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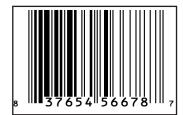
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# Van Pelt Alley in Charlevoix will be transformed

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX - With this city's downtown getting a 1-2 punch in recent months and fires devastating several businesses along its main stretch, local officials and business owners are moving ahead with plans that promise to help bring the proverbial phoenix up from the ashes with a new look, a new name and new businesses in an old downtown alley.

This ambitious endeavor is one in the works by area business owner and Charlevoix Mayor Luther Kurtz

and his wife and business partner, Mary, who are working to transform the historic Van Pelt Alley off Bridge Street into an area that they are now calling the "Mercado", meaning "market" in Spanish.

If all goes according to plan, the historic, brick-lined alley and an adiacent buildings will be home to a half dozen new apartments and at least four new downtown businesses, all of which could open as early as next month.

Among the businesses planned to open are a nautical themed interiors, clothing and gift shop in the former Advance Geomatics Building

on Bridge Street, next to the Van Pelt Alley. A flower shop and coffee shop are also slated to open in that building, which will feature two apartments upstairs.

Down the alley across from the former Rainbow Shop building at 100 Van Pelt, the Kurtz's plan to open a Mexican restaurant to be called The Cantina, which will feature traditional Mexican cuisine along with a full bar and indoor/outdoor dining options, including an outdoor fireplace.

The building will also be home to Salon Beautiful You, a beauty salon and day spa, and four apartments

will be made available there as well. The Kurtz's now own a number of downtown buildings, businesses and apartments, among them a popular sky-diving business and the Charlevoix Cinema III.

The rejuvenation of Van Pelt Alley falls in line with the Charlevoix's "walkability" development initiative, which translates to growing a downtown community where citizens have easy-or otherwise "walkable" access from their residences to local services, businesses, civic and recreational amenities

# Hospital narrows field down to three in search for new CEO

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX - The search for a new chief to lead Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital into the future has been pared down from dozens of qualified candidates to what hospital officials say are three of the most out-

Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital launched its search for a new chief executive officer last fall after current CEO, Lyn Jenks, announced

her plan to retire; but only after a suitable replacement was

Since then, hospital officials estimated it would take about six months to find the next CEO and began its search independently and without hiring an outside agency

to assist in the process. Jenks said that was because the Munson Healthcare System is well-enough known and recognized as such a top quality working environment that it would easily attract top quality applicants.

Lyn Jenks, CEO of

Munson Health-

care Charlevoix

And indeed that proved to be the

Hop into Charlevoix for a day of

the Easter Eggstravaganza taking

place downtown on Saturday, April

the Easter Bunny Luncheon taking

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place at Stafford's Weathervane

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2pm. Charlevoix State Bank and the

merce team up to host the 25th Annual



Munson Healthcare Charlevoix's marketing and public relations director Cathy Fischl said 60 qualified individuals applied for the CEO position and Skype interviews were conducted to narrow that field down to seven who were considered best prospects.

Of those seven, the number was recently whittled down to three, who will now proceed to second round interviews and will also go before the hospital's board of directors, part of

Easter Egg Hunt on April 15th in downtown Charlevoix

Easter Egg Hunt downtown in East

Park at 2pm sharp. Bring your Easter

Basket to hold your share of the 4500

2 – 3pm. Come out for some extra

fun this year because in addition to

the Egg Hunt, Charlevoix State Bank

will offer face painting and balloon an-

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will also be complimentary hot cocoa

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the Munson leadership team as well as several hospital employees and physicians.

Jenks is retiring after five years at the helm as its CEO.

She began working at the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation in 2005 and named CEO in June, 2012. She has received a number of awards for her leadership abilities, including the Award of Excellence in Administration by Healthcare Michigan.

The event is free for children up to

10 years old. Age groups are 2 years

old and under, 3-4 years, 5-6 years and

7-10 years. The hunt will include 4500

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# **Business District Open House** If you have ever thought

On April 8th the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce will be

hosting their annual Business Dis-

trict Open House in the down-

town area. COURTESY PHOTO

**East Jordan** 

of opening a business in East Jordan and need a space to rent or purchase, April 8th is the day to explore many of the vacant spaces available in the community. From 1pm until 3pm, the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting their annual Business District Open House in the downtown area.

Owners of the buildings or realtors will be on site to give tours and answer questions. Here's your opportunity to secure a location and open your business in time for the summer season

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For more information, contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, 231-

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**HIGH: 47** 

LOW: 30

**SUNDAY** 

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# Mary Helen Krell, 95

**HIGH: 38** 

LOW: 29

(OCT. 9, 1921 - APRIL 2, 2017)

Mary H. Krell of Charlevoix passed away on April 2, 2017 at Boulder Park Terrace

Arrangements have been handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com.

# Glenn L. Coon, 62

(MAY 14, 1954 - MARCH 29, 2017)

Glenn L. Coon of Boyne City passed Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at his home, from pancreatic cancer. He was born May 14, 1954 to Clifford and Audria Coon.

He was a lifetime resident of Boyne City, graduating from Boyne City High School and Lansing Community College.

On April 1, 2000, Glenn married Deb Moore. Glenn is survived by his wife; children, James (Carolina) Coon, Denise Dundon, Kevin Coon; stepchildren, Dennis (Kris)

Moore, Jillian (Randy) Guzniczak. Brent Moore: grandchildren, Claire Coon, Anna and Henry Dundon, Taylor Jepsen, Devvin Stackus, Tannis and Jasper Guzniczak. He is further survived by two sisters, Lus-

chione Asbridge of Lansing

Burlington, WI; and various

nieces, nephews, aunt, uncle,

and Marilyn Stone of

and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Bruce; brother-in-law, Mike Stone; son-in-law, Chris Dundon; father-in-law, Ray Olson and mother-in-law, Shirley

Olson. Glenn loves, adores and is so very proud of his family.

After working for the State of Michigan Liquor Control, Glenn thoroughly enjoyed working the past 17 years at The Landings Condominium Association.

Glenn has such total respect of the outdoors; he loves hunting, fishing, camping and riding four-wheelers. He is very creative and gifted in making things with his hands. He especially enjoys woodworking and can create anything.

# LOW: 55

date.

# **MONDAY**



HIGH: 64 LOW: 46

# **OBITUARIES**

A memorial service celebrating Glenn's life will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 4:00 PM at the Eagles Lodge, 106 River Street, Boyne City. Private burial will take place in the Maple Lawn Cemetery at a later

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay.

# Nancy Anne Dixon, 76

(MARCH 17, 1941 - MARCH 28, 2017)

Nancy A. Dixon of Charlevoix passed away on

2017 at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey. She

March 28,

was born on March 17, 1941 in Quincy,

MA, the daughter of John and Lillian (Gossilen) O'Brien.

Nancy was a member of

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Charlevoix Area Zonta Club, and American legion in Charlevoix. She worked for many years at Charlevoix Abstract and Engineering for many years and she enjoyed spending her free time gardening and decorating.

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On January 23, 1960 Nancy married Raymond Dixon in Quincy, MA who survives.

She is also survived by her children, Curtis Dixon, Gregg (Glenda) Dixon, Karen (Steven) Johnson, Ed Sarasin, Daniel Dixon all of Charlevoix; 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Russ O'Brien and Jackie O'Brien.

A funeral mass will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at 11:00 am at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Charlevoix with Rev. Peter Wigton officiating. Visitation will take place on Saturday from 10:00 am until the time of services as well as on Friday, April 7, 2017 from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm with a rosary service being held at 7:30 pm all at Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Interment will be in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery in Charlevoix.

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Memorial contributions may be directed to Hiland Cottage in Petoskey. Arrangements have been handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com.

# Linda L. (Hart) Baxter, 66

(DEC. 9, 1950 - MARCH 29, 2017) Linda L. Baxter of East Jordan died Wednesday,

March 29, 2017 at Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility in Bellaire.

She was born on De-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Letters may be submitted by e-mail to office@Charlevoix CountyNews.com.

cember 9, 1950, in Jordan Township, Antrim County, Michigan, the daughter of Arnold E. and Della Justine (Bundy) Hart.

Linda enjoyed crafts, crocheting, knitting and gardening. She held a certificate as a horticulturist.

She is survived by her husband, Terry Baxter of East Jordan; four children, George E. (Mary Bliss) Seder of Wixom, Beatrice Marie Seder of Prescott, Matthew A. Seder of Gaylord and Carrie L. McGinnis of Holland; fifteen grandchildren; thirteen great grandchildren; two sisters, June (Gary) Broom and Renee (Lloyd) Prevo, both of East Jordan; and one brother, Arnold "Chum" V. Hart, of East Jordan. Linda was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Barbara Rogers.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, April 1, 2017 at the Penzien Funeral Home East Jordan. Burial in Mt. Bliss Cemetery in Jordan Township, Antrim County,

Memorials may be directed to the Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan.



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## THE NEWS BUSINESS

To the Editor,

MERGERS, BUYOUTS, TAKEOVERS, DESUETUDE, that's the playlist for news, actually newspapers in this report, but extending to other news carriers such as radio television and internet. One thing for sure about news: everybody wants it whether they accept it or not.

Many news organizations were formed through demise in one form and another, often carrying over the company name in part such as the Petoskey News-Review. and other amalgams of early papers in northwest Michigan. Detroit papers too were handed back and forth, absorbed and discarded, the only ones left in print format being the Detroit News and the Detroit Free Press, conservative and liberal respectively. Gannett News now owns the Free Press as it does its flagship USA Today. A company in Indiana recently bought the Petoskey daily as well as their holdings throughout the area. changed the character of the paper considerably though not in any discernibly positive

The Detroit Times, 1900 through 1960, was Detroit's evening newspaper, Randolph Hearst once being affiliated with it. But the Times had a history of six different newspapers dating back to pre-Civil War days. Weekly papers sprung up consistently and more often occasionally, heralding Buying & Selling weeklies which remain popular. Radio of course provided news throughout the course of its existence, leading to television which now heralds 24/7/365 ¼ broadcasts. You can get more than you want at that restaurant.

Internet news, conversely, has arisen from the ashes of TV news and that wide open territory is largely unprincipled and irresponsible and yet stupendous in its immediacy and ability to research and develop as well as provide commentary. Pro Publica is one example of responsible news and commentary, Dome Magazine online is another as is Voice of Detroit (VOD). Practicably speaking internet news is crowding out most others though all still coexist. Then we have Fox News and the like for the sycophants and shills and also various forms of liberal news for those proclivities invariably asking for donations for the cause. That seems to be where it's all going nonetheless, if indeed the electric companies and cable management etc. can retain their physical properties to provide service through windstorm, hail. snow, ice, terrorist attack and so on. 9-11-2001 shut down not

only airlines but most communications systems nationwide here and spottily worldwide.

There still exist paper press daily news at grocery stores and convenience stores, even anachronistic outdoor boxes with coin slots that when they don't remit causes vehement avoidance thereafter. The Traverse City Record-Eagle of Michigan, for another example of historic mergers, manages to stay in the publishing biz as does Shurz Publications aforesaid of Indiana which has multiple papers and some TV station representation, radio and other peripheral interests reaching as far as California. Paper news is not dead. But it had a stroke.

We mustn't neglect the sixties newspapers either. They were weeklies like the Fifth Estate of Detroit, the Berkeley Barb of the San Francisco area and many more which featured the comics of such as R. Crumb and sundry. Hippies would hawk those papers on the street for a percentage of the take. Almost without exception such papers had to be subsidized by some other entities to survive but in those days that was not uncommon, rent was cheap, supplies implored as negligible, and so on. That was after all the aftermath of WWII still and the economy was booming. The Ford Foundation and GM &c supported many the cause of those times be they benevolent or feckless, salient or specious.

Locally we have one daily and two regular weeklies with addenda of the Detroit and Traverse City dailies. The weeklies fill in the gaps well enough. We see no need of including those checkout lane tabloids in this examination as they are not news but sensational sentimentality.

It's controversial whether the mainstay newspapers are relevant and totally upfront with the public, whether in fact some are compromised by this and that influence of power and money. That is likely a resolution for future historians. Presumably and plausibly this brief survey holds true in most of the US and Canada, perhaps Western Europe as well according to AP reports. In any case, the news is what we all crave and in fact try to tweak to our personal wonts. It's what Twitter and Face Book and You Tube are all about, i.e. propaganda, some might even allude "fake news". Funny how fake news is only ascribed to political opponents, most sycophants going for the jugular or carotid.

News is not going away, in any case, nor is commentary on news, possibly the best to come of it. Still, we need hard news, the substrate of all commentary.

Mitchell Jon MacKay. East Jordan

# **NOTES FROM NEW YORK**

To the Editor,

The New Yorker magazinehas been surprisingly caustic in its articles about Donald Trump. David Remnick, Editor In Chief since 1998, staff writer from 1992, has a current article examining the parallels between the Deep Throat episode of the 1970s with Woodward and Bernstein which brought Richard Nixon down with a crashing resound.

Remnick points to the Deep State theorem that arose in Turkey in the 1920s as having been adopted by the Trump administration in its insecurity. Trump, as we know, accused Barack Obama of wiretapping Trump Tower, a totally unsubstantiated insinuation. The Deep State is real in Middle Eastern countries such as Egypt and Pakistan but as to how ingrained that might be in the USA is conjectural at best. Those foreign Deep State organizations murder and terrorize which makes the FBI et al look puerile.

David Remnick's conclusion, worthy or reprinting here because of relevance and the fact that many people don't subscribe to the New Yorker, is as follows: "The problem in Washington is not a Deep State; the problem is a shallow man – an untruthful, vain, vindictive, alarmingly erratic president". He concludes that "courts, law enforcement and Congress" should be responsible for investigations into Trump's clandestine affairs. Seems logical to me; journalists can expose but those administrations can follow through. It does seem odd that those agencies have thus far desisted from interfering in the potentially illegal nature of some of those allegations. Of course someone can't be arrested for being brash and vainglorious but there are other aspects seemingly worthy of inspection. Maybe those agencies already are investigating, who knows? Mark Felt, career FBI man,

was Deep Throat of the seventies, incensed by the rogue nature of the White House in those years with their "black bag jobs", actual breaking and entering by night. By extension it is presumed that Trump and Company think the same of the Obama White House. Calumniation, or slander, is more a social faux pas than a crime so it's not clear if Trump's reckless accusations are prosecutable.

What I would surmise is that those agencies, if they are indeed looking at Trump's dealings, would collect evidence of actual wrongdoing instead of innuendo, insults and lies. If there are Russian deals those fourteen+ agencies of secret service should be able to

detect something because that's what they do. Another New Yorker writer, James Surowiecki, articulated Trump's wild claims about financial matters, cuts here and there that won't amount to any deficit savings, will bankrupt the fiscal spending pot, do nothing for infrastructure, damage far more than fix anything. The New Yorker is picking on this guy whereas the rightwing hosts still buov him up, but the balance is tipping to the negative. Checking approval ratings is a roller coaster ride but there seems to have been a dip with the Obama insinuation and "Trumpcare", whatever that is. Other polls claim rising popularity so, again, who knows? Conspiracy theories are

nothing new. With said security agencies numbering fourteen, the allegations post 9-11-2001 were that there was no communication between any, supposedly partially remedied now though that might be a perfunctory stopgap "hangout" red herring. The point is that this dispels notions of a Deep State of coordinated subterfuge. We know the ATF agents at Ruby Ridge and Waco acted pretty much independently. In any case this is not a coordinated coalition of secret service organs aligned with big banking and big business, military might and so on. It's tempting to envision this but it doesn't quite mesh, no more than the US Army is aligned with the US Navv. David Remnick nonetheless suggests that the Trump administration sees it this way. There are gradations of Nixon floating around that Mar-a-Lago Club where Trump spends every weekend with laxer security, no briefings. Presidents have always had getaways but Trump makes money on his - \$200,000 membership fee to join the club plus presumably yearly dues and all frills billed on demand at the wet bar, tips and room service extra. Whatever the case may be,

someone should indeed investigate this guy, this puerile paranoid who rants and raves without thinking. Trump doesn't drink, smoke or do drugs how can we trust someone like that? - but he is drunk with power and money. If there is something unlawful, unconstitutional, or even untoward lurking therein, many of us would like to know and to see something done about it. Some say, and for a moment it appeared so, that he is doing what he said he would do. Now we'd like to see what else he has done.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

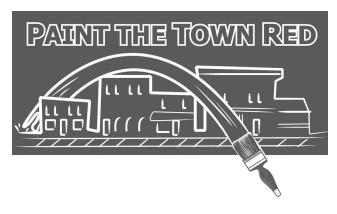
# News

# Boyne City Schools fundraiser to "Paint the Town Red"

### By Jim Akans

It's all about having a whole lot of fun while raising money to help the Boyne City Booster Foundation support funding for Boyne City Public School's programs and activities in areas of the Arts, Athletics, and Academics. This grand gala promises to "Paint the Town Red," this Saturday, April 8, at Boyne Mountain.

Organizers note that, "In one year the foundation was able to grant over \$47,000 in requests." Best of all, attendees have a great evening in store while helping to raise fund that benefit area students.



Paint the Town Red will commence at 6 pm next Saturday evening, with appetizer stations, a cash bar, silent auction and a live auction. Then it's time to "dance the night away" to

the live sounds of "Main Street Soul," Detroit's premier dance & Motown

The Boyne City Boosters are again offering the incentive of "Reserved" ta-

bles to parties of 10. Tickets are \$60 a seat. The entire table must be paid in full. Open seating tickets can be purchased separately for

Tickets will be available at the office of Ralph W. Gillett, CPA, 106 E Water St., phone (231) 582-6421. For more information you may contact Cathy Wonski at (231) 675-2031.

Enjoy live music by "Main Street Soul," Detroit's premier dance & Motown band, at "Paint the Town Red" this Saturday, April 8. at Bovne Mountain. COUR-**TESY PHOTO** 



# Krist Oil opens stations in Charlevoix



Upper Peninsula based Krist Oil has opened two new gas service and convenience store locations in Charlevoix. PHOTO BY DAVE

#### By Jim Akans

With a three-generation family owned history in northern Michigan dating back to 1917, Upper Peninsula based Krist Oil has opened two new gas and convenience store locations in Charlevoix.

Supervisor, Caleb Artri, states; "These will be our 74th and 75th locations, and the first in the lower peninsula. Both locations are easy in and easy out, and we offer lots of grocery choices including frozen foods, Ebel's meats, beer, milk, bread...items to make it convenient for our customers. The north station has even more frozen food selections and also offers liquor."

Krist Oil's 100 year roots began when Krist Atanasoff purchased a candy store in the small U.P. town of Caspian. The company became Stambaugh Old Company and was operated by Krist and his son Stanley. Six years later, Krist passed away, and Stanley purchased the business, renaming it Krist Oil Com-

The new Charlevoix locations are at 12969 US 31 North and 6870 US 31 South. They are open 7 days a week, with hours from 5am to 10pm Sunday through Thursday and from 5am to midnight on Friday and Saturday. Additional information is available at www.kristoil.com.

# MDOT lifts more weight restrictions

Effective 6am on April 4, weight restrictions have been lifted on all state trunkline highways from the southern Michigan border north to and including the Mackinac Bridge. Weight restrictions in the Upper Peninsula have been lifted effective 6am on April 5, to include all state trunkline highways from the Mackinac Bridge north to and including US-2 from Iron Mountain to St. Ignace. Frost restrictions will remain in effect and will be enforced on all state trunkline highways north of US-2 and on M-185 on Mackinac Island. State trunkline highways typically carry M, I, or US designations.

In the restricted areas, the following will apply:

- On routes designated as "all-season routes" (designated in green and gold on the MDOT Truck Operators Map), there will be no reduction in legal axle weights.

- On routes designated as

"seasonal" (designated in solid or dashed red on the **MDOT Truck Operators** Map), there will be a posted weight reduction of 25 percent for rigid pavements and 35 percent for flexible pave-All extended permits will

be valid for oversize loads in the weight-restricted area on the restricted routes. Single-trip permits will not be issued for any overweight loads or loads exceeding 14 feet in width, 11 axles and 150 feet in overall length on the restricted routes.

For weight restriction information and updates, call 800-787-8960, or you can access this information on MDOT's website at www.michigan.gov/truckers, under "Restrictions." All-season routes are designated in green and gold on the MDOT Truck Operators Map, which is available online. You also may sign up to receive e-mail alerts.



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# EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, APRIL 4, 2017

# Proposed water/sewer rates take a dip in East Jordan

#### By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN - The city of East Jordan will be seeing an overall decrease in water and sewer rates beginning this July with the 2017/18 fiscal year budget, after city commissioners approved new proposed rates at Tuesday's commission meeting.

"As part of our wastewater treatment plant, we are using a consultant to perform a rate study that will provide city staff with a more modern formula for assessing the water and sewer rates on a yearly basis," City Administrator Tom Cannon

Flat rates for both water and sewer are currently \$11.66 each per month (previously \$35 per quarter); new approved rates will be just \$10 each per month. At present, the water debt service rate is \$2.15 per 100 cubic feet (c.f.), and operation, maintenance, and repair (OM & R) is \$3.75 per 100 c.f. Debt service is proposed to increase to \$2.97, and OM & R will remain at \$3.75. Sewer debt service will take a steep decline from \$1.48 per 100 c.f. to \$0.85, while the OM & R rate will maintain at \$4.65 per 100

Applying the new rates, a home using 300 c.f. of water and sewer would cost \$56.66. which is roughly a \$2 decrease from current rates.

City commissioners also continued conversations regarding the Jordan Valley Ambulance Authority lease agreement Tuesday evening, as the authority's current lease will expire in one year. The city plans to charge some amount of rent for the long-term maintenance of the emergency services building located at 555 Maple Street. Commissioners gave consensus to allow City Attorney Scott Beatty to meet with the authority's lawyer to begin lease discussions.

Commissioners approved the Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement (ICE) grant

application, which is a competitive grant with federal funds from Housing and Urban Development (HUD). East Jordan qualifies to apply because of the low to moderate income status of the community. The grant is requesting just over \$2,000,000 in infrastructure upgrades, including a water tank that would replace the Buzzell Street water tank. If the city receives the grant, a 10% match in funds will be required.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

# **BC POLICE DEPT INCIDENT** REPORT

#### Monday, March 20, 2017 Citation issued for no

proof of insurance at N. Lake and W Michigan Suspicious vehicle re-

ported on Boyne Av 0910 Alarm in th Alarm in the 500 block Civil complaint in the

1300 block of Boyne Av Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of State St proof of insurance at Jefferson

and Collings. Suspicious situation in the 100 block of Silver St. Alarm in the 300 block of N. Lake St. Report a broken board 2042 on the boardwalk next to the

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 0117 Assist Sheriff Dept on M- 75 S Report stolen Mac

Book from the 1000 block of Boyne Av Report of possible suicidal subject in the 1000 block of

Stolen vehicle from February recovered in Grand

Rapids. Domestic dispute reported on Contractor Dr. Report of a dog run-

ning at large in the area of Jeffer son and State St. 1752 Menta Mental pick up order executed in the 300 block of E Division St. Transported to hospi-

1849 Request for civil standby in the 400 block of W

Noise complaint in the 2243 area of Franklin and Park

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

Suspicious in the 1000 Retail fraud in the 1300 block of Boyne Av.

Damage to the urinal at the River Mouth restroom. 1412 Report of vehicle broken down on E Main St and lake in the Roadway. Gone on arrival IRS fraud message received in the 1300 block of Charlevoix St

Retail fraud in the 400 block of N Lake St Alarm in the 300 block 1857 of N Lake St Disturbance in the 200 block of S Lake St

Thursday, March 23, 2017 0800 Found syringes reported in the 1100 block of

Boyne Av Report of suspected contraband in the 1000 block of

Boyne Av Assist Sheriff Dept on Deer Lake Rd.

Friday, March 24, 2017 Vehicle inspection in

the 600 block of Jefferson. Private property dam-1129 sh reported in the 1000 age cra block of Boyne Av 1231 Civil standby on Con-

tractor Dr Funeral escort from S Park St to Maple Lawn Cemetery 1512 Suspicious situation reported on State St

1641 Driving complaint coming into town from Charlevoix. Unable to locate.

Citation issued for Expired Plate in the 400 block of S Lake St Motorist assist/Prop-

Report of a suspicious subject in the 1100 block of Hull

erty damage crash on Boyne Ave

Saturday, March 25, 2017

Report of illegal entry

0005 Arrested subject for OWI at Silver and Lynn

1015

in the 1100 block of Leroy St. recently. Request for vehicle un-1640

lock at Avalanche. Subject found Health and safety issue

on W. Michigan Ave near John St.

Sunday, March 26, 2017 0119 Report of a possible intoxicated driver in the area of S Lake and Ray St

1424 Vehicle unlock in the 1000 block of Boyne Av Domestic dispute in-1512

volving multiple teenagers in the 200 block of Vogel St. 1 subject arrested.

Report of two subjects 1752 harassing employee in the 400 block of N Lake St.

Juvenile complaint in the 500 block of N. Lake St



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# News Briefs

#### **FIRST FRIDAY BUSINESS BREAKFAST**

7:30-8:30am, April Bergmann Center, 8855 Martin Co-sponsored by Charlevoix Dairy Grille. \$5 for Chamber members, \$7 for nonmembers.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

April 8, 1pm, Veterans Park. Open to preschool through 5th grade. Sponsored by 1st Presbyterian Church.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **5K FUN RUN/WALK**

April 8, 10am. Tommy's Michigan and Barrel Back are excited to announce that they are hosting the second annual Tommy's to Barrel Back 5K Fun Run/Walk at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 8th. All proceeds will benefit Beyond The Scoreboard, a local non-profit dedicated to promoting positive character and sportsmanship through youth and interscholastic athletics. We will leave Tommy's at 10 a.m. and return to Barrel Back. where there will be food specials, drink specials and drawings all morning. For more in-

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### PAINT THE TOWN RED

Mountain Resort. Boyne City Booster Foundation's gala event, Proceeds will provide funding for programs and activities in the Arts, Athletics, and Academics for the students of BCPS. Paint the Town Red starts with appetizer stations and cash bar, silent and live auctions from 6 to 8:30pm. From 8pm to midnight, you can dance to the sounds of "Main Street Soul" Detroit's premier dance & Motown band. The Boosters are again offering the incentive of "Reserved" tables to parties of 10. Tickets are \$60 a seat. The entire table must be paid in full. Open seating tickets can be purchased separately for \$60. Tickets will be available at the office of Ralph W. Gillett, CPA, 106 E Water St., phone (231) 582-6421. For more information you may contact Cathy Wonski at (231) 675-

#### **CHARLEVOIX**

SPRING ECOSTEWARDS KICKOFF **EVENT** 

formation, email laura@barrel-

back.com.

April 8, 6-Midnght, Boyne

April 8, 11-2pm, Charlevoix Library. Interested in learning more about the natural world around you? Want to get involved in citizen science? Join us for a special presentation on butterflies and learn how you can become a citizen scientist. An amazing Aussie pie lunch catered by Harwood Gold will be offered at no cost, and an optional guided hike will follow. **RSVP** www.landtrust.org or call 231.347.0991

# EAST JORDAN

#### **5TH ANNUAL BUSINESS DISTRICT OPEN HOUSE**

April 8, 1-3pm, downtown. Explore several of the vacant spaces available in the community. Stop by the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce and pick up a list of

the featured places from 1:00-3:00pm on the day of the event or after hours in the lobby of the Main Street Center Owners of the buildings or realtors will be on site to give tours and answer questions. Here's your opportunity to secure a location and open your business in time for the summer season. Come discover all of the exciting possibilities in East Jordan. For more information, contact

the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, 231-536-7351 or mailto:info@ejchamber.org

### EAST JORDAN

# MISS EAST JORDAN SCHOLARSHIP

April 8, 7pm, EJ Community Auditorium. The Miss East Jordan Scholarship Pageant is always a great night of fun and entertainment

### CHARLEVOIX

#### **COUNTRY SQUARE DANCE**

April 8, 4-8pm, Barnard Grange Hall (corner of Barnard and Klooster Road). Bring a dish to pass. For more info call (231) 675-0004 or (231) 547-

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **IMPACT OF SMILING EXPLORED**

April 9, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Smile Awhile: An Hour of Happy," explores the mental and physical benefits of smiling and features a screening of the short film The Honey and Bears. During the program, participants will have the opportunity to discuss times in life have felt genuinely happy. Admission to the 60minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located 401 S. Park St.. Boyne City. Please use the Pine Street entrance

### HARBOR SPRINGS

### **GLCO "BRITAIN" CONCERT**

April 9, First Presbyterian Church. 3:15pm - Pre-concert talk with Libor Ondras. 4pm -Concert begins. The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra continues its around the world tour. This concert will feature composers from Great Britain that include Fairy Queen Suite by Purcell; Serenade for Strings by Elgar, Serenade for Horn & Tenor by Britten; and Fantasia on Tallis by Vaughan Williams. \$25 General Admission. For more information, contact the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra office at (231) 487-0010 or email kathie@glcorchestra.org

# CHARLEVOIX

#### **CHARLEVOIX-EMMET ISD EDUCATIONAL JOB FAIR**

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April 10am-2pm, Charlevoix-Emmet ISD, located 8568 Mercer Road. Charlevoix, in the back Conference Room. With the rising demand for substitute teachers, EDUStaff will be on hand to review resumes, start online applications and conduct on-site interviews for immediate openings. EDUStaff is looking to hire substitute teachers as well as other substitute positions in partnership with Charlevoix-Emmet school districts. To pre-register, please go to EDUStaff's website, www.EDUStaff.org and click on "Job Fair" image in the middle of the page. Walk-in candidates are welcome. Questions can be directed to the EDUStaff main office, (877) 974-6338.

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **AQUA EGG HUNT AT CHARLEVOIX COMMUNITY POOL**

April 12. Register for one of two waves: 6 - 7pm or 7 -8pm. Limited to 50 people per wave. Swim and dive for eggs, then trade them in at the end of your hunt for an awesome goody bag. Popcorn and refreshments included. \$5 per swimmer. Parents may enter the Pool free of charge for children requiring assistance. Children 5 and under must have an adult swimmer in the water. There will be no Dollar Night that evening due to this special event. Reservations required. Our last two events sold out, call today to ensure your spot: 231.547.0982

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# **Charlevoix Senior Center:** Nona Jadwin

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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."

# AREA APRIL HAPPENINGS!

# 4/1, 8, 15, 22, 29, SATURDAYS, 9AM -12:30PM

### **Boyne City Farmers' Market**

In the Red Barn, next to the Boyne City District Library. www.boynechamber.com

### 4/1, SATURDAY - 4/2, SUNDAY, 12PM - 5PM Wineshoeing

Enjoy snowshoeing the woods & vineyard at Crooked Vine Winery, then warm up with a glass of mulled wine, soup, and cocoa. Bring your own snowshoes or rent locally and bring your receipt for a free glass of mulled wine. For more info, call 231-881-6582.

www.petoskeychamber.com

# 4/8, SATURDAY, 6PM - 12AM

# Paint the Town Red

A night of silent and live auctions, appetizer stations and cash bar from 6:00pm -8:30pm. From 8:00pm to midnight, you can dance to the sounds of "Main Street Soul." Proceeds will provide funding for programs and activities in

the Arts, Athlet-ics, and Academics for the students of Boyne City Public Schools. Event will be held at Boyne Mountain Resort. For more info, you may contact Cathy Wonski at (231) 675-2031.

www.boynechamber.com

# 4/15, SATURDAY, 2:00PM - 3:00PM

# Easter Egg Hunt - Charlevoix (East Park)

Easter Bunny Luncheon at Stafford's Weathervane Restau-rant from 11:00am 1:30pm. Enjoy a delicious meal, then get your picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Easter Egg Hunt starts at 2:00pm sharp, followed with face painting, hot cocoa, cookies, Twister Joe, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. Area shops and restaurants invite you to enjoy a spe-cial Easter Open House event at participating businesses.

www.charlevoix.org

4/20, THURSDAY, 5:00PM - 8:00PM

Petoskey Business Expo (Business After Hours)

This great event takes place in Ovation Hall of the Odawa Casino. Over 70 exhibitors will be featured. 8 restaurants will offer a "Taste of Petoskey." www.petoskeychamber.com

# 4/20, THURSDAY, 5:30PM - 7:00PM

# April Swirl @ Crooked Tree Arts Center

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

www.crookedtree.org

### 4/23, SUNDAY, 6:00PM - 8:00PM East Jordan Rotary Father/Son

# **Banquet**

Dinner, awards, and fun. Fathers, sons, grandfathers, uncles and friends are all welcome to attend. Event will

be held at the East Jordan High School. www.ejchamber.org

### 4/28, FRIDAY, 7:00PM & 4/29, SATURDAY, 9:00PM

# **East Jordan Rotary Variety**

This annual show brings people from near and far as it is one of East Jordan's signature events. You will want to get your tickets early. Shows will be in the East Jordan Community Auditorium at the East Jordan High School.

www.ejchamber.org

# 4/29, SATURDAY, 11:30AM - 10:00PM

# Jordan Valley Fiddler's Jam-

Jamboree (11:30am - 5pm), Open Mic (5pm - 6pm), and Dance (7pm - 10pm) will be held at the East Jordan Civic Center. Many of the best fiddlers and musicians from around the state will be present. Admission by donation. www.ejchamber.org

# **BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

# Thursday, April 6 9-10am Food Distribution 11am Arthritis Founda-

**Exercise Program** Wii Bowling

**1pm Wii Bowling Practice** 

Thursday, April 6

11am KARAOKE DAY!

12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ce-

ramics

Thursday, April 6

SLOPPY JOE w/BUN

Friday, April 7

Monday, April 10 Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize Rummikub

Tuesday, April 11 FOOT CLINIC Bingo - Free Lunch Prize **Mexican Train** 

Wednesday, April 12 10:30am Wii Bowl Practice 11am Petoskey Chorale **Various Card Games** 

Thursday, April 13 11am Arthritis Foundation **Exercise Program** Wii Bowling

# **CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Thursday, April 6 **FOOT CLINIC** 11:30am Roger Hartson 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong

**EASTER PARTY!** 9:30am Craft Class

Friday, April 7

**EASTER PARTY!** 

11:30am-12:30pm Dollar

in a Jukebox

Raffle

Rummikub

Monday, April 10 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study

Tuesday, April 11 9am-1pm Tax Assistance **1pm Paint Class** 1pm Mahjong

Wednesday, April 12 10am—1953 Class Coffee Hour 11am-2pm CVX Veterans Affairs, John Hess 1pm Bingo

Thursday, April 13 11:30 Kevin Johnson Music 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong **1pm Wii Bowling Practice** 

# **EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES**

Friday, April 7 Monday, April 10 **BIRTHDAY DAY!** 8:30am-1:30pm Walking M-F **EASTER MEAL 10am Daily Devotions** 11am Barry Loper Bingo/Raffle Cards RUMMIKUB **WEAR RED EASTER PARTY!** 

12:30pm Wii Bowling

Monday, April 10

**TUNA CASSEROLE** 

Tuesday, April 11 12:30pm Bingo -**Meal Ticket Prize 1pm Paint Class** Mexican Poker

Tuesday, April 11

**BEEF CHILI** 

Wednesday, April 12 **GAME DAY!** Pool Table / Ping Pong 10:30am Crafts **1pm Texas Hold-Em WEAR BLUE** 

Wednesday, April 12

**CRUNCHY CHICKEN** 

Thursday, April 13 **Foot Clinic** 10am Advisory Bd Mtg 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ceramics

Thursday, April 13 TURKEY TETTRAZINI

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#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **ZONTA OPEN HOUSE**

April 12, 5-7pm, Charlevoix Public Library Community Room. Zonta Club of Charlevoix is looking for people to help us make a difference in the world. Come see what we're about. Everyone is welcome zontacharlevoix.org

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### MEET THE NEW MAIN STREET DIRECTOR

April 13, 4-6pm, Main Street Office, 120 Water Street. Meet the new Main Street Director, Kelsie King-Duff, who started in her new position on January 30. Fustini's will be providing snacks, featuring an array of their different products

#### EAST JORDAN

#### **COMMUNITY DANCE**

April 14, 7-9:30pm, East Jordan Civic Center. Presented by the Jordan Valley All-Stars Band. Dance lesson at 6:30pm. Band plays from 7– 9:30pm. \$10 per person. Snacks and water available for purchase.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **GREAT LAKES SWIMMERS IN** CONCERT

April 15, 8pm, Freshwater Art Gallery, 217 South Lake Street. Tickets; \$30. Call (231) 582-2588 to reserve.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

April 15, 11am, Young State Park. For children ages 10 and under. State Park Recreation Passport required to enter the

#### EAST JORDAN

#### **EASTER FUN & GAMES**

April 15, 10am-noon, East Jordan High School Gymna-Prizes, candy, and games. Two bikes given away. Easter bunny will be there. Hosted by the East Jordan Lion's Club.

# CHARLEVOIX

## **EASTER EGG HUNT**

April 15. 11am - 1:30pm; Easter Bunny Luncheon (photos with East Bunny) at Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant. Call 547-4311 for reservations. 25th Annual Easter Egg Hunt downtown in East Park at 2pm. Bring your Easter Basket to hold your share of the 4500 prize filled eggs. The event is free for children up to 10 years old. Age groups are 2 years old and under, 3-4 years, 5-6 years and 7-10 years. 2-3pm Charlevoix State Bank will offer face painting and balloon animals by Iwister Joe, northern Michigan's favorite balloon artist. There will also be complimentary hot cocoa and cookies.

# **BOYNE CITY**

# **OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION**

April 18. Residents of Boyne City are invited to attend a meeting on April 18 to discuss options for purchasing the approximate 4.5-acre lakeshore

site, known as the "Open Space," located at 475 North Lake St. across the street from the Family Fare Shopping Plaza. City Commissioners and staff will be at the Open Space, weather permitting between 6:30 to 6:50pm. and then move to the temporary City Hall for the April 18 work session with public discussion starting at 7pm.

#### 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).

#### EAST JORDAN

### **CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

April 19, 5-7pm, Tilted Skillet. Sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank. Free for E.J. Chamber Members, \$10 for Not-Yet-Members.

# CHARLEVOIX

#### **ENHANCED CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

April 19, 5-7pm, East Park Tavern. Summer BBQ foods, Cash bar with a special "island drink," Contests, Wear your favorite Hawaiian Shirt, Multiple Door Prizes, Live music from Dave Cisco. Sponsored by Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Beaver Island Boat Company. \$5 for Chamber members, \$10 nonmembers.

### **BOYNE CITY**

# **CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER**

April 20, 5:30-7:30pm, En Vogue Salon, 105 Water Street. Business people are invited to this monthly networking event. Admission, hors d'oeuvres and beverages are complimentary.

# EAST JORDAN

#### 97TH ANNUAL FATHER & SON **BANQUET**

April 22, 6pm, East Jordan High School Cafeteria. Featuring the Flying Aces professional Frisbee team. Event also includes Kentucky Style Derby Races and the 2017 Father of the Year award presentation. Adults; \$10, Students; \$5 and free to preschool ages. Tickets available from East Jordan Rotary members, East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce or at the door. For additional information contact Gary Roberts, (231) 675-7859.

#### EAST JORDAN **AMERICAN GIRL DOLL TEA**

High School Cafeteria. Drinks, snacks, tea cups optional. Bring any doll to the party to share with friends. Bring a camera. Door prizes include two American Girl Dolls and more (2017 Doll of the Year -Gabriela or 2015 Doll of the Year - Grace). Must be present to win. Admission \$5 for children and \$2 adults (children must be accompanied by an

adult). Hosted by East Jordan

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#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA FOR SMALL BUSINESS**

April 8-9:30am, Charlevoix Public Library Community Room. The program is designed for business owners and employees that use social media to promote their business and would like to learn new tips and techniques. "Social Media should be a consideration for every business' marketing mix. The training is free, and underwritten by the four planning organizations. Light refreshments will be served. To register for the training, call the library at 231-237-7340 or visit the calendar registration at www.charlevoixlibrary.org

### EAST JORDAN

#### **ROTARY VARIETY SHOW**

April 28 & 29, 7pm. East Jordan Community Auditorium. All tickets are \$10. Tickets sold through April 20 at Charlevoix State Bank or any Rotarian. Beginning April 21, remaining tickets sold at Charlevoix State Bank or at the door.

# **BOYNE CITY**

#### **CHARLEVOIX COUNTY HUMAN SOCIETY AUCTION EVENT**

April 29, Historic Boyne Cinema. Auction starts at 10am. \$5 bidder fee. Partial Estate liquidation, consignment, and donated goods and services to benefit the Charlevoix Area Humane Society. Food and beverage provided by Lake Charlevoix Brewery. Also included in the day event is the grand reveal for the restoration of the Boyne Cinema. For more information or to consign or donate items, call the Humane Society at 231-582-6774 or email director@charlevoixhumane.org

### EAST JORDAN

### FIDDLERS JAMBOREE

April 29, East Jordan Civic Center. Fiddlers and other Musicians & Callers from around the state will be playing throughout the day and performing in the order of sign-in. Instruments should be acoustic. Open Mic 5-6 PM. Dance 7-10 PM. Dance calls & music provided by musicians in attendance. Jamming area available in the "Front Room" or outside, weather permitting. Some food available on site, restaurants nearby or bring your own. Registration for musicians & callers begins at 11:30 AM. Dance 7-10 PM. Admission by donation at the door. Sponsored by Jordan Valley Fiddlers Jamboree, Inc.

# **VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY**

May 10, American Legion Post 228, 302 S. Lake Street. An open house which will include a display of military uniforms, rifles, equipment, pictures, maps and much more which will be explained and demonstrated by our members to the guests through a hands on learning experience. We encourage all schools to participate in this unique experience

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that your students and faculty will never forget. For information contact Veterans Appreciation Day Chairman at (231) 588-6067 or email ejpe@netzero.com.

# **BOYNE CITY**

### **FARMERS MARKET**

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

### **BOYNE CITY**

#### **CITY WIDE LEAF PICK-UP**

May 1st - June 2nd, (Monday and Fridays only). The City will pick up leaves during the above scheduled times only. After the scheduled date, citizens will be responsible for their own leaves. Please set bagged leaves curbside anytime after the first day of pick up, in biodegradable paper bags. City crews will pick up bags on Monday and Fridays only. If your bags have been out for an extended period of time and have not been collected, please notify City Hall at 582-6597. Biodegradable paper bags are available at Boyne City Co-Op and Ace Hardware. Please put only leaves in bags as they are not strong enough to hold sticks, sand, or stones, and will tear upon lifting. Brush will not be picked up curbside, but may be brought to the North Boyne Compost Site. You may haul your own leaves, either bagged in biodegradable paper bags or unbagged, to the compost site on Robinson Street, open seven days a week for your convenience. City Ordinance prohibits depositing leaves or other yard waste in the street.

# **BOYNE CITY**

**CITY ELECTION** This year, the City Commission terms for Ron Grunch, Gene Towne and Laura Sansom expire. Therefore, there will be three City Commissioner seats up for election on November 7, 2018, all of which are four-year terms expiring in 2021. The deadline for submitting nominating petitions to the City Clerk is by 4pm on Tuesday, April 25, 2017. For more information or petition forms, please contact the City Clerk's office at 231-582-6597 or email cgrice@boynecity.com

# NORTHERN MI

#### **PEOPLE FUND GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 15**

The Great Lakes Energy People Fund is accepting grant applications from non-profit organizations throughout its local service area. Non-profit organizations can read program details and request a grant applionline at cation http://www.gtlakes.com/grant-

application-request/ or by calling Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-485-2537, ext. Non-profit organizations that serve communities located in the Great Lakes Energy service area are eligible to apply. Applications are due by April 15. Another grant opportunity will be available this fall.

# CHARLEVOIX

The Charlevoix Country Club is devastated to announce the

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closing of Charlevoix Fitness and the Heatherwoods Golf Course for the 2017 season. The Club is in the process of rebuilding after the fire in 2016, and plans to return to full operation in the spring of 2018. Events at Shanahan's Barn are unaffected by the closing.

### 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 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. 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 adjutant@boynelegionpost228. org for information.

# CHARLEVOIX

# **WELLNESS WORKSHOPS**

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- 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: Cholesterol, 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.

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### **BOYNE CITY**

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9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week - Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am ad-

vanced class, cost is \$5 per - The Boyne District Library Book Club meets at 7pm on March 27th. This month's book is When Breath Becomes Air

# by Paul Kalanithi. Information at www.boynelibrary.org. CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

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# Quit Smoking help available for pregnant women

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan wants pregnant women to know that there is free help available for quitting smoking and tobacco use.

Smoking during pregnancy causes health harms for both the mother and the fetus. According to the U.S. Surgeon General, more than 100,000 babies have died in the last 50 years from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, complications from prematurity, complications from low birth weight, and other pregnancy problems resulting from parental smoking. Smoking also causes ectopic (tubal) pregnancy and impaired fertility, cleft lip and cleft palates in babies of women who smoke during early pregnancy. In addition, women's

disease risks from smoking have risen over the last 50 years and are now equal to men's for lung cancer, COPD, and cardiovascular diseases. The number of women dying from COPD now exceeds the number of men.

In Michigan, rates of smoking among pregnant women have risen over the past several years from 16% in 2008 to over 18% in 2014. Quitting smoking is difficult because the nicotine contained in cigarettes is very addictive, but there are resources available to help. While it is best to quit smoking before becoming pregnant, quitting smoking at any point during pregnancy is helpful in reducing health harms to the woman and fetus.

"We want women and health

care providers to know that there is free help available for pregnant and postpartum women to make quitting smoking during and after pregnancy easier," stated Katie Joyce, Tobacco Dependence Prevention coordinator at the Health Department of Northwest Michigan

The Michigan Tobacco Quitline is an evidence-based service that continues to provide free help with quitting smoking to all pregnant women regardless of insurance status. The services available for pregnant women include more counseling sessions, incentives, and free nicotine replacement therapy if a woman has a prescription from her physician. Pregnant women can call the Quitline di-

rectly at 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669), and health care providers can refer women to the Quitline using a fax referral form available at https://michigan.quitlogix.org/. Staff and providers in all health care settings can refer patients to the Quitline.

Pregnant women are eligible for 5 counseling sessions during pregnancy and 4 counseling sessions during the postpartum period. Pregnant women receive a welcome packet after their first call and are assigned to a counselor trained to offer counseling specific to pregnant women. Pregnant women receive a rewards card for each call completed during pregnancy and the postpartum period.

incy and the postpartum period "We encourage all health care providers to ask pregnant women about smoking at each visit during and after pregnancy, advise women to quit, and to refer women to the Michigan Tobacco Quitline if help is needed with quitting smoking," stated Joyce. "Because nicotine is very addictive, people who smoke, including pregnant women who smoke, are best able to quit when they get help and support."

For more information, please contact the Health Department of Northwest Michigan at (800) 432-4121 or call the Michigan Tobacco Quitline at 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669)

#### **COMMUNITY CLEANUP SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2017**

The City of East Jordan will conduct its Community Cleanup campaign on Saturday, May 13, 2017. This drop-off is for CITY OF EAST JORDAN RESIDENTS ONLY. Please obtain a "Proof of Residency" card at City Hall during regular business hours prior to May 13, 2017.

### **GUIDELINES**

In order to make this campaign successful; we request that you follow these simple guidelines:

- 1. The drop-off site will be available from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM on one day only: Saturday, May 13, 2017. The drop-off site will be at the City's Transfer Station located at the far east end of Nicholls Street (700 Nicholls).
- 2. All metals and appliances may be taken to East Jordan Auto Parts. Any appliances with Freon <u>must</u> be taken to East Jordan Auto Parts located at 121 Elm Street. There is no charge for Freon removal to any Charlevoix County resident.

Accepted Items	Items NOT Accepted
Furniture: Chairs, sofas, tables, etc.	Liquids- Household, yard, auto, etc.
Mattresses & box springs	Chemicals/hazardous materials
Electronics: TVs, stereos, computers & computer equip., printers, radios, phones, cameras (still or video), VCRs, microwave ovens, game systems, satellite receivers, etc.	Gasoline, motor oil, anti-freeze, etc.
	Car batteries or tires
	Fluorescent or CFL bulbs
Miscellaneous household items	Household garbage, refuse, trash
Cans of paint (paint must be dry)	Paint - Not dried
Carpets, linoleum, wood flooring, etc.	Concrete or asphalt
Residential building materials	Contractor's building materials/roofing
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Questions regarding drop-off schedules and acceptable materials may be directed to City Hall at (231) 536-3381.

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# Mackinac Bridge north tower to get a new paint job

For the first time in its 60year history, one of the Mackinac Bridge's iconic ivory towers will be stripped down to bare metal and repainted. Beginning April 6, contractors for the Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) will begin a nearly two-year project to remove the original paint from the bridge's north tower and repaint it. Contractor Seaway Painting, which most recently repainted the bridge's south approach span, was awarded the contract with a low bid of just less than \$6.3 million.

"Fans of the bridge should be relieved to know that when this project is done, the tower will still be the same classic ivory that everyone recognizes," said MBA Executive Secretary Bob Sweeney. "Apart from brightening the appearance of the bridge, a quality painting project goes a long way toward ensuring the bridge is protected from the elements."

The project will begin with stripping and painting on some of the tower's interior "cells," followed by installation of an enclosure on the outside of the tower in late April or early May. The original paint is lead-based, and Seaway is required to contain 100 percent of the paint as it is removed, test it, and ship it to an appropriate landfill facility. The new



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paint, which is zinc-based, is expected to last at least 35 years with periodic maintenance.

Sweeney said that until the 1970s, the bridge authority hired contractors to spot paint the bridge towers as needed. Since the late '70s, MBA employees have handled that task. Seaway is required to complete the project by Dec. 31, 2018, though Sweeney said they hope to get most of the painting done this year, if the

weather allows.

During painting, the contractor will need to close the outside two lanes of the bridge near the north tower to stage equipment. Sweeney said closures on the north-bound lanes will be lifted on

Fridays and on southbound lanes on Sundays during the peak traffic weekends. Lane closures also will be removed as needed for other high traffic volume times, such as holidays.

The MBA also plans to have the south tower stripped and painted beginning in 2019. The contract for that project will go out for bids in early 2019.

Construction on the Mack-

inac Bridge began in May 1953, and the completed structure was opened to traffic on Nov. 1, 1957. The MBA's sole source of funding is from tolls and fees collected, with all revenue used to maintain, operate and protect the bridge.



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Little Traverse Conservancy (LTC) invites interested volunteers to learn more about the EcoStewards Program on Saturday, April 8 at the Charlevoix Public

# EcoStewards kickoff event April 8 at Charlevoix Library

Are you a nature enthusiast? Is there some Thoreau in you? Little Traverse Conservancy (LTC) invites interested volunteers to learn more about the EcoStewards Program which engages volunteers in citizen-based science sought by the greater conservation community.

Through LTC's EcoStewards Program, volunteer activities and projects are driven by you, the volunteer. We provide the framework, land, training, and learning opportunities. You explore, collect, research, restore, and share your results with us. Examples of current projects include the American Kestrel Nest Box Program, Michigan Frog and Toad Surveys, and Vernal Pool Monitoring. Other EcoStewards volunteers help remove exotic species and plant native species. There are numerous opportunities to use your interest and love for the outdoors toward protecting our

amazing natural resources in

northern Michigan.

After an opening presentation by Conservancy staff, Grass River Natural Area Education Director James Dake will present on butterflies and the Michigan Butterfly Monitoring Network. Then, following a light lunch, attendees are welcome to join us for an EcoStewards Field Trip to a nearby nature preserve.

Join us on Saturday, April 8 at the Charlevoix Public Library for one or all of the following:

- 11 am; LTC Presentation
- 11:15am; Guest Speaker James Dake, Michigan Butterflies
- 12pm; Light Lunch - 1pm; Field trip to Nature Preserve

Ongoing Project Sign Up/Info Tables

The event is free but we need to know if you are coming to plan for lunch. Please call 231.347.0991 with questions or to register, or register online at www.landtrust.org.

# News

# GUEST COMMENTARY

# Sexual Assault Awareness Month: Engaging New Voices

Guest Commentary submitted by: Megan King, Violence Prevention Coordinator, Women's Re-

April is National Sexual Assault

Awareness Month (SAAM) - a time

to raise public awareness about

year's theme "Engaging New

sexual violence and educate com-

Voices" encourages a wider audi-

zations to take action to promote

ence of people, groups and organi-

safety, respect and equality to stop

sexual violence before it happens.

New voices in the movement to

the next generation foster attitudes that promote healthy relationships.

end sexual assault are crucial and

will create a ripple effect to help

Greater awareness and open con-

versations about this important

issue will improve understanding

about the causes of sexual assault

and how to best change behaviors

that allow it to persist. We can all

play a role in influencing those in

our personal, social and business

networks. Coaches and teachers

can promote integrity and respect

with young people. Faith leaders

can support survivors. Parents can

talk to their kids about healthy re-

lationships. Community members

can encourage conversations about

Increased media coverage, Title

munities on how to prevent it. This

source Center of Northern Michigan Questions/comments about

this guest commentary submission may be directed to: Dena Sydow, Marketing Director. Women's Resource Cen-

231-347-0067, dsydow@wrcnm.org

ter of Northern Michigan



IX efforts at colleges and university and greater willingness to talking

about the issue of sexual assault and rape have helped heighten awareness, yet there is still work to be done. Consider these facts:

According to the Centers for Disease Control, nearly 1 in 5 women (18.3%) and 1 in 71 men (1.4%) in the United States have been raped

at some time in their lives. During the 2015-16 Fiscal Year, the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan provided sexual assault services to 190 local survivors; 47 of whom were under age 18. The WRCNM's 24-hour crisis line supported 843 calls.

These numbers only tell part of the story; sexual assault is a crime that is still very much underreported.

One month is not enough to solve the serious and widespread issue of sexual assault. However, the attention April generates is an opportunity to energize and expand prevention efforts throughout the year. Please join us in making it a part of your everyday life to use your voice to help end violence against women.

If your business, group or organization would like more information on how to help end violence against women and girls in our community, contact the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan at (231) 347-1572 or visit wrcnm.org.

# MDOT says: "Work zone safety is in your hands"

It's the time of year when construction crews and orange barrels spring into action, and that means driving through work zones. Last year in Michigan, there were 4,908 work zone crashes and 17 people lost their lives. Most of those crashes were preventable. Today kicks off National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW), where safety agencies across the nation join forces in an effort to increase awareness about the importance of work zone safety. For information on today's news conference in Grand Rapids, visit: http://bit.ly/2ozobGo.

It only takes a split second of distraction to dramatically change lives forever. Watch the true story of Bob and Cyndi Kamps in a short video about a family's journey after a work zone injury:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=IbGG5K6KOdQ.

This year's theme for National Work Zone Awareness Week (April 3-7) is "Work zone safety is in your hands." Show your support for NWZAW by wearing orange this Wednesday, April 5. To participate, share a photo on social media of you or your team wearing orange, including the hashtags #Orange4Safety and #NWZAW. For more facts, stats and information about work zone safety, visit:

www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/outreach/wz awareness.htm and www.michigan.gov/mdotwork-

Preliminary 2016 Michigan work zone crash information unfortunately shows increases from 2015 numbers:

- 17 fatalities (up from 15 in

- 75 serious injuries ( up from 69

in 2015) - 4,908 total crashes (up from

4,776 in 2015)

"The faces of people who are represented by these crash statistics could be any one of us," said State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle. "Each one of those numbers represents a person who left behind parents, siblings, children, and friends who were devastated by their loss. We all need to work together to bring these numbers down with the ultimate goal of zero deaths on our roadways".

As part of the Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) national safety campaign, a vision of eliminating fatalities on our nation's roads, NWZAW became a national event

# North Country CMH sponsors Fun Walk for Autism Awareness

North Country Community Mental Health is sponsoring its 6th Annual Fun Walk for Autism Awareness on Saturday, April 29 at Veteran's Memorial Park in Boyne City. On-site registration begins at 9am and the "Fun Walk" begins at 10am. Route is approximately a half-mile in length. Registration fee is \$10. All participants will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win one of many great prizes including gift cards and special give-a-ways Must be present to win.

One of the event organizers, Heather Smith, MA, LPC, BCBA noted: "The community has been

very supportive of this event. The cohesiveness of our participants and supporters is becoming more evident each year. We all gather for the same cause, something that is important to each of us. We have many returning participants along with new ones each year. When we started this 6 years ago, we heard a lot of skepticism, misconceptions about Autism, and received a lot of questions regarding Autism and what services were available. The general knowledge about Autism has increased as well as services that are available."

Smith added, "On January 1,

2016, our state expanded Autism services availability to include children up to 21 years of age, up from 6 years of age. This opened the door for many individuals that have been diagnosed with Autism to receive valuable services that they previously would not have been able to. This is a huge step in the right direction.'

North Country Community Mental Health provided Autism services to 146 children in 2016. For further information or to register visit the website at www.norcocmh.org or contact Heather Smith at 231-347-9605 x3607 or hsmith@norcocmh.org.

# Good Samaritan Resale Shop & Food Pantry — Serving families in need for 27 years

By Jim Akans

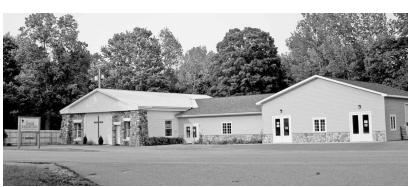
all of these topics.

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.'

Over twenty-five years later, the result of that inspiration; Good Samaritan Family Services, continues 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



Good Samaritan Family Services, is celebrating over two-and-a-half 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. COURTESY PHOTO

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

Today, approximately 700 families visit Good Samaritan's Food Pantry each month, primarily from Antrim County though about a quarter of those families are from Charlevoix County. A crew of some 90 volunteers helps to stock and distribute the food supplies, oversee the non-profit organization's Resale Shop, Good Samaritan Furniture & More Store, and assist new mothers at their affiliated Moms & Tots Cen-

"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."

Good Samaritan Family Services also offers "Sammy's Shoes" at the Resale Shop, which has a huge assortment of new shoes in virtually every size, style and color. 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.

Good Samaritan's hours of operation are Tuesdays, 10am to 7pm, Wednesdays through Fridays 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

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- 214 Main Street (The Zone) Lynda's Real Estate, Marty Moody 231-582-9555 or 231-633-2500



104 ESTERLY STREET

Stop by the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce and pick up a list of the vacant places from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. Owners of the buildings or realtors will be on site to give tours and answer questions. Here's your opportunity to secure a location and open your business in time for the summer season.







306 MAIN STREET



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