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Practicing fire drills results in quick evacuation at Boyne City High School



By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - Boyne City school district officials credit the years of practicing routine fire drills for the quick and seamless evacuation of students at staff at Boyne City High School after a fire broke out just outside the school's shop class earlier this week.

The Boyne City Fire Department was called to the high school around 2 p.m. Monday, February 27 to a report of smoke and fire coming from an area near the school's shop class-

room.

Fire Chief Dennis Amesbury said his crew located the fire burning in a dust collection unit outside the school just beyond the shop class.

He said it's likely the fire started due to a malfunctioning belt sander used in the wood shop, which may have created burning particles within the dust that is vacuumed up for deposit into the outdoor bin. It took firefighters about 20 minutes to extinguish the fire and they were on the scene in total for just about an hour.

Students and staff were evacuated immediately once the fire was reported and sent to the nearby middle school until school was dismissed and buses arrived as usual at 3 p.m.

District superintendent Patrick Little said years of practicing routine fire drills clearly paid off on Monday and he credited students and staff for their orderly cooperation. He said no further disruptions of the high school class or extra-curricular activity schedule are anticipated. Extent of damages are not yet known.

Former church youth director in jail for videotaping teenage girls in Boyne City

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - A Boyne

City man and former church youth director is being held in Charlevoix County Jail and facing



numerous charges, including that he secretly videotaped two teenage sisters showering when they were visiting his home.

Boyne City Police Chief Jeff Gaither stated in a media release issued last week that his department arrested 49-year-old Benoni

"Jon" Enciso at his home in

that Enciso had videotaped

two teenage girls when they

The girls, ages 18 and 15,

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Charlevoix man sen-

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By Michelle Medjesky

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Boyne City February 21

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Ellsworth FFA celebrates National FFA Week

The Ellsworth FFA Chapter was started at Ellsworth Community School in 2012. Today, 25 students are enrolled in the Agriscience Career-Tech program and participate in the FFA club. FFA is a national program for students studying agriculture and has more than 650, 000 members in all 50 states. Ellsworth FFA Members follow the organization's mission statement closely: "FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education."

Students in Ellsworth's



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Permit No. 70 Gaylord, MI **DIA 996 SO** Standard Mail Program learn about animal science, soil and crop science and agricultural mechanics through hands-on activities. They also compete with other FFA Chapters across the state in leadership contests and other activities designed to enhance their awareness of agricultural practices and help them become better citizens. Each year, the Ellsworth members raise and compete with 200 broiler chickens. They sell their processed birds as a fundraiser after the program. The students also have a

hoop house that allows them to grow vegetables used to augment the school lunch program. Last year, with the support of Royal Farms in Atwood, the FFA Chapter also started a vineyard with over 250 juice grape vines. They ultimately plan to sell gourmet jellies and juices with the grapes harvested in their vineyard.

Ellsworth FFA members have competed in many leadership contests focusing on public speaking, parliamentary procedure, job interview and other useful skills. In March, Ellsworth FFA Memenrolled in the Agriscience Career-lech program and participate in the FFA club. GUUKIESY PHULU



The students also have a hoop house that allows them to grow vegetables used to augment the school lunch program. COURTESY PHOTO

bers will attend the State FFA Convention in Lansing. The members from the chapter will be recognized for academic excellence, participate in the state band and compete at state-level extemporaneous public speaking contest.

Ellsworth is also supporting its first candidate as a State FFA Officer, Collin Randall, who is advancing to the state level after successfully

completing the regional interview process. This year's officer team includes: Marie Groenink, President; Cyndel Thompson, Vice-President; Collin Randall, Secretary; Trenton Drogt, Treasurer; Makayla Liermann, Reporter and Joshua Sitzema, Sentinel. The Chapter Advisor is Dr. Chris Randall from Ellsworth.

The chapter is supported



by many local businesses in-2544.

cluding the Ellsworth Farmers Exchange, Royal Farms, North Country Veterinary Services and the Char-Em ISD. If you would like to learn more about FFA or how you can support the Ellsworth Chapter, please contact Dr. Randall at the Ellsworth Community School (231) 588Charlevoix County man spending the

sisting arrest after an incident that occurred in the county last fall

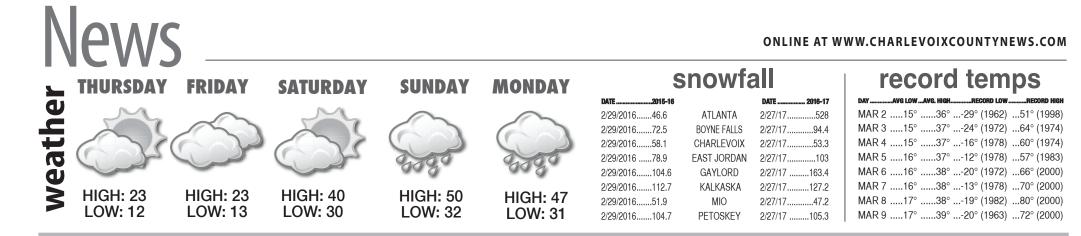
Jared Martin was arrested by Charlevoix County deputies in Hayes Township around 7:30 p.m. Friday, October 21 after being pulled over for a broken tail light and driving on a flat tire

Deputies smelled alcohol on Martin's breath and discovered a bottle of brandy on his dashboard. A breathalyzer test was administered and revealed his blood alcohol content was 0.17, well in excess of the state's legal limit of .08. But when Charlevoix

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Florence A (Padgett) Barnes, 91

(JAN. 17, 1926 - FEB. 23, 2017)

Florence Barnes of Charlevoix County was welcomed into the lord's arms on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Florence was born on January 14th, 1926 the daughter of Glen and Mable Padgett. She married Earl (John) Eastwood in 1943. She worked at Boyne Products in Boyne City.

Florence enjoyed gardening, crochet, and spending time with her grandchildren. She never missed a holiday or birthday with them. Her grandchildren loved to play tiddlywinks, baseball in the

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yard and baking cookies with her. She was sweet, feistv and was loved by her family and friends. She will be forever missed.

Those who preceded Florence in death is her husband Earl (John) Eastwood and her son Earl Eugene Eastwood.

Florence leaves behind her son Ed Eastwood; brother Robert Padgett; two sisters lnie Dingman and Barbara Bartholomew. She also leaves behind three grandchildren John Eastwood, Kirtland Eastwood and Shawn Beeler; three great grandchildren Ava Eastwood, James Beeler, and Emelyn Beeler.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

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Special message: "There is no death! The stars go down to rise upon some other shore, and bright in heaven's jeweled crown, they shine for ever more." -John L. Mc-Creery

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

Kenneth Joseph Mulka, 83

(OCT. 21, 1933 - FEB. 26, 2017)

Kenneth Joseph Mulka of Charlevoix passed away on February 26, 2017 at

Charlevoix Area Hospital. Ken was

born on October 21, 1933 the son of the late Joseph and Sophie (Wassell) Mulka. He was a probation/patrol officer for 40 years serving 20 years in Bay City followed by 20 years in Charlevoix.

In March of 1955 Ken married Gale Lewis who survives and they celebrated 61 years of marriage in March of 2016. His greatest devotion was to his wife and his family. He is also survived by his children, Beth (Gary) Schmidt of Charlevoix, Paul (Paige) Mulka of Plainwell,

YOUTH DIRECTOR JAILED

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earlier this month. The family reportedly has known Enciso for many years as

Police said while the older

Mark (Mary) Mulka of Midland; grandchildren, Kevin Schmidt, Corey (Betsy) Mulka, Mallory (Joe) Lindsav. Nick Mulka. Molly and Ben Meddock; great grandchildren, Keagan, Avery and Clara Mulka, Natalie Lindsay.

Ken was a dedicated Spartan fan, graduating from Michigan State University with a degree in Criminal Justice in 1955. He enjoyed spending his free time golfing, he loved playing cards, and he was an avid reader.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Mary, Virginia, Genevieve, Justine and Pauline.

No services are planned at this time. Memorial contributions may be made on his behalf to the Charlevoix Library. Please visit Ken's online guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com to share your memories or condolences with his family.

Tyvin Jay Whittaker, 53

(MAY 19, 1963 - FEB. 23, 2017) Tyvin Jay Whittaker SR.

Son of Raymond Whittaker and Jetty Rae Thom was born on May 19th 1963, in urle Ukiah Califor-26

nia. Tyvin had a troubled youth, but after a miraculous encounter with Jesus at 17, in a

in media reports that they

were not surprised to hear

of Enciso's arrest because

he had been accused of act-

ing inappropriately on other

Stutsmanville Chapel insist

Enciso was properly vetted

But church officials at the

occasions.

jail cell- his life was changed. Shortly after he joined the **Covenant Players acting** troupe where he met his wife Kathleen Pidek. They eloped on Oct 31st 1984 in Lake Tahoe.

Because of his miraculous experience as a teen-he had a deep passion for troubled youth. He spent all of his adult life mentoring young men. In 1999 Tyvin and Kathleen founded 11th Hour Outreach and launched Ragamuffin Theatre shortly after. Tyvin was an excellent wordsmith and playwright. His wife directed the plays he wrote, and nothing gave Tyvin more pleasure than hauling stage pieces and setting lights for his wife.

Tyvin was a happily married man. He could often be seen trying to kiss his wife in the kitchen in true Pepe le Pew fashion. His four children are living testimonies of his deep love and devotion to them as a father and leader. Tyvin was a proud and involved Grandparent, endearingly called Boompa.

His desire to be in the sanctuary of the wild stemmed from his Karuk tribe heritage. A true hunter, and gatherer no one could set camp like him, shoot a buck or find the mother load of morels. Starting in 2003 he led 100+ youth on a backpacking trip to the Marble Mountains annually-where he modeled leadership and taught character.

He also had a passion for basketball which started when he was a teen—he was notorious for swishing the

Mr. Enciso was not listed on any sex offender registry, nor did he have a criminal record.

"Following the disclosure of the allegations made this week, Mr. Enciso's employment with the church was terminated. The church will

threes. Coach, mentor and friend were all common names for Tyvin. He coached boys basketball for Charlevoix schools as well as East Jordan. A gentle spirited and patient man, his work as a youth intervention specialist with the GTB was an honor and perfect fit for his personality and passion.

Tyvin was ushered into the presence of God peacefully on 2/23 2017 surrounded by his wife, children and friends-a truer warrior has never been seen.

Tyvin is survived by his wife Kathleen, daughter Jetty Rae (Jason Stewart), Brooke (Cameron Crain), Bethany (Luke Baumann), and Tyvin Whittaker Jr. Dad Raymond Whittaker, Motherin-law Phyllis Pidek, and many grand-children. He is proceeded in death by his mom Jetty Rae, Granddaughter Ella Rae, and Father-in-Law John Pidek.

Funeral Services took place on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at Center Point Assembly of God. Memorial contributions in Tyvin's name may be directed to **Eleventh Hour Outreach** Ministries (for continues outreach) at 104 E. Upright St. Charlevoix, MI 49720. Please visit Tyvin's online guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com to share your memories or condolences with his family.

MARTIN SENTENCED

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County Sheriff's Deputy Nathan Kaminski went to arrest Martin. he resisted and struggled with Kaminski, who tasered Martin twice.

In the meantime, Martin's father, 63-year-old Steve Martin, arrived on the scene driving a 1998 truck. Evewitnesses later reported seeing the elder Martin aim his vehicle at the deputies and "floored it", almost hitting one officer. Kaminski fired his weapon at Martin's truck three times, striking Martin, who immediately stopped his vehicle. He was later treated for a gunshot wound to the arm. Jared Martin pleaded guilty to drunk driving and resisting arrest and was in Charlevoix's 90th District Court Friday, February 27 where he was sentenced to spend the next six months in iail. Steve Martin has not yet been sentenced.

their youth pastor at a downstate church.



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sister was using Enciso's shower, she discovered an iPhone video recording her in the process. She then also located a similar video recording of her 15-year-old sister showering and showed the videos to their parents, who turned them over to police.

Enciso was arrested and facing charges of having child sexually abusive material, surveilling an unclothed person, eavesdropping and using a computer to commit a crime.

Until last week, Enciso had been the youth director at Stutsmanville Chapel in Harbor Springs since spring, 2016.

Some former and current church members have said

before he was hired and released the following statement after his arrest last week:

"Benoni "Jon" Enciso was arrested on Tuesday (February 21) on charges related to conduct which occurred at his home in Boyne City, Michigan.

"Mr. Enciso was employed as an administrator at our church at the time. The church screens the background of potential employees prior to offering them employment, this process includes checking whether or not a person is listed on a sex offender registry and reviewing their criminal history.

"At the time of his hiring,

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'While the family involved were not parishioners of our church, our hearts and our thoughts are with them at this time. We would encourage anyone with additional information to reach out to the Boyne City Police Department (231) 582-6611"

Enciso waived the preliminary hearing that had been scheduled Tuesday, February 28, and was bound over to Charlevoix's 33rd Circuit Court.

As of Tuesday, February 28, Enciso was still lodged at the Charlevoix County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

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PROMOTING GREAT SMILES!



In honor of February being Dental Health month, Dr. Bert Des-Jardins from Maple Ridge Dental in East Jordan and his assistant Heidi Cooper provided free screening to every child at Ellsworth El-ementary . The screening was held February 10th and this was the 8th year that Dr. DesJardins came to the Ellsworth Elementary School to provide this service to the community. The Ellsworth Lioness Club has sponsored this project for over 20 years.

Good Samaritan Resale Shop & Food Pantry Serving families in need for 25 years

By Jim Akans

Back in 1990, Ellsworth resident Mary Peterson had an idea...or perhaps it was more of a calling.

"I was visiting a local resale shop and I saw people searching through the trash for something they could use," she recalls. "I just knew there had to be a way to set up a new system for distributing goods to those in need, so I began looking for people who could pursue that idea."

Twenty-five years later, the result of that inspiration; Good Samaritan Family Services, is celebrating two-and-ahalf decades of following a mission statement of "servicing the Lord by reaching out to those in need," providing food and outreach programs to local families who could use a little help

Petersen recalls, "When we began our mission, it was located in the old fire hall in town, we received support from local churches and it was ran by a small group of volunteers." At that time, about 30 families visited the facility each month.

Today, approximately 700 families visit Good Samaritan's Food Pantry each month. Since the facility first opened they have served an astounding 78,827 families, primarily from Antrim County though about a quarter of those families are from Charlevoix County. A crew of some 95 volunteers helps to stock and distribute the food supplies, oversee the nonprofit organization's Resale Shop, Good Samaritan Furniture & More



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Store, and assist new mothers at their affiliated Moms & Tots Center.

"The need has grown over the years," Mary relates. "People's stories tug at your heart. Our senor population has grown and we are seeing more seniors seeking assistance here, though they can be reluctant to ask for help."

She adds, "Everyone who gets food also gets free clothing. People can visit once a month, and we try to give them enough to last a bit longer. A lot of our food comes from the Manna Food Project, which we receive at a very good discount, so we can really stretch dollars that are donated."

About a year ago, Good Samaritan Family Services added "Sammy's Shoes" at the Resale Shop, which offers a huge assortment of new shoes in virtually every size, style and color. This newest addition was made possible through a Great Lakes People

Fund grant and a grant from the YAK group at the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. Families in need can pick up a brand new pair of shoe for a small donation or even for free if they are unable to afford the donation.

Mary notes that Good Samaritan is planning a celebration for their 25th anniversary on August 21st and 22nd, though details are still in the works. This coming Memorial Day Weekend they will be taking part in the annual Garage Sale Across the Breezeway, so stop by and pick up some fantastic bargains while also helping area families.

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

"Wipe Your Feet" fundraisers for Leadership Charlevoix County

Leadership Charlevoix County (LCC) class is seeking financial support for their community service project, "Wipe Your Feet!" The project takes aim at invasive species and the threat they pose to native plants and ecosystems. The class has partnered with local restaurants to host the following fundraising events where community members can learn more about the issue and contribute to the project:

- Thursday, March 2, 7-9 p.m. at the Boyne City Tap Room and Pine Lake Lodge: trivia night offering discounted pizzas and \$1 off every 16oz beer goes to the



Leadership Charlevoix County members (from left) Erica Tosch, Renee Nowka, Jane Korthase, Lisa Dunson, Savanah Cool, and Katelyn Vincent work on fundraisers being held in early March at restaurants in Boyne City and Charlevoix which will help the class of 19 raise funds for the Wipe Your Feet! project to purchase and install boot stations in select trailheads in Charlevoix County to curb the spread of invasive species. PHOTO BY DIANNE LITZENBURGER

mission of the Wipe Your

raise funds to install kiosks at a minimum of five trail heads in Charlevoix County, she added. The project is receiving guidance and support from its community partner CAKE CISMA (Charlevoix. Antrim, Kalkaska, Emmet **Cooperative Invasive**

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Species Management Area). Thomas Clement, Coordinator for CAKE CISMA, says: ""We are so grateful to the Leadership Charlevoix County class for their assistance to bring awareness and boot stations to Charlevoix County. Their work will go a long way to stemming the spread of invasive species on park trails.'

Together CAKE CISMA and the LCC class have identified trails where the kiosks will have the largest impact and obtained approval from the trail property owners. They are now focused on the upcoming fundraisers.



project.

- Thursday, March 9, 7-9 p.m. at Lake Charlevoix Brewing: offering a \$10 all you can eat buffet with a percentage of the sales going directly to the project According to LCC class

member Emily Selph, the

Feet! project is "to promote and increase awareness in Charlevoix County of invasive species through the installation of public trailhead boot brush stations and educational kiosks."

The LCC class hopes to

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BOYNE CITY FRIDAY NIGHT FILM FESTIVAL

March 3, 6:30pm, Boyne District Library Community Room. "Lars and the Real Girl." Sometimes you find love where you'd least expect it. Just ask Lars (Ryan Gosling), a sweet but quirky guy who thinks he's found the girl of his dreams in a life-sized doll named Bianca. Lars is completely content with his artificial girlfriend, but when he develops feelings for Margo, an attractive co-worker, Lars finds himself lost in a hilariously unique love triangle, hoping to somehow discover the real meaning of true love. Rated PG13Free admission, refreshments available for a small donation.

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).

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MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

PERFORMING ARTS: "INTO THE WOODS'

March 3, 4, 11 at 6:30pm and March 12 at noon. "Into The Woods", a Stephen Sondheim Broadway musical will be brought to life by the Charlevoix Middle/High School Performing Arts. "Into The Woods" is a musical fantasy intertwining the plots of several fairy tale characters. A Wicked Witch tasks a childless baker and his wife with procuring several magical items from classic fairy tales in order to reverse the curse put on their family tree Tickets are \$5/Students, \$8/Adults.

There is a \$20 Family Matinee price, good only for the Sunday, March 12 show. All performances are in the Charlevoix Middle/High School Auditorium.

EAST JORDAN

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER WORSHIP SERVICE

March 3, 1pm, Evangelical Lutheran Church, 7855 Roger Road. World Day of Prayer is a worldwide ecumenical movement of women of many faith traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. Each year a different county serves as the writer of the World Day of Praver worship service. For 2017. the women of this Philippines invite us to consider these words:" Am I being unfair to you?" The women of the Philippines share their stories of intergenerational wisdom, traditions, and experiences of God's profound love and acceptance. For more information contact the Evangelical Lutheran Church at 231-536-7566.

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.

BOYNE CITY NATURE OF GOD EXPLORED

March 5, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, 401 S. Park Street. Exclusive footage from the Lionsgate movie The Shack, releasing on March 3, will be shown. The footage will be used to spark a conversation about the characteristics of God. During the program titled, "Meeting God Face to Face," Lifetree Café participants will have the opportunity to discuss their personal views of God and how they may have changed over time. Admission to the 60-minute event is free.

EAST JORDAN **COMMUNITY DANCE**

March 10, 7-9:30pm, East Jordan Civic Center Gym. Presented by the Jordan Valley All-Stars Band. \$10 per person at the door. Snacks and water available for purchase. If East Jordan schools are closed due to weather, the dance is cancelled.

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.

EAST JORDAN

OFF THE CUFF LUNCHEON

March 15, Noon-1pm, BC Pizza. Join East Jordan' City, Chamber and School Leaders for an informal gathering to ask your questions and hear about current projects and events.

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 reqister 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.Project-Connect231.com. Project Connect is a project of the Charlevoix-Emmet Human Services Coordinating Body

BOYNE CITY

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS March 16 5:30-7:30pm Pat O'Brien and Associates Real Es-

tate. 128 Waters Street. Business people are invited to this festive St. Patrick's Day-themed event. Admission, hors d'oeuvres and beverages are complimentary. Food and drink will reflect the Irish heritage, and there will be door prizes and giveaways.

EAST JORDAN

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS March 16, 5-7pm, Korthase Flinn Insurance Financial Services, 100 Main Street, Suite 10, Food, cocktails, networking, drawings and fun. EJ Chamber members free admission, \$10 for non-members.

CHARLEVOIX

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

March 18, 10:30am-Noon, Center Point Assembly of God Church, 5291 M 66 North. Please join Hospice of Northwest Michigan and Golden Intentions about choices we can make to safeguard our wishes and dignity as we age or face serious illness. This is an Open to the Community, free event sponsored by Hospice of Northwest Michigan & Golden Intentions.

EAST JORDAN

NORTHWOODS FAMILY NATURE CLUB

March 18, 10am-Noon, Martha Wagbo Farm & Education Center. Attend our year-round monthly gathering of families with children of any age. This month, come celebrate the sweet season of Maple Sugaring. We'll learn how to find Maples and tap the trees and then taste the sweet stuff and play some games. Call/ text 231-536-0333 or message us on Facebook to RSVP or for more information.

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.

EAST JORDAN

MAPLE SUGARING OPEN HOUSE

March 25, 10am-2pm, Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center. FREE. This annual festivity includes syrup tastings, Maple treats, Sugar Shack tours, farm animals, kids activities, nature hikes, music, mini-workshops and a Spring Scavenger Hunt with Mapley prizes. Family-friendly. Call/ text 231-536-0333 or message us on Facebook to RSVP or for more information.

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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

INTRO 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 Gavlord 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. 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.

218 W. GARFIELD ST., CHARLEVOIX, MI 49720

Phone: (231) 237-0103, Toll Free: (866) 428-5185 Fax: (231) 237-0105

> Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY **COMMISSION ON AGING**

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

March Happenings

share laughter with friends and join us at festivities of St. Patrick's Day and the zaour sampling bars – more than 80 brew eries share their enthusiasm about more than 300 brews! Afterwards, take in some live music and enjoy your favorite brats and burgers on the grill.

LOCAL SENIOR CENTER **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Beaver Island Center: Ann Partridge 26215 Main St. Bl. 49782 231-448-2022

Boyne Area Senior Center: Terri Powers 411 E. Division, PO Box 964 Boyne City, MI 49712 Phone: 231-582-6682

Charlevoix Senior Center: Nona Jadwin 06906 Norwood Road Charlevoix, MI 49720 Phone 231-547-5361

East Jordan Senior Center Brenda Skop 951 Mill Street East Jordan, MI 49727, Phone: 231-536-7831

THE COA OFFERS THE **FOLLOWING SERVICES:**

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WEBSITE ADDRESS: www.charlevoixcounty.org/coa.asp

BOYNE CITY FARMERS' MARKET

3/4, 11, 18, 25, SATURDAYS, 9AM - 12:30PM

In the Red Barn next to the Boyne City District Library.

3/10, FRIDAY & 3/11, SATURDAY

NO. MI. REGIONAL HOME SHOW

This year's theme is "Life's Luxuries". The annual event showcases more than 100 display booths. It is the official Home Show for the home and building in-dustry in Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet & Otsego counties. On the campus of North Central Michigan College in Petoskey.

3/10, FRIDAY - 3/12, SUNDAY

CAMP DAGGETT, FATHER/SON WEEKEND

Fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers, or big brothers are in-vited to bring their sons/grandsons (ages 8-16) for a weekend filled with fun and adventure. For more info or to register, contact Ed Leverenz at 231-347-9742, ext. 112.

3/11, SATURDAY

8TH ANNUAL BREW-SKI FESTIVAL @ **BOYNE HIGHLANDS**

Join us to bring together snow, craft beers, and entertain-ment. Hit the slopes,

27 S. Lake St., Boyne City • 231-582-9555

3/15, WEDNESDAY, 1PM - 7PM

PROJECT CONNECT

A day of free services for those in need in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. Event is held at the Odawa Casino, Ovation Hall, in Petoskey

3/15. WEDNESDAY, 4PM - 7PM

BUSINESS EXPO & TASTE OF CHARLEVOIX

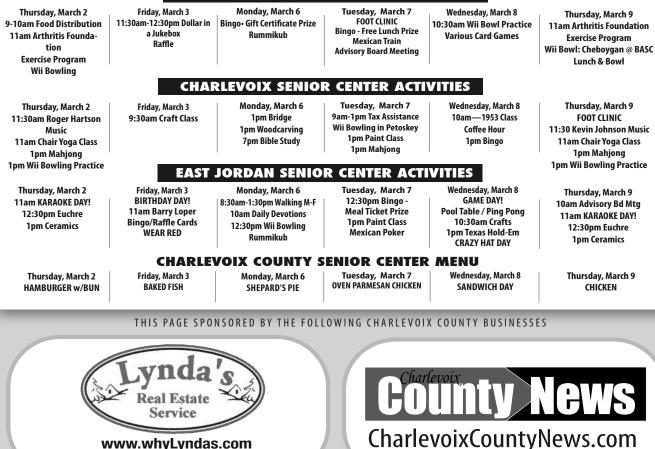
One of the largest business networking events in Northern Michigan, the expo will feature vendor booths in a wide range of categories, to include retail, professional, industry, service, tourism and more. The expo will also feature the Taste of Charlevoix, with restaurants offering attendees a sampling of their culinary specialties. At Castle Farms.

3/17, FRIDAY - 3/19, SUNDAY

CARNIVAL WEEKEND @ BOYNE MTN

Every spring we celebrate the new season with a party that brings together the

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES



niness of Mardi Gras. affectionately called "Crazy Daze." This weekend brings out the silliness in all of us. For adults that want to act like kids again! www.bovne.com

3/18. SATURDAY. 10:30AM - 12:00PM

A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Golden Intentions and Hospice of NW Michigan want to start the conversation about Advanced Planning and the choices at End of Life. Reservations requested. Please call (231) 547-7659 to reserve a spot or for more info by March 15, 2017. Meet at the Center Point Assembly of God Church, 5291 M-66N, Charlevoix.

3/23. THURSDAY. 5:30PM - 7:00PM

MARCH SWIRL @ CROOKED TREE **ARTS CENTER**

Swirl is a delicious blend of culture, libations, and fun! Min-gle in our galleries while enjoying live music and sample fine wines and food from local restaurants. Tickets may be purchased on-line, telephone, or at the door.

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. Walkins 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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GUEST EDITORIAL

February is Career and Technical Education Month

CTE: Education for a Strong Economy

Char-Em ISD Superintendent Jeff Crouse

We have all seen them -Help Wanted! Hiring Now! Machinists Needed! Apply Here



for Medical Jobs! So what are our schools doing to address the needs of our regional highgrowth industries? The answer is: Plenty!

Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District (Char-Em ISD) and our 11 public school districts are focusing their Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs on equipping students with technical and life skills to help them become productive citizens

Regionally, a large portion of our manufacturers report that talent shortages are affecting their ability to meet customer demand. CTE plays a vital role in helping these businesses close the skills gap by building a competitive workforce for the 21st century. Now more than ever, CTE programs help ensure the strength of our workforce, global competitiveness, and the economic health of our northern Michigan region

Here are a few facts about CTE and our students:

The more students participate in CTE, the higher their academic motivation, academic engagement, grades, career self-efficacy, college aspirations, and employability skills. Within Char-Em ISD. 82% of CTE students enroll in post-secondary education.

CTE students are significantly more likely than their non-CTE counterparts to develop skill sets in problemsolving, project completion, research, math, college application, work-related, communication, time management, and critical-thinking.

Work-based learning helps students apply and extend classroom learning, explore ca reers and develop critical understanding of the work environment. Participation in CTE increases wages and earnings, raises consistency of employment and leads to work in higher-quality jobs. Through the generosity of our local voters in Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties, a multi-county mill-

age (in effect since 1996), allows the ISD to help fund some 40 locally-operated CTE programs, and helps schools with their technology infrastructure including servers, network resources, internet connectivity, K-12 College and Career Readiness activities, and guidance counseling programs.

CTE has always evolved in response to economic needs in our communities. Moreover, exploring a career can never start too early.

At the elementary level, it is all about awareness with students visiting their hometown businesses and industries, hearing from business leader guest speakers, and attending the popular summer College for Kids. As students enter middle school, they focus on exploration to learn what careers may interest them, and as important, what careers do not interest them. Students are exposed to science, technology and math or STEM careers, attend career days, and visit businesses and college campuses for their first taste of career fields or post-secondary study opportunities. Once in high school, preparation is the key theme. Student visit postsecondary institutions – universities, community colleges, and trade schools - and attend career and job fairs to hear first-hand from people working in their fields of interest.

Over the past few years, the ISD and local districts are helping our communities bridge the employment gap by:

Starting a Machine Tool Technology CTE program at Charlevoix high school;

Adding Welding, Brazing, and Soldering CTE programs at Pellston and East Jordan high schools;

Expanding the number of Health Occupations CTE classes in the region in response to health providers need for qualified employees as our area continues to see an increase in our aging population;

Starting an innovative CTE program in Aviation Science and Technology involving students from Alanson, Harbor Springs and Pellston high schools, in cooperation with Emmet County, Pellston Regional Airport, and NorthwestNCMC offers CNC information sessions

North Central Michigan College is offering several **CNC** (Computer Numerical Controls) information sessions starting in March. These sessions will be in the Technology Building, Room 230 on the Petoskey campus unless otherwise noted.

Industry jobs offer exciting, fast-paced careers with room for advancement. Today, careers in manufacturing require creativity, precision, logistics and

problem-solving. North Central and its industry partners have developed the courses you need in CNC (Computer Numerical Controls) programming, CAM (Computer Aided Manufacturing) software and CAD (Computer Aided Design). With these skills as your foundation, you can learn to make anything and go anywhere.

The sessions will be on: - Thursday, March 23, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

- Monday, April 3, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Straits Area Education Center in Cheboygan - Tuesday, April 11, 10

a.m. – 11 a.m. - Wednesday, May 17, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Reservations are appreciated but not required. Call 231-439-6265 or email aross@ncmich.edu.

North Central, in partnership with Northwest Michigan Works, will be offering another Just in Time Training introduction to

CNC operations from March 13 - 24 on the Petoskey campus. This class is hands-on, shortterm and will prepare students for a career in the high-demand occupation of CNC Machining. Classes are Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Preregister at Northwest Michigan Works! Center at 2240 Mitchell Park Drive, or call 231-347-5150.

NCMC Presidential Scholarships offered for home school seniors

North Central Michigan College provides a Presidential Scholarship to one graduating senior from a home school within our service area. Presidential Scholarships are offered for full tuition (up to 20 contact hours per semester) and mandatory fees for four consecutive semesters (fall and winter only). Field study fees are not included. Scholarship recipients must register for the fall semester immediately following their spring high school graduation. This is a competitive scholarship.

To be considered, a student shall:

Complete an online Application for Admission to North Central by April 1 of their graduation year.

- Have a minimum 3.5 overall high school grade point average (include a high school transcript complete through the nominee's seventh semester)

Submit a recommendation letter that addresses their academic potential and leadership qualities

Submit a statement that addresses academic and career goals and how North Central will help to meet those goals

- Submit ACT/ SAT scores (ACT score of 18 or above for English and a Reading score of 21 or above; SAT (test prior to April 2016) score of 430 or above in English and a

score of 450 or above in Reading); SAT (test starting April 2016) two-digit score of 25 or above in both English and Reading: SAT (test starting April 2016) threedigit score of 500 or above in English/Reading/Writing (ERW).

All documentation must be received no later than April 7, 2017. For more information, contact Renee DeYoung, Vice President of Student Affairs, at (231) 348-6618.

SAFE in Northern Michigan honored at leadership forum

On February 7, SAFE in Northern Michigan was one of 171 community coalitions honored during a graduation ceremony at CADCA's (Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America) National Leadership Forum, just outside of Washington, D.C. The coalitions received a graduation certificate for completing CADCA's National Coalition Academy, a rigorous training program designed to increase the effectiveness of community drug prevention leaders.

"We are so proud of our coalition for investing the time and resources to take advantage of the best community coalition training in the world. To graduate from this yearlong intensive course is no small feat and SAFE in Northern Michigan is more prepared today to be an effective, sustainable coalition because of this training," said Susan Pulaski, SAFE in Northern Michigan's project coordinator. "We look forward to applying our knowledge and strategies to ensure the youth in our community live drug free."



SAFE in Northern Michigan was one of 171 community coalitions honored during a graduation ceremony at CADCA's (Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America) National Leadership Forum, just outside of Washington, D.C. COURTESY PHOTO

The coalition recently worked on a "Lock it Up" campaign in northern

alcohol to parents across the region. CADCA's National Coalition Academy (NCA) is a comprehensive, yearlong training program developed by CADCA's National Coalition Institute. The NCA incorporates three, week-long classroom sessions, a web-based distance learning component, an online workstation where participants network and share

planning products and free ongoing technical assistance. To graduate, coalitions must complete a rigorous curriculum. They must participate in all components of the NCA and complete five essential planning products that serve as the foundation of their comprehensive plan for community change.

CADCA's National Leadership Forum is a four-day event packed with opportunities to learn the latest strategies to address substance abuse and hear from nationally-known prevention experts, federal administrators, and concerned policymakers. The Forum brings together approximately 3,000 attendees representing coalitions from all regions of the country and internationally, government lead ers, youth, prevention specialists, addiction treatment professionals, addiction recovery advocates, researchers, educators. law enforcement professionals, and faithbased leaders. It is the largest training event for the prevention field.

ern Michigan College.

As we look to the future of CTE in Char-Em ISD, we will continue to focus on working with area businesses and manufacturers to provide them with high-skilled employees to meet demanding careers. To put it quite simply, CTE has never looked brighter for students - and employers - in our region.

Michigan. The campaign involved local youth who produced short PSAs asking parents to lock up their alcohol. Coalition staff attended school events, where parents were asked to sign a pledge to lock up their alcohol supply. SAFE in Northern Michigan has also distributed locks for

BC POLICE DEPT INCIDENT REPORT

Monday, February 13, 2017 0049 Report of a suspicious subject taking pictures in the 600 block of S Park St. 0754 Vehicle stuck in the ditch at BC-Charlevoix Rd at Court St Contraband found in the 0936 1000 block of Boyne Av 1533 Citation issued for speed in the school zone. 1554 Vehicle unlock at the Dog

Park. Citation issued for fail to 1730 stop leaving private drive in the 400 block of N Lake St

Tuesday, February 14, 2017 0520 Assist EMS in the 700 block of Vogel St Assist Sheriff Dept on 0646 Boyne City Rd. near State Park. Found key dropped off at 0937 the PD Parking violation reported 1103 in the 100 block of E Water St 1338 Vehicle unlock on Boyne Av

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 Assist Sheriff Dept and 0000 EMS on Gobbler's Knob. 1050 Report of a disturbance occurring previously in the 200 block of S Park St Abandoned vehicle in the 1409 Industrial Park Gasoline drive off from 1830

the 1300 block of Boyne Av. Thursday, February 16, 2017

Assist Sheriff Dept on M-1114 75 S 1247 Assist Sheriff Dept on

Renkie Rd 1429 Suspicious subject and

vehicle reported in the 200 block of N Lake St. Assist EMS on W Water 1717 St Assist Citizen in the 700 2235 block of Vogel St

Friday, February 17, 2017 1033 Citation issued for speed at BC Rd and Court St. 1330 Salvage Vehicle Inspection in the 300 block of N Lake St 1431 911 check in the 200 block of S Park St. All OK.

2302 Citation issued for speed at Boyne Av and E Lincoln. Also had a loaded firearm in the vehicle unsecured with no CPL

Saturday, February 18, 2017

0104 Found a car stuck in the snow, running, with no one around it in the old Carters parking lot. The owner showed up and removed vehicle Encountered intoxicated 0222

subjects at Water and Lake St. They walked home Assist EMS in the 800 0313 block of S Park St

1322 Report of people on the ice near the open water. 1752 Private property crash reported from the 700 block of Vogel St. 1810 Vehicle unlock in the 600 block of S Park St

2219 Arrested subject for no insurance at River and Park

Sunday, February 19, 2017

0928 Vehicle stolen from Pine Point Trail. Assist Sheriff Dept on N 1806 Addis Rd.

NUTRITION & SUPPLEMENTS

Four Star Nutrition 1250 Gornick Ave. (Inside the Sportsplex), Gaylord 989-370-8898 www.fourstarnutrition.net

PHARMACY

Central Drug Store 301 Bridge St. Charlevoix 231-547-242 www.central-drug.com

The Medicine Shoppe 500 N. James, Grayling 989-348-2000

RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

Aspen Ridge **Retirement Village** 1261 Village Parkway, Gaylord 989-705-2500 www.rlmgmt.com

The Brook of Gaylord

The Brook of Boyne City 701 Vogel Street

Boyne City Phone: 231.582.4300 www.brookretirement.com

The Brook of Cheboygan 11965 Townline Rd. Cheboygan Phone: 231.268.3400 www.brookretirement.com

The Brook of Grayling 503 Rose Street Grayling Phone: 989.348.8900 www.brookretirement.com

SENIOR ASSISTANCE

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Crawford County COA

308 Lawndale St., Grayling 989-348-8342 www.crawfordcoa.org

Charlevoix County COA

218 West Garfield St., Charlevoix 231-237-0103 www.charlevoixcounty.org/coa.asp

BEAUTY SALON

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OrigiNAILS by Shelley 1504 S. Otsego. Gaylord 989-732-7100

DENTIST

Main Oak Family Dentistry 219 East Main St. Gaylord

989-732-6271 www.mainoak.com

Otsego Dental Group

785 East M-32, Gaylord 989-448-2664 www.OtsegoDentalGroup.com

Health SERVICES d 1

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FITNESS FACILITY

1250 Gornick Ave., Gaylord 989-731-3546 www.ocsportsplex.com

HOME CARE-NON MEDICAL

ComForCare Home Care 814 S. Otsego Ave., Suite C, Gavlord (989)448-2778 ComForCare.com/NorthernMI

HOME HEALTH CARE Health Dept. of NW Michigan 220 W. Garfield, Charlevoix

231-547-6092 www.nwhealth.org

Munson Home Health Care 309 W. North St., Gaylord 800-252-2065 www.munsonhealthcare.org

Community Home & Health Services 657 Chestnut Ct.... Gaylord

www.communityhomehealthservices.com

416 Connable Ave, Petoskey

Munson Healthcare Grayling 1100 Michigan Ave., Grayling 989-348-5461 www.mercyhealthgrayling.com

14700 Lake Shore Dr., Charlevoix 231-547-8630 www.cah.org

Munson Healthcare

Charlevoix

The Naturalist

Gaylord 989-705-1451

Self Heal Massage/ Body Work/Energy Medicine Cathy Brink NCMP/AMTA, Reiki Master/Teacher 1029 Gornick Ave. Alpine Suite #103

MASSAGE THERAPY

989-619-6282 TO ADD YOUR BUSINESS OR SERVICE LISTING CALL 989-732-8160

Otsego County Sportsplex

Otsego County Community Center 315 S. Center, Gaylord 989-732-6521 www.otsegocountyparksrec.com

989-732-6374 HOSPITALS

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1029 Gornick Ave.,

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Attention: Charlevoix County Businesses

Don't miss the opportunity to be included on this unique Caricature Map for Charlevoix County

Join the following businesses who have agreed to be a part of the 2017 Charlevoix, East Jordan, Boyne Falls and Boyne City Combined Caricature Map:

Alpine Chocolate HausF0 Barden and SonBig E's Smoke HouseBoyne Country PropaneEJCharlevoix CinemaCharlevoix County NewsBradford CleanersThe LandingsSwan Valley MarinaBergmann Marine

Charlevoix Tap Room Bridge Street Tap Room Boyne City Co-merce Boyne City Co-op Boyne City Co-op Bulmann Dock & Lift Matelski Lumber Boyne Mountain Avalanche Bay Boyne Boat Yard Van Dam Boats Boyne Yacht Sales

Boyne Thunder disbursements awarded to three area organizations



BoyneThunderDispPhoto; Representatives from Camp Quality and Challenge Mountain with members of the Boyne Thunder event committee receiving their first disbursement. The second disbursement will be given in March. Pictured from left to right: Boyne Thunder committee member Ward Collins, Challenge Mountain board president Bill Aten, Challenge Mountain Executive Director Elizabeth Looze, Camp Quality Executive Director Kristyn Balog, Boyne City Main Street board member Pat O'Brien, Boyne Thunder chairmen Bob Alger. COURTESY PHOTO

The 13th annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run in 2016 brought speed, thunder, and excitement to northern Michigan, and over \$138,000 in proceeds to three area organizations. Based on an agreed upon formula for disbursement, Camp Quality will receive in total over \$76,000, Main Street over \$48,000 and Challenge Mountain almost \$14,000 from the 2016 event.

"The support for Boyne Thunder and for the benefitting organizations is absolutely incredible," Bob Alger, Boyne Thunder chairman said.

This year, \$32,000 was saved to be put back into the event. Boyne Thunder will be contributing to a dock extension at the municipal marina. Even with money being saved for the capital investment, each recipient organization received the largest disbursement to date, from the event.

"We are at such an exciting point in the growth of the event, to be able to reinvest in the event and in the community, while still providing a record amount of proceeds to our benefitting organizations," Alger said.

Boyne Thunder is coordinated by Boyne City Main Street and supports Camp Quality, a non-profit organization serving children with cancer and their families by providing year-round programs, experiences, and com-

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panionship, Challenge Mountain, a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching and improving lives for the mentally and physically challenged through outdoor recreation and the Boyne City Main Street program.

The poker run showcases over 100 high performance boats from all over the country, roaring through the waters of Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan on a 130-mile excursion in search of the best poker hand. The 2017 event will take place on July 7 & 8. Registration opens March 1.

For more information about Boyne Thunder, visit www.boynethunder.com or email

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