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E.J. Rotary Father of the Year



On April 22nd the East Jordan Rotary Club presented Paul Burks, Father of the Year. Paul is the father of five children, fourteen grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Some of his favorite hobbies include his grand and great grandchildren, camping, boating and Green Bay Packer football games. He has been described by his children as a true moral compass, a confident and mentor; someone who has taught them honesty, respectfulness, and an appreciation of those around them and life itself. COURTESY PHOTO

"Being Mortal" film screening at America House

Hospice of Northwest Michigan is holding a free, community screening of the documentary "Being Mortal" on May 4 beginning at 6pm at the Charlevoix American House located at 615 Petoskey Avenue in Charlevoix. After the screening, audience members can participate in a guided conversation on how to take concrete steps to identify and communicate wishes about end-of-life goals and preferences.

"Being Mortal" delves into the hopes of patients and families facing terminal illness. The film investigates the practice of caring for the dying and explores the relationships between patients and their doctors. It follows a surgeon, Dr. Atul Gawande, as he shares stories from the people and families he encounters. When Dr. Gawande's own father gets cancer, his search for answers about how best to care for the dying becomes a personal quest. The film sheds light on how a medical system focused on a cure often leaves out the sensitive conversations that need to happen so a patient's true wishes can be known and honored at the end.

"Being Mortal" underscores the importance of people planning ahead and talking with family members about end-of-life decisions. Seventy percent of Americans say they would prefer to die at home, but nearly 70 percent die in hospitals and institutions. Ninety percent of Americans know they should have conversations about end-of-life care, yet only 30 percent have done so.

In February 2015, "Being Mortal" aired nationally on the PBS program "Frontline." For more information about the film, visit <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/being-mortal/>. The film is adapted from Dr. Gawande's 2014 nationally best selling book of the same name. More information about the book is at <http://atulgawande.com/book/being-mortal/>.

The free screening is made possible by a grant from The John and Wauna Harman Foundation in partnership with the Hospice Foundation of America. For more information about the free screening, contact Amy Wieland, Executive Director of Hospice of Northwest Michigan at 231-547-7659 or a.wieland@nwhealth.org.

Kids Count in Charlevoix County

Report shows the county is a great place to raise children

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY-The overall health and well-being of children who live in Charlevoix County appear to be growing stronger, according to the recently released 2017 Kids Count in Michigan Data Book.

According its website, the Kids Count Data Center is a project of the Annie E. Casey Foundation and considered the "premier source for data on child and family well-being in the United States."

The data compiled through the center's reports affords educators, medical and family-oriented professionals and many others the opportunity to access recent statistics, reports, graphics and specific indicators "that support smart decisions about children and their families."

The recently released 2017 Kids Count in Michigan report showed data from 82 of the 83 counties in the state, with the exception of Keweenaw County as data there was unavailable.

Fifteen key indicators were examined in the report within four sections of study, including health, ed-

ucation, family and community and economic security.

Both Charlevoix and neighboring Emmet Counties moved up in this year's overall ranking of child-well-being in counties, with Charlevoix moving from 20th place to 16th and Emmet up from 10th to 9th.

In terms of economic security in Charlevoix County, the report showed 937 children living in poverty in 2015, which is down from the 983 children reported living in poverty in this county in 2014.

The report showed enrollment in the county's Food Assistance Program for infants and children up to age five also went down in the county from 416 enrolling in 2008 to 336 in 2015.

When it came to providing adequate prenatal care, however, Charlevoix ranked only 65th in the state, with an increase in the number of women not getting adequate prenatal care up from 60 between 2006-2008 and 93 counted between 2012-2014. But the number of low-birth weight babies born in the county nevertheless decreased from 18 to 13.

Births to teenage mothers in the county ages 15-19 decreased slightly from 20 teen moms between 2006-2008 to 19 between 2012-2014.

The number of children whose families were investigated for abuse or neglect in Charlevoix County went up from 635 in 2009 to 694 in 2015 with the confirmed number of victims in that time frame dropping to 71 from 87.

In terms of assessing education here, the data showed more 3-and 4-year old children are enrolling in pre-school, with 260 enrolled between 2005-2009 up to 297 enrolled from 2011-2015.

The report showed the number of students not graduating high school

in Charlevoix County is down, from 84 failing to meet graduation requirements in 2008 to 73 in 2015, ranking the county 60th out of the 79 that provided education indicator data.

The state's top ranked counties in child well-being include, Ottawa, Clinton, Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw, Midland, Grand Traverse, Barry, Emmet, Lapeer and Marquette.

The lowest ranked included Lake, Iosco and Oceana.



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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

 HIGH: 43
LOW: 40

MONDAY

 HIGH: 51
LOW: 38

TUESDAY

 HIGH: 50
LOW: 37

WEDNESDAY

 HIGH: 43
LOW: 37

record temps

DAY	AVG	LOW	AVG	HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
APR 27	.34°	...61°	.20°	(1967)	.86°	(1990)
APR 28	.35°	...61°	.20°	(1982)	.88°	(1986)
APR 29	.35°	...62°	.19°	(1977)	.88°	(1970)
APR 30	.35°	...62°	.19°	(1956)	.87°	(1970)
MAY 1	.36°	...63°	.22°	(1963)	.85°	(1951)
MAY 2	.36°	...63°	.21°	(1990)	.83°	(1951)
MAY 3	.36°	...64°	.21°	(1967)	.87°	(1955)
MAY 4	.36°	...64°	.21°	(1967)	.87°	(1955)

OBITUARIES

Betty Lou (Howard) Pettis, 85

(MARCH 26, 1932 - APRIL 23, 2017)

Betty Lou Pettis went to be with the Lord surrounded by her family, Sunday, April 23, 2017, at Boulder Park, Charlevoix, MI.



Betty was born March 26, 1932 to parents Roscoe and Bertha (Frale) Howard in Chandler Township, Boyne Falls, MI. Betty grew up in Chandler, attended local schools and graduated from Petoskey High School in 1950.

As a young woman, Betty worked at Gordon's Restaurant in Petoskey and JCPenney. Betty met and married the love of her life, Clifford Pettis, and raised four daughters in Boyne City - Boyne Falls area. In 1985, Betty retired from Honeywell Aerospace Co. in Boyne City.

Betty was a wonderful cook and she loved hosting Holiday gatherings for family and friends. She loved sewing, crocheting, quilting and knitting. Betty enjoyed gifting many crochet and knitted items for family and friends. She also loved canning home grown vegetables, as well as making homemade jams and jellies. Betty looked forward to visits from her grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. She was so proud of all.

Betty is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, Clifford Pettis, four daughters, Judith Slocum, Jill Fiel, Jane Busch, and Joy (Jim) Raber, six grandchildren, Amy (TJ) Caughell, Jessica (Craig) Cooper, Jenna (Drew) Fazzari, Joshua Raber, Kati Komorosky and Corey (Kelsey) Busch, five great grandchildren, Ashley Caughell, Rachael Caughell, Thomas Caughell, Kenley

Komorosky, and Fox Fazzari, brother, Keith (Jane) Howard, sisters, Inis Harmon, Judy (Stewart) Smith, Jean (Bill) St Amand, and Shirley (Francis) Hiar, sister in law, Nancy (Eppler) Howard, along with many nieces and nephews.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Roscoe and Bertha Howard, sisters, Ruth Howard and Garnet Knapp, brothers, Roscoe Jr., Kenneth, Jack and Dean, brother in law, Ralph Harmon, sister in law, Winona (Burgess) Howard, and son in law, Harley Slocum.

Visitation will take place at Walloon Lake Community Church, on Thursday, April 27 at 11:00am. Funeral service will follow at 12pm, officiated by Pastor Jeff Ellis.

Gerald Charles Looze, 78

(NOV. 11, 1938 - APRIL 21, 2017)

Gerald Charles Looze of Boyne city died on April 21st at home; surrounded by his loving family.

He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. Including his dog, Cody.

He was born November 11th, 1938 in Detroit to John and Marjorie (Carothers) Looze. He grew up in Boyne City, and attended Boyne City Schools.

Gerald met the love of his life in Dearborn MI in 1957. They were married on August 29th, 1958, and spent their life in Boyne City raising their five children.

Gerald worked as a tradesman, then for Boyne USA until he retired in 2000. After retirement, he and his wife Sandra traveled the country in their motor home.

He was very involved with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He loved to watch any sporting

event they were in. He was an avid fan of Boyne City football, and could be found in the end-zone nearly every home game.

His hobbies included woodworking, traveling, golfing, and recently, started painting.

Gerald had a great faith, and was a member of the Christ Lutheran church in Boyne City.

He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Sandra Looze-Squier. His children Ken (Teri), Tom (Patti), Jerry (Elizabeth), Mike (Kim), Joann Baird (Jeff), and his brother Gary (Susan). Also 9 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren with one on the way.

He was preceded in death by his parents John and Marjorie Looze, and sister Joanne Miller.

There will be a visitation at the Stackus Funeral home Wednesday April 26th from 5-8 pm. Funeral services will take place at 11:00am Thursday April 27th at Christ Lutheran church in Boyne City, with visitation one hour before service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Christ Lutheran Church or Charlevoix County Humane Society.

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

Lynda Detlaff Wilson, 53

(JUNE 10, 1963 - APRIL 18, 2017)

Lynda Detlaff Wilson of Boyne City passed away Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Lynda



was born on June 10, 1963 in Petoskey, the daughter of Robert and Virginia (Hammond) Detlaff. She grew up in East Jordan, MI and graduated from East Jordan High School. On October 11, 1986 she married Kevin Wilson in Boyne City. Lynda worked for Industrial Magnetics Inc. for the past twenty-five years and was currently working in sales for them.

Lynda enjoyed bowling and was a past secretary for the Boyne City Women's Bowling League and use to help to coach the Boyne City Girls Bowling team. She also liked to cook, spend time outdoors and reading.

Lynda is survived by her husband Kevin Wilson; children Nick (Angela) Detlaff and Sean (Tiffany) Wilson; grandchild Alayna Detlaff; brothers Mark and Robert Detlaff; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her parents Robert and Virginia; father-in-law Robert Wilson and brother-in-law Kerry Wilson.

A funeral service was held Saturday, April 22nd at the Stackus funeral home with burial at Maple Lawn Cemetery.

Family request memorial donations in Lynda's name to be directed to a charity of choice.

Friends and family wishing to share a thought or memory of Lynda are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Kent A McNeil, 58

(JAN. 30, 1959 - APRIL 17, 2017)

Kent Arland McNeil of Bellaire, Michigan, died suddenly on April 17, 2017.

Kent was born on January 30, 1959 in Tecumseh, Michigan. He was



proudly one minute older than his fraternal twin brother Kurt Albert McNeil, who preceded him in death in 2007.

Kent was a graduate from East Jordan High School in 1977. He was self-employed and enjoyed restoring his vintage Mustang.

Kent will be fondly remembered for his out spoken beliefs, and his tenacity defending those beliefs.

He is survived by his wife Lucy of Bellaire, and his mother Joyce L. McNeil of Bellaire. He is also survived by his siblings Diane (Don) Franchowiak of Elmira, Keith McNeil of East Jordan, and Roger (Becky) McNeil of Bellaire.

Cremation has taken place and private family services will be held at a later date. Arrangements have been handled by the Bellaire Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Marian Rita (Sleva) Daneff, 85

(AUG. 30, 1931 - APRIL 19, 2017)

Marian Rita Sleva Daneff of East Jordan died Wednesday, April 19, 2017, with her family by her side after a brief illness.

Marian was born August 30, 1931, in Swartz Creek, MI, where she lived until she married Boris Daneff, Jr. on June 2, 1951. They made their home in Detroit and Marian then attended nursing school to become an LPN.

Marian and Boris raised three sons, Phillip, Mark and Matthew in Detroit. In 1972, the family moved to East Jordan, MI, after purchasing the Wagon Wheel Restaurant.



Four years later, Marian returned to nursing at Grandview Medical Care Facility where she made many friends before retiring in 1992 to care for her sister.

Marian was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan where she was actively involved in the St. Anne's Guild. She was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #7580 Auxiliary, the Red Hat Society and the local Michigan Public School Retirees group. She enjoyed caring for animals, playing cards with friends, garage sales, going out for Chinese food and keeping up with her news programs. Marian loved cooking and baking for others and her quirky sense of humor will forever be cherished.

Marian is survived by her sister, Patricia Sleva of East Jordan; brother, Tom Sleva of Linden, MI; sons Phillip (Lily) of Dimondale, MI and Mark (Doreen) of East Jordan; six grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Boris; her son Matthew; her brother Dennis Sleva; and her parents, Joseph and Martha Sleva.

A funeral mass was celebrated on Monday, April 24, 2017 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. Interment followed at St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery in East Jordan.

Memorials may be given to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society, 614 Beardsley Street, Boyne City, MI 49712.

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN OUTDOORS

Gradual warming harkens procession of calling frog species

By Patrick Bevier

Not long after ice out—usually early to mid-April—a procession of peeps, trills, chuckles, chortles, snores, and bellows begins in the northern Michigan outdoors. These are not the sounds of humans recovering from serious cabin fever, but the succession of special love songs uttered by various frog species as they emerge from their own long winter's nap.

It's interesting to learn how to identify the unique calls of each frog species during their respective mating season. When each begins calling is closely tied to both water and air temperature with some species being much more cold tolerant.

In our northern Michigan environs eight of Michigan's 13 frog and toad species are relatively common. If they were marching—more like hopping—in a parade, here's the order of species that we would hear first, second, and so on.

Right after ice out the first frogs to begin singing are two of Michigan's most diminutive species, the grayish Western Chorus Frog and the light brown Spring Peeper. Of these two, Chorus Frogs are more plentiful up north. If you were to hear one of these inch-long frogs' call individually—which is very rare—it sounds like a finger strumming down the teeth of



a stiff comb. More commonly, hundreds of these frogs call together and the sound is a loud chorus of high pitched notes. To me, Chorus Frogs are special because from the moment they start calling I know that spring has sprung!

As Chorus Frogs and Spring Peepers near the end of their breeding season two other frogs lend their voices to the nighttime symphony. In late April, Wood Frogs and Northern Leopard Frogs frequent their breeding habitats.

Wood Frogs are medium-sized brown frogs with a distinctive black "bandit" eye stripe and call that sounds like a quiet duck-like chuckle.

Northern Leopard Frogs are the most plentiful anuran species in Michigan and come in two color morphs—green and brown. Both varieties sport many black spots which explains their moniker. Leopard Frog calls sound like a low-pitched snore that lasts about 3-5 seconds.

In early May the frog with the most bird-like call emerges. Gray Tree Frogs, the only truly arboreal species in Michigan, head to the edges of small bodies of water to utter their short, high-pitched trills. Later in summer these white, gray, or light green frogs with black markings and are often seen sticking to windows or walls with their fat finger pads.

Around the time tree frogs are mating—early to mid-May—American Toads show up. This species has a lengthier call than any other frog. Each of their steady, high-

pitched trills lasts 10 seconds or more. When many toads are calling at once it can be quite the din. These are the slowest of Michigan's frog varieties and the easiest to catch. And, by the way, they don't give you warts, but often use the defense mechanism of, "tinkling" on their captor in an effort to be released!

Northern Michigan's two largest frog species show up at the end of the parade. Green Frogs, an extremely plentiful species that inhabit many aquatic environments, begin calling first. They're sometimes called "banjo" frogs because of their "plunk" call that sounds like the strum of an off key banjo string. They begin calling in late May and have one of the longest mating seasons.

Not arriving on the scene until the warmer nights of June are the goliaths of Michigan frog species, the Bull Frogs. Their unmistakable call is a deep "rumming" that vaguely resembles that of a steer. Sometimes reaching 8-inches in length, these long jumpers can be among the toughest to catch unless you make a stealthy approach with a long-handled net.

As a fun outdoor activity why not teach children how to identify different frog and toad species? It's exciting to go hunting for different frogs at night based on where you hear them calling. In the field, capture a few, show them to the kids so they can get a visual to go with the sound, and release them gently to the same area. Some frog species have experienced an alarming decrease

in numbers in the past decade.

Frogs are also great biological indicators of the health of an ecosystem. The abundance and variety of frogs is closely correlated to available habitat and levels of environmental toxins. The DNR depends on data from volunteer Frog and Toad Surveys which can be quite interesting to get Boy or Girl Scout troops, school groups, or other clubs involved in. Go to Michigan.gov/dnr/frog survey for well-organized information.

Frog Fun Facts:

Little loud mouths: Only male frogs make sounds, hoping to attract the completely mute females. Like reptiles, female amphibians are always larger than their male counterparts.

Of Michigan's 13 species of frogs and toads not a single one of them says, "ribbit." As a matter of fact my hunch is that, "ribbit" is a sound invented by the inventive Walt Disney!

Gray Tree Frogs and Western Chorus Frogs replace most of the water in their cells with ethylene glycol (essentially antifreeze) to survive the harsh northern winters.

The five frog species not common to our area are the Cope's Gray Tree Frog, Blanchard's Cricket Frog, Fowler's Toad, Mink Frog, and Pickerel Frog.

Three northern Michigan frogs that begin calling at the beginning, middle, and end of the spring breeding seasons are the Northern Spring Peeper (1), Gray Tree Frog, and Bullfrog, respectively.

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Flywheelers Club donates stuffed animals to help children

On Monday, April 17, Melrose Township Fire Chief Dennis Howard was presented with several dozen hand-made teddy bears and gently used stuffed animals by the members of the Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers Club at their monthly meeting. First responders will have the stuffed animals on hand to provide to children at times of crisis, such as house fires and auto accidents.

"It has always been a tradition to give a stuffed animal to a child to give them something else to focus on," said Chief Howard.

The stuffed animals provide a way for the first responders to comfort and distract the children at a very difficult time. The Melrose Township Fire and Rescue covers Melrose and Chandler Townships and will use the stuffed animals in that service area.

This was not the first time the club worked on this project. Twenty-five years ago, a similar donation was made to the fire depart-

ment by some of the ladies of the club. They even used the same pattern from that long ago project to make the hand-made teddy bears for this year's donation.

Beverly Moody was one of the ladies who worked on this donation. When asked about the time and effort that goes into making the bears, Moody said, "I make them six at a time. I do them as a group but it ends up taking about a half an hour per bear." Moody, Pauline Crandell, Dianne Eggers, and Karen Jarema were the Flywheelers who crafted bears and gathered gently used stuffed animals over the past year for this donation.

The Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers Club, which is located in Melrose Township, supports the fire department's efforts to assist children and adults during times of emergency, and partners with the Melrose Township Fire Department to provide a safe experience for attendees at their annual tractor show each summer. It is a benefi-

cial partnership that has lasted for many years.

The NMAF Club is an educational nonprofit organization that uses demonstrations and displays to showcase "Life in the Past Lane" and present many aspects of daily life in rural northern Michigan in the early part of the last century. The club is an all-volunteer group that invites the public to learn about and relive the past at its 30th annual show the last full weekend in July. It also hosts hundreds of area fourth graders over a four day period in September for Student Harvest Days. The showgrounds are located on US-131 between Boyne Falls and Walloon Lake.

Information on the organization and event can be found at www.walloonlakeflywheelers.com, on Facebook as Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers Club, or by calling club President Bob Devol at 231-322-2760.



Flywheelers Club President Tim Howard (left) presents hand-made teddy bears and other stuffed animals to Melrose Township Fire Chief Dennis Howard for first responders to give to children. COURTESY PHOTO

Boyne Falls Public Schools

Student of the Week



Makayla Genson

Grade: 8
Parent's Name(s): Kristina Baker
Future Plans: Forensic Scientist
Favorite Book: Watamote
Hobbies and Interests: Computer programming and animation
School Activities: Makayla enjoys participating in group activities
Staff Comments: "Makayla has been a great addition to our Boyne Falls School student body. I have enjoyed watching her grow and mature academically and as a person. She is a very kind-hearted young adult. She is extremely creative and has a wonderfully unique sense of humor, we all enjoy. Makayla's thoughtfulness, insightfulness, and perseverance will take her many places in life." – Melissa McGuiness

Spring at the Mackinac Bridge is the beginning of special events season

Winter is barely in the rear-view mirror in the Straits of Mackinac, but special events season at the Mackinac Bridge is ready to begin.

"People come to cross the Mackinac Bridge throughout the year, and spring begins our annual upswing in traffic," said Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) Executive Secretary Bob Sweeney. "Special events like Jeep the Mac not only bring a lot of customers to the bridge, but also a lot of publicity for the bridge and the surrounding communities."

Other upcoming special events at the bridge include: the 14th Annual Memorial Bridge Run sponsored by the Mackinaw Area Visitors Bureau on May 27, the 42nd Annual St. Ignace Car Show Weekend sponsored by the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau June 22-24, and the 4th Annual Mustang Stampede sponsored by the Mackinaw Area Visitors Bureau on July 15. The Mackinac Bridge special events schedule is at www.mackinacbridge.org/events/event-schedule/.

Spring is also the start of the tourism season, when the bridge sees traffic volumes begin to pick up again as tourists head north to the Upper Peninsula to see the Soo Locks, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, and Michigan state parks. The lowest traffic levels are from December through March, and start rising in April, building through the summer to their annual peak in August.

The start of special events and tourism season coincide with two changes in the straits: an improvement in weather and an increase in activity to see. At times it is foggy at the bridge in the spring, but the ice is gone and the winds that prompted high wind warnings and even some brief closures during the winter have abated. The Soo Locks have opened for the new shipping season, and anyone on the bridge can see freighters plying the Great Lakes alongside Mackinac Island ferries, fishermen, and pleasure boaters. The trees of both peninsulas and Mackinac Island



Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) employees sweep and wash off sand and road salt that is tracked onto the bridge and accumulates in nooks and crannies each winter. (MBA photo)

are budding and leafing out, replacing the white backdrop of winter with a green panorama.

This is also the time of year when MBA maintenance crews are sweeping up and washing off sand that's accumulated on the causeway and bridge over the winter. Bridge steeplejacks are also out inspecting the bridge for any damage that may have occurred during the winter months. They're looking for areas of the steel grating that need some reinforcement, or bridge deck joints (there are more than 200 of them) that have been damaged by snowplows.

This year also marks the beginning of a two-year project to completely strip the lead-based paint from the bridge's north tower and replace it with zinc-based paint. The \$6.3 million project began earlier this month, and customers will notice lane closures and traffic shifts near the north tower. De-

lays should be minimal, as lane closures will be removed for holidays and peak traffic periods.

For more information on the bridge, a gallery of pictures from all four seasons, and links to the bridge webcams, visit www.mackinacbridge.org.

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BOYNE CITY

FREE TREES!

April 27, 7:30am – 4:30pm. An Arbor Day Celebration at the City of Boyne City's Open House will include free trees for attendees. They include White Pine, Colorado Blue Spruce, American Mountain Ash, American Larch and Butterfly Bushes. Get your free seedling at the temporary Boyne City Hall, 364 Lake Street.

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.

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.

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@charlevoixhumane.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@aiaim.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

SOUP, SALAD LUNCHEON

May 4, 11am – 1pm. The East Jordan United Methodist Women will serve an all you care to eat Soup and Salad Luncheon. The cost for the luncheon is \$7 with children 5 and under free. The church is located at the corner of 4th and Esterly in East Jordan.

ELLSWORTH

EBENEZER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL GARAGE SALE

May 4, 8:30am – 4pm, May 5, 9am – Noon. The sale will be held at 9641 White Street, Ellsworth.

BOYNE CITY

INDUSTRIAL TECH PROJECTS AT BCHS

May 5, 1 – 6pm, Boyne City High School gymnasium. Industrial Arts high school students will take center stage when their projects are on display at the annual Michigan Industrial Technology Education Society regional competition hosted this year by Boyne City High School. The competition represents a range of disciplines from Architecture Design to Metals to Woodworking with students competing against fellow students from all over Northern Michigan. Projects will be judged by local professionals and the top four in each category will advance to the state competition at Saginaw Valley State University the following week. The public is encouraged to view the students' projects on May 5. Admission is free.

CHARLEVOIX

CHAMBER FIRST FRIDAY BUSINESS BREAKFAST

May 5, 7:30 – 8:30am, American House Senior Living. This is our last First Friday Breakfast until our Chamber Member Appreciation Breakfast in October. Come out and enjoy hot coffee and homemade breakfast with your chamber members and some of the lovely residents of American House. \$5 for

Chamber members and \$7 for non-members.

BOYNE CITY

BUFF UP BOYNE

May 6, 9am – Noon. The community clean-up event will start in Sunset Park, downtown Boyne City. A hot dog cookout will round out the morning, courtesy of the Boyne Valley Lions Club. Volunteers are asked to bring their own supplies, such as brooms, rakes, shovels and gloves. Some supplies will be available to borrow. Buff Up Boyne provides community members with an opportunity to meet their neighbors, get out in the sunshine, and get ready for a great summer season. For more information about Buff Up Boyne and Boyne City Main Street, visit www.boynecity-mainstreet.com or email mainstreet@boynecity.com.

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. We encourage all schools to participate in this unique experience that your students and faculty will never forget. For information contact Veterans Appreciation Day Chairman at (231) 588-6067 or email ejpe@netzero.com.

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.

EAST JORDAN

CHAMBER CELEBRITY DINNER

May 15, The Landing Waterfront Restaurant. Come out and enjoy one of our Landing menu favorites that you've been anxiously awaiting. 1st Seating - 5:30 – 7pm, 2nd Seating - 7 – 8:30pm. \$20 Adults, \$10 Children. 50% of the dinner and all tips will benefit the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information or to get tickets (only 100 are available) - Call the Chamber Office 231-536-7351 or stop in to the office 100 Main Street, Suite B.

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

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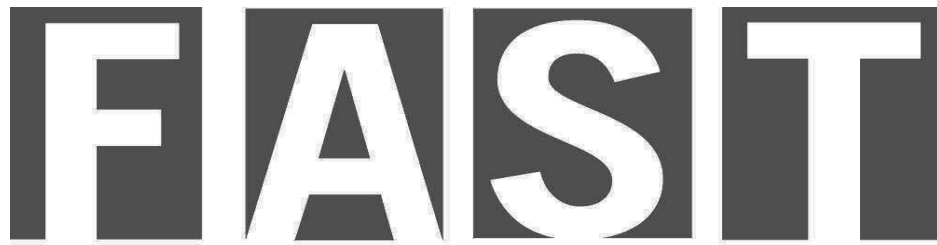
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Fast facts on Stroke...



FACE DROOPING ARM WEAKNESS SPEECH DIFFICULTY TIME TO CALL 911

STROKE 101: FAST FACTS ON STROKE

Stroke is a brain attack, cutting off vital blood flow and oxygen to the brain.

In the United States, stroke is a leading cause of death, killing nearly 130,000 people each year, and a leading cause of serious, long-term adult disability.

There are an estimated 7,000,000 stroke survivors in the U.S. over age 20.

Approximately 795,000 strokes will occur this year, one occurring every 40 seconds, and taking a life approximately every four minutes.

Stroke can happen to anyone at any time, regardless of race, sex or age.

From 1997 to 2007, the annual stroke death rate fell approximately 34 percent, and the actual number of deaths fell by 18 percent.

Approximately 55,000 more women than men have a stroke each year.

African Americans have almost twice

the risk of first-ever stroke compared with whites.

Types of Stroke:

Ischemic stroke occurs when arteries are blocked by blood clots or by the gradual build-up of plaque and other fatty deposits. About 87 percent of all strokes are ischemic.

Hemorrhagic stroke occurs when a blood vessel in the brain breaks leaking blood into the brain. Hemorrhagic strokes account for 13 percent of all strokes, yet are responsible for more than 30 percent of all stroke deaths.

Two million brain cells die every minute during stroke, increasing risk of permanent brain damage, disability or death. Recognizing symptoms and acting FAST to get medical attention can save a life and limit disabilities.

The prevalence of transient ischemic attacks (TIA – "mini strokes") increases

with age. Up to 40 percent of all people who suffer a TIA will go on to experience a stroke.

Time is Brain. Call 9-1-1.

Few Americans know the signs of stroke. Learning them – and acting FAST when they occur – could save your life or the life of a loved one. Remember that stroke strikes FAST and you should too. Call 9-1-1.

Use the FAST test to recognize and respond to the signs of stroke.

F = FACE Ask the person to smile.

Does one side of the face droop?

A = ARMS Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

S = SPEECH Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence. Does the speech sound slurred or strange?

T = TIME If you observe any of these signs (independently or together), call 9-1-1 immediately.

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 27 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program Wii Bowling	Friday, April 28 BIRTHDAY DAY! American House Ice Cream Sundae Bar 11:30am-12:30pm	Monday, May 1 1pm Rummikub Bingo - Gift Certificate Prize	Tuesday, May 2 Foot Clinic (by Appt) 10:30am Adv Board Mtg 1pm Mexican Train Bingo - Free Lunch Prize	Wednesday, May 3 NIGHT DINNER! 2:30pm Wii Practice & Cards 5:30-7pm OJ Adkins 6pm 50/50 Raffle	Thursday, May 4 9-10am Food Distribution 11am Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program 1pm Wii Bowling
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CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 27 11am Chair Yoga Class 1pm Mahjong	Friday, April 28 BIRTHDAY DAY 9:30am Craft Class 11:30 Dolph Cwik Music	Monday, May 1 1pm Bridge 1pm Woodcarving 7pm Bible Study	Tuesday, May 2 1pm Paint Class 1pm Mahjong	Wednesday, May 3 NIGHT DINNER! 2:45 pm Bingo	Thursday, May 4 4. FOOT CLINIC 11am Chair Yoga Class 11:30am Music 1pm Mahjong 1pm Wii Bowling Practice
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EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 27 11am KARAOKE DAY! 12:30pm Euchre 1pm Ceramics	Friday, April 28 11am OJ Adkins Bingo/Raffle Cards WEAR RED	Monday, May 1 8:30am-1:30pm Walking M-F 10am Daily Devotions 12:30pm Wii Bowling RUMMIKUB	Tuesday, May 2 12:30pm Bingo Meal Ticket Prize 10:30am Craft Class Mexican Poker	Wednesday, May 3 NIGHT DINNER! 1:30pm Paint Class 4pm Live Music 5pm HOT 6pm Euchre	Thursday, May 4 11am KARAOKE DAY! 1pm Texas Hold-em 1pm Ceramics Wii Bowling at Bellaire
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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, April 27 POLISH SAUSAGE	Friday, April 28 SALISBURY STEAK	Monday, May 1 TACO BAR	Tuesday, May 2 CHICKEN 'N DUMPLINGS	Wednesday, May 3 HOT WED BEEF SANDWICH	Thursday, May 4 CRUNCHY DRUMSTICKS
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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 DeGrow at 231.547.4109, or any Zonta Club Member. zontacharlevoix.org

CHARLEVOIX CHARLEVOIX AREA GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL PLANT SALE

May 27, 8:30am – Noon (or until plants are all sold), Ferry Beach pavilion. Club members are looking at their emerging perennials, ready to dig and divide. These local plants, then, form the primary inventory for the plant sale. From the homes of local gardeners the plants are accustomed to the northern Michigan soil and weather — a real plus as we look toward a fresh growing season. Monies raised from the plant sale, like those from the Town & Country Garden Walk on July 12th, support the club's education, beautification, and conservation efforts. For further information

look to the Charlevoixareagardenclub Facebook page or website.

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.

CHARLEVOIX
The Charlevoix Country 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@boynelegion-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.

CHARLEVOIX
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 BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Tech Café every Wednesday at 10am. Bring in your devices and tech questions and we can help.
- Yoga with Reb Andrews 9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week
- Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am advanced class, cost is \$5 per session
- 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 WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER COMMUNITY PLAYGROUPS

Playgroups for children 0-60 months and their preschool-aged siblings are offered free. Playgroups help you find out more about your child's developmental stage; learn new games and activities to play with your child; and share ideas, parenting experiences and concerns with the playgroup facilitator and other parents. Playgroups are held: 9 -10:30am on Tuesdays at Jordan Valley District Library Community Room, East Jordan and 9:30-11am on Thursdays at Boyne District Library, Boyne City. Call (231) 347-0067 or visit wrcnm.org 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 at 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. Report of lost key
0915 and fob
1020 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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Duski moves forward in "The Voice" competition

By Jim Akans

Lauren Duski is moving forward in the NBC television "The Voice" competition, after America voted their support to keep the 2009 Gaylord High School graduate on the path to possibly becoming the Season 12 winner. Duski offered a stellar performance of "Lord I Hope This Day is Good" during Monday night show, captivating judges and viewer with her pure and highly emotional rendition of the Dave Hanner composition.

Duski commented on twitter after the show, "Thank you all for a magical night. I will never forget this."

Next week, the top 11 contestants will perform and once again America will vote for their favorite performer. Based on those voting results some of those contestants will move ahead in the competition. 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 Lauren-Duski.



RIGHT: Duski offered a stellar performance of "Lord I Hope This Day is Good" during Monday night show, captivating judges and viewer with her pure and highly emotional rendition of the Dave Hanner composition. COURTESY PHOT

Sportsplex host Northern Michigan Home & Outdoor Show



Whether you are looking for great new "toys" to enjoy the outdoors or fantastic product to spruce up you home, the place to be this coming weekend is the Northern Michigan Home & Outdoor Show to be held at the Otsego County Sportsplex on April 28 and 29. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

By Jim Akans

Spring is in the air, and whether you are looking for great new "toys" to enjoy the outdoors or fantastic products to spruce up or maintain your home, the place to be this coming weekend is the Northern Michigan Home & Outdoor Show to be held at the Otsego County Sportsplex on April 28 and 29. It's an awesome opportunity to check out the latest watercraft, RV's, 4-wheelers, fishing gear, outdoor living items, home improvement products, accessories and even have a chance to explore financing options.

The Northern Michigan Home & Outdoor Show will take place at the Otsego County Sportsplex on Friday, April 28, from 3 to 7pm and on Saturday, April 29 from 9am to 5pm. As of press time, the list of outdoor product and services exhibitors at the show will include: Big Boys TV, Freeway RV, Beaver Creek Resorts, Mega Power Sports, Air-Dale Fishing, Zips 45th Parallel, Cindy Presley, Davey Tree Experts, Otsego Conservation District, DNR, Aspen Quality Trailers and Michigan Outdoor Mobility

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But there's even more...vendors on hand at the show will also offer financing assistance, real estate advice, health products and some delicious beverage samples, including; Awakon Federal Credit Union, Biggy Coffee, One Main Financial, Young Living Essential Oils, Busy Bee's, Miracle Ear, Tim Horton's Alpine Tavern, Watta Cookie, Chemical Bank, Century 21

Major sponsors of the event are Eagle 101.5, Mega Power Sports, Home Depot, Freeway RV, Big Boys TV, Johnson Propane, Retrofoam and Zarembo Equipment.

Admission to the Northern Michigan Home & RV Show is just \$5 per adult and \$3 for children, and a weekend pass is available for just \$8. For an up-to-date list of exhibitors please visit www.ocsportsplex.com and on Facebook at Northernmioudoexpo.

DNR unveils 2017 turkey cooperator patch

With spring turkey season under way, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources encourages hunters to purchase a wild turkey cooperator patch.

The 2017 turkey patch, designed by Sylvia Smith of Lake Orion High School, now is available for purchase. Each year, Michigan students in grades K-12 are given the opportunity to submit designs for the DNR's annual wild turkey management cooperator patch. The Michigan chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, in partnership with DNR, coordinates the wild turkey patch program.

"We feel privileged to be able to partner with the Michigan DNR on this project," said Art Pelon, president of the Michigan chapter of the National Turkey Federation.

The patch design award was presented to Smith at the Natural Resources Commission meeting in Lansing April 13.

Proceeds from patch sales are used to fund wild turkey-



related projects and management in Michigan.

Young hunters, 17 years old and younger, who have a valid wild turkey hunting license may receive a free patch. To receive a patch, please send name and complete address, along with a legible copy of the youth's valid wild turkey hunting license, to National Wild Turkey Federation, Wild Turkey Patch Program, P.O. Box 8, Orleans, MI, 48865.

Please allow four to six weeks for delivery. If you have questions, please e-mail michiganwildturkeypatch@yahoo.com.

Adult hunters, collectors and other interested individuals may purchase the patch for \$5, including postage and handling. Only the current-year patch is available for purchase. You do not have to harvest a turkey to purchase a patch. Send orders to the address above and make check or money order payable to the National Wild Turkey Federation.

The DNR also reminds hunters that spring turkey season started Monday, April 17, and runs through May 31, with several different hunt periods to choose from. Information about spring turkey hunting can be found at michigan.gov/turkey.

A base license is required for every resident and non-resident who hunts in Michigan. Hunters may purchase a spring turkey license only after they have obtained a base license for the year. The base license is also a small

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To the Editor

Mr. McKay,
Your letter in the News about East Jordan and it's benefactors was both a civil and rhetorical disaster. Your thinly disguised nonsensical insults, bouncing all around the mouth of the Jordan like balls of silly putty, were untrue, unfocused, unnecessary, and totally unkind. You owe the Malpass family a huge apology.

Leslie Cunningham, Charlevoix

Editor,

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**Lorraine Manary, CEO
Char-Em United Way**

Letter to the Editor:

Concerning the recent 'slanted views' of Mr. MacKay of the West Elmira Incident that happened on 'St. Patrick's Day'.

'To serve and protect' – that is a common theme of police officers. That includes Conservation Officers, Marshalls, City Police, County Sheriffs and Deputies, STATE POLICE, etc., etc. How can one harbor an attitude against just one faction of this entourage without including them all? Apparently if one were to do that indicates that the person must have attracted their attention at one time or another in their life time – who knows for sure. 99.9% Of ALL of these public servants do what their job requires them to do and they do it very well, i.e.: that includes Local, County, State and Federal officials.

How many people have had friends or relatives that were unfortunately killed by a 'drunk driver'? Perhaps if one of the aforementioned 'Public Servants' had witnessed their behavior prior to any such incident an innocent life would have been spared and the perpetrator wouldn't have to live with that on their conscience the rest of their lives. A 'stake out' – as aptly put by Mr. MacKay in one of his more recent 'Letters to the Editor' in this newspaper – should serve as a reminder to those that indulge not to over do it and to drink responsibly – not as a threat to their existence.

The author was also quite free with the term 'we'. I think it would be more appropriate if he used the term 'I' instead of 'we', unless he had an object in his pocket that resembled a 'Baby Ruth' candy bar. I'm not too sure that there are a whole lot of people that would agree with the assessment of the Michigan State Police as Mr. MacKay made. What you described a State Trooper to be was totally unfounded and uncalled for by anyone – especially one who fancies

himself as a qualified 'writer' that likes to inform people of his personal views of different matters – regardless if he is knowledgeable of the subject or not. And then to cover his own 'arse', as he called it in one of his previous diatribes, kisses up to the rest of the local authorities – what a man.

Why don't you just take a seat Mr. MacKay and let the authorities do their jobs and I'm sure justice will be served without your help and assistance in the matter.

**Bill Christensen
Boyer City**

To the Editor

Brock Artfitch is the assaulting officer of the Michigan State Police who thereupon charged 83-year-old Larry Sevenski with assault after having assaulted him, a recurrent theme in police tactics.

Recently a Little Rock, Arkansas verdict awarded some \$415,000 to the family of a child killed by a cop there, an out of pocket partial judgment against that white officer who killed a black child. That could have a chilling effect upon cops in general when considering their paychecks for the rest of their lives. If cops know they can be sued for damages they won't be so hasty with fists and guns. Not everybody knows this is wrong though, some still thinking that any untoward actions by public or press are uncalled for even though guaranteed by the Constitution.

In Larry Sevenski's case debt was incurred by the action of trooper Artfitch whose fate is not yet determined as to employment or legal status. He might be sued – big time. Like multi millions. Some 28-year-old rookie cop beating up an 83-year-old man just doesn't cut the

notion of justice. Cops lie in report and under oath in court all the time, everybody knows that, from prosecutors to defense attorneys to judges, only jurors absent from that reality check, reporters usually not far behind them but for the few still attuned to truth in journalism, few and far between but still here. This is disgraceful, this whole affair and the "banality of evil" as per Hannah Arendt in "Eichmann In Jerusalem" is haunting. These guys come out of police academy training thinking they're going out there to catch the bad guys not realizing they are the bad guys, or just simple jerkoffs with guns, bad combination that.

Thus state cop remains unknown as to status whereas Larry Sevenski still wears an arm sling and suffers a broken nose for his encounter with the Michigan State Police on stakeout to catch drunken drivers exiting his bar on St. Patty's Day, a not unusual strategy for cops who need money to provide more services for the County via fees, fines, licensing, etc, anything that garners moolah for the coffers of bureaucracy. Those cops didn't like Larry moving in on their territory when they were about to arrest multitudes of DUI offenders for big bucks. Police Academy training came in handy at that moment, Cease and Desist and all that stuff of training manuals, how to take down elderly persons resisting arrest, charge them with what they themselves have just perpetrated against honest citizens.

Thus, the saga continues. I myself have written to prosecutors and judges about this travesty but who knows where it will lead? We can't expect justice from this but we might expect recompense. That cop, Brock something, needs to pay for

this outrage. He might be fired, transferred, demoted, whatever, find a job as a WalMart greeter, but he should be arrested and tried for assault, given at least 30 days in jail. Who likes cops anyway? Oh, maybe your local guys if they're friendly, certainly no out-of-town cruisers and bruisers. We don't need 'em, never did, never will, don't want 'em.

So the state trooper will find his fate as will we all in the course of time as this unravels and the press and the courts decide what's next. Disgraceful and disgusting as it is the community certainly rallied to Larry's cause and that is indeed encouraging and a moral victory. We still avow ethic in our society and the cause of the Seven Ski Inn is exemplary. We all know that Larry was accosted by the cop, not the other way around, everybody knows that. The video cams were turned off per usual in the cop cars, wouldn't you know, cops lied in court of course, they always do. What's more, as famed attorney Alan Dershowitz has written, judges know that the lying cops will continue to lie in court and that judges will accept that testimony as truth, prosecutors persist as career moves regardless of courtroom looneytoon antics. The system is totally screwed, yes, rigged. Yet people, real people, still will rally to the cause of integrity.

This is all we have left, folks, let's not blow it now. The Larry Sevenski story is not over yet, maybe never will be, but we the people have to continue to contribute to this ongoing battle. Without our input, like Paul Revere and all those originators, we are lost.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

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

By Jim Akans

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

Goodwill has also become a nationally recognized name in resale; offering gently used clothing, household items, books, home décor accessories and more at their

Retail and Donation Centers. Centers located in Petoskey Gaylord, Cheboygan and Charlevoix utilize proceeds from sales at each location to help support programs throughout Northern Michigan that help people overcome barriers to independence. Goodwill also recycles metal items, cardboard, purses, belts, shoes, books and clothing.

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Cloth interior, Alloy Wheels, CD player, Heated Seats, Tow Package, New Tires!! GREAT 4X4 SUV!



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\$11,450

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\$16,490

OnStar, Bluetooth, USB Port, Satellite Radio, Sunroof, 7 Pass. Seating, Chrome Assist Steps, Tow Pkg, Leather- Heated seats, NAV/DVD, Remote starter.



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\$16,990

CARFAX 1 owner!! Satellite Radio, CD player, USB Port, Rear View Camera, wireless phone connectivity, Turbo, 1.6L 4 Cylinder. GREAT SMOOTH RIDE!



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