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Evenings at the Gazebo 2017 concert schedule announced



The Boyne Area Chamber has announced the 2017 schedule for its Evenings at the Gazebo summer concert series. The concerts are held in Old City Park on summer Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:30pm. The concerts are made possible by support from the Petoskey Area Visitors Bureau and other business and individual sponsors.

Here is the 2017 schedule:

- June 21 - Up North Vocal Institute, young opera singers sponsored by Challenge Mountain
- June 28 - Awesome Distraction, sponsored by Waterpaw, LLC

- July 12 - Project 6, sponsored by Self-Indulgence Salon
- July 19 - Mike McCaslin Dueling Pianos - Interactive, crazy, off-the-cuff sing-along. (Become a sponsor*)
- July 26 - Olivia Miller-schin, sponsored by Pat O'Brien & Associates
- August 2 - Steel & Wood bluegrass/folk band (Become a sponsor*)
- August 9 - Matt Gabriel, sponsored by Boyne Co-op True Value.

You can become a sponsor of one of the remaining concerts for a donation of \$300. You will get to introduce the band on behalf of

the Chamber and you can also make a brief announcement introducing your organization at the beginning of the show. Your donation will be acknowledged on our event fliers and posters, our website (www.gazeboconcerts.com) and e-newsletter, and in announcements at the concerts.

If you can help with a donation of any amount, please mail your donation to the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, 28 S. Lake St., Boyne City MI 49712. For information contact Ashley Cousins at 231-582-6222 or email ashley@boynechamber.com.

Property taxes rising in Boyne City

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - The Boyne City commission has approved its budget for the upcoming year which will bring with it slightly higher taxes for property owners and water and sewage utility users.

Commissioners voted at their meeting last week in favor of the 2017-2018 fiscal operating budget as it had been prepared, including tax rates and fee schedules.

This year's budget shows an increase in the city's debt service millage to pay for the new city hall and emergency services facility that's currently under construction and expected to be completed this summer. That means property owners will see an increase from 1.32 mills to 2.3 mills in the coming year, which city officials say is still about 0.3 mills less than was estimated when voters approved the bulk amount of the project's bond issue.

One mill is levied at \$1 per every \$1,000 of taxable property value.

Boyne City's operating millage rate will remain at 15.51 mills, which is the same as it has been since 2011.

The new budget furthermore projects that staffing, services and most regular fees at the city level will also remain about the same throughout this fiscal year.

Water, sewage and connection rates for those in Boyne City, however, will be rising this year. According to the new budget, water usage rates will increase from \$2.63 to \$2.70 per 1,000 gallons. Quarterly usage charges will also be going up by 3 percent.

Sewer rates are also set to increase by 13 cents to \$4.47 per thousand gallons used and the quarterly service charge will be upped 90 cents to \$31.11 per quarter for a ¾ inch service.

Connection rates for both water and sewage service will also be going up to \$300.

Boaters who use the city's marina will also see a small increase in docking rates, ranging from \$2-\$9 daily, determined by size of boat.

An important component figured into this newly-approved fiscal budget was Boyne City's proposed purchase of what's been dubbed the Open Space park property on North Lake Street. The city has committed to paying about \$1.5 million for its share in buying the property and has already procured up to \$2.4 million in state grant funding to put towards the purchase.

However, city officials are holding a public input session this week to determine whether a millage request should be put to ballot later this year for an additional property tax levy to fund the balance of the Open Space property purchase.

Duski in "The Voice" Top 12!

By Jim Akans

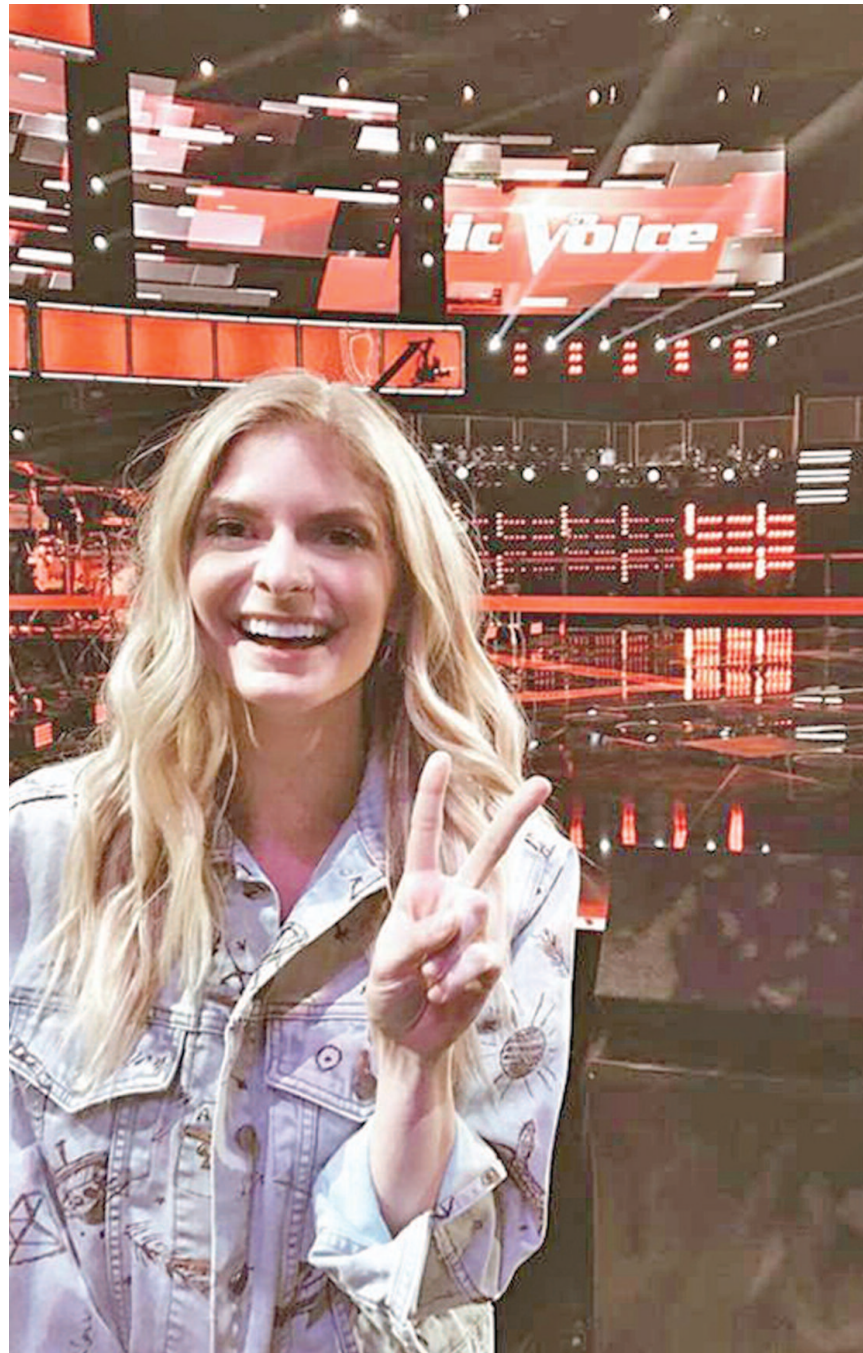
America has voted Northern Michigan native Lauren Duski into the Top 12 contestants on "The Voice" NBC vocal competition. A member of celebrity judge Blake Shelton's team, Duski performed with five co-team members on Monday evening and viewers across the country logged in their votes for their favorite singer during the television broadcast. As the end of the evening, Lauren Duski and Aliyah Moulden were announced as the top vote-getters, securing their spots among the top 12 contestants to move to the next round of the competition. Blake Shelton also chose team member Tsoul to advance to the next round.

Duski, who graduated from Gaylord High School in 2009 and earned her college degree from the University of Michigan, sang Brian White's "Somebody Else's Star." Her emotional performance, crystal clear vocals, and amazing stage composure resonated with viewers who placed their votes via a special The Voice app or on twitter.

Using twitter after the show, Duski commented, "I LOVE YOU GUYS SO MUCH!! Thank you for voting and I will never forget this night. No matter what happens. You all have inspired me beyond comprehension."

Next week, the top 12 contestants will perform and once again America will vote for their favorite performer. Based on those voting results some of those contestants will move forward in the competition on their journey to possibly being named "The Voice" for Season 12. For voting information and to download a special voting app, visit www.nbc.com/the-voice

Fans can join Duski supporters on the "Lauren Duski Gaylord Fan Club" Facebook page, and follow her journey on The Voice at www.laurenduski.com or on Facebook at LaurenDuski.



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LOW: 34

FRIDAY

 HIGH: 50
LOW: 32

SATURDAY

 HIGH: 58
LOW: 36

SUNDAY

 HIGH: 50
LOW: 30

MONDAY

 HIGH: 52
LOW: 36

TUESDAY

 HIGH: 50
LOW: 36

WEDNESDAY

 HIGH: 54
LOW: 38

record temps

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APR 20	.32°	...57°	.16°	(1981)	.86°	(1987)
APR 21	.32°	...58°	.14°	(1993)	.86°	(1987)
APR 22	.33°	...58°	.18°	(1978)	.88°	(1980)
APR 23	.33°	...59°	.19°	(1986)	.87°	(1980)
APR 24	.33°	...59°	.18°	(1956)	.84°	(1990)
APR 25	.34°	...60°	.15°	(1967)	.85°	(1990)
APR 26	.34°	...60°	.20°	(1958)	.88°	(1986)
APR 27	.34°	...61°	.20°	(1967)	.86°	(1990)

OBITUARIES

Frederick "Bruce" Bergmann, 78

(SEPT. 12, 1938 - APRIL 10, 2017)

Frederick Bruce Bergmann of Charlevoix passed away on April 10, 2017 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. Bruce was born on September 12, 1938 in Charlevoix, the son of Frederick A. and A. Rose (Teardine) Bergmann. He served in the US Navy on the USS Essex CVA-9. After his discharge, Bruce was employed by the Advance Electric plant in Boyne City. Bruce later became a farrier (blacksmith).



On June 18, 1960 in Boyne City Bruce married Susan E. Simmons of Boyne City who survives him. He is also survived by his children: Sherry (Jeff) Kirby of Charlevoix, Tim (Jodie) Bergmann of Marquette, Bonnie (Brian) Brown of Macomb; siblings: Lois (Paul) Michelin of Newberry, Doug (Louise) Bergmann of Charlevoix, Jack (Sherrel) Bergmann of East Jordan, Ken (Sue) Bergmann of Alanson; 6 grandchildren: Jarod, Jacob (Ning), Jenna, Zachary, Clinton, and Abbie; and many extended family and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Charles and Jim

Bergmann.

Bruce enjoyed spending his time riding horses, hunting (rabbit, deer and bear), fishing, camping, making homemade wine and knives, listening to country music and dancing. Bruce attended Boyne City Methodist Church and was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows #293 in Charlevoix.

No services will be held. Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Memorial Contributions can be made to Ozark Grace Brethren Church in Trout Lake, MI.

Georgie D. Llewellyn, 82

(APRIL 15, 1934 ~ APRIL 12, 2017)

Georgie D. Llewellyn of Walloon Lake passed away Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey. Born on April 15, 1934 in Petoskey, Georgie was the daughter of George and Gwendolyn Malloy.

For several years, Georgie worked at the Boyne Avenue Greenhouse and really enjoyed it. She loved making crafts, taking care of her plants and spending time with her family. She and Rol-



lyn traveled all over the country and spent some of the time camping. She was a lifetime member of the Eastern Star. She will be greatly missed.

On August 29, 1954, Georgie married Rollyn in Petoskey at the United Methodist Church who survives. Also surviving are three sons, Rollyn II of Troy, Mark of Petoskey, Tim (Gina) of Saginaw; a special daughter in law, Janice Danzer of Oxford; grandchildren, Rollyn III, Nicole, Mark II, Benjamin, Ava, Peyton, Ashley and Lauren; great-grandchildren, Rollyn IV and Luke; her sisters, Roberta (Stan) Kapusto of St. Charles and Mary (Robert) Vratana of Walloon Lake; her brother in law, Harold Hall of Saginaw and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Daniel George in 2006; and her sister, Gerrie Hall.

The family has chosen to remember Georgie at a private gathering. Gaylord Community Funeral Home & Cremation Service is handling the arrangements. Please share your memories and personal messages with the family at www.gaylordfuneralhome.com

Paul Douglas McDonald, 73

(SEPT. 7, 1943 - APRIL 12, 2017)

Paul Douglas McDonald passed away unexpectedly on

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at his home in Boyne Falls, MI at the age of 73. He was born on September 7, 1943 in St. Claire Shores, MI and was the son of Lloyd and Audie (Norrod) McDonald who both preceded him in death.

Doug married the love of his life, Jean on June 25, 1966 after graduating from Albion College with a Bachelors of Art in Finance. He had a lengthy career in commercial banking with a variety of banking institutions including Manufacturers Bank and Michigan National. Following retirement, Doug enjoyed volunteering with Meals on Wheels, working at the CUMC value shop, and selling peanuts for Detroit Tigers games. Doug was an active, long time member of Central United Methodist Church (CUMC) in Detroit. He is most known for his humorous stories and love for his family.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Jean McDonald of Boyne Falls, his two children: Thomas McDonald and wife Amy of Lake Tapawingo, MO; Sarah McDonald Albus and husband Mark of Kensington, MD. Granddaughters: Lillian McDonald, Molly McDonald, Katherine Albus, Grace Albus, Hannah Albus, and Libby Albus. Siblings Beverly Nelson of Umatilla, FL, and Jack McDonald of Traverse City, MI, as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers - Lloyd McDonald Jr. and Bill McDonald.

The Memorial Service will be held at Central United Methodist Church on Saturday, May 27, 2017. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Open Door Sports Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing quality sports programming for children with special needs. Open Door Sports, Inc, 1348 Florida Ave, NW Washington, DC 20009.

Sonia M. Dorst, 44

(FEB. 20, 1973 - APRIL 15, 2017)

Sonia M. Dorst of Charlevoix passed away on April 15, 2017 at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey.

Sonia was born on February 20, 1973 in Toledo, OH, the daughter of Michael Provo and Debora Tebeau.

Sonia earned her double major in Criminology and Psychology from The Ohio State University. She resided in Charlevoix for the past 11 years where she was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church as well as the girls JV softball and Cheerleading coach for Charlevoix Schools. She enjoyed spending her time with her family and was a very loving and dedicated mother.

On September 21, 1996 in Columbus, OH Sonia mar-



ried David Dorst who survives. Also surviving are her children, Krista Dorst, Kylie Dorst, Jacob Dorst all of Charlevoix; mother, Debora (Ron) Tebeau of Wayne, OH; father, Michael (Pam) Provo of Port Clinton, OH, maternal grandmother Margaret Mockensturm; maternal step grandmother, Audria Tebeau of Vickery, OH; brother, Ryan (Laura) Provo of Roxboro, NC; half sister, Danielle Tebeau of Wayne, OH; step sister, Alicia Tebeau of Wauseon, OH; step brothers, Sean (Shelly) Tebeau of Kent, OH, Eric (Autumn) McKillips of Buckeye, AZ.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Robert and Nancy Provo.

Services will take place on Thursday April 20, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix with Fr. John Paul Bashe officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Softball Program made payable to Suzanne Klinger, 5200 Marion Center Rd, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at www.winchesterfuneralhome.com.

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OVERWEIGHT PUTS TEENS AT RISK FOR LIVER DISEASE

Dontari Poe, the Atlanta Falcons nose tackle and two-time Pro Bowler, came into the NFL Combine at 346 pounds — and could run the 40-yard dash in 4.98 seconds! A super-big, super-fast lineman makes for a great player ... but, according to new research, packing on extra pounds is not so great for a young man's liver down the line — even Dontari's.

We know that when teenagers are overweight, they're looking at an increased risk for Type 2 diabetes and heart disease later in life. New research shows that over-pounding also increases the risk of serious liver problems as an adult.

For the study, published in Gut, researchers analyzed health records of 1.2 million Swedish men from the time they were young adolescents through adulthood. They found that the higher a boy's BMI in the later teenage years, the higher his chances of developing severe liver disease and even liver cancer. And the risk of liver problems is even greater for young men with Type 2 diabetes.

If your child is overweight or already has Type 2 diabetes, you need to act NOW to help ensure a healthy, productive future for him or her. That means changing the way your family shops for, prepares and eats food. Get the kids involved — and get creative! Initiate smaller meals and a family activity plan that includes after-meal walks and weekend adventures to local parks. Then work with your doctor to monitor your child's liver health (a simple blood test will do it), and you'll catch any problems before they develop.

LOW-FAT WON'T HELP YOU SHED FAT

Remember the Burl Ives song about the old lady who swallowed the fly? By the end of the song, she'd swallowed a cow to catch the goat to catch the dog to catch the cat to catch the bird to catch the spider (it wiggled and jiggled and tickled inside her) to catch the fly. But, it concludes, "I don't know why she swallowed the fly ..."

Well, if you're swallowing foods marketed as "low-fat," "low-sugar" or "low-sodium" to help improve your nutrition or lose weight, you might just be swal-

lowing a spider to catch a fly, too! And you should ask yourself, "Why am I eating that?"

A new study looked at more than 80 million foods and beverages purchased among 40,000 U.S. households over five years, and found that "in many cases, foods containing low-sugar, low-fat or low-salt claims had a worse nutritional profile than those without claims." For example, low-fat chocolate milk has more sugar than plain milk, and more fat and sugar than many other beverages. Even more confusing, a brownie can be labeled "low-fat" if it has 3 grams of fat per 40-gram serving, but low-fat cheesecake has 3 grams of fat per 125-gram serving. The brownie has a relatively higher fat content!

The lesson here: You have to read the nutrition labels, not just packaging claims. Remember, if a company has to make a low-content version in the first place, chances are the original wasn't healthy and the new one isn't much better.

HOME IS WHERE THE HEALING HAPPENS

Dorothy spends her entire "The Wizard of Oz" journey searching for a way home to Kansas, only to find that the solution was as simple as clicking her ruby heels and repeating: "There's no place like home. There's no place like home. There's no place like home."

Well, according to new research, Dorothy's mantra also may apply to people recovering from hip or knee replacement surgery. Three new studies presented at the annual meeting of the American Association of Orthopedic Medicine show that, for most people, home is a better place to recover than a rehab facility.

One investigation by researchers at Thomas Jefferson University School of Medicine found that people who went directly home after total knee replacement had a lower risk of post-surgery complications and hospital readmission than those who went to an in-patient rehab facility.

Another, done by New York's Hospital for Special Surgery, showed that patients admitted to a care facility after hip replacement had a higher risk of wound complications, respiratory prob-

lems and hospital readmission.

Worried about recovering at home if you live alone? Yet another study found that patients recovered at home as quickly and with as few complications whether they lived with others or not. Our Tip: Post-TKR, have a visiting nurse, friends, even paid attendants for a few days to help you get in and out of bed (bathroom!), work with your auto knee-bending machine and manage pain medications.

So, before you get a hip or knee replacement, talk to your doc about how to best head home post-op.

FOLLOW THE GPS — AND LEARN NOTHING

As "Deep Throat" told journalists Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein: "If you want to find the criminals, 'Follow the money.'" If only it were that simple when it came to finding your destination in an unfamiliar metropolis or across state lines! That's why so many folks think the best advice is "follow the GPS!" But there's one problem: You don't learn how to navigate by just blindly following instructions, and that can dull your wits or even lead to disaster. Remember the couple who were stranded in an Oregon national park last year after following their GPS straight into a pile of snow?

Recently British researchers monitored the hippocampus and prefrontal cortex activity of volunteers while they drove through London. Apparently navigating and driving through the streets puts a very high demand on your hippocampus and prefrontal cortex — the parts of your brain that use and strengthen working and reference memory.

Unfortunately, the opposite is true when you navigate using GPS. You pretty much disengage your hippocampus and prefrontal cortex, and don't really get to know your surroundings — and you're doing one more digital activity that distances you from engagement in real life. So expand your neural network by opening an atlas, get an online map and study the roadways and routes available. Then head out for an adventure. If you make a wrong turn, don't fret. Heck, if you Google "GPS wrong directions" you get millions of online complaints! We bet you can do better than that relying on your brain and eyes.

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Ellsworth Classroom Experiments with Flexible Seating for Students

ELLSWORTH, MICHIGAN

At first glance it might seem odd to see a high school classroom where students are sitting on yoga-balls or cushions on the floor, or even standing at the back of the room. However, that's what you'll find when walking into Ellsworth Community School's high school social studies and math teacher Jessica VanderHart's classroom.

For the past year Mrs. VanderHart has been experimenting with "flexible seating," where you won't always find students seated in desks in traditional rows. "Flexible seating provides a choice of what type of learning space students feel works best for them," said Mrs. VanderHart. "Providing a choice of any kind in the classroom enables students to take ownership of their learning. With flexible seating, students are able to make the choice that works for their needs each day."

This seating arrangement, which might seem out of place in most schools, has become normal in Mrs. VanderHart's classroom. "The first time your walk in, it might seem odd to see students sitting on the floor or standing at the back of the room," said ECS Superintendent, Aaron Gaffney. "However, as the year has progressed it seems completely normal to the point where you don't even notice it."

Mrs. VanderHart has found many educational benefits for the non-traditional seating arrangement. "I have noticed that students are happier and more engaged when entering the classroom. As a teacher, it is a method for guiding them to make choices that are strategic about their individual learning needs." Students echo those sentiments. "The balls are really helpful for me because I constantly am moving around and the balls calm me down a little bit," said ECS sophomore Halah Boss. Fellow sophomore Josh Lester also appreciates the options that flexible seating provides. "It's more comfortable and helps me concentrate on the board instead of trying to be comfortable."

Moving to a flexible seating arrangement is something that Mrs. VanderHart has been considering for some time. "My inspiration came from classroom observations with our elementary teachers. I loved the fact that they provide unique learning stations and learning opportunities for their students. I was driven to find a way to make that translate to the high school classroom with the



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hope that I could capture some of that elementary school magic."

Mrs. VanderHart spent time last summer researching the concept of flexible seating at the high school level. While the concept is relatively new, she was able to find several articles which

provided some basic do and don't ideas. Throughout this school year she has experimented with standing desks, yoga balls, and floor-height tables using cushions as seats. "In the future, I would like to expand the seating/standing options in my classroom. Currently, I am looking to add some bungee & camping chairs,"

she indicated. "I will always include traditional student seating in my classroom layout as an option. As with any educational tool, I will make adjustments that support student success as needed."

Most importantly, her students have found the flexible seating options to be a welcome change to the traditional classroom

arrangement. For more information on this program or Ellsworth Community School in general please contact Superintendent, Aaron Gaffney at 231.588.2544 or agaffney@ellsworth.k12.mi.us

Fundraising Strategies workshop for organizations

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation are partnering to present a workshop, "Developing Annual Fundraising Strategies," to assist area nonprofit organizations in developing annual fundraising strategies. Organizations serving Charlevoix and Emmet Counties are invited to attend the workshop on Thursday, May 11 from 10:30am to 4:30pm at the Charlevoix Public Library.

The Annual Campaign is the building block for all current and future fundraising to sustain your organization's mission. Designed for board members, staff and volunteers involved in fundraising, this session will help you develop an annual fundraising strategy. Participants will learn key fundraising principles, what you need to

know about your donors, how to develop an annual campaign, and techniques for soliciting donations. Participants will also have time to network with other attendees and share ideas and strategies for success. You will leave this workshop prepared to take your annual campaign to the next level – whether you're just getting started or have been executing an annual campaign and want to improve results.

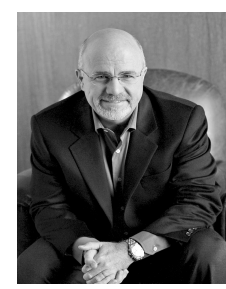
Following feedback from attendees of a 2016 fundraising workshop, fundraising Consultant Carole Pence, president of Pence Consulting, was invited back as the presenter. Carole is recognized as a philanthropic specialist, and is considered a national expert in the field of fundraising. She has worked with countless organizations throughout the United States including the

Thurgood Marshall College Fund, San Diego Foundation, and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Pence is also an instructor at the Lilly School of Philanthropy at Indiana University.

The cost is \$25 per person, lunch, snacks and beverages are included and pre-registration is required. The deadline to register is Friday, May 5, 2017. To register and pay online, visit www.c3f.org and select Make a Gift>Online Donation Form>Drop down and select>Workshop Registration>Other Amount>\$25. Complete all donor and payment information.

For questions, please contact Maureen Radke, maureen@c3f.org or Laura Hansen, laura@c3f.org or call the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, 231.536.2440.

DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

(Giving beyond your means)

Dear Dave,
My wife and I are debt-free except for our home, and we're on Baby Steps 4 and 5. Recently, we were asked to make a large donation to a charity we already support. We don't have the full cash amount they asked for on hand, and after hearing that, they said we could make monthly installment payments until the donation amount was paid in full. We're hesitant to do this because it seems a bit like debt to us. What do you think?

Ben
Dear Ben,
Well, it's not debt. There would be no repercussions, other than guilt, if you couldn't make the full donation. So, it's not debt. To be honest though, I don't engage in that kind of stuff when it comes to giving.

My wife and I do all our giving — except for our tithe to our local church — through our family foundation. Sometimes we'll do this giving in a couple of installments, but it's not because we don't have the money. It's generally a situation where we're walking with the charity or ministry throughout the year, and we're observing

and assessing the need. I'd be hesitant to give a gift when I don't have the money. Most of the time, approaches like this fall under the heading of manipulation. You're being pushed beyond your means. Most giving of this type, biblically speaking, would be from surplus. And right now, you don't have the surplus.

I'm kind of uncomfortable with this, Ben. I don't engage in making gift promises beyond what I have. It's not debt, but it kind of starts to feel like it, and it's not so much living beyond your means as it is giving beyond your means. That's just another reason it doesn't strike the right chord with me.

—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 12 million listeners each week on 575 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).

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BOYNE CITY
CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS
 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.

BOYNE CITY
CLASS WARFARE
 April 23, 6:30pm, Lifetree

Cafe', 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Class Warfare: The Unending Struggle for Equality," features filmed interviews with three people who have personally seen and experienced India's caste system. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Please use the entrance off Pine St.

EAST JORDAN
AMERICAN GIRL DOLL TEA
 April 23, 2-3pm, East Jordan 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 Girl Scouts. For more information call Connie Roberts (231) 675-4332.

BOYNE CITY
AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD

DRIVE
 April 24, 11am-5:45pm, St. Matthew Catholic Church Fellowship Hall, 1303 Boyne Avenue. Every two seconds someone needs blood, so make a difference and schedule an appointment by uploading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, calling 1-800-RED CROSS or going online to redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment.

CHARLEVOIX
SOCIAL MEDIA FOR SMALL BUSINESS
 April 25, 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
OFF THE CUFF
 April 25, 4-5pm, The Zone. Join East Jordan's City, Chamber and School Leaders for an informal gathering to ask your questions and hear about current projects and events. Be informed and share your thoughts in a casual venue.

CHARLEVOIX
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX PLAN FORUM FOR AREA SENIORS
 April 26, 1pm, Charlevoix Library Rooms A & B. Focused on gathering broad input regarding elements of an "age-friendly city", the event will provide a comfortable, fun format for seniors to share their thoughts and ideas. An opportunity to vote on what components are the most critical needs for our city will be part of the afternoon's program and results of the forum will be shared widely. This will act as the basis for a planning process involving the Health Department, City, Hospital and many others throughout the community.

EAST JORDAN
CUSTOMER SERVICE EXCELLENCE HOSPITALITY WORKSHOP
 April 27, 8:30 - 10:30am, East Jordan EMS/Fire Bldg. The Chamber is pleased to sponsor this training session featuring Carlin Smith, President of the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, who is the co-founder of Hospitality the Little Traverse Way. Employers and team leaders are strongly encouraged to send their team members, as well as attend themselves. The workshop is directed to front-line staff, along with management level staff members. Attendees will learn about the culture of excellent customer service that they can utilize in your business or organization. \$10 for East Jordan Area

Chamber of Commerce Members and \$25 for not-yet-members (checks payable to East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce or call with your credit card info 536-7351)

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.

PETOSKEY
CHAR-EM UNITED WAY INSTANT WINE CELLAR PARTY
 April 28, 7-10pm, Stafford's Perry Hotel. A bottle of wine (\$15 value), a 6-pack of craft beer or \$20 is your entry to the best party in town. Buy raffle tickets for a chance to win an Instant Wine (and beer) Cellar, bid on silent auction items, live music and fun games - a great event supporting Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Currently, 1400 registered kids age 0-5 in Emmet and Charlevoix Counties receive books and since the program started, it has put 60,000 books in the hands of area kids. New this year, you can pre-register for the event. Just drop off your wine/beer/\$20 at one of these locations and skip the line - Harbor Brenn Insurance, Petoskey Chamber of Commerce, Osborne Klein Financial Services or at the Char-

Em United Way office 480 W. Mitchell St.

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@charlevoix-humane.org.

EAST JORDAN
FIDDLERS JAMBOREE
 April 29, East Jordan Civic Center. Come and play your fiddle, accompany the fiddlers with your acoustic instrument, call your favorite dances, enjoy the music and/or dance to the calls. Everyone is welcome. Admission by donation at the door. Jamboree is from 12 noon to 5pm and the Dance (Including Rounds, Squares & Contras) is from 7 to 10pm (with some instruction for beginners from 6:30 to 7pm). Registration for musicians and callers opens at 11:30am. You will perform in the order in which you sign in. Fiddlers from around the state, ages 5-95 will play 3 of their favorite tunes. The Gaylord Youth violin group will perform at the following times: 1:30pm. Open Mic from 5 to 6:30pm.

Light refreshment, including pizza, available on site. Restaurants are nearby and you may bring your own food. Contact: Ron Fowler email: fowronlaer@aim.com. Phone: 231-526-9924. Sponsored by Jordan Valley Fiddlers Jamboree, Inc.

BOYNE CITY
BODY IMAGE
 April 30, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe', 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Hey, Good Lookin': A Healthy Approach to Body Image," features a filmed interview with artist Adam Schultz, who sculpts plus-size female figures in bronze and stone. The program also includes advice from professional counselor Cheryl Eresman. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Please use the entrance off Pine St.

CHARLEVOIX
BLOOD DRIVE
 May 2 - Charlevoix Elks Club, Community Room, 12735 US 31 N, Charlevoix, 1 to 6pm

CHARLEVOIX
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER GATHERING
 May 4, Noon to 12:30pm, East Park at the flag. Non-denominational National Day of Prayer gathering for the public. Everyone welcome, the brief time frame is designed to allow those at work to attend on their lunch hour. For more information call 231-330-0968.

EAST JORDAN
BUNCO LADIES SOCIAL
 May 7, 2-4:40pm, Titled Skillet. Support children with cancer by attending "Rollin' For Gold," a bunco ladies social event. Sponsored by Lady Biker Day Northern Michigan Riders with all proceeds to Camp Quality Michigan, a summer camp for children with cancer. Bunco is a social dice game involving 100% luck - no experience is necessary. Call 231-582-2471 to reserve a seat or a table of 4; admission is \$20 for food, friendship and fun. Space is limited.

EAST JORDAN
JORDAN VALLEY COMMUNITY BAND SPRING CONCERT
 May 7, 3pm, East Jordan High School Auditorium. "A Concert the entire galaxy will enjoy, with selections from Star Wars, Star Trek, Star Dust, Stars and Stripes Forever, and a few jazzy numbers to get your feet tapping. Free event.

BOYNE CITY
 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.

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AREA APRIL HAPPENINGS!

4/1, 8, 15, 22, 29, SATURDAYS, 9AM - 12:30PM
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 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, Athletics, 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 Restaurant 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 special Easter Open House event at participating businesses.
 www.charlevoix.org

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 20 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling	Friday, April 21 Pictures of 2016 Running 11:30am-12:30pm OJ Adkins Raffle Rummikub	Monday, April 24 Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize Rummikub	Tuesday, April 25 FOOT CLINIC 9-11am Veterans' Social Gathering & Lunch After-Veterans Eat Free! 10am-1:30pm CVX Veterans Affairs John Hess	Wednesday, April 26 10:30am Wii Bowl Practice Various Card Games	Thursday, April 27 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling
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CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 20 FOOT CLINIC 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30am Back Porch Music 1pm Mahjong 1pm Wii Bowling Practice	Friday, April 21 9:30am Craft Class	Monday, April 24 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	Tuesday, April 25 1pm Paint Class 1pm Mahjong	Wednesday, April 26 1pm Bingo	Thursday, April 27 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 20 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ceramics WEAR POLKA-DOTS	Friday, April 21 11am Dollar in a Jukebox Bingo BAKE RAFFLE—everyone bring something! WEAR RED	Monday, April 24 8:30am-1:30pm Walking M-F 10am Daily Devotions 12:30pm Wii Bowling RUMMIKUB	Tuesday, April 25 12:30pm Bingo - Meal Ticket Prize 1pm Paint Class Mexican Poker	Wednesday, April 26 GAME DAY! Pool Table / Ping Pong 10:30am Crafts 1pm Texas Hold-Em	Thursday, April 27 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ceramics
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, April 20 HAMBURGER w/BUN	Friday, April 21 HONEY MUSTARD PORK	Monday, April 24 BREAKFAST	Tuesday, April 25 COOK'S CHOICE	Wednesday, April 26 GARLIC CHICKEN	Thursday, April 27 POLISH SAUSAGE
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CHARLEVOIX FUNDRAISING STRATEGY WORKSHOP

May 11, 10:30am-4:30pm, Charlevoix Public Library. The Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation are partnering to present a workshop, "Developing Annual Fundraising Strategies," to assist area nonprofit organizations in developing annual fundraising strategies. The cost is \$25 per person, lunch, snacks and beverages are included and pre-registration is required. The deadline to register is Friday, May 5, 2017. To register and pay online, visit www.c3f.org and select Make a Gift>Online Donation Form>Drop down and select>Workshop Registration>Other Amount>\$25.

BOYNE CITY MUSHROOM FESTIVAL CRAFT BEER BLOCK PARTY

May 19, 5-9pm, downtown. Featuring two dozen craft breweries, plus wineries, food trucks and live music from the Galactic Sherpas, the block party has drawn a crowd of 800 people in each of the first two years. It's all held in the middle of downtown Boyne City with the 100 block of South Lake Street blocked off for all the festivities. Admission is \$15, which gets you a souvenir glass and four tasting tickets; extra taste tickets are \$1.50.

BOYNE CITY 57TH MOREL MUSHROOM FESTIVAL

May 18-21, Veterans Park. Carnival rides, arts and crafts show, competitive mushroom hunt, the Taste of Morels event, live music, auction, guided mushroom hunt, Wine & Din Gourmet Dinner, open mic contest and more. Full schedule at www.morelfest.com

CHARLEVOIX LITERARY DELIGHTS - A WOMEN AUTHOR'S LUNCHEON

May 20, 11am-3pm, Charlevoix Public Library. The Zonta Club of Charlevoix hosts its annual Literary Delights - a Women Author's Luncheon. Two notable women authors, Melissa Grunow and Amy S. Hansen, will speak at the event. Proceeds from Zonta's Literary Delights supports projects which advance the status of women locally, nationally, and internationally. Reservations are required; \$40 per person. Tickets include a delicious luncheon, silent auction, and gift basket raffle drawings. For more information and/or to purchase a ticket, contact Linda DeGroot at 231.547.4109, or any Zonta Club Member. zontacharlevoix.org

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

The Charlevoix County Club is devastated to announce the 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 or adjutant@boyneligion.org

post228.org for information.

CHARLEVOIX WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Held at Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information. - Hatha Yoga, every Monday and Friday 7:30-8:30am. The yoga sequences, along with breath work and relaxation techniques will assist in building strength, stamina, flexibility, balance, and increasing body awareness. The use of props, blocks, or blankets make poses easily modified to suit the individual. All levels of fitness are welcome and modifications will be provided as needed. The class is taught by Lisa Hepner is a licensed physical therapist assistant with Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital.

- Wellness Wednesday, every Wednesday from 8am-11am. Health screens include: Total Cholesterol, HDL, TC/HDL Ratio, Glucose Level, Body Mass Index Score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure Reading. No fasting is required. However, if you are fasting and LDL and Triglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost for the service is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$10. Participants will receive all test results at the time of the screening and a "Know Your Numbers" log to track progress. A Registered Nurse will adapt health consultation and educational materials to individual results. Walk-ins only, no appointment required. - Full Body Toning Exercise Class, every Thursday from 5:30-6:30pm. The first class is free as are all yoga and strength training classes. If you enjoy your first class, low-cost punch cards available and are good for any of our classes. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information or email chx-wellness@mhc.net to have our calendar emailed to you monthly.

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.

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

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT. INCIDENT REPORT

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017

0015 Report of possibly suicidal subject in the 100 block of N. Park St. Located subject. Not suicidal.
1025 Burn permit issued in the 400 block of E Lincoln
1231 Driving complaint downtown.
1249 Larceny reported in the 1300 block of Boyne Ave.
1559 Property damage crash on Boyne City Rd. at the City Limits.
1600 Harassment complaint from Hemlock St
2132 Suspicious vehicle located a Glenwood Beach.
2220 Report of three loud explosions in the area of Addis Rd. and Dam Rd. Checked the area with deputies.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017

0011 Report of a B&E in progress in the 400 block of Boyne Av. Subject intoxicated and at wrong address. Arrested for Disorderly conduct.
0915 and fob Report of lost coin purse
1052 Report of phone fraud from E Main St
1147 Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of S Lake St
1556 Assist EMS in the 1300 block of Pleasant Av
1613 No Trespass letter served on Hull St
1621 Report of possibly suicidal subject in the 600 block of E. Main St. Located subject. Not suicidal.
2126 Suspicious situation turned welfare check in the 400 block of S Lake St.
2302 Fire alarm activation in the 800 block of S Park St
2312 Assist EMS in the 500 block of Grant St

WED., APRIL 5, 2017

0024 Report of a missing person from the 400 block of Poplar St
0057 Report of an assault in progress on Silver St at Charlevoix St. No assault but arrested subject for MIP.
0308 Assist EMS in the 900 block of Charlevoix St.
0845 Report of B&E on Lyle Ln
0937 Report of lost cell phone.
1205 Report of dog running at large in the 400 block of Taylor St.
1330 Report of juveniles walking and riding their bikes through yard on Groveland St.
1349 Report of obnoxious smell and plume of smoke coming from Groveland St
1520 Report of lost key last Friday
2002 Juvenile complaint on Wenonah St.
2142 Report of 2 people on bicycles arguing in the 600 block of State St.

THURS., APRIL 6, 2017

0017 Assist Sheriff Dept on Sho Sho Nie Beach.
0845 Large truck and camper taking up large portion of the public parking lot on Ray St.
0955 Juvenile runaway found in the 200 block of S Park St

1339 Civil complaint in the 300 block of N Lake St
2012 Assist MSP & sheriff Dept on Wildwood Dr

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2017


0945 report of truck and trailer parked on the Lake St Bridge
0949 Report of stray dog with no collar or tags outside the gate at the Dog Park.
1259 MDOP to vehicle in the 300 block of E Division St
1741 Found cell phone turned in to PD.
1743 Vehicle unlock in the 1000 block of Boyne Av.
2135 Harassing type complaint in the 400 block of Boyne Ave.
2211 Noise complaint in the 400 block of Boyne Ave
2343 Citation issued for speed on Pleasant Ave. near Timber Ln.
2355 Noise complaint in the 400 block of Boyne Ave

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017

1120 Report of a dog running at large in the area of Jefferson and State.
1301 PR at the Easter Egg Hunt in Veterans Park.
1418 Report of a group of teens knocking on door then running away twice in the 400 block of Harris St. Located 5 juveniles who admitted to it.
1650 Report of 3 juveniles spray painting on the top of Avalanche. Located 3 juveniles on W. Division St. that were responsible.
1959 Assist Citizen in the 400 block of E. Division.
2203 Citation issued for speed on N. Lake near North.
2300 Subject burning leaves in the 1000 block of Pleasant Ave. Advised to extinguish.
2337 Assist MSP in Vehicle Pursuit on Old State and Addis.

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

0011 Caller in the 600 block of N East St. reported a loud boom and said that his power faded out.
0141 Arrested and released subject for Operating without security on Division near Pleasant. Was also issued a citation for no plate.
1005 Report of retail fraud in the 400 block of N Lake St
1112 Report of possible stolen wallet in the 400 block of N Lake St
1121 Came upon a dumpster fire on W Water St.
1537 Juvenile run away from the 500 block of N Lake St
1553 Located the juvenile runaway on N. East St.
1918 MDOP to shed in the 500 block of N. Lake St.
2014 Report of a highly intoxicated subject in the 200 block of S Lake St. Located and arrested the subject for OWI high BAC.
2123 Suspicious in the 400 block of North St.




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Petoskey High School Supreme Court session offers public seating

Limited public seating will be available on a first come-first serve basis when the Michigan Supreme Court holds its first-ever hearing in northern Michigan on April 25 at Petoskey High School as a part of their Court Community Connections Program.

People v. Rea, the case before the Court, involves whether or not the Michigan statute regarding operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated extends to a private residential driveway. At Petoskey High School, the Supreme Court will hear arguments as to whether or not it should grant leave to appeal to consider this issue. More information about the case and associated Court proceedings is available at <https://goo.gl/Jcdllp>.

Members of the public planning to attend should park and enter at the rear of Petoskey High School. Processing for entry to the event will begin at 9:20am and the hearing will begin at 10am. No backpacks, large purses, cell phones, electronic devices, weapons, metal items, food or drinks are permitted.

Upon entry, attendees will be provided with nametags that must be worn throughout the event. They will then be escorted to security screening before entering the auditorium for the hearing. Participants will complete the same security screening utilized by the Michigan Supreme Court at the Hall of Justice in Lansing. Everyone entering the courtroom must pass through metal detectors.

Once in the auditorium, participants



Pictured from left to right are Justices of the Michigan Supreme Court, which will hold its first-ever court session in Petoskey on April 25, 2017 - (seated) Justice Robert P. Young, Jr., Chief Justice Stephen J. Markham, Justice Brian K. Zahra and (standing) Justice Richard Bernstein, Justice Bridget Mary McCormack, Justice David F. Viviano and Justice Joan L. Larsen. PHOTO COURTESY OF DOUG ELBINGER, ELBINGER MEDIA

to complete another security screening before re-entry.

"The Public Schools of Petoskey is proud to partner with the 90th District Court and the Michigan Supreme Court to bring this historic educational opportunity to northern Michigan," noted Tina DeMoore, attorney and coach of the Petoskey Schools debate program. High school students from Alanson, Beaver Island, Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Central Lake, Charlevoix, Concord Boyne, East Jordan, Harbor Light, Harbor Springs, Pellston, Petoskey and St. Michael's Academy will be participating.

For those interested but unable to attend the Supreme Court session on April 25, it will be live streamed in real time for public viewing at <https://goo.gl/JsUSGG> or by clicking on "Michigan Supreme Court Special Session" link on the Public Schools of Petoskey website. Live streaming of the hearing is a cooperative effort between the Michigan Supreme Court and the Technology Department staff at Petoskey Schools.

The Supreme Court Community Connections Program at Petoskey High School is being facilitated locally by the staff of the 90th District Court and the Public Schools of Petoskey and is supported by grants from the Petoskey Education Foundation and the Emmet-Charlevoix Bar Association.

will be directed to the public seating area where they are requested to use every available seat with no empty seats between groups in order to accommodate as many attendees as possible.

Attendance at oral argument is a formal occasion and attendees should be dressed appropriately. Spectators should be still and attentive as noise is a major distraction for the Court, attorneys, and spectators.

The Supreme Court hearing is expected to last one hour. Anyone departing the auditorium before the conclusion of the hearing is required

Boyne Falls Public Schools

Student of the Week



Ryeker Dustin

Grade: 1st Grade

Parent's Name(s): Tel Dustin and Sonya Dustin

What do you want to be when you grow up?: Ryeker wants to be a police officer when he grows up.

Favorite Book: Ryeker's favorite books are the "I Spy" books.

Hobbies and Interests: Ryeker's hobbies and interests are playing outside, playing on the Playstation 4, playing Sky Landers, and doing his homework.

School Activities: The school activities Ryeker likes to participate in are playing outside on recess with his friends, computer class, gym class, library, and art class.

Staff Comments: "Ryeker is a very helpful and pleasant student. He is eager to lend a hand to someone who needs help. He is also very caring and compassionate to his friends and classmates. He loves to be outside, running and playing with his friends. Ryeker has worked very hard this year academically and is eager to learn even more. Keep up the good work Ryeker!" - Mrs. Deanna Milks

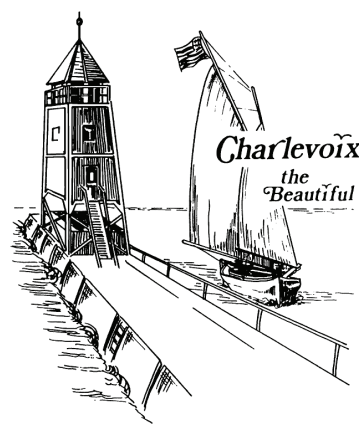


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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Letter to the Editor,

After reading Mr. MacKay's letter in your paper I reminisce about earlier years when I was employed by the East Jordan Iron Works for nearly 38 years.

Over the years I witnessed a family – the Malpasses - that not only were very dedicated and loyal to their hometown – they worked very hard to provide a living for hundreds of employees and their families. Some of these employees drove 50 miles to and from work every day. In gratitude to the Malpasses the employees have developed a strong allegiance to them as well.

The Malpass Foundation has been very generous with not only East Jordan proper (ie: sports complex, swimming pool, area medical facility, fire barn, ambulance facility, etc., etc.,) but have also been very supportive of the neighboring communities as well - Boyne City being no exception.

As far as the family members building the new restaurant and office building in East Jordan, the Malpass Foundation wouldn't be a part of that. These descendants of the Malpass family built this strictly on their own initiative. They obviously have the inherent trait of the Malpass family and wanted to do something to enhance the downtown area. No one intentionally throws good money after bad, and I'm sure they intend to regain their investment plus. The fact of the matter is, they could have built this addition to East Jordan anywhere they chose, but decided to invest in their 'Hometown'. I say, "good for them" and if I lived in East Jordan I would follow that up with a great big "Thank You" for their interest and faith their community.

My question to Mr. MacKay is, why you must be so suspicious and negative of anyone that tries to do something good for their hometown. As far as moving the foundry out of town is concerned, people have been suggesting that for years. Now that it is becoming a reality, you express that there

must be an alternative motive involved, such as some fabulous financial reward; of all the nerve, expecting to get a return on your investment. You do understand that everything they use in producing their products has to be shipped in and the finish products have to be shipped out as well. They could have chosen a more central spot in the USA for this new facility and cut down on their transportation cost expenses considerably – but no, they chose to build closer to East Jordan, and by doing so, also protect the jobs of their valued employees.

Bringing in the incident regarding Mr. Sevenski is quite a stretch. The State Police are here for our protection and that they do very well. However, when someone approaches them in harmful manner, as Mr. Sevenski apparently did, they do have as much right to self defense as you and I do. You mentioned that he was mauled by the State Troopers, does this give me reason to believe that you were there and witnessed the action? My question really is: What has this to do with 'EJ' and why even mention it?

I'm sorry, I don't mean to be questioning you or your motives for writing such an article, but I'm left somewhat with the feeling that you must have some deep seated anxieties and you are striking out at the first thing that comes to mind.

Every community would be well served if they had their own version of the "Malpass Foundation" and a family that thinks enough of their "Hometown" to reinvest in it like the Malpass family has in East Jordan. They are to be envied and thanked, not harassed and criticized for doing such a noble thing.

Thanks for listening,

**Bill Christensen,
Boyne City**

Dear Editor:

Volunteer Appreciation Week is April 23-29, 2017. Volunteers are

vital to the story and success of the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM).

In 1977, a group of local volunteers began the WRCNM to fulfill a vision they had for an organization that would offer support to women facing life challenges, transitions and crisis. This year the WRCNM observes four decades of providing essential services and effective programs for women, children and individuals in our service area of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet and Otsego counties.

In the early years, the organization relied heavily on volunteers as we still do today. Last year, alone, WRCNM volunteers donated more than 4,900 hours of their valuable time, unique talents and genuine caring to help advance the WRCNM mission of equality, justice and well-being of women. Volunteers support callers to the 24-hour crisis line; assist customers at Gold Mine Resale Shops; help with mailings; perform light maintenance; assist families utilizing Safe Home services; and serve on the Board of Directors or Violence Prevention Team.

The steadfast commitment of WRCNM volunteers allows us to focus on providing quality services – counseling, advocacy and support – to those seeking and needing WRCNM services. Sandra Day O'Connor, retired Supreme Court Justice once said, "We don't accomplish anything in this world alone. What ever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something."

We thank WRCNM volunteers; they are an everlasting thread in the beautiful tapestry that is our continuing story.

**Sincerely,
Jamie Winters,
Safe Home Coordinator**

To the Editor

WEEKS LATER the drama continues. Yes, cops beat up on 83-year-old Larry Sevenski of SEVEN SKI

INN in West Elmira, Michigan at the well-known intersection of US-131 at M-32, a stopping place for 100 years and 50 for Larry and Dorothy whom I've known that long.

Okay, recap: State police were staked out nearby Larry's Bar on St. Pat's Day to catch DUI suspects, Larry went out to talk to them because it was hurting business, cops reacted violently, broke Larry's arm and nose, put him in the hospital and then charged HIM with assault. As usual the video equipment in the police cars was inoperative, imagine that. All cops have to do is turn the video cam OFF, no record.

Fortuitously we happened to stop in for a beer thereafter and found to my immense surprise a couple reporters from the Detroit Free Press there interviewing and taking photos for an article or two this Sunday the 17th and beyond. It is not established yet whether there will be a lawsuit forthcoming as to assault by cops on a law-abiding citizen but that's the gist of it, i.e. police state tactics. The State Police, those supposed cream-of-the-crop boys in blue, are the worst of the worst in terms of malfeasance. They like to think of themselves as superior but they're the bottom of the barrel in terms of integrity. They lie on report, under oath in court, and think this is the way it should be, go home to their wives and families, pay, perks and pensions as if this is the natural course of American life.

So, the case was "bound over" to court as to assault by the 83-year-old man against two twenty-something rookie cops out to earn merit badges for DUI arrests for sake of the county coffers. That's how it works even in these rural agrarian counties. They want MONEY any way they can get it. A trooper who brings in more than his daily pay is a trooper who is looking at promotion.

Somehow the stars collided and we all appeared at Larry's Bar & Grill on the 12th of April and the news crew was there and all went accordingly. Psychic? Prescient? Preternatural? Who knows? It happened, that's all I can surmise. But I

imagine there was some supernatural coordination behind all that. Things usually don't coordinate so conveniently as that without some supernatural intention. I mean to say the timing was exquisite, couldn't have been better. The happenstance nature of it was perfect, not less than a Hollywood scene sequence. It was, in those terms, a "take". Put it in the can, distribute, advertise, credits, roll 'em. Done deal.

There are even four bands scheduled to rock on the 22nd of April for Larry's revival, rather impressive we dare say but not really since the Sevenskis have been here forever. Who wouldn't support such a project? Well, state cops maybe or certainly. They are not our friends and we certainly don't want them for our neighbors. We're not talking about local cops here, they're alright, we're talking about out-of-town cops who invade our towns and counties for sake of money and "because we said so". This is what we have to rid ourselves of. We have no need of cops other than local jurisdiction peacekeepers, nice guys who have to live here like everyone else. We don't need Gestapo tactics anywhere in America or this world. Larry Sevenski is the icon of injustice in this venue but extends worldwide in essence. We don't need and don't want oppression by our own forces, that being control way beyond appropriate. C'mon to Larry's Bar & Grill on the 22nd of April for a good time fest at noon and commiserate on the injustice perpetrated by those who purport to abide by the law. We know who they are now, the damn cops and prosecutors. Even some judges. We The People know what's RIGHT. Quite like Paul Revere and Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, James Madison et al.

C'mon down to the SEVEN SKI INN at noon on the 22nd for a shindig worthy of your time, get involved, it's worth it. Damn worth it.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

Antiques, Art, Consignment and New at The Brickery in Grayling

By Jim Akans

Shoppers in downtown Grayling will find two floors of treasures embracing a wide array of fascinating items at The Brickery. Established by Linda Nickert in June of 2007, items offered throughout the approximately 1,000 square feet of retail space in this historic building cover just about any interest or gift idea.

Nickert states, "We offer many items made by local crafters, Michigan-made prod-

ucts, lots of antiques, art, and more. We have new products and consignment items, gift items, scarves, hats and gloves, and we are beginning to offer salvage products so people can make their own crafts. Customers can spend an hour in our store and still not see it all."

The stately brick building that is now home to The Brickery was originally the International Order of Odd Fellows building, constructed in 1908. The downstairs held a

theater that would put on plays for loggers and for Camp Grayling. The building has gone through many incarnations over the years, but shoppers at The Brickery can still see the original tin ceiling and hardwood floors.

Nickert recalls that the idea for her shop's name came from her daughter; "We were trying to think of a name. Since there are so many bricks both inside and out; the walls are three bricks thick, my daughter suggested call-

ing it The Brickery."

It's the perfect name, reflecting solidity and tradition; an apt representation of the enduring quality of the wide variety of items offered at The Brickery. The store, located at 107 Ottawa in downtown Grayling, is open Monday through Friday from 10am-5:30pm, Saturday 10am-5pm, and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. Visit www.thebrickery.com or call 989-348-8999 for additional information.



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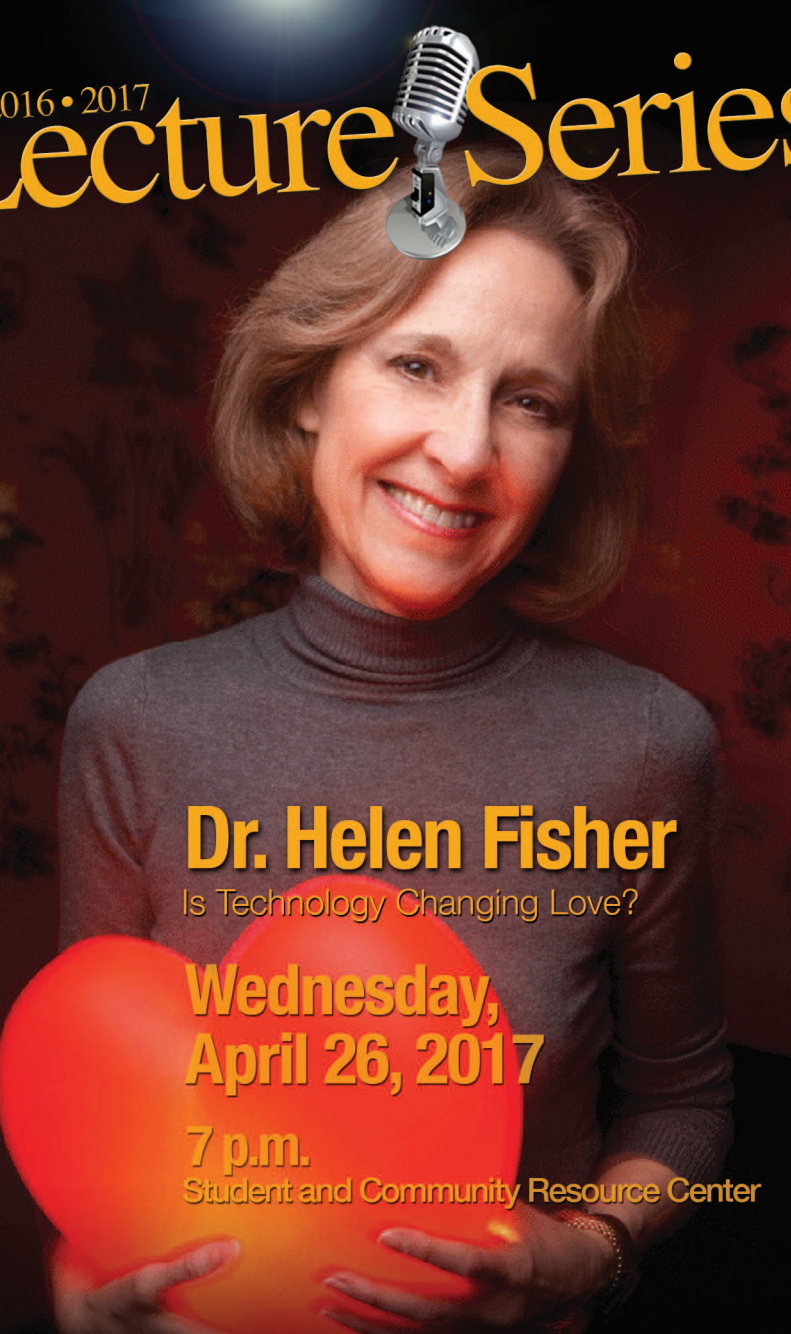
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