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## Boyne City store owner arrested for defacing sign at Family Fare

Par-T-Pac store owner Michael Long literally blanketed his Boyne City storefront with signs

and effigies this month to protest state and local officials' granting a liquor license to a

nearby Family Fare grocery store, a move that Long claims is running him out of business

and out of town. Most all of the signage was taken down by early evening Sunday, May

21, hours after Long was arrested for a disturbance he allegedly caused at the Family Fare

#### By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - A Boyne City business owner who launched a highly visible protest from his storefront this month was arrested this week and is now facing criminal charges based on an incident in which he allegedly defaced the sign of a nearby grocery store he claims has been running his liquor store out of business

Boyne City Police Chief Jeff Gaither said 59-year-old Michael Long, who owns the Par-T-Pac liquor store at 123 N. Park Street, was arrested at the nearby Family Fare grocery store at 430 N. Lake Street after police were called there around 12:40 p.m. Sunday, May 21.

Gaither said police arrived to find Long standing at the top of an extension ladder that was leaning against the front of the building and the Family Fare sign.

They noticed the letters "U" and "N" had been painted in red between the words "Family" and "Fare". But when police asked Long to come

was "unfairly" issued about three down, Gaither said he refused, citing his protest against the special liquor years ago.

Gaither said the Boyne City Fire

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Department was then called to assist at the scene with an aerial truck to remove Long from the ladder, but that Long came down on his own accord before it was needed. He was arrested without incident for malicious destruction of property and taken to the Charlevoix County Jail, where he was held on \$1,000 bond.

The special license Long is protesting allowed the Family Fare grocery store to add liquor sales to what had previously only provided for the sale of beer and wine.

Long has claimed in media reports that since the Family Fare store got that special liquor license, his family-owned, corner liquor store has lost "hundreds of thousands" in liquor sale profits and is now facing closure. He has owned the Par-T-Pac store for nearly 30 years.

This month Long draped his store from top to bottom with huge protest signs and effigies claiming that state and local officials are guilty of "cronyism" and "tyranny" in ap-

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# **Construction workers injured in East Jordan building collapse**

store. (PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY)

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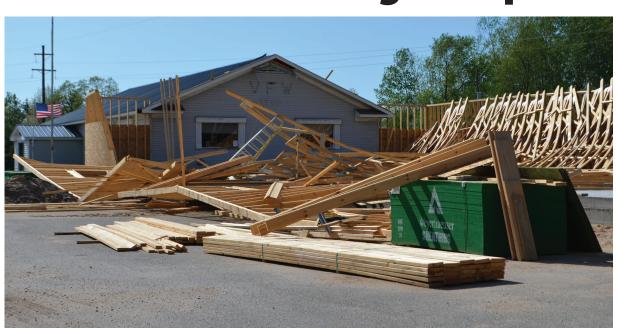
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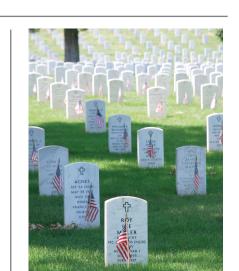
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High winds were to blame for the collapse of a building under construction last week at the former VFW Hall on M-32 just south of East Jordan. The hall is being remodeled and to accommodate the new Crossroads Resale shop, which is planning to expand its business and move from its current location in East Jordan. PHOTO BY KRYSTAL JOHNSON

#### By Michelle Medjesky

EAST JORDAN - High winds are to blame for the collapse of a building under construction that seriously injured and sent four workers to three area hospitals last week.

Charlevoix County Sheriff Chuck Vondra said emergency rescue crews received a call just after 11 a.m. Thursday, May 18 reporting a building collapse at 06710 M-32 at the former VFW Hall just south of East Jordan in South Arm Township.

Vondra said the Charlevoix

County Sheriff's Department and crews from East Jordan Fire Department, Jordan Valley EMS and East Jordan Police responded to the call at the former VFW Hall, which is currently under construction to accommodate a newly-expanding Crossroads Resale shop.

"Construction of a 60-foot-by 120foot addition to the existing building was underway at the site when the accident occurred," Vondra said. Four construction crew members were working on top of the new 10-foot walls when a high gust of wind caused the trusses to col-

lapse, knocking all four of them some 15 feet to the ground and trapping them beneath the fallen trusses

Vondra said none of the other three other workers on site at the time were hurt in the incident. One was working a crane and two others on the ground, one of whom cut the trusses off the trapped co-workers to free them.

All four of the workers involved in the fall were transported to area hospitals with injuries ranging

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**Throughout northern Lower Michigan this** Memorial Day weekend there will be several commemorative ceremonies honoring the memories of those who have sacrificed their lives to preserve our freedoms. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

## Memorial Day events commemorate those who have served By Jim Akans

This coming Monday is Memorial Day, a time Americans have set aside to commemorate those who have passed while serving in our nation's military. It is a tradition that began after the Civil War ended in 1865, as countless gatherings occurred in towns and villages across the country, celebrating the memories of soldiers through sermons, songs and social activities. It was initially known as "Decoration Day," with the first official observance recorded in Waterloo, New York on May 5th, 1866.

The name slowly evolved to "Memorial Day," and Congress made Memorial Day an official national holiday in 1971, moving the holiday's observance from May 30 to the last Monday in May, allowing for a three-day holiday weekend.

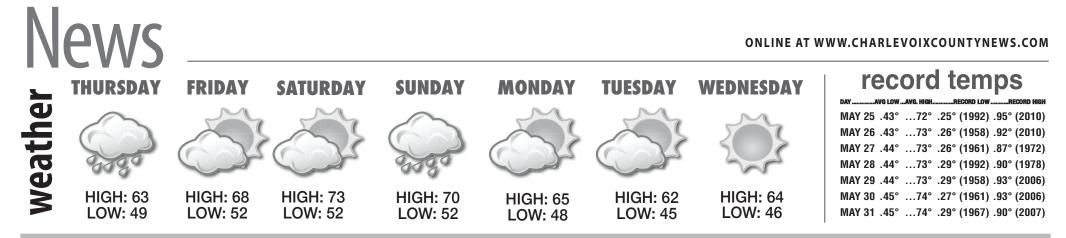
Throughout Charlevoix County area this Memorial Day Weekend there will be several commemorative ceremonies honoring the memories of those who have sacrificed their lives to preserve our freedoms...the most precious gift anyone can offer to their country and their countrymen.

Here is a selection of events and ceremonies that will take place;

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### Wilma Rose Sitzema, 83

(MAY 31, 1933 - MAY 18, 2017) Wilma Rose Sitzema of

Banks Township died Thursday, May 18, 2017 at her home. Wilma was born May 31, 1933 in Charlevoix to William and

Hulda (Rieth) Thorp. On October 6, 1951 she

married Ronald L. Sitzema in Charlevoix. They lived in Marion Township, moving to Banks Township in 1994.

Wilma worked in wire manufacturing. She enjoyed being with her family, watching old movies and going to the casino.

Surviving are her husband Ronald L. Sitzema Sr.; children Greg (Patty) Sitzema of Charlevoix, Dawn (Tim) Shufflin of Jerome; daughters-in-law Gail (Randy) Verburg of Ellsworth and Cindy Sitzema of Banks Township; 13 grandchildren; 24 greatgrandchildren; 2 great-greatgrandchildren; and her sister Alice (Charles) Bricker of Petoskey. She was preceded in death by two sons, Ronald Lee Sitzema Jr. and Steven Jay Sitzema; siblings Hildabel Bruce, Edward Thorp, Albert Thorp, John Thorp Sr., Thelma Powell and Agnes Christ.

The funeral was held Saturday, May 20, 2017 at the Ellsworth Wesleyan Church. Rev. Chris Wallace officiated. Burial will be in Ellsworth Cemetery.

The family was served by Hastings Funeral Home in Ellsworth, online at www.hastingsfuneral.com.

## Joanne (Detcher)

May 19, 2017 at the age of 68, surrounded by her family.

day.

Joanne was born on March 20, 1949 in Holland, Michigan. She was a graduate of Whitehall High School. Joanne's parents, Richard and Eleanor Detcher, moved the family to Boyne City in 1969.

Joanne enjoyed camping with family and friends and had a love for flowers. Her favorite past time was spending time with her grandkids and family.

Joanne is survived by her three sons, Kevin (Peggy) Snyder, Scott (Tysh) Snyder, Brian Snyder, and her three beloved grandchildren, Colton, Brady and Ava Snyder along with her siblings Richard (Carol) Detcher II, Raymond Detcher, Amy Van-Hoosier, Nancy (Randy) Cain and Dave Detcher. She is preceded in death by her parents Richard and Eleanor Detcher, sister Kathryn Detcher and sister in-law Judi Detcher.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00am on Wednesday, May 24th at the Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City with visitation being held from 10:00am until the time of the service.

## Vincent H. Simon, 91

(MAY 30, 1925 - MAY 23, 2017) Vincent H. Simon of

Petoskey, passed away May 19, 2017 in Boyne City, his family at his side. Vincent's life will be re-

membered and celebrated during a funeral mass that is planned for 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 25 at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Fr. Matthew Cowen will offici-

### **OBITUARIES**

Vince was born May 30, 1925 in Ionia, Michigan; his parents Alfred and Cunnigunda (Daniels) Simon, raised their family in Petoskey. He attended school at both St. Francis and Wah-Me-me. In 1945 Vince entered serv-

ice with the United States Army, he served overseas in the Philippines with the 84th Quartermaster Depot Supply Company and was honorably discharged in December of 1946. Following his discharge Vince returned to Petoskey and on November 23, 1947 he married Audrey Lucille Bergman in East Jordan.

For a time Vince worked for the Michigan Highway Department and at a steel mill, but for most of his working life, with the exception of a two year stint with Jerry Morey Well Drilling, he was employed with Manthei Veneer Mill, primarily as a Lathe Operator.

Vince was a wonderful husband, dad and grandpa, he had a wonderful sense of humor and loved few things more than some good natured teasing. He enjoyed being outdoors; gardening and fishing or hunting rabbit, deer and partridge. He also enjoyed a good game of horseshoes, playing cards and watching baseball and of course his many an hour spent with his favorite guys having coffee at K-Mart, and later the Big Boy.

Vince was a member of St. Francis Xavier Church, the Knights of Columbus, and the VFW.

Vince is survived by his children, Donna M. Moyer, Richard J. Simon, Carla J. Washburn, Paula C. Sackrider, Mark L. Simon, Herman A. Simon, William J. Simon and Jon M. Simon. Vince is also survived by 41

grandchildren, 68 great grandchildren and 9 greatgreat grandchildren, and his brothers, Dan Simon and Leonard Simon. Vince was preceded death by his wife Audrey and by his sons, Vincent Ronald Simon and Gail M. Simon, 2 infant grandchildren and granddaughter, Karon M. Bennett and grandson, Eli V. Simon, as well as his brothers William and Vern and sisters, Catherine Krussell and Dorothy Krussell.

Friends wishing to honor Vince's memory with a charitable donation are asked to consider the VFW.

### Jill Ann Harris-Martin, 48

(JULY 7, 1968 - MAY 20, 2017)

Jill fulfilled her baptism on May 20, 2017 at the age of 48 while at the University of Michigan Hospital. She was born on July 7, 1968 to Garrett and

Cheri Dickman-Harris in Gaylord. Jill grew up in Harrisville and Boyne City, Michigan. She graduated from Boyne City High School with the class of 1987.

After graduation, Jill attended Northwestern Community College and worked for several major retailers in sales management. Jill has two beloved sons, Cody Scott and Connor Alan Beebe. On July 12, 2005, she married the love of her life Dirk Martin and they resided in Boyne Falls.

Jill enjoyed athletics and was known as a fierce competitor. This competitive spirit continued into her golf game with her husband. She

always had a big smile, sense of humor, and a positive attitude to everything in life. Jill spent the last several years living in their newly built retirement home with their two cats. Jill enjoyed tending to her gardens, landscaping, and caring for the wildlife around their home.

Jill is survived by her husband Dirk; sons Cody and Connor Beebe; step daughter Ami; mother Cheri Harris; sisters, Robyn (Jeff) Patchke; Paula (Matt) Jorgensen, brother Mark (Jill) Harris; nieces and nephews: Brendan, Christian, Madeleine, and Cameron Harris; Mitchell, Hannah, Gabriela Jorgensen. Jill was preceded in death by her father Garrett, twin brother Scott, and sister in-law Debbie Grunch-Harris.

A graveside committal service will be held at 4pm on Wednesday May 24th at the Boyne Valley Township cemetery.

## Dan "Cubby Bear" Denison, 64

(AUG. 2, 1952 - MAY 16, 2017) Dan "Cubby Bear" Deni-

son of Boyne City went to be with the Lord on Tuesday May 16, 2017, at the age of 64,

surrounded by his family. Dan was born on August 2, 1952, in Fenton, Michigan. He was a graduate of Fenton High School. Dan's parents, Clyde and Betty Denison. moved the family to Boyne City, Michigan, where they started the family party store. He later met and mar-

ried his wife, Carol (Kozmin-

ski) in 1981 and they were blessed with two sons, Jason and Joel. In February of 2015, Dan and Carol were blessed with the arrival of their first grandchild, Lucy, which became his new favorite love.

Dan enjoyed life and enjoyed being with his family, that was his passion. He loved being on his pontoon boat during the summer. If vou didn't see him out on his scooter, he was most likely out in the water. He also loved to fish, although he never seemed bring anything home. He enjoyed camping and anything else that involved being outdoors. Dan's personality was larger than life. He loved everyone he met and was loved in return by all. He didn't let anything hold him back, he enjoyed life.

Dan is survived by his wife, Carol Denison, son Jason (Jessica) Denison, son Joel (Heather) Denison, and grand-daughter Lucille Denison. He is preceded in death by his parents, Clyde and Betty Denison, and brother Gary Denison.

A funeral service was held on Friday, May 19th at the Boyne City United Methodist Church.

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

### William Timothy Gabbert, 71

(NOV. 12, 1945 - MAY 17, 2017)

William T. Gabbert of Charlevoix passed away on May 17, 2017 at Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital. Private family services are to be held.



### Snyder, 68

(MARCH 20, 1949 - MAY 19, 2017) Joanne Snyder of Boyne City passed away Friday,

ate. Friends may visit with the Simon family beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the church gathering space on Thurs-

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### To the Editor,

Hospice of Northwest Michigan would like to Thank Vezers Industrial Professionals for your local investment in the care of our community! Having the support and investment of local businesses and organizations helps us to continue to make life moments happen for our friends, families and neighbors. As a non-profit we depend on the local support to be able to meet the ever changing and growing needs of those who need us most. Thank you again for seeing our value in this small community and for making Hospice of Northwest Michigan your Charity of Choice!

Amy E. Wieland, Executive Director, Hospice of Northwest Michigan

#### SCANDAL'S GOVERNOR RICK SNYDER To the Editor,

You can't make this stuff up. First Snyder messed up the Flint water crisis, then the Unemployment fiasco. Snyder is not a household name in much of Michigan but he certainly is downstate, way down there, Lansing, Ann Arbor, Detroit, Flint, but has little to do with the rest of the peninsular boundaries.

We don't even think

of him in the northern reaches, never mention the name. Since I'm a writer these days, though, it crosses my monitor now and then and comment seems unavoidable. We don't know the details vet about the Unemployment fiasco or the water crisis for that matter because of the wall of silence forbidding knowledge from Lansing, the state capitol. What we do know is common knowledge, some 50,000 persons affected by the Unemployment debacle, an untold number stretching for untold years by the leaded water crisis. That's a hefty price for the state to pay possibly for the next 100 years or more for lead poisoning, indeterminate years to sort out the false charges and garnishee from the Unemployment Department whose computer filed charges with nary a human involved.

Meanwhile, as we read, Snyder appropriated \$10 million from the Unemployment fund to add to the coffers of state maintenance whatever that means. So they're appropriating money that has to be paid back to falsely accused persons collecting Unemployment. Yes, it's scandalous but since it keeps happening it's considered just another plunder blunder and let the insurers handle it, raise taxes for the remainder. What we need



here is what Washington DC needs for the Trump outrages: a Special Prosecutor. Presumably the en-

tire state was affected by the Unemployment rush to injustice so may have some bearing upon citizens of this state as far as the eye can see. The Flint water crisis is localized there so, despite the allegations of the same problems elsewhere, that won't affect any other communities at present. You never know, though, old pipes being what they are. Rick Snyder insists on the approach of "Hey, it wasn't me, it was those guys", but when you're governor you're responsible. The usual blame game transpired and continues but it's Rick at fault. He once headed Gateway Computers so he knows what it's like to be CEO. If vou make a bad computer you have to make it good. Persons on Unemployment and kids affected by leaded water will feel effects for the rest of their lives in one way and another.

But as with the Trump Administration which is basically Donald scoffing is the tactic. Sure Rick apologized to the people of Flint but who cares? The damage is done and now he oversees the foreclosure of homes in Flint for nonpayment of water bills for water that is still questionable if not downright poisonous, how do we know? Brain damage occurs with high lead level intake; falsely charged with fraud leaves indelible psychic scars.

The first thing Rick Snyder did was hire a Public Relations firm to sort things out and come up with a strategy of ameliorating the problem. That seemed to work for a while with the lead crisis but didn't make it go away, only to be compounded by the next crisis.

They have a lot of money to come up with and plausibly for a long time. In fact the state might never get out of these debts. Compounding this further, the state's budget for prisons is \$2 billion a year, with meager parole rates even though crime rates have dropped dramatically since the 1990s, a recalcitrant attitude toward actual rehabilitation, and encroaching police state tactics throughout the state rounds it out. The tactic now is to collect money from the public any way possible and police are instructed to follow suit as are prosecutors and judges, though this is never broached in writing or official speech.

Snyder is not interested in any of this, only in protecting his investments. Though it looks dubious he's mostly invulnerable to any but criticism of the journalistic kind, which is forthcoming regularly. Scandal isn't strong enough though, these are tragedies. It remains unknown what fixes will be mounted because those imbued with authority to fix things are also the culprits that broke them. It's a recipe for disaster. What do you tell your son or daughter bringing home a bad report card - or applying for Unemployment - about the American Way? Society is not improving, in many ways getting worse. That's saying a lot considering the past. Probably none of this can be fixed and we can believe that if politicians find ways to get around it they surely will. Rick Snyder just wants to go home to his swanky Ann Arbor suite, relax and forget about it.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

East Jordan, MI 49727

# News

# Northern Lakes Economic Alliance annual luncheon held last Friday

#### By Michelle Medjesky

Sunny, blue skies played the perfect backdrop for a "Tailgate Party" of epic proportion at Petoskey High School's new football stadium last week, as hundreds of business and community leaders from across Northern Michigan gathered for the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance's annual luncheon.

Since forming in the mid-1980s, the NLEA has cited its dedication to "Providing resources for communities and entrepreneurs to create and retain jobs in Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties" as well as encouraging economic growth and development in sources throughout the state. The NLEA hosts a luncheon annually in one of the different regions it serves to show member appreciation and to recognize highlights in the area's economic growth and development. Awards are also presented during the luncheon to those who in the past year have made an exceptional impact on business or demonstrated laudable leadership or entrepreneurial abilities.

More than 400 showed up at this year's luncheon, which followed a "Tailgate Party" theme, featuring hotdogs, chips and soft drinks as fare served in the more than \$10 million newly-opened Northmen



Jon Jansen, former star NFL player with the Detroit Lions and Washington Redskins, was Keynote speaker at this year's Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) luncheon held at Petoskey High School's new football stadium. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY.

Stadium, which will be the heart of Petoskev School District's sports complex still under construction. Apropos of a tailgate lunch

LEA 2017 Board Chairman Tim Petrosky, of Consumer's Energy, Boyne City city manager Michael Cain, Wally Kidd of Kidd and Leavy Real Estate in Petoskey and NLEA president Andy Hayes. Kidd accepted the NLEA's 2017 "Maniac of the Year" award on behalf of Glen B. Catt, CEO and President of Catt Development in Gaylord, who was recognized for numerous impressive developments he has brought to the Boyne City area in recent vears. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

served at a football field, the keynote speaker at this year's event was football legend and former NFL player Jon Jansen, who played on the University of Michigan football team and later pursued a professional career playing with the Washington Redskins and Detroit Lions. Jansen now works as a broadcaster and is currently cohost of the Michigan Football Tailgate and pre-game show.

Jansen furthermore fit the bill as a perfect keynote speaker for this year's luncheon in that he is also a motivational speaker and business entrepreneur, as owner and operator of the athletic training facility CrossFit Petoskey. He spoke to the crowd about the importance of seeking success through healthy competition in business and by not letting mistakes or negative energy impede progress.

"Don't be afraid to compete with each other; don't be afraid to compete with yourselves," Jansen said, "Don't be afraid to make mistakes. You need that short-term memory that says you'll learn from it but you're going to move on."

Stephanie Baldwin, president and owner of Edgewater Design Group in Petoskey, welcomed the lunch crowd as master of ceremony along with Petoskev Schools District Superintendent John Scholten.

On hand to recognize several area businesses and individuals by presenting them awards for their accomplishments were NLEA President Andy Hayes, 2017 NLEA Board Chairman Tim Petrosky of Consumer's Energy, Gary Fedus, president of Mitchell Graphics, Boyne City city manager Michael Cain, Charlevoix County commissioner Joel Evans and East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce president Mary Faculak. Fedus handed a "lifetime achievement" award to Elaine Wood, chief executive officer of Networks Northwest, for devoting some 43 years to a career in building and strengthening communities through economic development.

Two "Project of the Year" awards were given this year. One went to St. Mary's Cement in Charlevoix in honor of "the significant investment" the company has made in the community through their \$150 million expansion project that's currently underway.

Evans presented the award to Jessica Karr and Trisha Evans, who accepted it on behalf of St.

Mary's Cement.

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"Upon completion, this project will create an additional permanent employment for the region, and in the meantime, the influx of dozens of construction crews has brought and abundance of new money into the region," Evans said.

Cannonball LLC in East Jordan received the other "Project of the Year" award from Faculak for the new business complex the development group recently completed in downtown East Jordan. Accepting the award from Faculak were Cannonball team members Matt and Katie McLeod, Andy Malpass and James Malpass. Sarah Malpass and Clif and Suzi Porter were also part of the winning Cannonball team.

"The future of East Jordan is truly a bright and exciting one thanks to the belief, commitment, investment and love of their town,' Faculak said of the Cannonball development group.

And last, but certainly not least, came the NLEA's annual "Maniac Award", which this year went to Glen B. Catt, president and CEO of Catt Development in Gaylord.

Boyne City's city manager, Michael Cain, described what it takes to win the "Maniac Award."

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St. Mary's Cement was named the NLEA's "Project of the Year" for its ongoing \$150 million renovation project. (Left to right) NLEA Board Chairman Tim Petrosky, Jessica Karr with St. Mary's, Charlevoix County commissioner and award-presenter Joel Evans and Patricia Williams, also with St. Mary's. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY



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# **News Briefs**

#### EAST JORDAN **SPRING CLEAN-UP & COMMUNITY** PICNIC

May 25, 4 - 6pm, Memorial Park For additional information email amanda@northernlakes.net

#### CHARLEVOIX

Hospitality Training May 25, 9:30-10:30am, Charlevoix City Hall, 2nd Floor Council Chambers. Presenter, Marvin J. Morris III (MJ), General Manager for Stafford's Weathervane Restaurant will present various topics including what makes an excellent employee in the hospitality industry and why people matter. The training is FREE but registration is required - 231.547.3257. For more information email lindseyd@cityofcharlevoix.org charlevoixmainstreet.org

### **CHARLEVOIX**

#### PLEIN AIR EVENT

May 25, 11:30am, Wind Ridge Studio - Cal Kemppainen, 17922 Ferry Road Artists/Painters/Anyone All are welcome!

#### EAST JORDAN **BREEZEWAY GARAGE SALE & HEARSE** CRUISE

May 26 & 27, 9am-4pm, Get ready to shop 'til you drop along 26 miles of garage sales across the Breezeway. New activities and events have been added this year. Don't miss the Northern Michigan Hearse Cruise on Saturday, May 26, in East Jordan from noon to 2pm. The hearses will be parked and on display downtown East Jordan in the Harbor Parking Lot (by marina). They will be collecting donations for the Charlevoix Area Humane Society. Help fill a hearse! Besides finding treasures along the Breezeway, be sure to visit the communities of Boyne Falls, East Jordan, Ellsworth and Atwood and their many businesses, attractions and restaurants. Also, downtown East Jordan businesses will be holding Sidewalk Sales. For a list of garage sales visit our website

www.ridethebreezeway.com or www.ejchamber.org. For more infor-mation contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351. Discover the C-48 Breezeway, 26 miles of rural scenic beauty

#### ELLSWORTH FRONT PORCH CAFE CONCERT

May 26, 7-9pm, Banks Township Hall. Horton Creek Band with special opening band "The Pine Lake Winds." Tickets are sold at the Front Porch Cafe. \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. No food or beverages will be provided. Proceeds to benefit the Front Porch Ministries.

#### **BOYNE CITY** ED SULLIVAN'S REALLY BIG SHOW

May 27, 8pm, Boyne City Performing Arts Center, Direct from Toronto this Las Vegas quality show features some of Canada's top professional tribute artists backed up by a sixpiece band with no pre-recorded music and a great Ed Sullivan imperson-You'll know every song ator. performed by Cher, Roy Orbison, Rod Stewart, and Tom Jones Tribute Artists. This will be a "Really Big Tickets are available at Show." Tix.com and by phone at 231-582for a full refund up to 48 hours before the show. All seats are reserved. This show is a fundraiser for the Boyne Country Community Center. Details at www.boynecc.com.

#### **BOYNF CITY HEMINGWAY DOCUMENTARY**

June 2, 8pm, Freshwater Gallery. Writer-Producer George Colburn will show segments of his unreleased film. Robin Lee Berry, co-owner of Freshwater, will premiere "Gone Wild," the song she wrote as the film's theme song. She will be joined by a dozen Boyne City Elementary School students, aka the Boyne City Hem-ingway Youth Choir under the direction of Erin Zucker. Other presenters include local historian Ed May and Michigan Hemingway Society Presi-dent Christopher Struble, who will tell tales and show photos of rough-and tumble early 20th Century Boyne City, where young Ernie and friends often sought entertainment. Scott Mackenzie will MC the event, which will include door prizes and a social time between the music and the film screening. Tickets are \$25, and reservations are encouraged because seating will be limited to 120 people. Showtime is 8 p.m. Call Freshwater for tickets, 231-582-2588.

### EAST JORDAN

#### **20TH ANNUAL CHAMBER GOLF OUTING**

June 2. Great fellowship, golf, food and fun! Golfer door prizes also needed. Please drop your door prize off at the Chamber Office or call/email us to make arrangements for someone to pick it up at your business. 231-536-7351 or info@ejchamber.org

#### ATWOOD 8TH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

June 3, 9am, Antrim Dells Golf Course. The Ellsworth Fireworks 8th Annual Golf Scramble. 9 holes, teams of 4. Luncheon immediately after at the Gold Nugget in Ellsworth. Questions contact Eric at 231-676-2051

#### **BOYNE CITY** THE CHURCH AND GAYS EXPLORED

June 4, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "The Church and Gays: One Pastor's Dilemma," features a filmed interview with Danny Cortez, a pastor whose changing views regarding same-sex attraction led to his being removed from his denomination. During the interview, Cortez explains how the church's traditional response to same-sex attraction never gave him a sense of peace Lifetree participants will have the opportunity to share their views and stories of their encounters with the church regarding the issue. Admis-sion to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located 401 S. Park St., Boyne City. Please use the Pine Street entrance.

#### **BOYNE CITY** JOHN GORKA IN CONCERT

June 4, 7pm, Freshwater Art Gallery, 217 S. Lake Street. Since his 1987 Red House release, I Know, introduced renowned artist John Gorka to the public, the Minnesota-via-New Jersey guitarist and songwriter's wit and honesty has made him one of the most respected, beloved songwriters currently carrying on the folk tradition Rolling Stone magazine once called him "the preeminent male singersongwriter of what has been dubbed the New Folk Movement."\$30 advance-limited seating tickets and info 231-582-2588

graduates who have achieved significant success in their careers and to motivate students to set high goals for their own future. This year, Charlevoix Public Schools will be inducting the following graduates: Vane Smith, Charles Fairbanks, Earl Young, Dr. Katherine Harper-Campbell, Valerie Snyder, Esq., Larry Smith, Robert C. Miles, Marilee Brooks-Gillies and Dr. Dylan Steward. To be inducted into the CPS Alumni Hall of Fame, graduates must have achieved one or more of the following: an advanced degree, a significant life achievement, honor or award; or a significant contribution toward improving the lives of others.

#### CHARLEVOIX **COMMUNITY POOL FUNDRAISER**

June 15, 11:30am - 3pm, Bay Harbor Yacht Club. Lange Center, You are invited to attend the Charlevoix Area Community Pool Annual Fundraiser, NOMI STYLE: Sports Gear & Fashion Expo. We have vendors, runway, shopping, lunch, and silent and live auctions. Vendors include: The Clothing Company, Boyne Country Sports. Bearcup Outfitters. Revolution Bike, High Gear Sports, Webster's Sports, The Clothes Post, J Phillips, Northwoods Yoga, Elements and Susan Norris. Proceeds benefit programs and general operations of the Charlevoix Area Community Pool. To reserve you spot, call the Pool at 231,547,0982. Visit charlevoixpool.org for more informa-

#### CHARLEVOIX DOWNTOWN OPEN HOUSE

June 15, 4-8pm. Specials, refreshments, giveaways at participating stores and restaurants. Street side musicians on Bridge Street from 6-8pm

#### CHARLEXOIX HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

June 16, 5-8pm, June 17, 9am-1pm. Common Hazardous Items: Florescent Bulbs, Motor Oil, Batteries, Pesticides, Cleaners & Polishes, Aerosols, Automotive Fluids, Oil Paints, Finishes & Thinners, Solvents, Mercury & Items Containing Mercury, PILL POD: Medicines, Latex Paints: \$1 per can (non-hazardous). Electronics: Computers, TV's, Cameras, Telephones, Microwave Ovens, Game Systems, Printers, VCR's, Radios (items that contain hazardous materials). Reservations & Location Info, call 231-237-0156. Reservations begin on June 5. For More Info: www.charlevoixcounty.org

#### ELLSWORTH **37TH ANNUAL PIG ROAST PARADE**

June 17, 11am. This year's theme is Pure Ellsworth. Registration and line-up will take place at the Ellsworth Community Park and Pavilion, next to the Ellsworth Farmers Exchange garage, at the corner of Center and Lake Streets. Line-up begins at 9 a.m. We ask that all entries arrive no later than 10am so that we can complete the line-up and get information to the announcer. All types of entries are welcome including: bands, floats, queens, automobiles, horses, clowns, tractors, drill teams, bicycles, etc. No entry is too small or insignificant. No pre-registration is required, but if you have questions please contact Cindy Nutt at cindysnutts@yahoo.com.

6597. Biodegradable paper bags are available at Boyne City Co-Op and Please put only Ace Hardware. 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 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 aware-The use of props, blocks, or ness. 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 chxwellness@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 any one 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.

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## ARREST

FROM PG. 1A

proving Family Fare's liquor license and that it was done illegally. He also set up large protest signs in the Open Space Park across the street from the Family Fare store last week, which he was advised were illegal and that he removed as requested.

Long had already taken the legal route to protest by filing a lawsuit in Charlevoix County Circuit Court against the state liquor control commission in dispute of the licensing, but Judge Roy C. Hayes III ruled in favor of the state in that case last October. Long has meanwhile taken that ruling before Michigan Court of Appeals, where it is now pending.

"I just want the public to

## BUILDING COLLAPSE

#### FROM PG. 1A

from moderate to serious. Vondra said none of the injuries appeared life-threatening, however, one of the workers suffered head, facial and hip injuries serious enough to require being airlifted by helicopter to Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. Two others were taken to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospi-

## **MEMORIAL EVENTS**

#### FROM PG. 1A

BOYNE CITY -. On Memorial Day, May 29, services are at 8am, Memorial Park, Boyne Falls; 8:25am, Memorial Park, Walloon Lake; 8:50am, Evangeline Cemetery, Evangeline Township: 9:15am, Dver Cemetery, 9:40am, Lost at sea remembrance, Veterans Park, Boyne City. Bay Township; 10:10am, Advance Cemetery, Eveline Township; 10:35am, Wilson Cemetery, Wilson Township; 10:45am, Maple Lawn Cemetery, Boyne City.

see this is what our government does," Long said of the elaborate protest he staged at his Par-T-Pac store, "They don't give a damn about small businesses. They don't care that they totally annihilate a family's income and basically kick us out of town...I mean, we're actually being kicked out of Boyne City."

Most of signage and effigies at Long's store were removed several hours after he was arrested on Sunday.

According to the Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney's office, Long is being charged with resisting and obstructing police, a two-year felony, malicious destruction to a building, which is a 93-day misdemeanor with a less than \$200 fine and disturbing the peace, a 90-day misdemeanor.

He is scheduled to be arraigned on June 13.

tal in Petoskey and one was taken to Munson Healthcare in Charlevoix. Current conditions of the injured construction workers was not immediately available.

The project is a 60-foot by 120-foot addition to the former VFW post building that is part of a plan by Crossroads Resale shop to relocate and expand its operation from its current location in the city,

The Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MiOSHA) is investigating the construction accident.

area veterans are invited to participate

CHARLEVOIX; Monday, May 29, Charlevoix's Memorial Day observances are planned starting with a service at Brookside Cemetery at 9 am followed by a parade through downtown.

EAST JORDAN; Memorial Day Parade - Monday, May 29, at 7:15 the American Legion group will leave the hall to visit five area cemeteries (7:30 at Calgary, 8am Pesek, 8:15 Bohemian, 8:35 Dunsmore, 9am at Sunset and 9:15 Grandvue Medical Care Facility), and return for breakfast at the Hall at 9:30am. The Memorial Day Parade will form in GAR Park across from the American Legion Hall at 10am. The parade begins at 10:45am with a program following in Memorial Park. ELLSWORTH; At 9am on Monday, there will be a ceremony at Norwood Cemetery followed by a 10am service at Atwood Cemetery and an 11am service at Ellsworth Cemetery.

#### 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.

#### CHARLEVOIX **ROUND LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL**

May 27 & 28, East Park. Free concerts and Fun! Enjoy a cold beer in the Beer Tent while listening to the following: Saturday: 1PM - Don Middlebrook and the Pearl Divers, 4PM -Kari Lynch, 7PM - The Journey. Sunday: 1PM - Galactic Sherpas. 4PM -Mid-Life Crisis Band, 7PM - Drew Hale Band. Beer Tent Saturday and Sunday 12noon - 10PM

#### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY NORTHERN MICHIGAN HEARSE CRUISE

May 27, 9am-5pm. The Northern Michigan Hearse Cruise will be hosting their fourth annual car show and cruise. Saturday May 27th features a car cruise, traveling from Gaylord to Boyne City. Stopping for two hours in the towns of Boyne Falls (Boyne Mnt), East Jordan, and Boyne City. No cost to the public. Donations accepted on behalf of the Charlevoix Humane Society.

#### BOYNE CITY **CURES FOR HEALTHCARE EXPLORED**

May 28, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "Curing Healthcare: Practical Help for an Ailing Nation," features a filmed interview with healthcare insider Joe Flower, author of Healthcare Beyond Reform. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located 401 S. Park St. Please use the entrance off Pine St

#### CHARLEVIOX COUNTY

May 29. Memorial Day Ceremonies & Parades are listed in a separate article in this edition of the paper

#### CHARLEVOIX **IMAGES OF YOSEMITE**

June 6, 6:30pm, Charlevoix Public Library community room. Presented by Mike Schlitt. In late October, the Charlevoix Photography Club coordinated a photo-shoot with Yosemite National Park and hired a local guide to take them to some of the same locations where Ansel Adams recorded his iconic images. Twelve photo-graphic artists from both the Charlevoix and Petoskey Photography Clubs attended this event in an attempt to mirror the images of the master Ansel Adams. It would be unfortunate not to share these works of art with the public.

#### EAST JORDAN **BLOOD DRIVE**

June 6, Noon - 5:45pm, Harvest Barn, 210 S. Lake Street. To schedule an appointment visit redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: EastJordan) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

#### CHARLEVOIX NORTHERN SYMPHONIC WINDS SPRING

CONCERT June 7, 7:30pm, Charlevoix High School auditorium. First 2017 season concert; "The Sounds and Colors of Snring. Performing the music of Gustav Holst, James Barnes Chance George Gershwin, Rimsky-Korsakov, Warren Barker, J.S. Bach and Henry Fillmore. Conducted by Dr. Timothy Topolewski who is a Professor Emer itus from the Crane School of Music in New York. The group is comprised of highly skilled student and adult musicians who come together to perform technically challenging and inspiring music. Their mission is to offer skilled area musicians an ensemble that allows them to develop their skill and to provide the community with performances that are educational and inspiring. Free admission.

#### **CHARLEVOIX CHARLEVOIX CIRCLE OF ARTS PAINT OUT!**

June 10, 8am-6pm, Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton Street. At 8 am artists register to have their blank canvases stamped for a day of painting. As artists return to the Circle with their work, a "Wet Paint Sale" will be installed and paintings will be immediately for sale. Beginning at 6 pm awards will be presented to the artists, honoring their successes. For more information please contact the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at (231) 547-3554 or visit the website at: www.charlevoixcircle.com

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### **ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTION** CEREMONY

1pm, Charlevoix June 11, Middle/High School auditorium. The program was developed to honor

#### **CHARLEVOIX** SUMMER ART SHOW

June 24, 10am-5pm and June 25, 10am-3pm. Downtown East Park.

#### EAST JORDAN

LUKE BUCK WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

June 22 & 23, 10am-3pm, Raven Hill Discovery Center. Beginner, intermediate, or advanced watercolor painters are invited. The workshop will focus on techniques for watercolor painting. Early enrollment is recommended, as space is limited. Cost: \$250 for 2 days. Lunch is included. Call Cheri at 231.536.3369 or email her at info@miravenhill.org to register or for more information. The show opening with wine and hors d'oeuvres is from 5 to 8pm, Friday, June 23. The public is invited to the opening and show. Admission is free

#### CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

Summer Hours; Thursdays, 8am-1pm, East Park. "Dog Days of Spring" event on May 25. Wiener dogs and dinky dogs race at 10am. Please enter your pooch so the children on field trips can enjoy watching the silly races emceed by Scott MacKenzie of the Humane Society. Lots of prizes for the racers and fun for all. Other activities include a Kissing Booth, picture with a pooch, games and more. Sponsored by Best Friends Pet Spa & Walgreen's of Charlevoix. Benefit the Charlevoix Area Humane Society. For more in-formation call 231-330-0968.

#### **BOYNE CITY** FARMERS MARKET

The Boyne City Farmers Market has several vendors in Veteran's Park. Market hours are Wednesday's and Saturday's, 8 am - Noon. During peak season the market features more than 65 regular vendors, all local, serving seasonal fruits, vegetables, and herbs; gourmet baked goods and preserves; eggs and cheese; honey and maple syrup; proteins, fish, potted annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, and cut flowers; plus a juried craft market with unique hand-made items for your home or a special gift.

#### **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-

#### **BOYNF CITY BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY PROGRAMS**

- Toddler Tales & Tunes every Monday at 10am and Preschool Storytime every Tuesday at 10am. Check vebsite for any date changes. No registration is required.

The Youth Department sponsors LEGO Club for ages 5-12, on Wednesday May 17th, from 6-7:30pm. The Coding Club for teens and tweens meets on Thursdays. May 11th & 25th from 3:30-4:30pm. Contact Alexa at wrighta@boynelibrary.org or 231-582-7861 for more information

- 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. 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.

#### NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Free Foreclosure Prevention Counseling is available in Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency's Traverse City, Petoskey, and Cadillac offices. Homeowners can find out how to avoid foreclosure and the different foreclosure programs that are available. NMCAA, a certified HUD and MSHDA Housing Counseling Agency, will also educate homeowners about the foreclosure process and counsel families on budgeting for their personal financial situation. Homeowners do not have to be within the actual foreclosure process to access these services - many are available to assist before a crisis actually occurs to keep the clients out of the foreclosure process altogether. For details or more information please call (231) 947-3780 or (800) 632-7334. NM-CAA's website is www.nmcaa.net.

At 11:45am the veterans Memorial Day Procession will leave the American Legion Post, proceeding north on Lake Street to Veterans Memorial Park for services beginning at 12 noon. The Boyne City High School Band will perform, and all

## NLEA

#### FROM PG. 1A

"The recipients of this award are those who define a goal and then don't let people or circumstances get in the way of accomplishing it," Cain said.

Cain explained how, since 2008. Catt's work has brought a total of 13 businesses to four locations-all in one community-Boyne City. He noted Catt also has plans in the works for even more development, having recently purchased two more blighted downtown buildings he will re-develop in the coming year.

"How many lives whether employees or customers have this person touched? How many old buildings or derelict properties have

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found a new life? Wow!" Cain said, "Talk about a maniac! Talk about a one person economic development dynamo for all of northern Michigan."

Catt was unable to attend the luncheon to accept his "Maniac of the Year "award and it was accepted on his behalf by his friend and business partner local Realtor Wally Kidd, of Kidd and Leavy Real Estate in Petoskev. Kidd said he was honored to accept the award for a developer for whom he has such great respect.

"It is truly an honor to accept this for Glenn...unlike other developers, Glenn knows what he doesn't know," Kidd laughed, "For a guy like me, it's a pleasure to work with a guy like him."



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## News ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM 19 graduate as Leadership Charlevoix County completes 6th year

Leadership Charlevoix County completed its sixth year May 17th with a graduation ceremony for 19 class members at Boyne Mountain Resort, which sponsored the event.

"It has been a memorable 10 months working with this leadership class," said Leadership board president Mary Faculak of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce. "We have 19 engaged individuals who are already making a positive difference in our county. I encourage and invite our clubs, organizations and groups in Charlevoix County to invite these graduates and all of our LCC alumni to join them.'

Faculak and Alison Hubbard of the Charlevoix Area Chamber are co-coordinators of the program. "Charlevoix County is lucky to have the knowledge and drive that these leaders possess," Hubbard said. "With the success of their Community Service Project and recent graduation, the potential for this class of leaders is endless."

There are now a total of 93 graduates of the leadership program, which was started by the Boyne City, East Jordan and Charlevoix



Leadership Charlevoix County completed its sixth year May 17th with a graduation ceremony for 19 class members at Boyne Mountain Resort, which sponsored the event. PHOTO BY MOLLY HAUXWELL-CURRIEF

Chambers of Commerce with funding assistance from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.

Each class completes a community service project, and this year's project was called "Wipe Your Feet," and included fund-raising and construction of boot-cleaning stations and educational signs at 24 different hiking trails around the

county. The goal is to prevent the spread of invasive species and increase awareness of that concept.

The graduates were addressed by keynote speaker Dr. Gretchen Carroll, Associate Dean of Business, Manufacturing & Technology at North Central Michigan College. "Leadership isn't a position," Dr. Carroll said. "It's not a title, it's not a degree and it doesn't require fame or fortune. Leadership is a disposition and it's not for the faint of heart. Leadership is a relationship - and requires a strong connection between leaders and their constituents."

The class chose two of its members to speak for them at their graduation ceremony. Emily Selph expressed her thanks "for providing an amazing program, which has given us an opportunity to embark, both individually and as a class, on this journey, this chance to come together as strangers, to connect, to grow, and to accomplish something that will truly make a difference."

Savanah Cool urged her classmates to "continue to learn, grow and lead. Continue to invest in yourself, to take time for you, to step outside your comfort zone, to learn more about yourself, to develop your knowledge/understanding and skills, to set professional goals and identify opportunities to make a positive impact in our com-

Applications are now being accepted for the 2017-18 program, which begins with an orientation in August and an overnight retreat on Beaver Island in September. More information may be found at www.leadershipcharlevoixcounty.c om or by calling the chamber of commerce in Boyne City (231-582-6222), Charlevoix (231-547-2101) or East Jordan (231-536-7351).

#### **Kirtland Community College** Announces Winter 2017 President's, Dean's Lists Honorees

ROSCOMMON - Officials at Kirtland Community College recently recognized students for their academic achievements during the 2016-17 winter semester which earned them placement on the college's dean's and president's lists.

To qualify for the president's list, candidates must be full-time students who earn a grade-point average between 3.8 and 4.0. Dean's list candidates must have a grade-point average of 3.4 to 3.799.

To learn more about Kirtland's programs, advising, testing, financial aid, veteran support and other services available to students, contact 989-275-5000 ext. 284 or visit.

#### President's List

Tanner Cooper, East Jordan Dean's List Janet Fierstien, Boyne City Alan Harreld, East Jordan Randi Holmes, Elmira Kenneth Thornton, East Jordan

#### Part Time Student Honorees

Jesse Antaya, East Jordan Jason Barnett, East Jordan Fayleen Best, Elmira Abraham Blatt, East Jordan Matthew Kent, East Jordan Andrea Kirkby, Elmira Jeffrey Komondy, Boyne City Robert Krepps, Elmira Michael O'Neil, East Jordan Jessica Puroll, Boyne City

## The importance of calling 9-1-1 in a medical emergency

Every second counts in a medical emergency. That is why McLaren Northern Michigan is teaming up with northern Michigan Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to work together to remind the community the importance of using 9-1-1.

The initiative started when McLaren Northern Michigan received a grant from Michigan's Ongoing Stroke Registry to Accelerate Improvement of Care. The grant funds Critical Care Classes for EMS, which will enhance efforts in pre-hospital stroke, care education, communication, and feedback. EMS teams participating in this course include Emmet, Otsego, Traverse City, Charlevoix, Alpena, and Cheboygan.

With EMS equipped and able to handle emergencies such as stroke or heart attack, it is important for the community to understand the benefit of using 9-1-1 in a medical emergency and that EMS is more than just a ride.

With May being National Stroke Awareness Month, McLaren Northern Michigan and area EMS teams want to answer common questions regarding the importance of 9-1-1 in an emergency.

Why call 9-1-1 if you think you



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- EMS pre-notifies a hospital so pain? heart or stroke teams can be readv

- Are you short of breath? - What medications have been

- Face - Ask person to smile. Does face look uneven? - Arms – Ask person to hold

can drive yourself or have a loved one drive you? EMS can provide care and transportation that is faster and safer than driving yourself. EMS communicates with the hospital and physician before arriving at the emergency room. This allows the hospital to mobilize staff needed to treat the emergency and be ready the second you arrive.

What are the benefits of calling 9-1-1 in an emergency?

- Care starts as soon as EMS arrives, increasing your chance of survival

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- Driving when upset or emotional distracts your focus, judgment, and concentration

What are common questions EMS and medical professionals will ask?

- When did you last see the person symptom free? What are the symptoms?

- When did they begin? - Did the person receive an in-

jury or fall recently? - Are you experiencing chest taken in last 24 hours?

What to do while waiting for EMS?

Stay calm. Help is on the way. Call family.

- Record name and birthdate. - Write down cell phone number of family.

Bag all medications.

- Collect ID and health insurance cards

Knowing the warning signs of a heart attack and stroke can save a life. Remember that calling 9-1-1 starts care sooner.

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- Balance - Loss of balance or coordination. Difficulty walking or using one hand?

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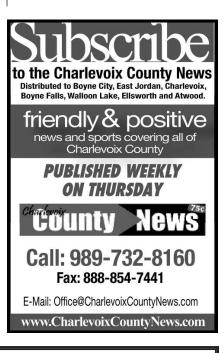
- Speech – Ask person to repeat a simple phrase. Does speech sound slurred? Does person use wrong word?

- Time – Call 9-1-1 if you exhibit one or more of these signs.

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# News National Mushroom Festival draws people from all over the nation

#### By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - It's a well-known fact that Boyne City becomes a Morel Mecca each year when the month of May rolls around. People from across the state and the nation travel to this town on the shores of Lake Charlevoix to celebrate and search for the elusive fungal delicacy. And last weekend's 57th National Morel Mushroom Festival was no exception.

Morel mushroom lovers and hunters came from just about every state you can think of, and the proof was seen on the many colorful license plates on countless cars and trucks in the packed parking lots and lining the streets of the city during the four-day long festival weekend; Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Kentucky, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Florida..Alaska?

Yes, there was Alaska-probably more than one.

And for many of those who come to the festival, it's not about just coming to have a cup of morel soup or an elephant ear or taking a spin in the tilt-a-whirl. It's about the serious business of morels. That means learning all about them; what they look like, what they don't, when they grow and where; what to look for and how to pick them; what makes them valuable...and of course, how to eat them.

Each year, Boyne City's morel festival planners make sure those who are interested have access to plenty of information and expertise about the mushrooms before they set off in the northern Michigan woods to find them. Dozens signed up for a seminar and expert-guided morel mushroom hunt during last weekend's festival, with many emerging from the experience with many morsels of knowledge as well as actual morels in their mesh bags. The morel mushroom seminar featured speaker and Boyne City resident An-



Scott MacKenzie, (far left) executive director of the Charlevoix Area Humane Society and community coordinator for the National Morel Mushroom Festival, gave explicit directions to dozens of mushroom hunters, warning them how NOT to get lost, before they embarked upon their collective search for morel mushrooms in the woods at Boyne Mountain Resort. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

thony Williams, who is considered the annual festival's "expert in residence." Williams, 65, is also owner of the Freshwater Art Gallery in Boyne City.

Using visual aids, Williams showed those attending the seminar what different morels look like; there are blacks and whites and grays. He explained how the city's yearly morel mushroom festival in mid-May revolves around the peak of actual morel season, which typically runs from April through early June, and somewhat longer in the U.P. Williams said the black morels emerge first and can generally be found growing around older poplar trees. Next comes crossover season, and up with the white and gray morels, he said, which are fond of growing in old apple orchards. Later in the season, ash trees are a good spot to look for those, he noted.

Williams was quick to add, though, that morels can be found just about anywhere-even randomly on the beach. The trick is keeping an eye for them.

Once a morel is spotted, Williams urged seekers to slow down and search nearby for more, as they tend to grow in clusters. And after plucking them, put them in a mesh bag or basket so the dust-like spores can filter through the mesh and fall onto the ground to re-populate next season, he advised.

With morels being typically hard to find, locating a "sweet spot" often becomes a secretive affair.

When asked what the ethic



Morel mushroom hunters were given mesh bags in which to stow their found fungi, as the dust-like spores will fall to the ground through the mesh, increasing the chances of the morels growing near the same site again next season. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

#### need to do."

After the seminar, the dozens of newly-schooled morel mushroom "experts" were loaded onto a fleet of waiting school buses and driven a few miles down the road to Boyne Mountain. There, they were divided into small groups with an experienced morel mushroom guide who accompanied them as they searched the woods with some success.

Friends Mary Renda, Mika Kennedy and Sunhay You said they drove to Boyne City from Ypsilanti for the weekend just to attend their

## Charlevoix Circle of Arts Paint Out

May 25, 2017



Trish Morgan and Doug Melvin, Circle of Arts Paint Out 2016. COURTESY PHOTO

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts will hold their annual Paint Out on Saturday June 10 beginning at 8 am when artists register to have their blank canvases stamped for a day of painting. As artists return to the Circle with their work, a "Wet Paint Sale" will be installed and paintings will be immediately for sale. This is where the fun really begins, when artists share stories of unexpected events and challenges that they have faced working from life as the day unfolded.

During the wet paint sale last year, local favorite musician Chris Martin was on hand to entertain the crowd. As Chris played, the front yard of the Circle was transformed into a celebratory happening with artists and patrons dancing the afternoon away and enjoying the arts in the most memorable way. Back by popular demand, Chris has agreed to again perform. Local artist Paul Andrzejewski of Pizza Girl will have pizza pies available!

Patrons and artists alike are encouraged to save the date, make plans to join the Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton Street in the heart of downtown Charlevoix. Beginning at 6 pm awards will be presented to the artists, honoring their successes. For more information please contact the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at (231) 547-3554 or visit the website at: www.charlevoixcircle.com.



Friends Mika Kennedy (left) and Mary Renda of Ypsilanti were smiling from ear to ear upon finding their first ever morel mushroom. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

tocol is once a cache of morels is found, say, among a crowd of other searchers, Williams chuckled, "There is no ethic."

And the best way to eat a morel? That's easy, he said.

"The way we were raised and the best way to get the morel flavor is just to sauté' them in butter," he said, "Maybe a little garlic or a splash of wine, but butter is all you first National Morel Mushroom Festival. They signed up for Williams' seminar and participated in the guided hunt and were thrilled to actually find a few morels. "I didn't know they would be so cute!" Renda smiled. The three said they had so much fun that they'll likely return next year-especially now that they've found their own "sweet spot".



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The Junior Marketeer has T-shirts free for the children after just four visits, provided by Munson Charlevoix Wellness Center. The goal is to provide space for quality family time and enhance healthy living by eating fresh, local produce, meats and fine artisan baked goods.

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# News Hundreds attend 3rd Annual Union Appreciation Picnic

#### By Michelle Medjesky

The overcast skies and threat of rain did little to dampen the spirits and enthusiasm last weekend during the annual Union Appreciation Day picnic in Emmet County. Hundreds came from at least six counties in northern Michigan to have a seat at picnic tables beneath the shelter at the Bear River Recreation Area in Petoskey on Sunday, May 21, and enjoyed a free picnic lunch in appreciation of their work through local unions and their party support.

Union members and their families from Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Mackinac, Clinton and Otsego Counties dined on a bounty of barbeque meats, salads, drinks and desserts as they filtered in and out throughout the afternoon-long event.

Emmet County Democratic Party Chairman Gordy Bourland said this was the third year the appreciation picnic was organized and hosted by the Emmet County Democrats and first year that the Charlevoix County Party was invited to participate as



(Left to right) Charlevoix County Democratic Party chairman Carolyn Navarre and **Emmet County Democratic committee** member Meryl Hanky welcomed hundreds of local worker's union members from all across northern Michigan to the 3rd Annual Union Appreciation Picnic in Petoskey last weekend, PHOTO BY MICHELLE MED-JESKY

hosts as well. Bourland said he was pleased with the turnout this year and noted attendance seems to be growing more annually.

Along with Bourland, several key Democratic Party representatives were on hand to give speeches during the picnic, including recently reelected Michigan Democratic Party Chairman Brandon Dillon from



Hundreds of union workers and their families and Democratic party members were shown appreciation and treated to a free picnic lunch featuring a bounty of BBQ meats, salads, drinks and desserts. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

Grand Rapids, Charlevoix County Democratic Party Chairman Kris Busk and retired USMC officer Matt Morgan (D) of Traverse City, who recently announced his plans to next year seek the 1st Congressional District Seat currently held by Jack Bergman (R).

Morgan told the crowd he never intended to run for any kind of political office until last year's election motivated him to take action and find an opportunity to effect the change he wanted to see. "As a Marine, I was taught that a leader looks for the opportunity to lead," Morgan said, noting his plans to travel throughout the 1st Congressional District in coming months in effort to introduce himself to voters and hear their concerns.

In closing, Emmet County Democratic Party vice-chair Carolyn Bourland noted that State Senator Debbie Stabenow will be in Petoskey attending a fundraising event early next month. Bourland encouraged all who are able to attend should make plans to do so" and bring your checkbooks", she added, stressing the importance and continued support of Stabenow's work and representation.

"Debbie Stabenow is one of the most powerful Senators in the country," Bourland said.

The fundraiser for Stabenow will be held on Friday, June 2 from 3-4:30 p.m. at the Petoskey Holiday Inn Express on U.S. 131.

# **Duski's amazing** journey on "The Voice"

#### **By Jim Akans**

What an amazing journey it has been for northern Michigan native, Lauren Duski. On Tuesday evening's star-studded NBC Television's "The Voice" finale, excitement and tension filled the air as the show's host, Carson Daly, prepared to announce the Season 12 winner of the national vocalist competition. When the moment arrived, contestant Chris Blue was named this year's "The Voice" winner

and Lauren Duski was named runner up. Daly said this was one of the closest final vote in the show's history.

The decision was based on a nationwide vote that began as the four final contestants took the stage on Monday evening with the voting window open until Tuesday. On Monday evening, wearing a gorgeous jeweled gown, Duski's first performance was a hauntingly beautiful rendition of "The Dance," written by country music icon Garth Brooks.

Duski's team coach, Blake Shelton, stated, "It is one of the most important and greatest country songs of all time...You made me feel like I was hearing it for the first time."

Another team coach. Adam Levine, observed that Duski has a voice "we have loved from the beginning. Amazing job as always."

Sticking with tunes by country music legends, Duski's second performance of the night was a duet with Shelton on Hank William Sr's "classic Honky Tonk number, "There's a Tear in My Beer." But it was Lauren's final performance of the evening, her self-penned "Deja Vu." that brought the house down. A mesmerizing ballad featuring a gorgeous melody and lyric reflecting on lost love, the song is a perfect match for Duski's pasonate, emotional delivery.



What an amazing journey it has been for northern Michigan native. Lauren Duski. On Tuesday evening she was named Season 12 runner up on NBC Television's "The Voice" national vocal competition. PHOTO COURTESY **NBC-UNIVERSAL TELEVISION** 

dream. THANK YOU for every ounce of support along this journey. I will never forget it. It is only the beginning.'

Daughter of Dr. Edward and Janis Duski, Lauren graduated from Gaylord High School in 2009 and earned her Bachelor of Science degree at the U of M in 2013. While she planned to follow in her father's footsteps by pursuing a career in dentistry, she went to Chicago after college graduation, recorded some of her music and then headed to

Nashville to hone her songwriting skills. She has performed for audiences in northern Michigan since the age of seven and began writing her own songs in middle school. In recent years she has toured across the state with her band performing country music, opened for national acts including Lonlishments on broadcast evenings. "Vote Lauren" placards became fixtures in store windows, and community conversations buzzed about her incredible performances and momentum on the show. The finals support party was held on Tuesday evening at Ellison Place in Gaylord, with over 600 of



Over 600 anxious Lauren Duski supporters wait for the voting results to be announced at a support party held at Gaylord's Ellison Place on Tuesday evening. PHOTO BY JIM AKANS

Shelton remarked, "Lau-

ren, let me be the first to congratulate you on writing your first number one song."

Duski commented on Twitter after her Monday evening performance, "Tonight was a



Hidden Treasures

#### estar, Randy Travis, Confederate Railroad and Bill Anderson.

She began her journey on The Voice after "passing the audition" to be on the show earlier this year, singing Jewel's hit "You Were Meant For Me." She joined 48 talented vocalists from across the country to compete for this year's top spot on the show. From March through May, that field narrowed each week as early on, a panel of four celebrity judges selected which contestants would move forward. In the last few weeks of the competition viewers fans cast their votes for their favorites, with those contestants receiving the highest number of votes moving forward.

Duski's community of supporters in her hometown of Gaylord, and throughout northern Michigan, were regularly recognized on the show for the tremendous pride they felt for their local musical hero. On Facebook, the "Lauren Duski Gaylord Fan Club" sang Duski's praises daily and organized several well-attended support parties at local estabher fans anxiously waiting for the announcement of the voting results.

Duski's extraordinary performances on "The Voice" have already paved the way for what will undoubtedly become an outstanding presence on the country and pop music scene.

After a recent performance on the show, team coach Blake Shelton commented that he can see her "selling out stadiums" with her extraordinary "voice, stage presence and personality." Blake Shelton also stated, "You are the missing piece in country music right now."

Northern Michigan fans can follower her continued musical journey on the "Lauren Duski Gaylord Fan Club" Facebook page, at www.laurenduski.com or on Facebook at LaurenDuski.

Awesome job Lauren Duski! We all look forward to hearing much more of your beautiful voice as you take your well-deserved place on the national music scene in the coming months and years.

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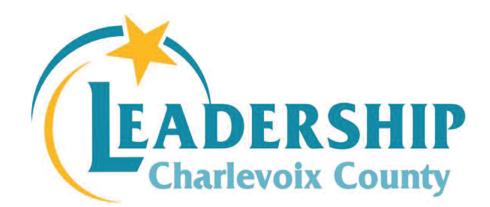
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