public and an opportunity to ask questions will be provided.

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ELLSWORTH

FRONT PORCH CAFÉ FUNDRAISER

February 18, 4:30-6:30pm, Front Porch Café, 9235 Main Street. Breakfast Buffet – Dessert – Drink. Featuring the Lady Lancer Softball Team as the wait staff. Tickets are sold in advance at the Café or by one of the Softball Team Players. \$10 for Adults, \$6 for Children (11 and under).

BOYNE CITY

"THE SHACK" AUTHOR

SPIRITUALITY PRESENTATION

February 19, 6:30pm, Lifetree Café, 401 S. Park Street. William Paul Young, best known as the author of "The Shack," will discuss the difference between being spiritual and being religious in a filmed interview. Nearly 30 percent of Americans identify themselves as spiritual but not religious, and the trend is growing. Young's best-seller has prompted a national discussion of the difference between spirituality and religion. The Lifetree event, titled "Spiritual but Not Religious," offers participants the opportunity to explore the issue in a safe, open environment. Admission to the 60-minute event is free.

CHARLEVOIX

DOGMAN CHALLENGE FAT BIKE RACE

February 25, Mass start at Noon on top of the bunny hill at Mt McCauba in Charlevoix. Riders will race Fat Bikes on a 1.8-mile loop through the trails of Mt McCauba 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

ELLSWORTH

LIONESS EUCHRE NIGHT

February 25, 7pm, Banks Township Hall. The Ellsworth Lioness Club is sponsoring a night of cards, food, fellowship and prizes, all for \$10 per person. For more information call 231.588.2213. Proceeds benefit local causes.

CHARLEVOIX

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CHARLEVOIX

FIRST FRIDAY BUSINESS BREAKFAST

March 3, 7:30-8:30am. Hosted and sponsored by Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital. \$5 for Chamber members, \$7 non-members.

CHARLEVOIX

THE ART OF RAW FOOD

March 3, 5-7pm, Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Dreaming of Heat. Menu: Vegan Curry Dinner with raw highlights \$35/class (includes dining on your handiwork with your class).

Pre-registration is required. Register by calling (231) 437-3482 (Class size is limited to 10).

EAST JORDAN

EXTRAVAGANZA FUNDRAISER

March 4, 5:30-11pm, Castle Farms. Benefiting the East Jordan Public Schools. Dine, shop, play and dance to Brena Band. Celebrate red and black. Tickets \$50 each. Purchase tickets from the elementary or middle/high school office. Info at Facebook.com/EJPSX.

ELLSWORTH

SPAGHETTI DINNER & SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER

March 11, 4:30-6:30pm, Ellsworth Elementary School. To benefit Lady Lancer Softball Team Equipment and Camp. Silent Auction closing by 6:30pm. \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 11 and under.

CHARLEVOIX

BUSINESS EXPO

March 15, 4-7pm, Castle Farms.

PETOSKEY

PROJECT CONNECT

March 15, 1-7pm, Ovation Hall at Odawa Casino. Project Connect is a day of service for those in need right here in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. If you or someone you know is struggling with financial problems, housing issues, employment challenges or health concerns please join us for a day of free services. While no pre-registration is required, in order to register for assistance, agencies recommend that you bring certain documents especially if you are looking for tax preparation services. For more details or to download a brochure and get information on free transportation to and from the event go to www.ProjectConnect231.com. Project Connect is a project of the Charlevoix-Emmet Human Services Coordinating Body.

ELLSWORTH

FRONT PORCH CAFÉ FUNDRAISER

March 18, 4:30-6:30pm, Front Porch Café, 9235 Main Street. Roast Beef – Plated Dinner with Salad Bar – Dessert – Drink. Featuring the Ellsworth Lioness Club as the wait staff. Tickets are sold in advance at the Café or by one of the Ellsworth Lioness Club. \$10 for Adults, \$6 for Children (11 and under).

BOYNE CITY

LINDSAY'S 2ND ANNUAL BOYNE BEE

March 22, 7pm, Boyne City Tap Room at Pine Lake Lodge. This adults-only spelling bee will involve teams of two vying for bragging rights to be the biggest Queen (or King) BEE in Boyne City. This is a fundraiser for The Third Annual Walkabout Sculpture Show. A plaque with the winners' names will be prominently displayed downtown for one year until they are unseated by next year's winners. Register at City Hall or online at www.walkaboutsculptureshow.com.

EAST JORDAN

E-CUBED EVENT

March 22, Second Annual E-Cubed "Energize, Engage, Enhance East Jordan" event at the East Jordan Community Auditorium. The afternoon session will be directed to the 7th thru 12th grade students at East Jordan Public Schools, and the evening presentation will once again include a free community dinner from 5:30-6:30pm. Clubs, organizations and festival expo from 6:30-7pm and the presentation from 7-7:30pm with another half hour following to connect and learn more about our community's service clubs and festival/event boards. The Creating Entrepreneurial Communities (CEC) Committee will be assisted this year by 29 students from the National Honor Society.

ELLSWORTH

FRONT PORCH CAFÉ FUNDRAISER

April 18, 4:30-6:30pm, Front Porch Café, 9235 Main Street. Meatloaf Plated Dinner with Salad Bar – Dessert – Drink. \$10 for Adults, \$6 for Children (11 and under).

BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET

Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9am – Noon, Red Barn at Boyne District Library.

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.

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 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) 437-3482.

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 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@boyneligionpost228.org for information.

CHARLEVOIX

WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Held at Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information.

- Hatha Yoga, every Monday and Friday 7:30-8:30am. The yoga sequences, along with breath work and relaxation techniques will assist in building strength, stamina, flexibility, balance, and increasing body awareness. The use of props, blocks, or blankets make poses easily modified to suit the individual. All levels of fitness are welcome and modifications will be provided as needed. The class is taught by Lisa Hepner is a licensed physical therapist assistant with Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital.
- Wellness Wednesday, every Wednesday from 8am-11am. 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 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. Walk-ins only, no appointment required.
- "Burn Boot Camp," every Thursday from 5:30-6:30pm. It's a 60-minute total-body, high/low impact, higher intensity (your choice), fast-paced workout. The workout consists of a combination of plyometrics/cardio and compound exercises for endurance and strengthening, then finishes with a great stretch. All levels of fitness are welcome and modifications will be provided as needed.

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.

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IT'S TAX TIME AGAIN!!

The Charlevoix Senior Center is again offering free high quality tax help through the VITA/TCE Foundation program, giving peace of mind and economic benefits to taxpayers, and their families.

The program will be available every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., beginning on February 14th and ending on April 11th, 2017.

The preparers will be: Linny Arnold, Randy Cebulski, Evelyn Davis, Bill Keehn, John Loucks, and Nancy Moore.

Please bring the following documents with you:

- ___ ESSENTIAL! Copy of last year's income tax return
- ___ Social Security cards or other official documentation for yourself and all dependents

- ___ W-2 forms from each employer
- ___ Unemployment compensation statements
- ___ SSA-1099 form for Social Security Benefits you received
- ___ All 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-B, etc) showing interest and/or dividends, and documentation showing original purchase price of sold assets.
- ___ 1099-MISC showing any miscellaneous income
- ___ 1099-R form if you received a pension or annuity
- ___ W2-G form for gambling income
- ___ all forms indicating federal income tax paid
- ___ dependent care provider information (name, employer ID, Social Security number)
- ___ All receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions

- ___ Receipts showing sales tax paid on new motor vehicles in purchased 2016 (automobile, truck, RV, motorcycle etc)
- ___ Receipts for any other large or unusual purchases
- ___ Receipts for any energy efficient home improvements
- ___ Receipts for college tuition or student loans
- ___ Property Tax bills for 2016 and winter of 2015 if paid in February 2016
- ___ Health Insurance Bills
- ___ Automobile Insurance Policy (for medical portion of premium paid)
- ___ Home Heating Bills (Nov 2015 thru Oct 2016)
- ___ NEW – If medical insurance was purchased through the marketplace, include Form 1095 and if reimbursed for premiums, Form 1095A.

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES					
Thursday, February 16 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling	Friday, February 17 FOOT CLINIC 11:30-12:30 OJ Adkins Raffle	Monday, February 20 Bingo- Gift Certificate Prize Rummikub	Tuesday, February 21 Bingo- Free Lunch prize Wii Bowl w/ CVX @ BASC Mexican Train	Wednesday, February 22 10:30am Wii Bowl Practice Various Card Games	Thursday, February 23 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES					
Thursday, February 16 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30am Back Porch Music 1pm Mahjong 1pm Wii Bowling Practice	Friday, February 17 9:30am Craft Class	Monday, February 20 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	Tuesday, February 21 FOOT CLINIC 9am-1pm Tax Assistance 1pm Paint Class 1pm Mahjong	Wednesday, February 22 1pm Bingo	Thursday, February 23 Wii Bowling in Boyne City 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong

EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES					
Thursday, February 16 Foot Clinic 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ceramics	Friday, February 17 11am Dollar in a Jukebox Bingo BAKE RAFFLE—everyone bring something!	Monday, February 20 8am-1pm Walking M-F 10:30am Exercise 12:30pm Wii Bowling	Tuesday, February 21 12:30pm Bingo- Meal Ticket Prize 1pm Paint Class Mexican Poker	Wednesday, February 22 GAME DAY! Pool Table / Ping Pong 10:30am Crafts 1pm Texas Hold-Em	Thursday, February 23 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ceramics

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU					
Thursday, February 16 TUNA MELT	Friday, February 17 PEPPER STEAK	Monday, February 20 CHICKEN & GRAVY	Tuesday, February 21 PORK	Wednesday, February 22 MANICOTTI	Thursday, February 23 CRUNCHY CHICKEN

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East Jordan close schools due to flu outbreak

By Michelle Medjesky

EAST JORDAN - While medical professionals agree the peak of "flu season" is still some weeks away in this region of the country, a flu-like virus has already hit hard in parts of Charlevoix County.

Especially hard-hit was the East Jordan area last week, where so many students called in sick to school with flu-like symptoms on Thursday, February 9 that by late that afternoon, school officials decided to call off school entirely for the following day, Friday, February 10.

East Jordan School District Superintendent Matt Stevenson said 169 East Jordan Middle and High School students called in sick

Thursday, February 10 and a number of others left school during the day. Combined enrollment at both schools stands at 900 students, he noted.

The elementary school saw far fewer number calling in or leaving school early that Thursday due to illness, however, he said.

Stevenson said those numbers don't include the number of staff also impacted by the flu outbreak, including him. "Oh yeah, it was bad. Me, my family-we all had it," he said, "It wasn't fun. I'll tell you that."

Stevenson said considering the large percentage of students and staff who called in sick or left school early that Thursday, the decision was made to call school off

on Friday to allow a 3 day weekend for recovery and for custodial staff to have time to clean and disinfect the schools and prevent further outbreak.

"This (flu) wasn't just a one or two day thing, it was a four or five day thing, so we decided to take advantage of the weekend to give people a chance to rest and recover and also so that we could use the time to really clean and disinfect (the school buildings)," he said.

Those suffering from the flu-like illness that swept through the district typically reported mostly respiratory symptoms of coughing, along with headache, fever, aches and chills.

Another component that factored into making the decision to close

schools last Friday came with how many teachers called in sick, Stevenson explained, because finding qualified substitutes in this and many other school districts in northern Michigan has become an increasingly difficult task in recent years.

Stevenson said since the outbreak in his district last week, he's talked to other district school superintendents in the area and so far none are seeing higher than average numbers of students and staff calling in sick for a flu-like illness.

Having reported the outbreak in his district to the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, Stevenson said officials there told him it was the first of its kind for this region so far this season.

School was back in session for all schools in the East Jordan district on Monday, February 13 and Stevenson said things were mostly back to normal, with about the usual number of students and staff calling in sick.

Whether it's bad weather or an outbreak of the flu, the superintendent said the decision to cancel classes is never an easy one to make and one that's never made without careful thought and good reason.

"Closing school wasn't the decision we wanted to make but it was the decision that we had to make because it was in the best interests of our kids," Stevenson said, "And that's what we do. We make decisions that are best for our kids."

Goodwill Retail & Distribution Centers in Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Gaylord and Petoskey

By Jim Akans

Goodwill is a name that symbolizes services and programs that provide a means for people in need to get back on their feet and regain their treasured independence. Goodwill has been around since 1902, when a Boston area Methodist Minister named Rev. Edgar Helms began collecting used household goods and clothing, and hired those who were down on their luck to mend and repair those goods for resale. Here in Northern Michigan, Goodwill opened their doors at Asgard Enterprises in 1972, and today the non-profit organization offers vocational, housing, transportation, nutritional and family strengthening programs across the region.

Goodwill has also become a nationally recognized name in resale; offering gently used clothing, household items, books, home décor accessories and more at their Retail and Donation Centers. Centers located in Petoskey, Gaylord, Cheboygan and Charlevoix utilize proceeds from sales at each location to help support programs that help people overcome barriers to independence. Goodwill also recycles metal items, cardboard, purses, belts, shoes, books and clothing.

Goodwill Northern Michigan serves 19 counties with nine locations, strengthening communities through programs such as Patriot Place transitional housing and resources for homeless military veterans, the Goodwill Inn emergency shelter for individuals and families and the Workers on Wheels programs. Workers on Wheels (WoW) pairs low income, hard working families in need with a safe, reliable donated vehicle at little or no cost to the family. Being able to get to work in a reliable dependable vehicle strengthens family independence and community involvement. Last year, 50% of WoW recipients reported increased earnings from picking up more hours or landing a better job through reliable transportation. Seventy-nine percent of car recipients reported that their kids had an increase in extracurricular



Goodwill Retail and Donations Centers are located throughout Northern Michigan, including this location in Petoskey. PHOTO BY DAVE BARAGREY SR.

activities.

Goodwill has achieved many amazing results, including:

- .91 of every dollar from Goodwill resale stores is reinvested into the mission and Goodwill is rated an "A" by Charity Watch.com.

- Donated items that do not meet quality criteria for resale are not just thrown away, but salvaged.... that includes your shirt with a stain or that puzzle missing a piece. Goodwill Northern Michigan is proud to be a leader in sustainability as one of the largest recyclers in Northern Michigan, diverting millions of pounds of "stuff" from local landfills each year.

- Goodwill's Jobs program offers a hands-on opportunity for individuals to gain trust in themselves and explore their capacities in the workplace.

- In 2015 Goodwill collaborated with local agencies to provide financial resources to support community meals and vouchers including more than \$72,000 in Goodwill store vouchers for neighbors in need.

- Goodwill employees earn higher than the Michigan state minimum wage with excellent benefits, including career advancement opportunities.

- Goodwill Northern Michigan is all

about maximizing impact. Donated items of exceptional value are auctioned online at www.shopgwmi.com... check it out! Proceeds are re-invested in the Goodwill Northern Michigan mission.

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The Goodwill Retail and Donation Center in Charlevoix is located at 402 Petoskey Avenue and is open Monday through Saturday from 9am to 7pm and Sunday from 11am to 6pm. The Center in Gaylord is at 1361 Pineview Drive and is open Monday through Saturday from 9am to 7pm, and Sunday from 11am until 6 pm. The Goodwill Retail and Donation Center at 1600 Anderson Road in Petoskey is open Monday through Saturday from 9am to 8pm, and Sunday from 11am until 6 pm and the Center in Cheboygan is located at 982 South Main Street and is open Monday through Saturday from 10am to 7pm and Sunday from 11am until

Heating Assistance Available

Do you need help with heating costs this winter? Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA) has funding to assist with deliverable fuels (firewood, propane, fuel oil, wood pellets, etc). You may be eligible for assistance even if you have re-

ceived help through another agency this winter! To be seen if you qualify, please contact the NMCAA office in your area: Kalkaska County: (800) 632-7334; Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet Counties: (800) 443-5518; Roscommon County: (800) 443-2297.

Boyer District Library Events

- February 17, 10am-1pm, Family Craft Day. Spend your first day of Winter Break with us making crafts and having fun! All ages invited.

- February 28, 12-3:30pm, students are invited to spend their half-day off from school (Parent-Teacher Conferences) with snacks, games, and the movie The Secret Life of Pets.

Additional adult and family programs include:

- Tech Café every Wednesday at

10am. Bring in your devices and tech questions and we can help.

- Yoga with Reb Andrews 9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week

- Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am advanced class, \$5 per session

- The Boyne District Library Book Club meets at 7pm on February 27th. This month's book is A Long, Long Way by Sebastian Barry.

Information at www.boynelibrary.org.

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