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Tis the season for the Holiday Merchant Open House in Charlevoix

Don't miss out on the holiday festivities at the Holiday Merchant Open House, this Saturday December 2. Experience a full day of activities for all ages to enjoy in downtown Charlevoix. All area businesses will offer entertainment, samples, snacks, refreshments, special sales, raffles and more all day long. It's the perfect opportunity to get your holiday shopping done, whether you're shopping for that must have gift or those little but necessary stocking stuffers.

Children are invited to watch the movie Moana for free at 2pm at Charlevoix Cinema III. For entry, please bring a canned good to benefit the Charlevoix Food Pantry. Parents are able to relax, sample and shop at the Open House without interruption, while the children enjoy the movie! This opportunity is sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank.

Sample and vote on your favorite hot cocoa during the 2017 Hot Cocoa Contest from Noon-5pm. Look for the "Cocoa Trail" posters in the store-front windows of participating downtown stores and restaurants where cocoa stations will be set up for sampling and



Holiday Merchant Open House

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Downtown Charlevoix

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voting. You can vote for any cocoa recipe at any of the Cocoa Station locations. Make a list, check it twice and head to the Charlevoix Merchant Open House for all your holiday shopping and activities for the whole family! For more information on this event, please visit www.charlevoix.org.

New SUV for Boyne City Police

By Michelle Medjesky

BOYNE CITY - Police officers in Boyne City will soon be patrolling the streets in a brand new vehicle, thanks to a nod from city commissioners.

The five-member commission voted unanimously earlier this week in favor of approving a request from Boyne City Police Chief Gaither to purchase a new Ford Explorer for his department.

The new SUV-type vehicle will be one of three vehicles used by his unit and will replace another similar Ford that now has more than 100,000 on its odometer and has reached a limit where it could be needing more frequent repairs, Gaither explained. "It's come time to say goodbye. It served us well," he said of the Ford that's being replaced, "We push them hard."

He noted his force has functioned efficiently with just three vehicles for a number of years and isn't looking to expand its fleet anytime soon. "Three is a good number for us," he said.

Gaither said local auto dealership Bob Mathers Ford came in with the lowest bid for purchase of the new police SUV-a 2018 Police Interceptor Ford Explorer-which was listed at \$31,525 but qualifies for a \$3,728 rebate if purchased before the end of November, bringing its final sale price to \$27,812.

The vehicle will also need to be 'up-fitted' with emergency lights, partitions and readied to accommodate extra police gear and equipment necessary to do their job. "Ultimately, we want to make sure the officers are safe and the public is safe," Gaither said.

In other business, the commission also voted unanimously in favor of moving forward with second readings for proposed amendments to two zoning ordinances. Boyne City planning and zoning administrator Scott McPherson explained the first proposed amendment would note the

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East Jordan Holiday Community Night is Thursday, December 7

East Jordan's Annual Holiday Community Night celebration will take place next Thursday, December 7 from 5 to 7pm. Fun for the whole family will include a Soup Cook-off, Bake Sale, Craft-making, a Lighted Parade, Community Tree Lighting and Caroling, a Santa Scavenger Hunt, a Christmas Raffle Drawing, the Lighting of the Lions Club Christmas Village at Tourist Park and more. Of course, Santa will be on hand for the kids, visiting at the City Hall Chambers (with cookies!) from 5:45-7pm. Downtown businesses will be holding open house so attendees can be sure to get some holiday shopping done.

Here is a schedule of Holiday

- Community Night events:
- 5:00 - 7:00 PM - Soup Cook-off, Community Center - All proceeds to Care & Share
 - 5:00 - 7:00 PM - E.J. Co-op Nursery School Bake Sale, Community Center
 - 5:00 - 7:00 PM - "Snowman Photo Booth", Community Center (Share on FB & tag the E.J. Chamber)
 - 5:00 - 7:00 PM - Jordan River Arts Council, "Make and Take" Craft for kids - JRAC Bld.
 - 5:00 - 7:00 PM - Open House, Downtown Businesses
 - 5:30 PM - Lighted Parade, Main Street (line up 5:00 PM, old fire hall)
 - 5:45 PM - Community Tree Lighting & Caroling, Across
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During the Holiday Community Night celebration, Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will visit with children in the Com-

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HIGH: 41
LOW: 31

FRIDAY



HIGH: 42
LOW: 33

SATURDAY



HIGH: 45
LOW: 34

SUNDAY



HIGH: 41
LOW: 34

MONDAY



HIGH: 45
LOW: 35

snowfall

11/27/2017	.....1.7	.....	ATLANTA
11/27/2017	.....8	.....	BOYNE FALLS
11/27/2017	.....3.2	.....	CHARLEVOIX
11/27/2017	.....5.1	.....	CHEBOYGAN
11/27/2017	.....10	.....	EAST JORDAN
11/27/2017	.....19.3	.....	GAYLORD
11/27/2017	.....14	.....	KALKASKA
11/27/20175.5	LEWISTON
11/27/20171.8	MIO
11/27/20176.6	ONAWAY
11/27/201713.2	PETOSKEY

record temps

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NOV 3024°39°4°	(1958)65°	(1998)	
DEC 126°39°-3°	(1979)64°	(1970)	
DEC 226°38°-9°	(1976)61°	(1982)	
DEC 325°38°-1°	(1976)64°	(1982)	
DEC 4	....25°	....38°	....-2°	(1966)	....60°	(1951)	
DEC 525°37°-10°	(1964)62°	(2001)	
DEC 624°37°-14°	(1964)64°	(2001)	
DEC 724°37°-4°	(1954)51°	(1988)	
DEC 824°36°-2°	(1977)53°	(1990)	
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OBITUARIES

Natalie Carol Postmus, 90

(JULY 22, 1927 - NOV. 23, 2017)

Natalie Postmus of Ellsworth died Thursday, November 23, 2017 in Charlevoix.



She was born in Mancelona, Michigan on July 22, 1927 to Lawrence Hugh and Carol Tracy (Green) Whiteford. Natalie grew up in East Jordan. She worked as a telephone operator in East Jordan and Petoskey in her early years.

On July 3, 1958 she married Myron 'Mike' Postmus in East Jordan. They made their home on the Postmus family farm in Banks Township.

Natalie was a member of the Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church and a charter member of the Banks Township Historical Society. She enjoyed reading and word search puzzles.

Surviving are her husband Mike; children Irene (Paul) Hizeberger of Ellsworth, Mark (Susan) Postmus of Columbia, S.C., Tony Postmus of Ellsworth, Anna Postmus of Charlevoix, Jim (Katy) Postmus of Ellsworth; 7 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; brother

Larry Whiteford of Traverse City, Sisters Beth (Gary) Norton of Ludington and Diane Whiteford of Charlevoix. She was preceded in death by her sister Suzie Bennett, brother Jack Whiteford, brother-in-law Turk Bennett, sisters-in-law Greta and Eleanor Whiteford.

The funeral service was Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at the Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church with the Rev. Alex Snider officiating. Burial in Ellsworth Cemetery, Banks Township, MI.

For those wishing to make memorial contributions the family suggests the Banks Township Historical Society or Banks Township Fire and Rescue.

Leona Mildred (VanDeventer) Danforth, 91

(APRIL 2, 1926 - NOV. 25, 2017)

Leona Mildred VanDeventer Danforth passed away on November 25, 2017, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan, Michigan.



Leona was born April 2, 1926, in Echo Township, Antrim County to Hazel May (Morrison) and William

Leroy VanDeventer. She graduated from East Jordan High School in 1945 and married her high school sweetheart Lee C. Danforth, Jr. in 1947. The couple had 8 children: Sharon (Kevin) Gardner of East Jordan; Roger (Nancy Bruin) Danforth of East Jordan; Nancy (Jack) Zoulek of Wickenburg, AZ; Marilyn (Michael) Pienta of Temperance, MI; Debra (Keith) Peters of Wittmann, AZ; Thomas Danforth of Phoenix, AZ; Randall (Jane Bingham) Danforth of East Jordan; and Brenda Owen of Phoenix, AZ followed by 23 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren.

Leona is survived by all 8 children, 23 grandchildren, and 28 great grandchildren, along with 3 sisters; Doris (Richard) Wieland of Englewood, Florida; Arlene Wright of Grand Rapids, and Hilda Carr of Camrillo, California. She was preceded in death by her husband Lee Danforth and sister Elzina Pearl.

Leona was a homemaker, wife, mother, and entrepreneur. Working by her husband's side, she raised 8 children, and was a bookkeeper for the family business of Lee's Leonard Service and the Avon Lady in Wyoming. She lived in North Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, and Arizona; returning to Michigan in 2014.

Growing up in the Great Depression on a farm in Antrim County, Leona learned not only life lessons, but skills and hobbies that became her joy along with her extended family. Leona enjoyed gardening, and used this to become an expert canner and pickler. She began cooking and sewing when she lost her mother at age 17. Known for her famous cinnamon rolls and pineapple squares, Leona perfected baking and cooking that she frequently shared with family and friends. So many quilts, afghans, mittens, dresses, and outfits were hand made for her children and grandchildren. Those who called her "Mom" came home to fresh baked goods and homemade meals. Those who called her "Grandma"

were openly welcomed to stay as long as needed to play, eat, and feel important. Leona had a warm smile and helpful nature. She taught her family by example to care about others and to work hard.

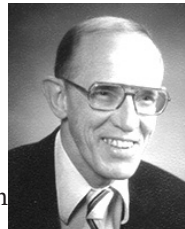
Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2017, at 1:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

The family will receive friends on Friday, December 1, 2017 from 4:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to Grandvue Medical Care Facility.

Louis Frank Warner, 92

(MARCH 6, 1925 - NOV. 22, 2017)

Louis F. Warner, longtime Charlevoix resident, returned home to be with the Lord on November 22, 2017.



Louis was born in Albion, MI on March 6, 1925, the son of the late Nile W. and Jessie B. Warner. Louis grew up on the family farm in East Eckford Twp. He attended Albion Schools and graduated from Michigan State College in 1948.

Louis was married to the love of his life, Lois Marie Bascom on January 28, 1956. They moved to Charlevoix in 1958 where they raised three daughters. Louis worked for East Jordan Iron Works for 29 years and retired in 1987.

Louis was a passionate woodworker and wood carver. He enjoyed repairing antique clocks, ham radio, weaving and technology. His love of life and his zest for learning were keys to his longevity and these traits were passed on to his loving family.

He is survived by his daughters, Margaret (Jack) Kronberg, Lori (Doug) Martinchek, Terri (Doug) Lecander; grandchildren, Nick and Jason Martinchek, Jessie (Andy) Riley, Ben (Carrie)

Kronberg, Kevin, Anna and Hannah Lecander; great-grandchildren, Jackson Louis Riley and Autumn Lois Martinchek; sister, Frances Ray and many sisters and brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lois M. Warner; twin brother, Frederick Charles; brother, Roger; half-brother, Arthur; sister, Phyllis Metzgar and his parents.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday December 2, 2017 at 3:30 pm at the Charlevoix United Methodists Church. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Charlevoix Public Library's Large Print Collection.

Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Friends and family are welcome to share memorials and offer condolences online at www.mortensenfuneral-homes.com.

Alta Luana "Lu" Swanson, 85

(JUNE 27, 1932 - NOV. 21, 2017)

Alta Luana "Lu" Swanson, our wonderful mother and grandmother, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, November 21, 2017. Lu was the first of five children born to Delwin and Geneve Bowman of Morgan Utah.



Raised in the lovely Morgan valley, after graduating from Morgan High School, Lu worked at Hill Air force Base where she met her eternal sweetheart, Melvin James "Jim" Swanson, of Newberry Michigan. Jim and Lu were married July 1st, 1954 and soon afterward, moved to Michigan to begin their life together.

Lu was an amazing mother of 4 children. She loved being a wife, mother, grandmother, keeping her home, baking, canning, sewing, and retired after 23 years with Emmett County Planning and Zon-

ing. Lu was a gracious and caring mother and grandmother, quick with one of her funny comments and smile to brighten your day. She was there with a loving shoulder to cry on, kind words of understanding and support, and always had her door open to any of her family.

Lu was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and served in various responsibilities in the Petoskey Branch. Her testimony of the Savior and loving example compelled others to live the gospel. On June 13th, 1975 Jim and Lu were married for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake City Temple. It is with much sadness that we say goodbye to our kind mother and grandmother. While we will miss her very much, we are grateful to know she has been reunited with loved ones who have missed her for many years.

Lu is survived by her four children, Sue Ann Hardy (Sherry Pardee) of Petoskey MI, Mary Kay (Ken) Stonehouse of Conway MI, Peter Swanson of East Jordan MI, Richard (Suzanne) Swanson of Farmington UT, 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren, and sisters Iris (Robert) Davis and Betty Gray of Morgan UT

Lu was preceded in death by her husband Melvin, her parents, and siblings Ronald Bowman and Judy Bowman.

Lu's family would like to thank the staff of Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix for their care and kindness over the last year and a half.

Viewing and funeral services will be held on Thursday, November 30th at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 707 Alcan Dr., Petoskey, MI. The viewing will be from 9:00 to 10:30 am, with funeral services at 11:00am. Interment at Forest Home Cemetery, Newberry Michigan. Condolences may be given at www.penzienfh.com.

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Avoid getting duped by online scams this Christmas

With one hundred and twenty six million households shopping online this Christmas, PackageFromSanta.com wants to arm parents with cyber-shopping tips to help consumers discern scammers from trusted retailers.

Before making any online purchases on Black Friday, Cyber Monday, or any time of year, employ these safety tactics to steer clear of crooked retailers:

Top 6 Online Safe Shopping Tips:

1) Check the Better Business Bureau rating.

Before making an online purchase, log onto the BBB website and type in the URL

of the company. This rating is based on thirteen very important factors to consider when buying from an online retailer.

2) Shop from the real McCoy.

Go to the source site and make sure the website address (URL) is exactly accurate. Scammers will add one letter to the URL or create a similar name so you don't notice the difference. Note that unsecured websites will be missing the lock symbol to the left of the website address and the URL will not include an "s" after "http" in the web address.

3) Use a credit (not debit) card.

Use a credit card, not a debit card, for online purchases. In the event of a scam, with a credit card, the card issuer must fight to get its money back. With a debit card, you must fight to get your money back.

4) Verify that the company is still in business.

It's hard for some holiday-oriented businesses to stay afloat year 'round, so call the customer service line and send an email to see if you get a response.

5) Visit the company's Facebook page.

Spend a few minutes perusing the Facebook page. Read the reviews. Look at how recent the page posts

are and send a message to them to see if they respond. A conscientious hands-on company will be very active on their Facebook page.

6) Shop early.

When you are rushing around, desperate to get that perfect gift ASAP, the pressure can prevent you from noticing tell-tale signs of shopping shenanigans. Start shopping before the rush. Take your time. Do the research.

Bottom line? Do your vetting homework before clicking "Buy Now" to make sure you purchase from proven businesses that are on Santa's Nice List.

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans available in Michigan

The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today that federal Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations located in Michigan as a result of the frost and freeze from Mar. 14 through May 20, 2017.

The SBA's disaster declaration includes the following counties: Allegan, Antrim, Barry, Benzie, Berrien, Cass, Charlevoix, Clinton, Crawford, Grand Traverse, Gratiot, Ionia, Isabella, Kalamazoo, Kalkaska, Kent, Lake, Leelanau, Mecosta, Manistee, Mason, Missaukee, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, Otsego, Ottawa, Saint

Joseph, Van Buren and Wexford in Michigan. "When the Secretary of Agriculture issues a disaster declaration to help farmers recover from damages and losses to crops, the Small Business Administration issues a declaration to eligible entities affected by the same disaster," said Frank Skaggs, director of SBA's Field Operations Center East in Atlanta. Under this declaration, the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is available to eligible farm-related and nonfarm-related entities that suffered financial losses as a direct result of this disaster. With the exception of aquaculture enterprises, SBA cannot provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers or ranchers.

The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates of 2.50 percent for private nonprofit organizations and 3.150 percent for small businesses, with terms up to 30 years. The SBA determines eligibility based on the size of the applicant, type of activity and its financial resources. Loan amounts and terms are set by the SBA and are based on each applicant's financial condition. These working capital loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable, and other bills that could have been paid had the disaster not occurred. The loans are not intended to replace lost sales or profits.

Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>. Disaster loan information and application forms may also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Loan applications can be downloaded from www.sba.gov/disaster. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155. Completed loan applications must be returned to SBA no later than July 23, 2018.

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South Arm Market named top prize winner in the Grand Event

By Michelle Medjesky

PETOSKEY - It was a grand night indeed for three budding businesses in northern Michigan, each taking home thousands in prize money awarded last week at the "Grand Event" business pitch competition hosted by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance.

Two of the three winners are situated in Charlevoix County, including the \$15,000 first prize winner, Kaila Thomas, for her delicatessen to be called the South Arm Market, which is slated to open in East Jordan sometime this winter.

The second prize of \$5,000 went to the crew at Adventure Sports North, also located in East Jordan, including Kevin Vrondran, Carla Vrondran, Rachel Warnos and Solomon Townsend.

Lindsey Miller and her newly-opened shoe store/boutique called Urban Bird and Company in

Cheboygan won third place and a \$3,000 prize. She also captured the People's Choice Award from the voting audience and another check for \$2,000.

Ten entrepreneurs from the region were invited to participate in last week's Northern Michigan Business Pitch Night's "Grand Event" at Beard's Brewery in Petoskey, said Hannah Sanderson, director of attractions for the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance.

Four of those entrepreneurs had already won top prizes at previous pitch nights held recently in the area, with Thomas's pitch for her South Arm Market winning her first place and \$10,000 at the Green Light East Jordan event.

Another pitch night, Invest Cheboygan, ended with local businesses The Queens Head and Michigan Invoice Solutions taking first and second prizes.

The other six businesses competing in last week's



Grand Event prize winners (left to right) Kevin Vrondran, Carla Vrondran, Rachel Warnos, and Solomon Townsend of Adventure Sports North in East Jordan, Kaila Thomas of South Arm Market in East Jordan and Lindsey Miller of Urban Bird and Company in Cheboygan were handed checks from Hannah Sanderson, director of attractions for the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, which hosted the event.



Kaila Thomas (right) of East Jordan took home a winning first prize check for \$15,000 presented by Hannah Sanderson, director of attractions for the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance.

"Grand Event" in Petoskey were invited as wild card participants, Sanderson noted.

She explained how each business contestant was given four minutes to pitch their business idea to a panel of six judges which included Tim Petrosky of Consumer's Energy, Dave Drinkert of DTE Energy, Stephanie Baldwin of Edgewater Design Group, Jim Granger of Granger and Associates, Inc., Jim Rumer from the Char-Em Intermediate School District and Don Voisin of Charlevoix Agency, Inc.

The judges then selected the top three winners with the People's Choice being determined by votes from those in attendance at the event.

Thomas's pitch for her South Arm Market revolved around her plans to soon open a delicatessen in the newly-constructed Cannonball LLC building at the corner of Main and Mill Streets in downtown East Jordan. Thomas said she intends to use locally grown foods and other products to create



Friends, family and fans of Kaila Thomas and her soon-to-open South Arm Market in East Jordan erupted in cheers and applause when she was named first prize winner of the Grand Event business pitch competition at Beard's Brewery in Petoskey last week.

sandwiches, soups, salads and specialty pizzas.

The combined total of \$25,000 she won in both the Green Light East Jordan and Grand Event pitch contests should allow her to move forward in opening her deli without having to take out a business loan, Thomas said.

The money may also speed up the process of obtaining a liquor license so she can serve alcoholic beverages at the deli as well as liquor-infused ice creams, a unique treat Thomas said she looks forward to offering her customers. "I'm so excited and thankful for all the support

I've had from friends and family," she said.

This year's "Grand Event" business pitch contest was sponsored by Consumer's Energy, DTE Energy and Beard's Brewery.



Christmas item and bake sale plus all-you-can-eat soup!

The Charlevoix United Methodist Church is hosting an "ALL YOU CAN EAT" Soup & Christmas Sale & Bake Sale Saturday, December 2, from 9am to 2pm. Come on in and warm up with many delicious varieties of Homemade Soup. Also featured is a great assortment of "gently used" Christmas décor at bargain prices and yummy baked goodies. Soup is just \$7 for "all you can eat". Same day as the Charlevoix Merchant Open House. Church located at 104 State St., Charlevoix. Proceeds go to local outreach projects. Pictured from left to right: Jan Gibbs, Gail Seidel, Judy Seibert. COURTESY PHOTO

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monday, November 13, 2017
0827 Domestic Disturbance in the 800 block of Boyne Av
0854 Marijuana possession in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
0855 Alarm in the 500 block of N Lake St
1140 911 hang up from the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1229 Report of suspicious subject in the 600 block of Jefferson
1541 Harassment complaint reported at the PD
1932 Domestic disturbance in the 500 block of N. Lake St.

Tuesday, November 14, 2017
0812 Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of Grant St.
1144 Follow up on crash on W Michigan.
1400 Juvenile complaint from the 400 block of Poplar St.
1545 Report of subject doing donuts in Rotary Park near Taylor St.
1659 Report of car deer crash that happened on State near Call at approx. 0715.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2017
0019 Citation issued for Defective Equipment.
0039 Report of disorderly subject near Water St. and S. Park St.
0750 Subject reporting robbery on Wilson St. No robbery.
1400 Report of injured deer under pines on Boyne Av
1802 Assist citizen hallucinat-

ing on Wilson St
2246 Assist EMS in the 400 block of State St
2251 Unlock in the 800 block of S Park

Thursday, November 16, 2017
1047 Suspicious situation in the 200 block of S Park St
1150 Subject blowing leaves into roadway in the 600 block of N East St
1430 Subject at PD with suspicious items found on child's internet account
1629 Assist Sheriff Dept. in the 700 block of Vogel St.
1725 Driving complaint coming into town on M-75 S
1756 Driving complaint coming into town on M-75 S from Dam Rd
1901 Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of N. Lake St.
2138 Car deer crash at N. Park and Groveland.
2239 Suspicious vehicle at Deer Run and Hull. Citation issued for CPL violation.

Friday, November 17, 2017
0909 Report of subject having mental problems in the 300 block of E Division St
0915 Water running down State St from the 400 block to Jefferson St.
1017 Death notification in the 800 block of State St.
1137 Suspicious situation in

the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1512 Subject picked up on mental health petition and transported to hospital.
1650 Subject at PD to report damage to vehicle.
1651 Report of subject being hit on bicycle, on W Michigan last night
2034 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Fall Park Rd

Saturday, November 18, 2017
0318 Suspicious situation on W Main St
0904 Retail Fraud in the 100 block of E Water St
2130 Arrested subject on our warrant in Boyne Falls

Sunday, November 19, 2017
0135 Juvenile complaint in the 500 block of Grant St.
0435 Assist Fire Dept. in the 300 block of E Division St.
1052 Private property damage crash in the 1300 block of Boyne Av
1116 Road hazard reported on S Lake Street. Trailer was moved
1151 Report of possible missing person from the 300 block of E Division St.
1352 Vehicle off the road at Marshall and Front
1555 Family of the possible missing subject was contacted by the individual and is all is ok.

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To help seniors become better self-managers of chronic health conditions the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan (AAANM) and Michigan State University, College of Human Medicine in conjunction with Partners in Aging Strategies and Training (PAST) are offering several free Healthy Aging workshops in northern Michigan. The first class announced is the free, evidence-based Diabetes PATH Workshop, which will take place on Monday mornings in January and February at the Boyne City Senior Center. Developed by Stanford University, Diabetes PATH provides information and techniques to cope with the challenges associated with diabetes. The six-session Diabetes PATH workshop is for adults living with pre-diabetes or diabetes and their family caregivers.

The Diabetes PATH Workshops will be held at the Boyne City Senior Center, 411 E. Division Street on Mondays from 9:30am-noon, from January 8 through February 12, 2018. Each two-

and-a-half hour session focuses on self-management tools to:

- Manage symptoms like pain, frustration and fatigue
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- Develop healthy eating habits
- Make action plans based on YOUR goals
- Help prevent or delay complications

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To achieve the full benefit of Diabetes PATH, please plan to attend all six workshops. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Call 1-800-442-1713 for more information or to register, or register online at www.aaanm.org/workshop-registration

Other resources for Diabetes Education in northern Michigan can be found at www.nmdabetes.org

Feeling so Blessed! Thank You!

Eta Nu Women could not be more thankful to our community for the support they received on their "Dress For Chill" project in 2017. This year, new winter coats, pants, boots, hats, and gloves, were purchased and distributed to 42 Head Start and Early Learners Preschoolers and 104 Boyne City Elementary School students.

"We could not accomplish our goal in helping these kids without the support of so many people and organizations within the Boyne City area", said Denise Holmes, chairperson for Dress For Chill.

The staff at Pat O'Brien & Associates chose Dress For Chill as their 3rd Qtr. Charity and donated a generous amount. Cash donations from individuals and local businesses were collected in several locations throughout Boyne City. We thank the patrons of those establishments as they served as Dress for Chill ambassadors.

Boyne City community and service organizations came out in full support as well: BC Rotary Club, FOE 1583, FOE 1583 Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus



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Council 6314 and the Kiwanis Club all gave generous donations. A special thanks to the Letty Hulsman Foundation and all the various "angels", who either provided personal dollar donations or purchased complete outfits for the students.

Over 400 items were purchased from these local stores: JC Penney's, Dun-

ham's, Peebles, Meijer, Wal-Mart and BearCub Outfitters. The sales personnel were helpful in advising us of sales and off-season clearance items.

Special thanks to Mary Hickman, Family Resource Liaison at the Boyne City Elementary School for her work in gathering all the information we needed ensur-

ing a successful distribution of clothing.

"We cannot begin to express our gratitude to the community for their continued support of the Eta Nu Dress for Chill. We couldn't do it without you", said Betsy Koss, President of Eta Nu.

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How Much Do You Need to Retire?

By Donna Smith

How much money do you need to retire? Most financial experts agree that people need an average of 50 percent to 70 percent of their pre-retirement monthly income in their retirement years to retain their lifestyle. Income from Social Security usually makes up about 20 percent. Some financially savvy individuals shoot for the higher percentage due to the increased health care costs of aging individuals. Increasingly financial planners are suggesting that people target over 70% to account for those costs.

Exactly how much is needed is dependent upon an individual's goal for his/her retirement years. Many people work part-time jobs or dabble in a home business or hobby to make extra money. Others like to travel or spend their time in leisure activities. When picturing your financial future, determine your wants and needs. Make a list. Once the list is completed, make another one. The second list should outline your assets, savings and investments already on hand.

Planning for retirement is essential. Starting early helps to take the edge off. A saving and investment strategy can make the retirement years much more enjoyable and hassle free.

Because of the uncertainty of Social Security, it may be practical not to count on it as a major source of your retirement income. Use it, instead, as a sup-



plement. Depending on your age when you start planning, there are several factors to consider including some of the following:

How much equity do you have in your house or plan to have by the time retirement comes around? Borrowing against the equity can stave off financial emergencies. Taking too many loans, though, will deplete the equity and there won't be any for retirement.

Depending on what you are planning for retirement, it's also possible to sell a house and use the equity to purchase a smaller one, a condo or go into an apartment and put the money into an investment account to draw from.

How much money is there currently in a savings account? Some financial planners suggest that a good base for a future retirement nest egg is to have one year of your working salary in the bank or some other form of investment account such as an IRA, Mutual Fund or Certificate of Deposit, etc.

What do you anticipate your

health care costs to be? If you invest in a long-term care account when you're 40, it's possible to have over \$200,000 in that account by the time retirement kicks in. They are not inexpensive policies. One quote was for about \$900 per year. However, they pay for in-home care, nursing home and the like.

Using these questions and others that specifically pertain to your life, determine a dollar amount that will cover you needs and wants. With that figure, factor in the number of years until you plan to retire from your primary occupation. You will have those years to save.

As an example, if you need \$700,000 in your nest egg, you will need to save approximately \$28,372 per year, earning six percent per year, if retirement is in fifteen years.

Even if you do not already have a significant amount of cash on hand, use what you have as a base. If you haven't even begun to save and retirement isn't very far off, invest in slightly more aggressive investments. Of course, there is more risk.

Seek the advice of a professional to help you in your planning if you need to. When consulting a professional, however, keep in mind that some will steer you into investments that put higher commissions in their pockets. Trust the person you're working with to do what is best for you.

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obtuse wording of an ordinance regarding a regulation that has long gone unrecognized or used.

And the second proposed amendment would change setback regulations in the city's Waterfront Residential District for properties that are classified as "waterfront" but actually do not have water frontage. That includes some properties along Bay and Michigan Streets as well as lower Lake and Lakeshore

Drive, which he explained are encumbered by a 35-foot setback from the right-of-way. Some of those properties face that setback on two or three sides, which is an encumbrance McPherson said is "eating up a lot of buildable properties." A reduced setback of 10 feet is being proposed.

The second reading for both proposed zoning ordinance amendments will be held January 9.

Also at this week's meeting, the commission again all voted in favor of approving a fund deficit elimination reso-

lution for the State of Michigan Department of Treasury. This includes an amendment to the city's 2018 fiscal year end budget that will add a transfer of funds from the city's General Fund to the Local Streets Fund in the amount of \$223,119 to correct a deficit of the Local Streets Fund in the 2017 fiscal year end budget Financial Report for the city.

City Manager of Boyne City, Michael Cain explained the move as a simple matter of 'housekeeping.' "We just failed to move everything from one account to an-

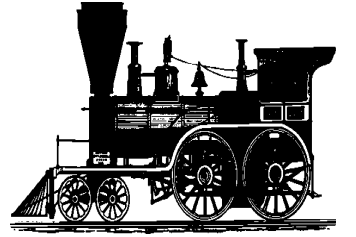
other," Cain said. "We're in great financial shape."

Boyne City clerk-treasurer Cindy Grice also assured that the transfer of funds should have happened during the 2017 fiscal year but became an oversight that won't impact any of the city's needs or funding for ongoing improvement projects. "We just didn't make the appropriate transfer to the general fund to cover expenses...(but) nothing was overspent," Grice said, "It affects the fund balance, but it's not going to affect the needs of the community."

Train Wonderland at Castle Farms

December 2 & 3, 10am-3pm, Castle Farms. Kids of all ages will love having access to the extravaganza of model train displays, including the Polar Express and riding trains for children. Holiday games, craft, snacks, and hot cocoa are included, as well as tram rides around the Castle (weather permitting). An interactive photobooth is included by Shutterbooth and Darrell Christie Photography for fun or silly photos. NEW this year- Riding train

for adults and kids, plus carols by the Little Traverse Youth Choir from 11am to 2pm. Admission is \$5 per person ages 2 and up. Pizza and drinks available for purchase on-site.



Boyne Falls Public Schools STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kentin Lacombe

Grade: 2nd

Parent's Name(s): Holly and Joe Lacombe

What do you want to be when you grow up?: A builder

Favorite Book: Cars Fast Facts

Hobbies and Interests: Playing with his little sister, playing baseball, tag in the winter

School Activities: Gym, when the class gets to play games

Staff Comments: Kentin has been working very hard this year. He always turns in his best work and tries very hard. Kentin is kind to his fellow classmates and is very helpful. I have enjoyed having Kentin in my room because of his love for learning. I can't wait to see what wonderful things Kentin will do this year!

Submitted By: Mrs. Mallory



SAFE in Northern Michigan congratulates local businesses for passing alcohol compliance checks

In a recent round of alcohol compliance checks, 14 local businesses successfully upheld the law banning the sale of alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age. SAFE in Northern Michigan, a partner of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, collaborated with the Michigan State Police to complete these alcohol compliance checks in Antrim, Charlevoix, and Emmet counties.

SAFE in Northern Michigan would like to congratulate the following stores for passing the checks and protecting our youth:

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- North Krist Oil Co. #41 Charlevoix, MI
- South EZ-Mart

- Charlevoix, MI
- Next Door Store #1034 Charlevoix, MI
- South Krist Oil Co. #42 Charlevoix, MI
- Ellsworth Market Ellsworth, MI
- Dollar General #13464 East Jordan, MI
- Rite-Aid #2504 East Jordan, MI
- Boyne Marathon Boyne City, MI
- Dollar General Alanson, MI
- Young's Bait and Tackle Alanson, MI
- Harbor General Store Harbor Springs, MI
- Aldie #14 Petoskey, MI
- Boyne Village Market Boyne Falls, MI
- Compliance checks are conducted periodically to enforce the prohibition of

the sale of alcohol to minors. In each round of checks, a number of alcohol-selling businesses are randomly selected and tested. To conduct the check, an underage youth under supervision of a police officer will enter a store and attempt to buy alcohol. If the store clerk sells the alcohol to the minor, the police will immediately issue a citation.

"We are very pleased with the stores that carded the youth decoy and did not sell any alcohol," said Susan Pulaski, Project Coordinator for SAFE. "Alcohol compliance checks are just one strategy to help reduce under-age drinking."

SAFE in Northern Michigan exists to prevent youth substance use, increase

community awareness and create change through collaboration, education, prevention initiatives and environmental strategies of tobacco, alcohol and other substance use in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet counties. For more information about SAFE in Northern Michigan, please visit the website: www.safeinm.com.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties.

Incredible array of bargains at "The Resale Store" in Gaylord

By Jim Akans

Formerly two great resale destinations; Gaylord's A-2-Z Resale and Homespun Antiques & Crafts are now combined in one fantastic new location; "The Resale Store." The Resale Store offers northern Michigan shoppers a huge range of gently used as well as vintage items. Located at 1961 South Otsego Avenue next to the Gaylord Ace Hardware, the store is owned Sue Nowak and her husband, Larry, and daughter Mary also assists with the daily operations.

The Resale Store opened in February after the Nowak's purchase the inventory from the former A-2-Z Resale and moved their Homespun Antiques & Crafts store from downtown Gaylord to this new South



Formerly two great resale destinations; Gaylord's A-2-Z Resale and Homespun Antiques & Crafts are now combined in one fantastic new location; "The Resale Store." PHOTO BY JIM AKANS



The Resale Store is bright, cheery and well-organized making shopping for terrific bargains a breeze... featuring just about everything under the sun! Photo by JIM AKANS

Otsego location. The result, as Sue Nowak points out, is "lots of great items and we are adding even more great inventory from our inventory all the time!"

The Resale Store is bright, cheery and well organized making shopping for terrific bargains a breeze. It offers

just about everything under the sun...or across every letter in the alphabet, including books, dvd's, record albums, men's and women's clothing, furnishings, dishes, cookware, glassware, costume jewelry, lamps, pictures and other household items, shoes and a large array of evening

gowns and wedding dresses priced at \$99 or less.

The Resale Store's hours are 10am to 5pm Monday through Saturday. Due to a huge amount of inventory they are not accepting item donations at this time. They can be reached by calling (989) 731-4305.

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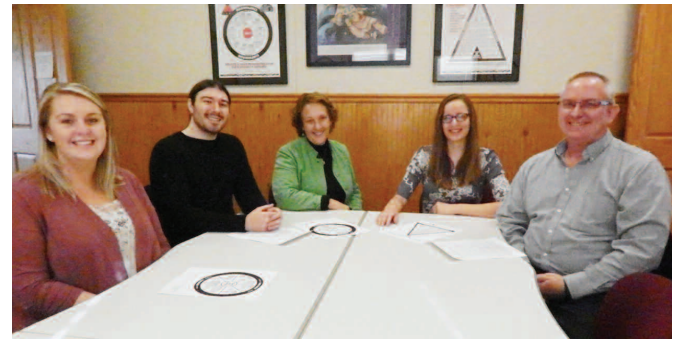
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Batterers' Intervention Programs address domestic violence



Pictured are Haley Fortune, WRCNM Transitional Supportive Housing Coordinator; Chance Gawlinski, Certified Domestic Abuse Intervention Program Facilitator, Hidden Brook Counseling Services; Chris Krajewski, WRCNM Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Program Director; Jen Rashleigh-Houser, WRCNM Counselor/Advocate; and Scott Kelly, Executive Director and co-founder of BASES. COURTESY PHOTO

Here is the problem: 1 in 3 women have been victims of some form of physical violence by their partner within their lifetime. The question is how do we end it?

There is not a single answer to such a boundless and deeply rooted societal problem. An important component, however, is a coordinated community response that holds perpetrators accountable for their behavior, supports victim safety and empowerment and promotes the social change needed to work toward a society based on respect, equality and nonviolence.

Such a response should include a strong safety network for victims, enforced proactive arrest and prosecution policies, victim advocates within the criminal justice system, and the use of probation and incarceration, as well as intervention programs for batterers.

"Batterers' Intervention Programs are just one piece of what every community needs to address the problem of domestic violence," said Chris Krajewski, WRCNM Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Program Director. "This is a vital way to hold offenders accountable for their actions, ensure survivor safety and to help change the culture of violence against women one person at a time."

"Our area has two quality providers, Hidden Brook Counseling and their M.E.N.S. group in Petoskey and Cheboygan, and BASES and their group called H.E.A.L., in Charlevoix," said Krajewski. These groups are closely connected to the criminal justice system because offenders are required to attend as a part of their sentencing. "They are required to attend and pay for sessions, arrive on time and take responsibility for their actions; it's all about accountability and working toward healthier relationships," said Krajewski.

Often times, WRCNM counselor/advocates attend the groups as part of the collaborative work. One of these advocates, Jen Rashleigh-Houser stated, "When I attend a Batterer's Intervention group, I act as a co-facilitator in discussions surrounding controlling and abusive behaviors. This is complementary to the work I do with survivors giving me an opportunity to share a different perspective of how their behaviors may affect their families, as well as drawing attention to belief systems that are rooted in a control dynamic."

Hidden Brook Counseling M.E.N.S. (Men Exploring

Non-violent Solutions) program holds the group members accountable through a variety of objectives, expectations and consequences.

"Accountability is paramount to our M.E.N.S. program and is listed as one of the five objectives for success," said Preston Greene, owner and therapist at Hidden Brook who has been a group facilitator for 24 years. Additionally, participants work to understand controlling behavior, challenge male privilege and entitlement, look at the negative effect this violence can have on family and friends and learn about healthy relationships during the 39-week program.

"Our philosophy is that battering is a choice and men need the information in the group to be able to make a different choice," said Greene. "We believe that with accountability, men increase their ability to change. They learn to become capable of managing their feelings and change from using control tactics to respecting and supporting their partners." Each group member holds themselves and other group members accountable and is encouraged to have their partners to hold them accountable by first listening to and validating her feedback and then changing his behavior.

BASES in Charlevoix works to eliminate abusive and disrespectful behavior through a 39-week program called H.E.A.L. (Helping Explore Accountable Lifestyles). Scott Kelly, BASES Executive Director, said two of the pioneers in Michigan domestic violence batterer intervention work, Jeffrie Cape and David Garvin, developed the program.

"Our program emphasizes changing behavior and accomplishing specific tasks that help create those changes," said Scott. He explained that program participants examine the thoughts, feelings, attitudes, beliefs and behaviors leading up to and contributing to abuse and violence.

"Through group dynamics, we promote accountability for all participants, identify and change pro-abuse belief systems, understand how shame and denial contribute to patterns of abusive behaviors and, finally, we promote the importance of building and increasing empathy and compassion," said Kelly.

For more information on WRCNM program and services, visit wrncnm.org or call (231) 347-0067 or (800) 275-1995. To learn more about Hidden Brook Counseling's M.E.N.S. Group, call (231) 487-1885. To contact BASES about their H.E.A.L. program, call (231) 547-1144.

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CHARLEVOIX NAVIGATING THE ARTS

November 30, 6pm, Charlevoix Public Library Community Room. \$5 Suggested Donation. Charlevoix Montessori Academy for the Arts presents Navigating the Arts, A Night of Dance, Theater, and Art. Includes Shakespearean Sonnets, A Variety of Dances, European Fairy Tales. For more information, call 231.547.9000

PETOSKEY FOOD BUSINESS MARKETING WORKSHOP

November 30, 5-8pm, North Central Michigan College, Room 27 in main classroom building. It will begin with Building Your Brand from 5-6:20pm. This crash course will challenge the status quo, ask the difficult questions and enhance the way in which we all think about our farming and food businesses. This will be followed by Marketing on the Web from 6:35-8pm. This crash course is designed to help your business optimize online marketing strategies. The workshops will be led by Anne Morningstar, design instructor at the college who is also co-founder and owner, lead beekeeper, educator, and marketing mastermind behind Bear Creek Organic Farm.

EAST JORDAN EJ SNO-MOBILERS CLUB GOLDEN JUBILEE

December 1, 4-7pm. We are celebrating our 50th year as a club with an open house for our friends and neighbors and our snowmobiling families from all over. Come check out the history of the club and meet the members. You can see what we do for the local community and the snowmobiling community. We will be serving refreshments and have awesome displays. There will be a 50/50 drawing and prize drawings throughout the evening. Be sure to save the date, if we are lucky we will have some snow and you can ride in. Trails will be open that day weather permitting.

ELLSWORTH HIS HOUSE DEDICATION

December 1, 2-3pm. Good Samaritan Family Services is proud to announce the dedication of His House. Reception and refreshments at 2pm. Join us as we dedicate our new His House/Moms & Tots addition, 9100 Pleasant Hill Road.

BOYNE CITY BLOOD DRIVE

December 1, 10am-2:45pm, Concord Academy, 401 E. Dietz Road. To make an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767). The Red Cross urges donor of all blood to give now to help keep the blood supply stable during the holidays.

ATWOOD CHRISTMAS IN ATWOOD

December 2, 10am-3pm. Work 'n Play Shop, Atwood Hardware, Royal Farms and Friske Orchards. Each business will be offering something for the kids. Santa will be visiting at the Work 'n Play Shop. Sponsored by Heeres Excavating and Mikes Auto.

CHARLEVOIX HOLIDAY MERCHANT OPEN HOUSE

December 2. All area businesses will offer entertainment, samples, snacks, refreshments, special sales, raffles and more all day long. Children are invited to watch the movie Moana for free at 2pm at

Charlevoix Cinema III. For entry, please bring a canned good to benefit the Charlevoix Food Pantry. Sample and vote on your favorite hot cocoa during the 2017 Hot Cocoa Contest from Noon-5pm. For more information on this event, please visit .

CHARLEVOIX ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT SOUP & SALE

December 2, 9am-2pm, United Methodist Church, 104 State Street. Many delicious varieties of homemade soups for just \$7. Also featured are yummy baked goodies and an assortment of gently used Christmas décor. Proceeds go to local outreach projects. Same day as Charlevoix Merchant Open House.

CHARLEVOIX TRAIN WONDERLAND

December 2 & 3, 10am-3pm, Castle Farms. Kids of all ages will love having access to the extravaganza of model train displays, including the Polar Express and riding trains for children. Holiday games, craft, snacks, and hot cocoa are included, as well as tram rides around the Castle (weather permitting). An interactive photo booth is included by Shutterbooth and Darrell Christie Photography for fun or silly photos. NEW this year- Riding train for adults and kids, plus carols by the Little Traverse Youth Choir from 11am to 2pm. Admission is \$5 per person ages 2 and up. Pizza and drinks available for purchase on-site.

BOYNE CITY LIBRARY BOOK SALE

December 2. The Boyne District Library and the Friends of the Boyne District Library are hosting a Holiday Open House. There will be a Santa Visit from 10-11:30 a.m. and the Friends of the Library will have their Holiday Book Sale from 10 to 2. There will also be make-and-take crafts.

BOYNE CITY HOLIDAY HOBBY CRAFT SHOW

December 2, 9am-3pm, Boyne City High School. The Holiday Hobby Craft Show will again present 150 arts and crafts vendors. Admission is \$2 for adults and no charge for students. Hourly drawings will be held for \$20 Boyne Chamber Checks giveaways. Refreshments are also available for this 39th annual event that raises funds for the Boyne City Booster Foundation.

BOYNE CITY 21ST ANNUAL RED MESA BENEFIT BREAKFAST

December 2, 8-10:30am. The 21st Annual Judy Kuheana Benefit Breakfast features a silent auction table with great prizes generously donated by local merchants will be held that morning as well. All proceeds from both the breakfast and silent auction will benefit Boyne area food pantries through the Manna Food Project. Judy Kuheana was a founder of the 7th Day Adventist Food Pantry. She passed away in October of 1996. The Red Mesa Grill, with the help of Judy's brother, Jerry Kelts, has held the Judy Kuheana Benefit Breakfast on the first Saturday of December since it opened in 1997, raising close to \$30,000 to benefit Boyne Area charities.

BOYNE CITY SECRETS OF CONTENTMENT REVEALED

December 3, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, First Presbyterian Church, 401 S. Park. The program, titled "Secrets of Finding

Contentment: Live a Satisfying Life," features a filmed interview with Justin Mayo, who organizes proms—for senior citizens. During the program Lifetree participants will have the opportunity tell about times they've experienced contentment. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Use the Pine St. entrance.

CHARLEVOIX HISTORICAL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS DINNER

December 5, 6pm, Grey Gables restaurant. A social hour (cash bar) will be available. Appetizers will begin the evening followed by dinner at 7:00pm. Choice of three entrees: Shrimp-Stuffed Chicken, Norwegian Salmon, and Prime Rib. Sanders Hot Fudge Ice Cream for dessert. Call the Charlevoix Historical Society at 231.547.0373 with the number of guests in your party and entree choice by 5:00pm Thursday, November 30.

CHARLEVOIX CORRIDOR HOLIDAY FEST

December 6, 5-8pm. The Cultural Corridor extends along Clinton Street, where the library and arts center are located, and includes State Street, where the historical society is situated. Circle of Arts Market, 5-7pm with hand-crafted gifts, refreshments, free gift-wrapping on live music by The Cummings Quartet. Museum at Harsha House, 5-7pm, refreshments, holiday merchandise sale including new book; Charlevoix the Beautiful: City on Three Lakes. End the evening at the library for a photography display featuring the works of LuAnn Griffin. Then, enjoy some hot cocoa and the Jazz @ the library Holiday Concert at 7 pm. Horse-drawn wagon rides will be available throughout the evening transporting people from venue to venue.

BOYNE CITY LIGHTS OF LOVE CEREMONY

December 6, 6:30pm, Dillworth Hotel porch. Lights of Love tree-lighting remembrance ceremony. The event offers an opportunity to remember and honor loved ones during the holiday season with all proceeds going to the Hospice of Northwest Michigan to support patient care. In the past 30 years, Eta Nu has raised over \$100,000 for Hospice. You can make a donation by purchasing a colored light ranging from \$5 to \$30 or a personalized "heart of love" for \$40 for display on the tree. Donors will receive their hearts after the holidays. Followed by a dinner at Water Street Café.

EAST JORDAN HOLIDAY COMMUNITY NIGHT

December 7, 5-7pm. Fun for the whole family will include a Soup Cook-off, Bake Sale, Craft-making, a Lighted Parade, Community Tree Lighting and Caroling, a Santa Scavenger Hunt, a Christmas Raffle Drawing, the Lighting of the Lions Club Christmas Village at Tourist Park and more. Of course, Santa will be on hand for the kids, visiting at the City Hall Chambers (with cookies!) from 5:45-7pm. Downtown businesses will be holding open house so attendees can be sure to get some holiday shopping done.

BOYNE CITY ROTARY BLOOD DRIVE

December 8, Noon-5:45pm, Christ Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 1250 Boyne Avenue. To make an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767). The Red Cross urges donor of all blood to give now

to help keep the blood supply stable during the holidays.

HARBOR SPRINGS "MOVIE & PIZZA NIGHT" FEATURING WARREN MILLER FILM

December 8, 5-9pm, Boyne Highlands day lodge cafeteria. The recently released winter sports film, Line of Descent, from Warren Miller Entertainment will be shown. The film screening, hosted by Boyne Highlands, is part of the Harbor Springs Ski Team's annual Movie and Pizza Night fundraiser. Tickets are \$10 and available from ski team members, at Kelbel Pharmacy in Harbor Springs, by email at Scoring@HSSkitem.com or at the door. For more information, visit HSSkitem.com.

EAST JORDAN GARAGE AND BAKE SALE

December 9, 8:30am-1pm, East Jordan Elementary Gym. Students will have their own booths. Proceeds will go toward their 8th grade Washington DC trip. Check out the great deals, do a little Christmas shopping and enjoy some baked goods.

ELLSWORTH PANCAKE BREAKFAST

December 9, 9-11am, Banks Township Hall. Indulge in a full breakfast of pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, milk and coffee. Choose a stuffed toy and take a photo with Santa and Mrs Claus compliments of Charlevoix State Bank.

ELLSWORTH THE POLAR EXPRESS PRESENTED BY ELLSWORTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

December 9, Doors open at 2pm, movie begins at 2:15pm in ECS High School Gym. Open to all students, families and community members. Admission by donations, concessions available for purchase. Attend with your child or drop-off care available. All proceeds benefit the 2018 Junior/Senior Government trip to Washington, D.C.

BOYNE CITY COMMUNITY CONCERT

December 10, 3pm, First Presbyterian Church. Featuring the Jordan Valley Community Band. Free will donation.

BOYNE CITY STORIES OF HOMELESS CHILDREN SHARED

December 10, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, First Presbyterian Church, 401 S. Park. The program, titled "Children with No Place to Call Home: Helping Kids in Crisis," features a filmed interview with Jennifer Herrera, director of the Colfax Community Network, an organization dedicated to serving children and families living in rundown motels in the heart of Denver, Colorado. During this program, participants will have an opportunity to discuss ideas for helping address the issue of child homelessness. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Use the Pine St. entrance.

ELLSWORTH WOODEN SHOE FESTIVAL

December 13, 6pm, Banks Township Hall. Enjoy our 12th annual evening of fun with friends and neighbors featuring the Ceremonial Lighting of the Community Tree, Caroling, Pizza Dinner, Cookies the Grinch Punch and Hot Chocolate Bar. Make and tak ornament, Pine Lake Winds concert and Twister Joe.

BOYNE CITY HOLIDAY BUSINESS AFTER

HOURS

December 14, 5:30-7:30pm. Holiday Business After Hours sponsored by Resort Rentals North at a client's home, 221 North St. No charge for admission or refreshments.

PETOSKEY "MESSIAH PLUS BACH & RUTTER" CONCERT

December 14 & 15, 7pm, St. Francis Xavier Church. This year's Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra performances will include J.S. Bach, Suite No. 1, BWV 1066; Handel Messiah Chorus & Soloists, and Rutter Christmas Carols. Tickets are \$25 General Admission, \$35 Silver Seating, \$50 Gold Seating and \$75 Platinum Seating. General Admission tickets are available at area chambers of commerce and online at www.glorchestra.org.

Reserved seating is also available online or by calling the orchestra office at (231) 487-0010.

BOYNE CITY SIGNS OF MENTAL ILLNESS EXPLORED

December 17, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, First Presbyterian Church, 401 S. Park. The program, titled "Mental Illness: Breaking the Silence, Overcoming the Shame," features a filmed interview with Amy Simpson, author of the book "Troubled Minds." Simpson grew up with a mother who was later diagnosed with schizophrenia. During the program, Lifetree participants will have an opportunity to discuss why a stigma is commonly attached to mental illness, and if there should be. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Use the Pine St. entrance.

CHARLEVOIX CHRISTMAS & HOLIDAY DINNER

December 22, 11am-1pm, Charlevoix Senior Center. We will have a traditional homemade full holiday dinner with all the fixings, including dessert, live music, and other entertainment.

BOYNE CITY CHRISTMAS & HOLIDAY DINNER

December 22, 11am-1pm, Boyne Area Senior Center. We will have a traditional homemade full holiday dinner with all the fixings, including dessert, live music, and other entertainment.

EAST JORDAN CHRISTMAS & HOLIDAY DINNER

December 22, 11am-1pm, East Jordan Senior Center. We will have a traditional homemade full holiday dinner with all the fixings, including dessert, live music, and other entertainment.

BOYNE CITY COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

December 25, Noon-2pm, First Presbyterian Church. A traditional Christmas meal will be served. Free will donation.

BOYNE CITY GUN CONTROL DISCUSSED

December 31, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, First Presbyterian Church, 401 S. Park. The program—titled "Inside the Gun Debate: To Hunt? To Defend? To Assault?"—features filmed interviews with Tom Mauser, whose son died at Columbine High School, and Michael Lang, a concealed weapon firearms instructor. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Use the Pine St. entrance. Join us at 5:30 for a potluck. Bring

a dish to share.

BOYNE CITY INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

Saturday, 9am-noon at the Boyne City Indoor Farmers Market will be located in the main lobby area of the new City Facilities Building, which is located right next to the summer market location in Veterans Park.

CHARLEVOIX COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANTS AVAILABLE

Since it was founded in 1992, the Community Foundation's net assets have grown to more than \$39 million. Grants and scholarships totaling more than \$22 million have been distributed to enhance and enrich the quality of life for everyone in Charlevoix County—and for generations to come. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries and grant requests. The next deadline for submitting a grant request is Thursday, March 1, 2018. For a complete list of the recent grant awards, visit the foundation's website at www.c3f.org and click on "What's New," then "Recent Grants."

CHARLEVOIX HOLIDAY CIRCLE MARKET

The Charlevoix Circle of Arts annual Circle Market from 5-7pm until close of day on December 23. This is a holiday shopping experience that promotes the purchase of original artisan work for holiday gift giving. The market represents intriguing, unique and finely crafted items for purchase. Over 40 artists will be represented with a variety of mediums.

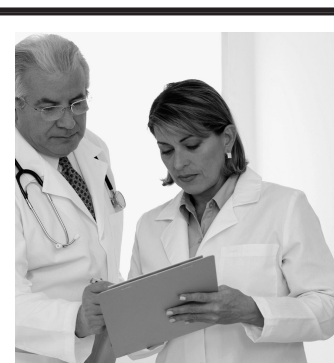
CHARLEVOIX WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Held at Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information.

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

- Wellness Wednesday, every Wednesday from 8am-11am. Health screens include: Total Cholesterol, HDL, TC/HDL Ratio, Glucose Level, Body Mass Index Score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure Reading. No fasting is required. However, if you are fasting and LDL and Triglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost for the service is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$10. Participants will receive all test results at the time of the screening and a "Know Your Numbers" log to track progress. A Registered Nurse will adapt health consultation and educational materials to individual results. Walk-ins only, no appointment required.

- Full Body Toning Exercise Class, every Thursday from 5:30-6:30pm. The first class is free as are all yoga and strength training classes. If you enjoy your first class, low-cost punch cards available and are good for any of our classes. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information or email chx-wellness@mhc.net to have our calendar emailed to you monthly.



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News

HOLIDAY PARADE IN DOWNTOWN CHARLEVOIX



The Wier family of Charlevoix looks up as Santa lights the giant Christmas pine in East Park at Bridge Street and Clinton, Friday after the 7th annual lighted Holiday Parade in downtown Charlevoix. Mild weather and black Friday sales drew a nice, large crowd. The parade included twenty holiday-themed and lighted entries. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

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Charlevoix's reigning Venetian Queen, Madi Carey and first runner-up Lukila Wittoeft wave as they parade down Bridge Street in a well-lit 2018 Avalon pontoon boat sponsored by Dry Harbour Marine of Charlevoix. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE



Charlevoix's famous petunia watering truck 'Wow's the crowd with its full blanket of Christmas lights as it participates in the lighted Holiday Parade. PHOTO BY M. CHRIS LEESE

Holiday Community Night

Thursday, December 7, 2017
Downtown East Jordan

- 5:00 – 7:00 PM – Soup Cook-Off, Community Center – All proceeds to Care & Share
- 5:00 – 7:00 PM – E.J. Co-op Nursery School Bake Sale, Community Center
- 5:00 – 7:00 PM – “Snowman Photo Booth”, Community Center (Share on FB & tag the E.J. Chamber)
- 5:00 – 7:00 PM – Jordan River Arts Council, “Make and Take” Craft for kids – JRAC Bld.
- 5:00 – 7:00 PM – Open House, Downtown Businesses
- 5:30 PM – Lighted Parade, Main Street (line up 5:00 PM, old fire hall)
- 5:45 PM – Community Tree Lighting & Caroling, Across from Memorial Park
- 5:45 – 7:00 PM – Santa Visit & Cookies, City Hall Chambers (201 Main Street)
- 7:00 PM – East Jordan Freedom Festival Christmas Raffle Drawing, Community Center
- 7:00 PM – Rotary Club “Find Santa Scavenger Hunt” Drawing, Community Center
- Lighting of the Lions Club Christmas Village – East Jordan Tourist Park

Charlevoix County Community Foundation fall 2017 grant awards

The Board of Trustees of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation (C3F) recently approved more than \$277,000 in grants through the October 2017 grant cycle. The grant awards included \$19,500 for home heating assistance, fresh local produce for food pantries, and utility payments that are so necessary at this time of year to help friends and neighbors experiencing short-term financial setbacks,” said Maureen Radke, Program Officer with the Community Foundation.

In addition to urgent needs, eleven environmental and land use projects received funding. The support of the Community Foundation will expand two non-motorized trail systems, as well as fund an irrigation system that will improve the bounty produced during the growing season at the Charlevoix County Jail. A first-time grantee, the Charlevoix Conservation District, also received support to kick off funding for a new multi-purpose meeting room.

Beaver Island residents will enjoy the benefits of five grant awards. The Little Sand Bay Nature Preserve will see improved boardwalks and signs on the trail at this popular Little Traverse Conservancy site. The Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council will deliver their Watershed Academy program to high school students, teaching water resource ethics and stewardship. St. James Township was successful in receiving funding assistance that will help the Township develop a comprehensive Recreation Plan. Museum Week will be better than ever on the Island too, with assistance for the expansion of events and enhancements at Protar’s Cabin. Finally, two additional choral risers will enhance the events of the Beaver Island Cultural Arts Association.

“The grants approved by the Community Foundation Board of Trustees have the potential to benefit residents everywhere in Charlevoix County. We truly impact and benefit all communities with this wide variety of grant-making,” said Radke.

The grant awards included \$31,450 in funding for projects that will impact

Charlevoix County youth in a positive way. The grants were recommended by the Community Foundation’s Youth Advisory Committee (YAC).

“The process is always difficult because we review a lot of great proposals, but rarely have enough money to fund all projects,” said YAC President Auriana Leismer, a senior at Boyne City High School. Auriana added that “we were able to recommend funding for proposals that we believe will substantially benefit the youth of Charlevoix County.”

In addition to grants to benefit youth, the recent grants support programs in the arts; education; community development; the environment; human services; health and wellness; recreation and more. Grant proposals from area non-profit organizations keep the Community Foundation informed of community needs, and the Community Foundation connects the programs and projects with donors who want to help make a difference close to home.

A charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life in the area, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation accepts gifts from individuals, families, businesses and civic groups and manages them as permanent endowments. While a portion of the funds are utilized to support grantmaking, the principal of the endowment continues to grow, providing ongoing charitable capital to benefit Charlevoix County’s residents—now and in the future.

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Celebrate an Up North holiday tradition – Holiday Community Night in East Jordan, on December 7. For more information contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-