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Boyne City Police office closed temporarily

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - The Boyne City Police Department's office at its former Lake Street location will be closed for the next few weeks until the new city hall complex is complete sometime in July.

Boyne City Police Chief Jeff Gaither said in a recent media release that his department's offices will not be open for public contact effective immediately and until the city hall construction complex is finished.

Boyne City city manager Mike Cain said that project is moving along right on schedule and the new complex is slated to open sometime in July.

Until then, Gaither said his police department staff will still conduct its usual administrative business and can be reached by phone for those types of matters during weekday business hours from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the BCPD main phone line number: (231) 582-6611.

Those with non-emergency issues who may be unable to phone during

regular business hours should go to the temporary city offices on Lake Street just across from the new city complex construction site, adjacent to the 4Front Credit Union, where city staff will contact the on-duty police officer for response or additional information.

But that's only if the situation is a non-emergency, Gaither reiterated.

As always, for any emergency, Gaither said residents should follow the usual drill and phone 911 for assistance, as Boyne City police officers will continue to be on duty 24/7



PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

to respond.

Gaither noted the medication disposal pod will also be available at the temporary city hall building during regular office hours from 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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2017 EAST JORDAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL



The 2017 Freedom Festival in East Jordan begins June 24 with the Jordan Valley Triathlon, and continues through July 2 with a huge celebration featuring carnival rides, a block party, drawings, a grand parade, prize raffles, fireworks and more. COURTESY PHOTO

The 2017 Freedom Festival in East Jordan begins June 24 with the Jordan Valley Triathlon, and continues through July 2 with a huge celebration featuring carnival rides, a block party, drawings, a grand parade, prize raffles, live music, fireworks and much more. It's an amazing week of excitement for those of every age and interest, set in the beautiful community of East Jordan.

Following are highlights from the upcoming schedule. Visit www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org for details and updates. A complete weekend schedule (6/29 through 7/2) will appear in the June 29th edition of the Charlevoix County News.

Jordan Valley Triathlon - June 24 at 9am. Registration forms available at www.jvemsa.org.

Flag Retirement Ceremony - June 26, 7pm, Memorial Park.

Outdoor Movie - "Sing" - Tuesday, June 27 at Dusk (around 9:30 PM) - Grab a blanket, a lawn chair, family, friends, neighbors or co-workers, and head to the Adult Softball Field

(across from Marty's Dairy Grille) to enjoy a free outdoor movie. Come down early, stake your ground and have some fun. Movie will begin at sundown and will be shown under the stars on a huge, inflatable screen with a state-of-the-art projection and sound system. The movie is free and family-friendly.

Old Time Kids Games - Wednesday, June 28, 5:00 - 7:00 PM, Memorial Park. The "Old Time Kids Games" are back. Bring the kids to Memorial Park on Wednesday, June 28, 2017 to play some of the games you remember as a kid. Pick-a-Duck, Treasures in the Saw Dust, Bean Bag Toss and more. There will be bubbles to blow, sidewalks to chalk, face painting, wash out hair color and much more. Twister Joe, Balloon Artist Extraordinaire will be there to create balloon animals and balloon hats for everyone. Best of all... it's all free.

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Boyne Falls man sentenced to 15 years for armed robbery

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE FALLS - A Charlevoix County man will spend at least the next 15 years in prison after pleading guilty last week to two armed robberies in Cheboygan County earlier this year.

Jonathan Daniels, 33, of Boyne Falls, pleaded guilty June 13 in Cheboygan County's 53rd Circuit Court to robbing two stores at gunpoint there earlier this year.

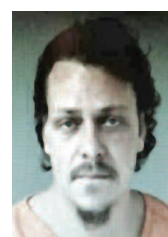
The robberies both occurred in Cheboygan County on February 4 when police say Daniels entered the Next Door Food Store Marathon Station in Cheboygan and stole cash and cigarettes from the clerk at gunpoint.

Hours later that same day, Daniels also stole cash and cigarettes at gunpoint from Pat and Gary's Party Store in Indian River.

Daniels reportedly had an accomplice drive him from the scenes of the armed robberies.

The Tuscarora Township Department worked with officers from Cheboygan and Michigan State Police to track and later arrest Daniels, who pleaded guilty last week and was sentenced to a minimum 15 years in prison with a maximum of life.

"Any time someone uses a firearm during the commission of a crime, long-term incarceration is my goal," said Cheboygan County Prosecuting Attorney Daryl Vizina, "We achieved that goal in this case."



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MONDAY

HIGH: 68
LOW: 53

TUESDAY

HIGH: 72
LOW: 57

WEDNESDAY

HIGH: 72
LOW: 58

record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
JUN 22	.52°	...80°	.29° (1992)	.94° (1988)
JUN 23	.52°	...80°	.34° (1979)	.92° (1966)
JUN 24	.53°	...80°	.35° (1979)	.94° (2009)
JUN 25	.53°	...81°	.33° (1970)	.94° (2009)
JUN 26	.53°	...81°	.36° (1982)	.95° (2003)
JUN 27	.53°	...81°	.35° (1992)	.95° (2005)
JUN 28	.53°	...81°	.40° (1970)	.96° (2005)

Sandra Gayle Bergmann, 74

(MAY 1, 1943 - JUNE 15, 2017)

Sandra (Donaldson) Bergmann, beloved wife, mother and grandmother, died June 15, 2017 after a courageous battle with lung cancer.



Sandra was born May 1, 1943 in Ellsworth, Michigan to the late Levi and Beatrice (Smalley) Donaldson.

Sandra grew up in a household of 10 siblings and attended Ellsworth High School. She lived in Charlevoix most of her life. She worked for the Freedman Art Craft Company for eight years, then started a foster care home where more than 225 children were provided a loving environment and nurtured on God's Word.

Sandra was extremely active in her faith and attended Center Point Assembly of God for over 40 years. She developed the "Play Cafe" program at the church to assist underprivileged young moms with a safe place for their children to play. Sandra generously provided thousands of cookies and snacks to the church, her family and anyone in need. Her specialty was molasses cookies.

Sandra is survived by her husband, Lawrence, of 57 years on June 18; children Alan (Cinda) of Lansing, Wayne (Christy) of Peoria, IL, and Melissa (Travis) Ogden of Boyne City; brothers Joel (Lilly), Terry, Ron (Louann) and sister Nancy (Ren) Haley; grandchildren Stephanie, Dylan, Katie, Jordan, Nick (Tiffany), Alexandria, Drew, Carley, Tyler, Alex, Abby, Cody and Hazel; great-grandchildren, Lilliana, Ahzylei, Warryck, Blaiyyz and Alairyk; sister-in-law Alice Donaldson, brothers-in-law Warren Frank, William (Helen) Stevens and Dermont Poley; many nieces and nephews. Sandra was preceded in death by an infant son Larry, broth-

ers Jackie, Alan, Jimmy and sisters Gwen, Donna and Barb.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at Center Point Assembly of God Church in Charlevoix with visitation from 1-2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Moms and Tots program of Good Samaritan Family Services in Ellsworth, Northern Michigan Hospice, or Georgia House.

Arrangements by Hastings Funeral Home, Ellsworth.

Dr. Thomas L. Turcott, 93

(JUNE 19, 1923 - JUNE 15, 2017)

Dr. Thomas Larry Turcott was born June 19, 1923 to George and Agnes Turcott in Boyne City, Michigan and died peacefully Thursday June 15, 2017.



He was married to his good hearted woman, Margaret Louise Turcott, for 67 years until her death November 1, 2014.

Thomas Turcott graduated from Boyne City High School, served in the Armed Air Forces during WWII, graduated from Central Michigan University and Northern Illinois School of Optometry.

After practicing as an optometrist for 2 years in Charlevoix, he opened a practice in Petoskey that he operated for about 37 years. He was very involved in Petoskey's Little League, Babe Ruth and Senior League Baseball for many years. Thomas was a member of the City Council for many years and remained active in city politics well after his years of service had officially ended.

He is survived by his 9 children: Riley Turcott, Mike Turcott (Annie), Casey Turcott (Terry), Patricia McClees, Laura Bachelor (Scott), Kathy Turcott, Jane Blaylock (Terry), Mary Hayes, Dan Tur-

cott (Gloria), 19 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

Viewing will be Thursday June 22nd at Stone Funeral Home from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. A funeral mass will be held at St Francis Xavier Church on Friday June 23rd at 10:30 a.m. with a one hour visitation prior to the service, followed by a luncheon at The Knights of Columbus Hall.

Donations in memory of Thomas are asked to be directed to Brother Dan's Food Pantry or the Emmet County Friendship Center.

Donna Eileen Laurie, 61

(FEB. 27, 1956 - JUNE 16, 2017)

Donna Eileen Laurie of Boyne City went to be with her Lord and Saviour on Friday, June 16, 2017 at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix.

Donna was born on February 27, 1956 in Mt. Clemens, MI the daughter of Robert and Jane (Snyder) Laurie. Donna enjoyed horseback riding, reading, making cards for friends and connecting with friends on the internet. Most of all she took great pleasure in giving gifts to others.

Donna is survived by her mother Jane; brother Steven (Crisabel) Laurie of Hawaii; sister Janice Houck of Boyne City; nieces and nephews Joshua Houck, Justin Houck, Jeremy Houck, Kerri Houck and Stephanie Laurie.

She is preceded in death by her father Robert Laurie.

At her request no services are planned and burial has taken place at Maple Lawn Cemetery.

Lu Rita (Wolschon) Alef, 103

(APRIL 5, 1914 - JUNE 14, 2017)

Lu Rita Alef of Boyne City passed away on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at her home.



Lu was born on April 5, 1914 in Detroit, MI the daughter of Joseph and Rose Wolschon. She was a beautiful, caring, witty, giving woman that was the life of the party. Lu's most cherished thing was her family, she always put her family first.

Lu is survived by her three daughters Noel Fisher, Lori (Jim) VanOstenbridge and Pam (Steve) Budd; grandchildren Matthew (Pre) Gusmano, Jacob Gusmano, Alana Gusmano, Sydney Fisher, Colette Latimer, Jolene (Bill) Kavanaugh, Billy (Jennifer) Budd, Jaret (Raelynn) Budd and Amanda VanOstenbridge; brother Jerry Wolschon and many great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband Chet Alef; two brothers Fr. Ed Wolschon and Joe Wolschon; and sister Helen Lewis.

A memorial mass was celebrated Saturday, June 17, 2017 at St. Matthews Church in Boyne City. Fr. Frank Partridge served as celebrant.

In lieu of flowers donations may be directed to assist with a cemetery marker for Lu, in C/O Noel Fisher.

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

June Grace (Kuhlman) DeLaney, 88

(JUNE 5, 1929 - JUNE 15, 2017)

June Grace DeLaney, 88, formerly of Big Rapids and Boyne City, died June 15, 2017 at her home in Harbor Springs, MI. June was born June 5, 1929, the daughter of William and

Grace Gail (Cline) Kuhlman. June moved from Brainerd, MN. In 1948 to Petoskey, MI. She married Royce Edward DeLaney on January 23, 1950. June worked at Rheinhardt's Store in Petoskey, then Carey Oil for many years in Boyne City. They raised their children in Boyne City until 1976 when Royce and June moved to Big Rapids, MI. until 2015 then resided in Harbor Springs.

She was an avid bowler and gardener and enjoyed canning foods from her garden. She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary of Big Rapids.

June is survived by her husband of 67 years, Royce DeLaney; her children, Steven (Monica) DeLaney, Kathy (Tim) DeLaney-Jones and Tamara (Paul Gough) DeLaney; grandchildren,

Heather (Alex) Costas, Heidi (Kyle) Mellema and Stephanie (Marty) Vance; great grandchildren, Andru and Brandon Costas, Delaney and Mason Mellema and Thomas Vance; and her sister, Doris Peterson. She was preceded in death by her parents and five siblings, Marjorie Waltz, Birdeva Allen, Darlene Frey, Bill Kuhlman and Leo Kuhlman.

There will be a memorial service at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City, MI on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. with a one hour visitation prior to the service. Pastor David Behling will officiate.

Donations are asked to be directed to Perry Farm Village of Harbor Springs, MI. or Hospice of Northwest Michigan.

Richard Joseph Matelski, 41

(DEC. 13, 1975 - JUNE 13, 2017)

Richard Joseph Matelski of Boyne Falls, MI passed away unexpectedly on June 13th.

Rick was born on December 13, 1975 in Petoskey, MI. He is the son of David and Mary Matelski. Rick graduated from Boyne Falls Public School where he excelled at playing basketball for the loggers as well as football for the Boyne City Ramblers. His desire for athletics continued with his discovery of a passion for softball, whether it was as a player or inspiring others thru coaching. One of the things he was most proud of was being the coach for the Boyne Falls Logger Girls softball team. Rick loved his bonfires and his flowers, but his favorite thing to do was help others. If you needed anything Rick would do his best to help in any way he could.

The most standout thing about Rick was his brilliant smile, his happy go lucky attitude, his infectious giggle, and his incredibly huge heart. Those who knew him know that the most important thing in his life was his family. Brendon and Calsey were the light of his life and his entire world. He was so proud of them and would tell anyone that would listen. He devoted his life to his kids and his fiancé Tonya. He and Tonya spent so many years together building an amazing life. He was their entire world as well. Rick is survived by his parents David and Mary Matelski, his children Brendon and Calsey Matelski, his fiancé Tonya Timmerman, his brothers James (Gwen) Matelski, Gary (Alison) Matelski, his sister Corinna (Stacy) Matelski, and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Mass was celebrated Friday, June 16th at the church followed by burial at St. Augustine Cemetery.

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

Cynthia D. Murray, 68

(AUG. 28, 1948 - JUNE 16, 2017)

Cynthia D. Murray, 68, of Charlevoix passed away at Haven Crest Adult Foster Care in East Jordan. No services are planned at this time. Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Paul A. Sobleski, 53 (JAN. 28, 1964 - JUNE 15, 2017)

Paul A. Sobleski of Charlevoix passed away on June 15, 2017 at his home, surrounded by his family.



Paul was born on January 28, 1964 in Petoskey, the son of Raymond and Betty (Hadix) Sobleski.

Paul was employed by DTE Energy as a technician for 17 years. He loved his job and made many friendships through work over the years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and more mushroom hunting.

He was a movie buff and would often be found watching storms come across Lake Michigan.

He truly was one of the toughest, compassionate, and caring guys out there. Words can't describe how incredible he was.

On December 4, 1992, in Charlevoix, he married Vikki Somerville who survives. Also surviving are two children, Trevor Sobleski, Autumn Sobleski both of Charlevoix, four brothers, Wayne (Angie) Sobleski of Boyne City, Pete Sobleski of Boyne City, Matt (Callie) Sobleski of Montana, Jeff (Kris) Sobleski of Kentucky, four sisters, Linda (John) Kujawski of Boyne City, Cathy (Tom) Farrell of Boyne City, Sue Loper of Grayling, Eva (Brian) Russell of Marquette and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Raymond Jr., Michael, and a niece Melisa Sobleski Hickerty.

A memorial service took place on Tuesday, June 20 at the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Humane Society, 614 Beardsley Street Boyne City, MI 49712.

Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Marion J. Poet, 87

(MARCH 5, 1930 - JUNE 14, 2017)

Marion J. Poet of Charlevoix passed away on June 14, 2017 at Bay Bluffs in Harbor Springs.



Marion was born on March 5, 1930 to the late Leo and Rhoda (Peters) Putman. On May 15, 1948 in Kentucky, Marion married Melvin Poet who preceded her in death on March 2, 2003.

Marion and Melvin lived in Romulus and Belleville for many years where she was a member of the Romulus Community United Methodist Church. She was a school bus driver for 18 years at Belleville Public Schools. In 1989 Marion and Melvin moved north to Johannesburg. Marion enjoyed baking especially making wedding cakes.

Marion is survived by children, Steve (Nevada) Poet of Vanderbilt, Marie Fitzhugh of Charlevoix, 6 grandchildren, Gregory, Diana, John, Alicia, Erica, Tara, Faye, 25 great grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren, brothers, Bud (Delores) Putman of Florida, Everett (Jeannie) Putman of Charlevoix, Dale Putman of Missouri.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, granddaughter Leisa, 2 sons

Bill and Phillip Poet, 4 brothers and 6 sisters.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, June 18, 2017 at Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with Pastor Randy Hitts officiating. Interment will take place at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at Tyler Street Cemetery in Van Buren Township, Michigan.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Bay Bluffs, 750 E. Main Street, Harbor Springs, Michigan 49740.

Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Mary Jean Stemkoski, 80

(JUNE 16, 1936 - JUNE 9, 2017)

Mary Jean Stemkoski went to be with her Lord on Friday, June 9, 2017.



She was born on June 15, 1936, in Riggsville, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her parents, Genevieve and George Stemkoski, brothers, Ed Stemkoski, John Stemkoski and George Stemkoski, and sisters, Rachel Stemkoski and Lois Snider. She is survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Despite her being limited by physical handicap, she had a courageous sense of humor, was stylish, and was very active in her younger years. In her later years, she was very well cared for at her home by the great staff at Autumnview House in East Jordan, and even authored a cookbook. Jean always maintained a positive attitude and managed a smile, and was a great inspiration to all who came into contact with her.

A graveside service will be held Friday, July 7, 2017, at 10:00am, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Riggsville. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Summertree, Inc., 210 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712, with "Autumnview House" in the notation line.

For further information, visit the Penzien Funeral Home website at penzianfh.com.

Gwinda Darene McDowell, 63

(JUNE 26, 1953 - JUNE 16, 2017)

Gwinda Darene McDowell of East Jordan died Friday, June 16, 2017, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix.

She was born on June 26, 1953, in Goodrich, Michigan, the daughter of Garrett and Jeane (Parker) McDowell.

Gwinda grew up in Ortonville, Michigan, graduated from Brandon High School in Ortonville and received her degree in Education from Bethel College.

She had worked as an apartment complex manager and for the Hope Network.

Gwinda loved animals especially her cat "Maggie".

She is survived by two sisters, Judy (Walt) Moblo of East Jordan and Gayla (Duane) Donaldson of East Jordan; one brother, Garry (Mary) McDowell of Ortonville; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan. Rev. James L. Jordan of the Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan officiated. Interment in Southern Cemetery in Central Lake.

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Hundreds attend pipeline meeting in Petoskey

Hundreds of citizens attended the Monday, June 12, meeting of the Pipeline Safety Advisory Board to voice concern about the 64 year old Enbridge twin lines crossing the Straits of Mackinac. Public comments were offered for more than three hours. A Cheboygan contingent of more than a dozen included eight speakers addressing the board on issues that have been under study by the group for more than three years.

Straits Area Concerned Citizens for Peace, Justice and the Environment, led by Joanne Cromley, presented a united front asking the board to shut down Line 5. Anabel Dwyer challenged the Board to recommend to the Governor to shut down Line 5 due to repeated violations of the 1953 Easement agreement.

Joanne Cromley and Linda Rogers shared research done by Gary Street which indicates that shutting down Line 5 would not impact Michigan's natural gas or gasoline supply significantly. Bobby Crongeyer, the contingency plan expert, pointed out that it would be impossible to mobilize labor and resources within 12 hours of a release, causing oil to be beached onto more than 700 miles of shoreline along lakes Huron and Michigan. Most of the year the water in the Straits is too fast, too wavy and too deep to use conventional equipment. Unstable ice conditions and the inability of current containment procedures make the contingency plan inadequate and ineffective.

Dale Giddings, addressed concerns of the Audubon Society regarding oil-covered waterfowl. To date, no contingency plans have included caring for oil-covered wildlife. Roger Gauthier expressed that

worst-case scenarios have consistently been underestimated by Enbridge. An oil spill would likely cause: permanent market value loss for 37,000 properties, loss of the tourism industry of \$2.4 billion yearly, shut down of commercial navigation for months, loss of the \$8 billion annual fishing industry. In all, the cost would likely approach \$20 billion. Currently Enbridge carries less than \$1 million insurance coverage to clean up an oil spill, as required by the 1953 easement agreement with the State of Michigan.

David Dwyer spoke about the future of energy. Alternative energy sources are becoming more viable than fossil fuels. Enbridge also recognizes that carbon free energy will be significant to the future, and has made substantial investments in renewables.

Vince Lumetta summarized the SACCPJE frustration with the slow pace of the Advisory Board, frustration that Enbridge constantly has made presentations with no outside independent representation, frustration that Enbridge constantly overstates the importance of Line 5 to Michigan, frustration that the pipeline threatens daily the largest body of fresh water in the world, frustration that the contingency plan is totally inadequate, frustration that the study did not include the entire Line 5 span through the U.P., and finally, frustration with the current testing being done. In closing, he asked why we are even talking about Line 5—shut it down.

Additional speakers addressed a wide variety of topics, all culminating in a call to shut down Line 5. Kathy Matika suggested that the pipeline is subject to environ-



Miss Michigan Earth, Allie Graziano, speaks regularly at schools and to civic groups. The focus of the Miss Earth title holder is to spread environmental awareness in the community.

mental terrorism. Tom Gilpin with the Sierra Club compared the pipeline to veldt. It will eventually fail, and the risk to keep it flow-

ing is unacceptable. Liz Kirkwood pointed out that Enbridge is not in compliance, as noted in the Kiefer Report, as some supports span up to

286 feet, with the acceptable limit set at 75 feet. Kate Madigan, with the Michigan Environmental Council, expressed concern with the integrity of the pipeline. She refuted the claim that it's "as good as the day it was installed." Actually, there have been 29 spills of more than 1 million gallons of oil across Line 5.

Miss Michigan Earth, Allie Graziano, speaks regularly at schools and to civic groups. The focus of the Miss Earth title holder is to spread environmental awareness in the community. Her message to citizens is to get involved, contact government officials, sign petitions and reach out to protect the environment. Graziano, from Traverse City, will be meeting with Senator Stabenow in Washington D.C. regarding Line 5 and will be competing for the national Miss Earth title the second week in August.

Lindsey Walker, Petoskey Recycling Outreach, advocated a retirement party for Line 5. She urged Attorney General Bill Schuette and Governor Rick

Snyder to step up and shut down the line to post a positive legacy story for the State of Michigan.

Contractors will present two reports that will be assessing the controversial Line 5. One will address the risks of Line 5 and the other will present alternatives to the current line. Following that, there will be four public events for public comment to address the findings in the reports. Sessions will be held: Thursday, July 6, Holt High School near Lansing, 5:00 p.m.; Monday, July 24, Holt High School, 8:00 a.m. and July 24 also, Hagerty Center, Traverse City, 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday, July 25, Little Bear East Arena in St. Ignace, 6:00 p.m. Pipeline Safety Advisory Board co-chair Heidi Grether, DEQ Director, urged citizens to speak to the facts in the reports rather than make general comments to just shut down the line. Also, she suggested that citizens attend only one public comment session.

Submitted by Sherry Nelson

BCHS student heading to Ivy League summer program

Upcoming Boyne City High School senior, Madison Bates, has won a scholarship to attend a summer program at Brown University. The scholarship is through the Ivy Foundation, a group that works to increase the numbers of mid-west girls who apply and get accepted to Ivy League and other highly selective universities. They grant scholarships to get them onto the campuses in the summer for highly competitive academic camps. Bates went through the application process - and won!



Upcoming Boyne City High School senior, Madison Bates, has won a scholarship to attend a summer program at Brown University. COURTESY PHOTO

Cathy Brown, Counselor at Boyne City High School, states, "Madison is one of our top students with over a 4.0 GPA plus an SAT score that places her into the top one-percent of high school students in the country."

Bates is very excited to participate in the program. "I am going to Brown universities Summer program for high school students for a two-week course called Evil: The History of an Idea. It is a philosophy course and is about how perceptions of evil are different in different cultures. It is from July 10th to July 21, and because of the timing I will be able to go to a huge college fair while I am there."

She adds, "I won the scholarship through the Joyce Ivy foundation, and they covered what Brown did not cover. I had the opportunity to go to a three-week course, but the topics were not as interesting as some of the two-week courses. The total scholarships I won are worth \$4,250 dollars (roughly). It includes travel, books, spending money, and tuition."

Madison is also highly ac-

tive in our school in other extra-curricular activities, which helped her win this chance to study at Brown for the summer. She was also recently named a College Prep Scholar through the Questbridge program. 12,022 students applied and she was one of 3,736 students in the country to win this. The program helps connect students to all expense paid college visits, leadership conferences, and extra camps this summer.

Cathy Brown relates, "This is not only a "win" for Madison, but also a positive for our small Northern Michigan school. To have a student qualify for this type of Ivy League experience will encourage other Northern Michigan students to branch out and apply to these incredible schools that seem out of reach. This will be a life-changing thing for Madison and will impact my work with other BCHS students as well ...as they start to believe that kids from our small town can apply to those type of schools."

For more information on the Joyce Ivy Foundation: <http://www.joyceivyfoundation.org/summer-scholars.html>



Green Market Day

Green Market Day at Charlevoix Farmers Market in downtown Charlevoix added twenty environmentally conscious groups with informational tables to their 35 market vendors last Thursday. A constant flow of visitors, live music by Kadin McCallum and T-shirt giveaways to the children, made for special time at the 4th annual event. From baked goods to biking trails, Green Market Day provides an avenue for many types of people to enjoy the precious northern Michigan environment and all it offers. From lake associations to the farm fields, this 4th annual event saw record crowds as well as the widest range of environmentalists to date. The Market assembles 8AM-1PM on Bridge Street every Thursday. Photo by m. chris leese. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE.

EAST PARK CHARLEVOIX



THURSDAYS 8AM-1PM

SHOP FRESH . EAT LOCAL

Strawberries are in!

Fresh strawberries, local produce, flowers and plants abound at Charlevoix's Farmers Market!

Find also fresh fish, meats, eggs, artisan baked goods, award-winning chocolates, wines, coffees and more! Visit downtown Charlevoix every Thursday. Seven new vendors; Live music; and crafts for the kids!! Curbside parking until 11am- Free parking just 1 block west. Support your hard-working farmers and bakers rain or shine - they'll be on Bridge Street!

VISIT THESE VENDORS - NORTH TO SOUTH:

<p>The Pit Stop – Olives & Tapenades Providence Organic Farm – Produce Winnie's Original – Tomato Butter Gerber's Homemade Sweets & Pasties Cook Family Farm – Meat, Egg, Cheese Lottie's Bagels, Scones & Sandwiches Interwater Farms – *if product avail. Renee's Bouquets – Flowers & Herbs Farmer White's – Baked goods, Strawberries Dhaseleer Events Barn – Veggies, Herbs Black Pearl – Flavored Jerky</p>	<p>Berg Farms – Plants: Veggies & Flowers Guntzville's – Berries & Veggies Pond Hill – Veggies, Flowers & Sauces North Country Critters – Pet Treats SoapBox Kitchen – Soaps & Ointments Rocky Top Farms – Fruits & Preserves John Cross Fisheries – Fish, Sausage, Pate' Pea & Compagnie – Crepes & Croissants Alan's Garden – Perennials Currey Farms Maple Syrup & Candy Bear Earth Herbs – Teas & Ointments</p>	<p>Beijo de Chocolate – Truffles, Confectionery Rustic Baker – Artisan Breads & Pastries Jane's Sassy Salsa – Fresh, Homemade Watta Cookie – Breakfast Bars, Pies Long Day Coffee – Hot; Nitro cold or Beans International Eats – Egg Rolls, Spring Rolls Royal Farms Wine Cellar – also Hard Cider Walloon Lake Winery – Wines & Tastings</p> <p>...To find us, GPS: 408 Bridge Street</p>
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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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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.

EAST JORDAN

CONCERT IN THE PARK – JON ARCHAMBAULT BAND

June 23, 7pm, Memorial Park band shell. Blues. Concert attendees are invited to come early to shop, tour and enjoy dinner at one of the communities' restaurants. Be sure to bring your chair or blanket to enjoy a great evening of music. The Music in the Park Series is proudly co-sponsored by the Jordan River Arts Council, the East Jordan Downtown Development Authority and the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

EAST JORDAN

LIONS WHITE CANE DAYS

The East Jordan Lions Club annual White Cane Days will be held Friday afternoon June 23 and Saturday morning June 24. Lions Club members will be at Family Fare, Save-A-Lot, the US Post Office and True Value Hardware in East Jordan. Money raised from this event will support Lions projects that help blind and other visually impaired individuals in the East Jordan area. Some of the funds also go to Leader Dog

training programs and the Michigan Eye Bank and Transplant Center. More than 80 years ago Lions Clubs began using white canes with a red band to assist the blind in achieving independent mobility. Today, a white cane universally acknowledges that the bearer is blind. Community support for this drive is greatly appreciated, and we thank you in advance for your generosity.

CHARLEVOIX

19TH ANNUAL SUMMER ART SHOW

June 24, 10am-5pm and June 25, 10am-3pm. The Charlevoix Summer Art Show, featuring a mix of fine art and fine crafts displayed at East Park on the shores of scenic Round Lake in downtown Charlevoix. Over 80 participating artists are carefully selected to ensure a well-rounded show with many fun and unique items on display. For more information, visit our website at charlevoix.org

CHARLEVOIX

CAMP SEA-GULL CLEAN-UP

June 24, beginning at 9am. Charlevoix County's Hayes Township is seeking volunteers to help cleaning at the Hayes Township Park Camp Sea-Gull. Park Camp Sea-Gull is located at 08580 Boyne City Road, Charlevoix. Volunteers of all ages are welcome and are free to give whatever time they can spare. To volunteer or for additional information, please contact Hayes Township Clerk Marlene Golovich by phone (231) 547-6961 or email clerk@hayestownshipmi.gov.

BOYNE FALLS

YELLOW ROOM GANG AT ATEN PLACE

June 24, 7:30pm. The Yellow Room Gang is now celebrating their 13th year, which also in-

cludes the release of 4 highly acclaimed CDs. The artists that will be featured at this season opening performance will be Annie and Rod Capps, Michael Hough and David Tamulevich (Mustard's Retreat) and Matt Watroba. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased in advance by using the online order form at www.atenplace.com or calling (231) 549-2076. Tickets can also be purchased the evening of the show starting at 6pm.

BOYNE CITY

COMMUNICATING WITH PETS EXPLORED

June 25, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program—titled "What's Your Pet Trying to Tell You?"—features a filmed interview with Alexa Boyes, a professional animal communicator. During the program, Lifetree Café participants will have an opportunity to share experiences in which an animal has tried to communicate with them. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located 401 S. Park St., Boyne City. Please use the Pine Street entrance.

EAST JORDAN

FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

June 26, 7pm, Memorial Park. Old flags can be dropped off at City all. Any military people who would like to participate by saluting the flags as they are retired should arrive at 6:40. For more info: Call Connie Roberts 231 675 4332

BOYNE CITY

EVENINGS AT THE GAZEBO CONCERT

June 28, 6:30pm, Old City Park. Awesome Distraction, sponsored by Waterpaw, LLC.

BOYNE CITY

DINNER & MUSIC AT SENIOR CENTER

June 28. Meatloaf dinner and music by Blackwoods Meastros. Dinner served from 5 – 6pm, music from 5:30-7pm. Boyne Aerial Senior Center, 411 Division Street. 50/50 drawing at 6pm.

BOYNE FALLS

IGOR AND THE RED ELVISES AT ATEN PLACE

July 1, 7:30pm. Red Elvises began in 1995 after Igor dreamed that Elvis Presley came to him and told him to start playing rock'n'roll. Whatever the event, wherever Igor & Red Elvises go, they bring the party with them. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased in advance by using the online order form at www.atenplace.com or calling (231) 549-2076. Tickets can also be purchased the evening of the show starting at 6pm.

BOYNE CITY

MAJESTY AND MYSTERY OF NATURE CELEBRATED

July 2, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "The Majesty and Mystery of Nature," features a screening of the film Saving Valentina, which records an attempted rescue of a humpback whale caught in a fishing net. Admission 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

DINNER & MUSIC AT SENIOR CENTER

July 5. Hot Turkey sandwich dinner and music by OJ Adkins. Dinner served from 5 – 6pm, music from 5:30-7pm. Boyne Aerial Senior Center, 411 Division Street. 50/50 drawing at 6pm.

EAST JORDAN

CONCERT IN THE PARK – PISTIL WHIPS

July 7, 7pm, Memorial Park bandshell. Blues and Jazz. Concert attendees are invited to come early to shop, tour and enjoy dinner at one of the communities' restaurants. Be sure to bring your chair or blanket to enjoy a great evening of music. The Music in the Park Series is proudly co-sponsored by the Jordan River Arts Council, the East Jordan Downtown Development Authority and the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

CHARLEVOIX

49TH ANNUAL ART & CRAFT SHOW

July 8, 10am-6pm, July 9, 10am-4pm. East Park. This year's show has something for everyone, offering an exciting mix of fine arts and hobby crafts. Acrylic and oil paintings, sculpture, hand blown glass beadwork, pottery, baskets, furniture, clothing, hand woven rugs and quilted works are just a few of the things you will find. It is a spectacular representation of craftsmanship and art-work with many fun and unique products to choose from. For more information, visit our website at charlevoix.org

EAST JORDAN

BREW FEST

July 8, 2-9pm, Memorial Park. The Rotary Club of East Jordan is hosting the first annual East Jordan Brew Fest. The price of admission is \$5 per person and children under 12 are free. Kids of all ages are welcome during this family-friendly event. The Brew Fest will include craft and domestic beer, and food. The food will be available from Littleman Bites Food Truck, the Tilted Skillet, and more. This event is a great way to wind down after the Sweaty Yeti Run and the South Arm Classic Car and Boat Show that will also be occurring in East Jordan that weekend. There will be two live

bands, The Mickeys from 3-5pm, and Jelly Roll Blues Band from 6-9pm. After the event, head over to local restaurants in downtown East Jordan, where the fun continues until 2am.

BOYNE CITY

DINNER & MUSIC AT SENIOR CENTER

July 12. Baked Chicken dinner and music by Blackwoods Meastros. Dinner served from 5 – 6pm, music from 5:30-7pm. Boyne Aerial Senior Center, 411 Division Street. 50/50 drawing at 6pm.

EAST JORDAN

CONCERT IN THE PARK – RACHAEL B

July 21, 7pm, Memorial Park bandshell. Pop and R&B. Concert attendees are invited to come early to shop, tour and enjoy dinner at one of the communities' restaurants. Be sure to bring your chair or blanket to enjoy a great evening of music. The Music in the Park Series is proudly co-sponsored by the Jordan River Arts Council, the East Jordan Downtown Development Authority and the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce.

CHARLEVOIX

FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays, 8am-1pm, East Park. Forty varieties of tables line the Bridge Street sidewalk downtown Charlevoix in full view of the sun rising over Round Lake at East Park. The Market is full of life, flavors, happy people, activity - and the view is staggering. Shop local. Eat fresh. Bring your family - Children love to get stickers in our Junior Marketeer program and earn a T-shirt in just four visits.

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 handmade items for your home or a special gift.

EAST JORDAN

FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays, 8am-Noon, Sportsman's Park. Fresh vegetables & fruits, honey, pure Michigan maple syrup, crafts, baked good and much more

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 calendar emailed to you monthly.

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Area June Happenings!

Adult Grief Support Group

Due to varied session locations and times, please call 231-547-7659 to register or for more information.

Wednesdays, 8am–12pm

Saturdays, 8am –12pm

Boyne City Farmers' Market

Outdoor market in Veteran's Park, 207 N. Lake Street.

6/1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Thursdays,

8am–1pm

Charlevoix Farmers' Market

East Park, along Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix.

NEW this year - curbside parking until 11:00am.

6/1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Thursdays,

9am–1pm

East Jordan Farmers' Market

Sportsman's Park, 85 Bridge

St., Off M-32 by bridge.

6/9, 16, 23, 30, Fridays,

6pm – 9pm

Stroll the Streets

Boyne City is filled with music, magic, artists, face-painters, and balloon twisters, every summer Friday evening.

6/15, Thursday, 4pm – 8pm

6th Annual Charlevoix Summer Open House

Celebrate the arrival of summer! Shops and restaurants will be offering great deals, prize drawings, specials, snacks, refreshments and more! Come see what is new!

6/16, Friday – 6/17, Saturday

Ellsworth Pig Roast

The Pig Roast is a small-town celebration of food, family, and fun. The festival features many long-time favorite events like the

Grand Parade, free kids' games and inflatable, the famous Pork Roast Dinner, Horse Pull and more. Fireworks will take place after dusk on June 17.

6/16, Friday, 12pm

– 6/18, Sunday, 3pm

15th Annual Bay Harbor In-Water Boat Show

The show will feature the finest in watercraft from pleasure boats to yachts and everything in-between! There will also be diverse land displays, to include a dynamic display of cars and GEM cars from Fox Motors and others.

6/22, Thursday, 4p – 6/24,

Saturday, 4pm

19th Annual Bay Harbor Vintage Car / Boat Festival

A fantastic collection of classic cars and wooden boats. The highlight of the weekend

will be the Parade of Vintage Cars and Display of Vintage Boats, held Saturday at 10am; awards ceremony @ 2:30pm. Parade is free to the public.

6/24, Saturday – 6/25, Sunday 19th Annual Summer Art Show @ Charlevoix

The art show will feature a mix of fine art and fine crafts displayed on the shores of scenic Round Lake.

6/27, Tuesday – 7/1, Saturday East Jordan Freedom Festival

The festival features a "home-town" old fashioned Friday Night Block Party with food, music and games for all ages, Youth & Grand Parade, and food booths. A spectacular fireworks display will be Saturday evening at dusk.

BOYNE AREA SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, June 22
11am Arthritis Foundation
Exercise Program
1pm Wii Bowling

Friday, June 23
BIRTHDAY DAY!
ICE CREAM SUNDAY BAR
11am MUSIC
Raffle BAKE GOODS-YOU BRING
1pm Rummikub

Monday, June 26

Tuesday, June 27
9-11am Veteran Social Veterans FREE Lunch!!
1pm Mexican Train
Bingo - Free Lunch Prize

Wednesday, June 28
NIGHT DINNER!
2:30pm Wii Practice & Cards
5:30-7pm MUSIC
6pm 50/50 Raffle

Thursday, June 29
11am Arthritis Foundation
Exercise Program
1pm Wii Bowling

CHARLEVOIX SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, June 22
1pm BINGO
1pm Mahjong

Friday, June 23
BIRTHDAY PARTY!
9:30am Craft Class
11:30am MUSIC: DOLPH

Monday, June 26
1pm Bridge
1pm Woodcarving
7pm Bible Study

Tuesday, June 27
1pm Paint Class
1pm Mahjong

Wednesday, June 28
1pm HAND & FOOT
5:45pm 50/50 Raffle

Thursday, June 29
1pm BINGO
1pm Mahjong

EAST JORDAN SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, June 22
Foot Clinic
11am KARAOKE DAY! 1pm
Texas Hold-em
1pm Ceramics
Wear blue jeans

Friday, June 23
11am OJ Adkins
1pm Euchre
Bingo/Raffle 50/50
Wear Red

Monday, June 26
8:30am-1:30pm Walking M-F
10am Daily Devotions
12:30pm Wii Bowling
RUMMIKUB

Tuesday, June 27
12:30pm Bingo - Meal Prize
10:30am Craft Class
1pm Mexican Poker

Wednesday, June 28
1:30 Paint Class
4pm Tim
6pm Bingo

Thursday, June 29
11am KARAOKE DAY!
1pm Texas Hold-em
1pm Ceramics

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SENIOR CENTER MENU

Thursday, June 22
POLISH SAUSAGE

Friday, June 23
STUFFED PEPPER

Monday, June 26
COOK'S CHOICE

Tuesday, June 27
LASAGNA ROLL & ALFREDO

Wednesday, June 28
5-6pm MEATLOAF

Thursday, June 29
BAKED FISH

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Boyer Falls man killed in motorcycle accident

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE FALLS - A Charlevoix County motorcyclist was killed instantly last week in an accident that occurred along U.S. 131 in the Village of Boyne Falls.

Charlevoix County Sheriff Chuck Vondra said Richard J. Matelski, 41, of Boyne City died at the scene after the motorcycle he was riding collided with a mini-van driven by Ed Wojan, 69, of Beaver Island.

Vondra said the accident occurred shortly before 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 13 just south of the intersection at M-75 South.

He said Matelski had been traveling northbound on U.S. 131 on a Triumph mo-

torcycle when Wojan, driving south on U.S. 131 in his Dodge minivan, attempted to turn left into Big E's Smoke Shack parking lot. Vondra said Wojan crossed paths with Matelski, who collided with the right front corner of Wojan's vehicle and died on impact.

Wojan did not suffer any serious injuries in the accident but was evaluated at a local hospital, Vondra said. Matelski had been wearing a helmet and Wojan a seatbelt, he added, noting that neither drugs nor alcohol are suspected factors in the fatal accident, which is still under investigation.

Vondra said speed is also likely not a factor because investigators thus far have de-

termined Matelski had just left the Boyne Falls E-Z Mart, which is less than two-tenths of a mile from where the accident occurred.

Richard J. Matelski had been a life-long resident of the Boyne Falls area and was a graduate of Boyne Falls Public School, where he excelled at basketball, and was an outstanding football player at Boyne City High School. He later went on to play softball and had been coach of the Boyne Falls Logger Girls softball team. Matelski had two children and was engaged to be married.

EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 20, 2017

New developments to accommodate city growth

By Krystal Johnson

EAST JORDAN - East Jordan city commissioners quickly approved an easement request for Burnette Foods Tuesday evening, as well as requests for the upcoming South Arm Classics event, including a beer tent that will be used Saturday, July 8 at Memorial Park. A resolution authorizing a \$1.6 million loan for the new wastewater treatment plant was also passed, and a bid for the plant was awarded.

The city awarded the bid to Grand Traverse Construction, as the company came in with a bid \$200,000 lower than other companies, they are experienced in this line of work, and are a regional contractor.

"Considering the time of year, I was questioning on how competitive the bids

would be," City Administrator Tom Cannon said. "We feel confident moving forward with Grand Traverse."

The city recently conducted an investigation concerning downtown traffic conditions after many discussions with the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). There have been concerns regarding the lack of parking available for downtown businesses, and after the investigation, it was determined that two hour parking may help with the dilemma.

The order states: "City staff members, DDA members, and police officials have met together to determine a better way to allow access to downtown businesses by allowing time parking on Main Street, Spring Street, and Hammond Street."

The two hour parking will affect the 100

and 200 blocks of Main Street and the 100 blocks of Spring and Hammond Street.

Signs for the two hour parking will be posted on light poles downtown. The city does not plan to issue tickets at the initial rollout of the new parking policy, but instead the DDA hopes to create a friendly reminder card that will be placed on vehicle windshields that have parked longer than the allotted two hour time. "The only perfect science is to use a parking meter, but I don't think we're ready for that," Cannon said.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission has been moved from the first Tuesday of the month to Tuesday, July 11 at 7 p.m. The July 18 meeting has also been canceled.

Humane Society buys building with help from County Commission

By Michelle Medjesky

CHARLEVOIX - The Charlevoix Area Humane Society will soon be able to buy the building where it's located and pay off some of its debt thanks to a series of contractual agreements recently enacted through the Charlevoix County commission.

Commissioners voted at their meeting this month to set forth four contracts that will be contingent on the humane society's purchase of the county-owned building where it's currently located.

The recent series of contracts came through the "loan repayment and building use" agreement that the humane society entered into with the county in October, 1998.

That agreement provided for both entities to split the cost of construction of a building to be used as an animal shelter.

The shelter cost nearly \$416,000 to build, with Charlevoix County paying close to

\$182,000 and the humane society agreeing to pay \$234,000, of which \$84,000 the agency was able to cover up front.

The county then loaned the humane society \$150,000 for the balance it was unable to pay, declaring ownership of the building as long as it continued to operate as an animal shelter.

The humane society has been unable to meet its annual \$30,000 loan re-payments to the county, however, it has reduced the amount it owes to the county to about \$100,000 by making some \$50,000 in improvements to the building in recent years.

County commissioners crafted the four contracts in effort to resolve the humane society's outstanding balance, contingent upon its purchase of the building from the county for \$1. The contracts contain directives covering animal care and shelter services, the lease agreement, mortgage and the purchase agreement.

The county also agreed to give the humane society \$30,000 annually for animal

services it provides to county residents, with \$20,000 paid in incremental payments of \$5,000 and the remaining \$10,000 to be deducted from the agency's outstanding loan balance.

County officials will review statistics from the humane society, like animal counts and specific services it provides annually, to assure those figures support the amount applied to the loan.

Charlevoix County Clerk Cheryl Potter Browe said the recently approved contracts will also allow for the humane society to start paying for their own utilities and also for the county sheriff's office to pay rent to the shelter for using the building to headquarter its Animal Control Department.

While the yearly estimated rent value for the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office to continue to operate out of the humane society building is \$8,000, the county will pay \$4,000 and the humane society will pay the remaining \$4,000 through an "in-kind" contribution.

Project FREE students celebrate accomplishments



Trista Cady, Project FREE associate teacher shares a story about starting kindergarten with students graduating from the preschool program. COURTESY PHOTO

Project FREE preschool hosted a celebration for enrolled students to mark the end of the school year and their advancement into kindergarten. During the celebration, students sang, received diplomas, posed for photographs, watched a photo slide show of their preschool year and shared snacks and time with their families.

Project FREE preschool is a Great Start Readiness Program for four year olds operated by the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM). Project FREE helps students build social and academic skills through a variety of activities and educational programming to ensure a smooth transition into kindergarten and elementary school. Staff members are trained in the field of early childhood education.

Project FREE offers full-day classes, Monday through Thursday from October through May. For information or enrollment inquiries, call (800) 443-5518.

Char-Em United Way's Day of Action is June 21

Char-Em United Way is rallying volunteers throughout the community on the week of June 21 for Day of Action, an annual event that mobilizes the caring power of volunteers to make a meaningful impact, here at home and in more than 400 communities around the world. Volunteers of all ages and will come together to create positive change for themselves, their families and their communities. Last year, more than 300 kids were involved in Day of Action and 40 volunteers took time out of their day to read to the kids at different locations throughout Charlevoix and Emmet Counties.

"I am convinced that this experience may have actually done me more good than the children. I feel that programs like this not only help the children, but remind us of how important it is to take time out and get back in touch with the community." -Day of Action volunteer (2016).

Char-Em United Way will create meaningful activities centered on early childhood education by sending volunteer readers into preschools, daycares and libraries. The theme of the event will be financial literacy

and children will receive a literacy kit to take home with them so that they can continue to learn throughout the summer. The literacy kits are sponsored by Preston Feather in Petoskey, MI and they will contain coloring and activity pages, crayons, and a fun toy.

While each United Way creates meaningful activities centered on specific challenges, this year's national focus is on summer learning. Summer is a critical time for children's academic well-being, but in too many communities, kids are falling behind during the summer months. Boosting summer learning - and working with schools, summer programs, employers and other non-profits - is part of United Way's strategy to help kids succeed in school, work and life. By putting a focus on early education, preschoolers can get into the habit of year-round learning.

Char-Em United Way is very excited to put on Day of Action again this year and would love your help doing it! If you are willing to volunteer on June 21st please contact Brooke at vista@charemunitedway.org for more details.

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FROM PG. 1A

Those who must submit to court-mandated, daily breath tests can also get those at the temporary city hall between 8-8:30 a.m.

If an officer is not on site during that time frame, those who require testing should

call 911 to request an officer's assistance.

Gaither said overall he does not expect having a few weeks of floating department headquarters to cause too much inconvenience to the community.

"This is a temporary situation until the police department offices are re-opened at the completion of the new city hall building," Gaither said.

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East Jordan Music in the Park Concert this Friday



The second concert of the East Jordan Music in the Park series will feature the popular blues band The Jon Archambault Band on the bandshell in Memorial Park at 7pm on Friday, June 23. If you haven't been to East Jordan in awhile plan on coming to enjoy a great evening of music down by the waterfront. Before the concert, schedule

The second concert of the East Jordan Music in the Park series will feature the popular blues band The Jon Archambault Band on the bandshell in Memorial Park at 7pm on Friday, June 23. COURTESY PHOTO

time to explore all of the new businesses and visit the many long-time favorites as well. Enjoy shopping and dinner with family and friends. Be sure to bring your own chair or blanket for the concert.

The month of July features two evenings of music in the bandshell. The Jordan Valley Community Band will be performing on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm. The Music in the Park series will take a break Friday, July 30 for the East Jordan Freedom Festival Block Party (for full festival schedule www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org). Concerts resume Friday, July 9, 7pm with The Pistil Whips.

Music in the Park is proudly co-sponsored by the East Jordan Downtown Development Authority, Jordan River Arts Council and the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce and generous donors. For more information contact the Chamber at 231-536-7351 or www.ejchamber.org. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the concert series please make your checks to "City of East Jordan" with "Music in the Park Concert Series" in the memo section. They can be mailed to P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727 or dropped off at the East Jordan City Hall.

Ellsworth Student earns 2017 Agricultural Accomplishment Award



Ellsworth High School student, Collin J. Randall, has received the 2017 DEKALB(r) Agricultural Accomplishment Award. COURTESY PHOTO

Ellsworth High School student, Collin J. Randall, has received the 2017 DEKALB(r) Agricultural Accomplishment Award. The award recognizes excellence in academics, leadership and agricultural work.

Among Randall's many accomplishments are serving as State, Region VI and Chapter officers as well as achieving a State FFA degree. He is the son of Chris and Kandi Randall. In the past 70 years, the

DEKALB Agricultural Accomplishment Award has been presented to over 168,000 high school seniors across the country. It has become a symbol for excellence and is the school's highest agricultural honor. Ran-

dall's award plaque will be proudly displayed at Ellsworth High School. Congratulations Collin Randall on your well deserved recognition!

Charlevoix 19th Annual Summer Art Show

Summer has arrived and Charlevoix is celebrating with the 19th Annual Summer Art Show taking place downtown in East Park on Saturday, June 24 from 10am to 5pm and Sunday, June 25 from 10am to 3pm. The show features quality art and crafts displayed outdoors on beautiful Round Lake harbor.

Over 80 artists will peak many interests, offering a variety of fun and unique creations: including paintings, metalwork, sculpture, photography, pottery, jewelry, clothing and more. It's the perfect opportunity to

both view the artwork, and sights of Charlevoix while meeting the artists.

From contemporary to whimsical, it is a wonderful representation of craftsmanship and artwork with many wonderful items to choose from.

Join us as we welcome the arrival of summer in northern Michigan at the 19th Annual Summer Art Show, where works of art and scenic views are just a step away!

For details, contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231.547.2101 or visit www.charlevoix.org.

Charlevoix County Community Foundation announces scholarships



Recent Graduates (l-r) Noah Carson (Charlevoix High School), Amber Leinonen (Boyer Falls Public School), Cyndel Thompson (East Jordan High School) and Madison Skop (Boyer City High School) are among the Charlevoix County Community Foundation's Class of 2017 scholarship recipients. COURTESY PHOTO

Larry Gee graduated from East Jordan High School in 1960. He spent the next 31 years giving back to that same school and community, teaching industrial arts, coaching football and basketball, and serving as Athletic Director. Each year a \$500 scholarship is awarded to an East Jordan student in his name. This month the Charlevoix County Community Foundation awarded 137 scholarships worth \$186,500 to area graduates from the Larry Gee Memorial Scholarship Fund and others like it. These scholarship funds have been established by local citizens or groups - to honor family members, civic leaders, educators and others who valued the benefits of a quality education.

Over the past twenty-five years, the Community Foundation has awarded merit scholarships to outstanding local students. Those scholarships have supported students entering the skilled trades, community colleges and 4-year colleges and universities. These students

have demonstrated their eagerness to succeed beyond high school and have shown promise in their work ethic and in their academic achievement. In total, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation has awarded nearly \$2.6 million in scholarships since the foundation was established in 1992.

The Community Foundation now holds 270 different funds established by donors to make a difference here in Charlevoix County, 64 of which are designated for scholarships. The Community Foundation serves as a charitable resource for the entire county, and has distributed grants and scholarships totaling nearly \$20.5 million to benefit area residents.

For more information about the Community Foundation, or any of its funds, please call (231) 536-2440 or visit www.c3f.org.

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FREEDOM FESTIVAL

FROM PG. 1A

Teen Glow Bowling – Wednesday, June 28, starting at 8:00 PM. Lace up your bowling shoes, grab your bowling ball and join us for the Annual Teen Glow Bowling Night at Gemini Lanes. This event is for High School age students. At 8:00 PM the black lights come on and the colored pins will be set for your chance to win prizes and have some fun with your friends. Pre-Registration is highly recommended as there is very limited space (30 bowlers). There is a small fee of \$3 for two games and bowling shoe rental.

Carnival – Thursday, June 29, 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Friday, June 30, Noon – 11:00 PM, Saturday, July 1, Noon – 11:00 PM. Schmidt Amusements offering exciting mid-way entertainment for young and old alike. Schmidt Amusements is a Michigan-based family owned and operated carnival company with over 30 years experience. Schmidt Amusements offers a wide array of contemporary as well as traditional

Block Party – Friday, June 30, from 6:00 PM – 9:30 PM. This year's Block Party the Theme for the night will be "Land of the Free, Home of the Brave". The Friday Night Block Party in downtown East Jordan. There will be Live Music, Food, Games, The Michigan Stilt Walker will be on hand to make balloon creations and lots more. This is a chance for our local Clubs, Groups, Organizations and Churches to set up a booth and make some money. There is no charge for a booth space for our non-profits. It's a great time to come downtown and meet up with friends, old and new for a great night of fun.

Block Party Form Block Party Letter / information

Youth Parade – Friday, June 30 at 6:00 PM. This year we will celebrate TBA. Build a float, decorate your bike or wagon, dress up in costume and join the fun. The Parade will begin in the Marina parking lot and head north to Main Street and up to Williams Street down the hill to Spring Street and back to Memorial Park. Start time is scheduled for 6 PM on Friday, June 30, 2017. Awards and refreshments immediately following the parade on Main Street.

Button Drawing – Friday, June 30 at 7:00, 8:00 & 9:00 PM (must be present to win). Purchase your commemorative East Jordan Freedom Festival Button to be entered for a chance to win one of three fabulous prizes, plus one very special, once-in-a-lifetime chance to set off the secular Freedom Festival Fireworks display on Saturday night. Button drawings will be held on the hour during the Friday Night Block Party on Main Street. Your Festival Button will also be good for money saving special at participating East Jordan locations. Festival Buttons will be on sale at several East Jordan locations prior to the festival and will also be sold at the Friday Night Block Party while supplies last.

Special Button Drawings – Throughout the week. Purchase a button at events throughout the week for a chance to win a special prize the night of the event (buy a button on Tuesday and be entered to win the Tuesday night prize, special drawings Wednesday & Thursday as well). Buttons must be purchased the day of the event, at the event, to be eligible to win that night's prize (Must be present to win). ALL FESTIVAL BUTTONS purchased will be eligible for the Button Drawings on Friday Night at the Block Party. (Must be present to win)

Kids Bounce Houses – Saturday, July 1, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Make plans to head to Murphy's Field where the kids can play in two Bounce Houses. There will be no charge to enter.

Maddie's Petting Zoo – Saturday, July 1, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Murphy's Field – Let the kids meet and pet Maddie's farm friends from White Birch Valley Farms.

Grand Parade – Saturday, July 1, 3:00 PM. If it's Floats, Beauty Queens, Fire Trucks, Bands and Fun you're looking for then the Freedom Festival Grand Parade is the place for you. Come out and enjoy the parade celebrating with the theme of "Land of the Free, Home of the Brave". The Grand Parade will be led by the Color Guard. Grand Marshal of the 2016 Grand Parade will be: TBA

Prize Raffle – Try your luck at the Freedom Festival Prize Raffle. The raffle will be held on Saturday, July 1 in Memorial Park at the Band Shell. Tickets will be sold in Memorial Park starting at 4 PM on Saturday. You will have a

chance to win over 40 prizes that have been graciously donated by area businesses and individuals. The prizes range from works of art to gift certificates and everything in between. You must be present to win. Drawings will take place throughout the Lip Sync Contest.

Lip Sync – Saturday, July 1, 6:00 PM. Do you have a favorite song or favorite artist? Come down to the Main Stage in Memorial Park and show the world how well you know the words. Dress up, choreograph a dance or just mouth the words, but most of all have fun and try to win the cash prize. Song choice must be approved prior to the event. Contestants must be registered and pre-approved by Friday, June 30, so register early to guarantee your song choice.

Festival 500 – Saturday,

July 1, 8Pm. If you're feeling lucky be sure to get your Festival 500 ticket for your chance to win one of 10 \$50 cash prizes or the Grand Prize of \$500.00 in cash. Tickets will be on sale during the festival at the Freedom Festival Information Booth or from any Festival Board Member. Tickets are \$5.00 each and the drawing will be held in Memorial Park on Saturday, July 1 just before the band takes the stage. You do not need to be present to win.

Fabulous Fireworks – Saturday, July 1, Dusk. No festival would be complete without a grand finale of Fabulous Fireworks and the East Jordan Freedom Festival has just that. Launched from a barge in the middle of the Beautiful South Arm of Lake Charlevoix and synchronized to music, you won't soon forget this fireworks display.

The best viewing location is downtown East Jordan in Memorial Park, The Marina Docks, The Old Boat Launch and Bridge Area. Memorial Park will also be the best location to hear the music that will accompany the beautiful fireworks display. You won't want to miss this perfect ending to a wonderful day at the East Jordan Freedom Festival. RAIN DATE – SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2017

Freedom Lovers Breakfast – Sunday, July 2, 7:00 AM – Noon. Join the East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Club as they celebrate Freedom with "The Works" Breakfast. Held at the Sno-Mobilers Club House on Mt. Bliss Road in East Jordan. The Works – Adults \$6, Children \$3

NEW EVENTS FOR 2017

East Jordan Freedom Festival Grass Volleyball Tour-

namment – Saturday & Sunday, July 1 & 2. Teams must have at least 4 players and must consist of male & female competitors. There must be at least 2 females on the court at all times. Pre-Entry Fees – \$60 per team before May 31 or \$75 per team after May 31 – day of the event.

Freedom Festival 3-On-3 Basketball Tournament – Saturday, July 1. Player Check-in 8:00 AM. This tournament is an excellent way for both boys and girls teams to have fun playing 3 – on – basketball in a friendly yet competitive environment. Divisions are determined by the grade students just completed, based on the oldest player.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters may be submitted by e-mail to office@Charlevoix CountyNews.com.

Dear Editor:

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) is grateful for the support of donors and volunteers who helped make this year's Women Can/Women Do fundraising luncheon a success. The Charlevoix luncheon has been an important way to raise dollars for essential WRCNM programs and services for the past eleven years.

The event is always made lovelier with the creative talents of each table designer: A Touch of Spring & Other Things, Beaver Island Boat Company, Belvedere Golf Club Buddies, Castle Farms, Charlevoix Area Garden Club, Charlevoix Cinema III, Charlevoix Circle of Arts, Christ Episcopal Church, Deer Creek Junk, Elements Gallery, Gold Mine Resale Stores, Harwood Gold Cafe, Hearts to Holly Quilt Shop, Kilwins of Charlevoix, L. Burnham and Associates, Maison Designs, MerryMakers, Monarch Garden & Floral Design, Panache Hair Studio, Petals Custom Floral Designs, Rafina Grove, Raven Hill Discovery Center, Serradella Vintage, Simply Sweet by Jessica, Straddle Books, That French Place/Brian's Ice Cream Experience, The Lake House, Upsy-Daisy Floral, Van Dam Custom Boats and WRCNM staff. Thank you!

We thank the nearly 230 guests who supported this vital fundraiser, as well as the dedicated table captains who ensured seats were filled at the event.

We thank Castle Farms owners Linda and Richard Mueller and their professional staff; we are grateful to have held the event at this beautiful venue for ten consecutive years!

We thank Grey Gables for catering the delightful luncheon and Diane McMahon for providing the sumptuous dessert. We also appreciate the

support of businesses and individuals who generously donated items to the silent auction.

Many thanks to premier sponsors Blue Cross Blue Shield-Blue Care Network of Michigan and Fifth Third Bank for your significant contributions and your support of the work we do every day.

Sincerely,
Gail Kloss, Executive Director

RECREATION IN EAST JORDAN To The Editor,

I personally feel that we should be focusing on the best interest, future growth and prosperity of our community by sharing it with everyone. Everyone meaning: residents, tourists & transients. We need to prompt their interests, satisfy their needs and bring them back for more. We know our beautiful, gorgeous town of East Jordan has already been discovered by many. It's our job as a community to stick together and invite everyone in. We should be looking forward to making a better future for all generations exploring or living in our area.

East Jordan welcome all ages, so here is our opportunity to accommodate all as well. Family is very important and providing activities for families, as a whole, will keep us together. So, let's pave the path to get everyone up and moving in the right direction. We could start with a hometown path that would provide everyone with a tour of our town. It's the famous 4 mile square. There is currently a paved path that starts by the Tourist Park and runs South on Lake St to Erie. Why stop there? Let's direct them further south down M-66 to Rogers Rd for the crossing of the "Jewel of The North" the Jordan River, then turn on to M-32 heading north you have the Community Park

and all of its amenities, an EMS building and the Save a Lot store. Up around the bend on State St there are several other businesses (Deer Creek Junk, Glass Blowing, Gas Station, Service Station, and Ed's Used Car Lot etc.) As they continue on their way in town they soon will discover the vast array of businesses which will certainly be pleasing to their palates as some may be ready for dining, shopping or just a pleasure cruise. After shopping & dining they can cross "the bridge" over the South Arm of Lake Charlevoix and probe into other avenues, parks, stores and businesses. All in all, everyone gets noticed. A path would be just the right invitation and a scenic introduction to the whole town. You could put benches along the way that were donated as memorials for different folks. Have a contest to name the path or just keep it familiar as town folks have called it for many years "4 Mile Square". In addition to mapping it I used a GPS and they are showing an increase of one mile from the previous 4-mile square. It is actually 5 miles, which gives it character, mathematically speaking.

East Jordan is moving forward and we need to move with it. A change is good when you have great leaders, and that we do!

I trust in our City's leaders to make the right decisions and to help East Jordan grow strong. I have seen extensive, remarkable improvements in the past few years which indicate growth and revenue. We as a community have a deep, abiding respect for the supreme beauty of our town. I sure hope, if the opportunity presents itself; that one day we will all be on the same path!

JoAnne (Rebec) Thomas,
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