

News

weather

THURSDAY

**HIGH: 37
LOW: 22**
FRIDAY

**HIGH: 40
LOW: 22**
SATURDAY

**HIGH: 44
LOW: 23**
SUNDAY

**HIGH: 49
LOW: 31**

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4/17/1755.1	ATLANTA	4/16/18	.55.8
4/17/17111.4	BOYNE FALLS	4/16/18	.116
4/17/1767.3	CHARLEVOIX	4/16/18	.119.7
4/17/17	.....78	CHEBOYGAN	4/16/18	.78.7
4/17/17	....117.1	EAST JORDAN	4/16/18	.156.3
4/17/17	.....177	GAYLORD	4/16/18	.157.5
4/17/17	.....144	KALKASKA	4/16/18	.143.9
4/17/17	....60.1	LEWISTON	4/16/18	.64.6
4/17/17	....52.4	MIO	4/16/18	.50.9
4/17/17	....86.5	ONAWAY	4/16/18	.103.8
4/17/17	....121.1	PETOSKEY	4/16/18	.137.4

record temps

DAY	AVG	LOW	AVG	HIGH	RECORD	LOW	RECORD	HIGH
APR 19	.32°	...57°	....16°	(1983)	.82°	(1987)		
APR 20	.32°	...57°	....16°	(1981)	.86°	(1987)		
APR 21	.32°	...58°	....14°	(1993)	.86°	(1987)		
APR 22	.33°	...58°	....18°	(1978)	.88°	(1980)		
APR 23	.33°	...59°	....19°	(1986)	.87°	(1980)		
APR 24	.33°	...59°	....18°	(1956)	.84°	(1990)		
APR 25	.34°	...60°	....15°	(1967)	.85°	(1990)		
APR 26	.34°	...60°	....20°	(1958)	.88°	(1986)		
APR 27	.34°	...61°	....20°	(1967)	.86°	(1990)		
APR 28	.35°	...61°	....20°	(1982)	.88°	(1986)		

OBITUARIES

Timothy Bruce Malpass, 67

(JULY 7, 1950 - APRIL 11, 2018)



Timothy Bruce Malpass of East Jordan, died Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at his son's home in Bay Shore, Michigan.

He was born on July 7, 1950 in Charlevoix, Michigan, the son of F. Bruce and Angela (Cooley) Malpass.

Tim grew up in East Jordan, graduated from the East Jordan High School in 1968 and then attended Ferris State College.

He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict. He was a member of the American Legion Post #227, 305 Main Street, East Jordan MI 49727.

For a short time, Tim served on the East Jordan Ambulance service, now known as Jordan Valley EMS, as well as an East Jordan Reserve Police Officer. He had worked at East Jordan Iron Works, now known as EJ, as a shipping/receiving coordinator. He retired on April 20, 2012, after working for forty-one years. He was very proud of his family business heritage. He's a fourth generation family member.

Tim loved playing his guitar and singing. He was in several local bands over the years. He also enjoyed birds, history, his family, and spending time at his hunting cabin in the Upper Peninsula.

He is survived by two children, Heidi Angela Malpass of Lewiston and Brian Timothy (Kim) Malpass of Bay Shore; four grandchildren, Austin, Devon, Britney and Stella; one sister, Cathy (Fred Lake) Malpass of Portage; three brothers, Todd (Marilyn) Malpass of Charlevoix, Tracy (Brenda K.) Malpass of East Jordan and Tad (Brenda L.) Malpass of East Jordan; his dear aunt and uncle, Dolores and Philip Malpass of Kalamazoo; and

several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

A private graveside service with military honors was held at Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan. The family has requested that memorial contributions be directed to Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, One Hiland Drive, Petoskey, MI 49770 or the American Legion Post #227, 305 Main Street, East Jordan MI 49727.

The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

Margaret Hughes Landman, 99

(JAN. 25, 1919 - APRIL 11, 2018)

Margaret Hughes Landman of Charlevoix died April 11, 2018 at Mallard Cove Assisted Living in Petoskey, Michigan. Margaret was born January 25, 1919 in Antioch, Illinois, the daughter of Alexander Gibbon Hughes and Mabel Christopher Hughes. She grew up in Antioch and graduated from the University of Illinois, Urbana with a degree in Bacteriology. In 1950, she was married to Keith C. Landman in Antioch, Illinois.

Margaret is survived by her son James Landman of Parker, Colorado and her sister Joan Stewart of Antioch, Illinois.

After earning her college degree, Margaret worked as a medical technologist, performing tests and analyses on blood samples at various hospitals in the Midwest. After James' birth, she became a stay-at-home mom. In 1982, Margaret and Keith settled on Cherry Street in Charlevoix.

Margaret was an accomplished home cook and took great pride in her soups, stews and baked goods. Her cinnamon pinwheels were much-anticipated holiday treats. She was an avid gardener, taking special delight in new spring blooms of crocus, daffodils, rhubarb and asparagus. She was an expert seamstress and knitter, well-known for her beautiful hand-crafted sweaters.

Margaret served for many years as a volunteer member of the Charlevoix Hospital Guild, frequently working in the gift shop.

The family suggests donations to the Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital.

Jilaine (Fineout) Crissman, 61

(DEC. 12, 1956 - APRIL 10, 2018)



Jilaine Irene Crissman, went to be with our lord and savior after a long battle with cancer on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:15am.

Jill was born in Lansing Michigan on December 12, 1956, to parents Larry and Hellen Fineout, Married May 24, 1980 in Boyne City Michigan to Dennis Alan Crissman.

Jill had a passion for working with young children and dedicated 24 years at Boyne City Public Schools. Jill was also a member of Walloon Lake Community Church for 26 years. She and Dennis loved their small group, which became family.

She is survived by her husband Dennis Alan Crissman; children Dennis Alan II and wife (Sarah) Crissman of Holly Springs, North Carolina, Monica Lynn and wife (Bria) Marcelo of Iowa City, Iowa, Evan Ira Crissman of Boyne City Michigan. Daughter of the heart Maggie and husband Josh Pezzullo of Elk Rapids, Michigan; granddaughter Sydney Crissman. Grand Daughters of the heart Morgan and Nola May Pezzullo, Rebekah and Hannah Bearss. Grand Sons of the heart: Brennen Pezzullo and Zachariah Bearss. Mother Hellen Fineout of Tustin, Michigan; beloved Aunt Barb Fineout of Valdosta, Georgia; siblings Pattie and husband Bob Towne of Boyne City, Michigan, Jackie and husband Doug Fitzgerald of Big Rapids, Michigan. Larry and wife Kim Fineout of Seminole, Florida.

Jill is preceded in death by her father Larry Ace Fineout; sister Monica Lynn Fineout; and brother Kenneth James Fineout.

A funeral service was held Friday, April 13, 2018 at Walloon Lake Community Church. Pastor Jeff Ellis officiated.

Memorials may be made to Walloon Lake Community Church Benevolent fund

Jill wanted to give a special thank you to her small group family, as well as the doctors and nurses at Karmono's Cancer Institute and McLaren Hospital of Petoskey, Michigan.

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

Rex A. Bartholomew, 71

(DECEMBER 22, 1946 - APRIL 10, 2018)

Rex A. Bartholomew, Sr. of East Jordan, died Tuesday, April 10, 2018, Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility in Belaire.

He was born on December 22, 1946, in Charlevoix, the son of Emmanuel F. and Helen (Hammond) Bartholomew.

Rex grew up in East Jordan and graduated from East Jordan High School in 1965.

On August 13, 1997, in Indiana, he married Nancy Ann McKinnon. She preceded him in death on February 8, 2014.

Rex had worked for the East Jordan Iron Works, now known as EJ, USA, Inc. in

East Jordan. He retired in 2009, after forty four years.

He enjoyed farming, hunting, bowling, playing pool and playing cards.

He is survived by four children, Rex A. (Christine M.) Bartholomew, Jr. of Ellsworth, Roxann Bartholomew of East Jordan, Teresa Bartholomew of Traverse City and Virginia Murphy of East Jordan; two step children, Kim McKinnon of Grosse Pointe Woods and Karla Rosendall of Alto; many grandchildren and great grandchildren; one brother, David (Cathy) Bartholomew of East Jordan; and one niece, Kelly (Drew) Bartell of Haslett.

Rex was also preceded in death by a son, Joseph Michael Murphy on January 15, 2014.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 20, 2018, at 11:00 A.M. at the Light-house Missionary Church in East Jordan. Rev. James L. Jordan will be officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Hospice of Northwest Michigan, 220 West Garfield, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Arrangements were handled by the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

Maxine Betty Harrold, 95

(AUG. 3, 1922 - APRIL 12, 2018)



A legend of strength has consented to move on. After 95 years making her mark on Planet Earth, Maxine Betty Harrold spent 50 hours showing her mettle to the doctors in the hospital who'd given her eight. She died in her own good time Thursday, April 12, 2018, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital surrounded by her family who will greatly miss her.

For those of you who didn't know Maxine Harrold: She was fearless. She was always right. She corrected your grammar. She could not cook. She was a daughter, sister, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, a wife, a partner, and for 21 years she powered Northern Michigan's tourism industry at the helm of the Petoskey Chamber of Commerce.

The words of those who remember her tell it best:

"She was something special. A tough cookie. One hell of a strong woman. A force to be reckoned with. Tenacious. Remarkable. One in a million."

"She certainly embraced life, especially in her later years. She inspired us by finding love at 90. Maybe it was like getting back on a bike, which she also memorably did at 92, showing off for her partner and ending up in the hospital where the nursing staff was in awe."

"She lived life on her terms and was quite funny, but could not tell a joke."

"She definitely lived life to the fullest, a trait she shared with and passed down to her children and grandchildren. Strong women make strong women. Her legacy continues in all of the Harrold women."

"Such a character Maxine was—and is. Hers is a presence that won't soon fade, a force field that still will shine (and sass) widely through the whole Harrold family, carried on by the next generations."

"A trailblazer for women in the workplace. Maxine ran the Chamber like no one else.

Even her boss, Merle Lutz, was afraid of her. She could charm anyone, then explain to them why they were stupid—and they understood!"

"Maxine was awesome (and also scared the bejesus out of me!). One of the strongest ladies I've ever had the pleasure of knowing. She's left a great legacy."

"Lifting our glasses and toasting to the wind. Maxine had a spirit that will never fade."

Maxine leaves a large and diverse extended family who will gather this summer to honor her. As she would want, in lieu of memorial contributions, please support our local Petoskey economy.

Raymond Lee Milne, 75

(NOV. 14, 1942 - APRIL 15, 2018)

Raymond Lee Milne of Boyne City passed away on Sunday, April 15, 2018 at the Georgia House in Charlevoix.

Ray was born on November 11, 1942 in Auckland, New Zealand the son of Raymond and Margaret (Lee) Milne.

A celebration for Ray will take place at a later date and a full obituary will follow.

George Richard "Dick" Wheeler, 87

(APRIL 17, 1930 - APRIL 15, 2018)

George Richard "Dick" Wheeler, born April 17, 1930, passed away in God's peace on Sunday, April 15, 2018, surrounded by his loving family and friends. Dick is survived by his wife, Barbara, his children Diane (Rick) Kightlinger, Lynn (Dave) Amato, Carol Shepherd, Lisa (Joe) Howie and Ken Wheeler and his step children Kathy (Harry) Leist, Gary (Yvonne) Rose, Debra (Roger) Knutson, Renee Erikson and Judy (John) Stevens, as well as many grand and great grandchildren.

Dick was a Christian, an artisan and a musician - a lover of God, life, adventure, laughter, people, playing games, music, the great outdoors and animals, especially his dogs. He loved to fish, hunt animals and birds, mushrooms, antique bottles, blueberries and agates. He collected coins, antique beer bottles, license plates, agates and funny stories.

He spent his life trying to think of ways to help people. He tried to be a faithful and honest man but towards the end of his life he wished he could have been even more so.

He was blessed with an attitude of gratitude during the last years of his life. He was grateful for his mother, grandparents, aunts and uncles, both of his wives, their children and their spouses, grandchildren, great grandchildren and his many, many friends. He was especially grateful for two of his personal physicians, Dr. Louis Cannon and Dr. Geryalyn Doshkosh, who also cared for him on the last day of his life.

He was grateful to have had the chance to own a sailboat and to captain a much bigger one; to pilot an airplane; to have owned and operated his own metal stamping business; to be a leader of the Explorer Scouts, to have designed and built a full scribe log cabin and all of its furnishings; and to have spent days and hours searching for agates on the shores of Lake Superior. He was grateful to his grandfather for instilling within him his love of gardening and to his children who helped him keep one in his later years. He felt truly blessed by God.

Dick's family will host a celebration of his life on Fri-

day, April 20, 2018, from 4:30pm until 6:30pm at Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc., 621 Main Street in East Jordan, MI.

Please make any memorial contributions to: Grandvue Medical Center's Alzheimer's Wing, Boy Scouts of America, Boyne City Dog Park or East Jordan Rotary Club.

Gene A. Seeley, 79

(APRIL 30, 1938 - APRIL 16, 2018)

Gene A. Seeley of East Jordan died Monday, April 16, 2018, at home.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at 12:00 noon at the Harvest Barn Church in East Jordan.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am until service time at church.

A complete obituary will follow.

Gregory A. Van Stedum, 36

(JUNE 6, 1981 - APRIL 14, 2018)

Gregory A. Van Stedum of Charlevoix passed away on April 14, 2018 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital.

Gregory was born on June 6, 1981 in Charlevoix to Tom and Sandy (Powers) Van Stedum.

Everyone that knew Greg loved him. He had a zest for life, and his huge smile and sparkling eyes were contagious. The light of his life was his daughter, Violet Lotie. Greg adored his wife, and their love was a real-life fairy tale.

His family and friends meant the world to him. He faced many health challenges throughout his life, but he was unwavering in his commitment to his faith in the lord.

He was a military history buff and was very patriotic. He enjoyed spending his time cooking, playing cards, airsofting, deer hunting, and having family outings in the backyard.

On July 19, 2014 in Charlevoix Gregory married Emily Hughes who survives. He is also survived by his beautiful daughter, Violet Lottie Van Stedum; parents Tom and Sandy Van Stedum of Ellsworth; paternal grandmother, Theresa Van Stedum of Ellsworth; maternal grandmother, Jean Powers of Ellsworth; father and mother-in-law, Gregory and Laurie Hughes; 2 brothers-in-law, Ian Hughes and Jason Hughes both of Traverse City and sister-in-law, Michelle (Tracy) Reich of Charlevoix, along with many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by both his maternal and paternal grandpa's, Herbert Powers "Puppa" and Fred VanStedum.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 with time and location announced in the near future. Visitation will be held from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes on Friday, April 22, 2018.

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

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April is Autism Awareness Month

BY JIM AKANS

April is Autism Awareness Month. It is a time to bring greater awareness to the complexity of the wide spectrum of autism disorders, symbolize by the official image of a puzzle representing autism awareness. Much like those diagnosed with autism, each puzzle piece is different.



Autism Awareness month was first designated by the Autism Society in 1970. The Society launched a nationwide campaign to “promote autism awareness, inclusion and self-determination for all, and assure that each person with ASD is provided the opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life.” It has expanded to include events and activities in community’s across the country.

The Autism Society Autism states that according to the CDC, the prevalence of Autism now effects one in every 68 children in America. They relate that Autism Awareness Month “represents an excellent opportunity to promote autism awareness, autism acceptance and to draw attention to the tens of thousands facing an autism diagnosis each year.”

Autism statistics include:

- About 1 percent of the world population has autism spectrum disorder. (CDC, 2014)
- More than 3.5 million Ameri-

cans live with an autism spectrum disorder. (Buescher et al., 2014)

- Prevalence of autism in U.S. children increased by 119.4 percent from 2000 (1 in 150) to 2010 (1 in 68). (CDC, 2014) Autism is the fastest-growing developmental disability. (CDC, 2008)

- Autism services cost U.S. citizens \$236-262 billion annually. A majority of costs in the U.S. are in adult services – \$175-196 billion, compared to \$61-66 billion for children. (Buescher et al., 2014)

- The U.S. cost of autism over the lifespan is about \$2.4 million for a person with an intellectual disability, or \$1.4 million for a person without intellectual disability. (Buescher et al., 2014)

- 35 percent of young adults (ages 19-23) with autism have not had a job or received postgraduate education after leaving high school. (Shattuck et al., 2012)

- It costs more than \$8,600 extra per year to educate a student with autism. (Lavelle et al., 2014) (The average cost of educating a student is about \$12,000 – NCES, 2014)

In June 2014, only 19.3 percent of people with disabilities in the U.S. were participating in the labor force – working or seeking work. Of those, 12.9 percent were unemployed, meaning only 16.8 percent of the population with disabilities was employed. By contrast, 69.3 percent of people without disabilities were in the labor force, and 65 percent of the population without disabilities was employed. (Bureau

of Labor Statistics, 2014).

While several decades ago those diagnosed with autism were often placed in institutions, that is no longer the case. Advancements in treatment options have resulted in children across the autism spectrum growing, learning and flourishing at a differing developmental rates.

The Autism Society notes that, “While there is no known cure for autism, there are treatment and education approaches that can address some of the challenges associated with the condition. Intervention can help to lessen disruptive behaviors, and education can teach self-help skills for greater independence. But just as there is no one symptom or behavior that identifies people with autism, there is no single treatment that will be effective for everyone on the spectrum. Individuals can use the positive aspects of their condition to their benefit, but treatment must begin as early as possible and focus on the individual’s unique strengths, weaknesses and needs.”

The Family Education web site, www.familyeducation.com, suggests some autism awareness activities for families and children.

Those include joining a walk of hosing a fundraiser for autism, reading books about autism, creating puzzle-themed crafts and joining “No-Bullying” campaigns in their community. The Autism Society encourages people to wear the Autism Awareness Puzzle Ribbon, the most recognized symbol of the autism community in the world. They are available on their web site, Autism-society.org.

EVENT

Fun Walk for Autism Awareness

North Country Community Mental Health is sponsoring its 7th Annual Fun Walk for Autism Awareness on Saturday, May 5 at Veteran’s Memorial Park in Boyne City. On-site registration begins at 9am and the “Fun Walk” begins at 10am (approximately a half mile in length). Registration fee is \$10. All participants will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win one of many great prizes including gift cards and special give-a-ways. Must be present to win.

One of the event organizers, Heather Smith, MA, LPC, BCBA, noted, “We had approximately 175 participants last year, which was a record number. We continue to see many returning participants and welcome new ones each year as well. We have participants from not only the Boyne area, but the surrounding counties. We have even had participants from as far as the Grand Rapids area. The outpouring of support from the community for this event continues to exceed any expectations we had when we began this event seven years ago.”

Smith added, “We continue to provide Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services to children up to age 21 after the state expansion of Autism services in January of



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2016. North Country Community Mental Health provided these services to 154 children and adolescents in 2017.”

For further information or to register contact Heather Smith at 231-347-9605 x3607 or hsmith@norcoomh.org or visit www.norcoomh.org to access the registration form and information. Persons wishing to know more about the agency are encouraged to visit www.norcoomh.org or to access services call 800-834-3393.

U. S. MILITARY VETERAN OF THE MONTH



The Veteran of the Month of April, 2018, is Elwood “Woody” Austin. Born 10 July, 1926 in Merrill, Wisconsin. He attended schools there, and graduated High School in the class of 1944. Prior to his graduation, Austin enlisted in the United States Navy. The day after graduating he was assigned to Great Lakes Naval Training Station, near Chicago, Illinois, receiving basic and additional training. In 1945, he then was reassigned to the Aircraft Carrier USS Bon Homme Richard as an open gun mount Captain on the flight deck, serving in the Pacific Theater of operations. On 4 June, 1946, at the rank of Yeoman 3rd class, at the Separation Center United States Naval Base in Bremerton, Washington, Austin received an Honorable Discharge, and received the following decorations: The Asiatic Pacific Area Campaign Medal with 1 Battle Star; The American Area Campaign Medal; The World War II Victory Medal with 2 Bronze Stars.

Returning home Austin started his career as a pharmaceutical representative, and worked for Benson Optical Company for many years, in Wisconsin and Northern Michigan. While working in Petoskey, Michigan he met Vernie Schneider McDonald, and they were married on 4 February, 1967. In the early 1970’s, he became manager of the then Burns Clinic Optical Department, retiring in 1991. He was very active in the Petoskey Lions Club, becoming King Lion. In 2005, he moved to Boyne City, Michigan, and became active in the Boyne Valley Lions Club. He was instrumental in establishing the



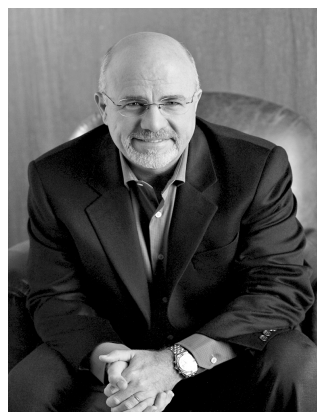
ELWOOD “WOODY” AUSTIN

Eye Bank of Northern Michigan. Shortly after the death of his wife Vernie in 2001, Austin met a lovely lady, Wilma Socia. He and Wilma spent 16 fun filled years together, traveling, socializing and enjoying each other’s company. He referred to Wilma as his “Angel”. He and Wilma could be found every year ringing the bell for the Salvation Army’s “Red Kettle”.

Austin was a member of the Inland Lake Snowmobile Club for many years. He was also a member of American Legion Post #228 in Boyne City, Michigan, proudly serving on the Color Guard, playing TAPS at veteran funerals and other ceremonies, until just before he passed away. He greatly enjoyed the comradery of his fellow vets, and was proud of his service to his country. You would always see him wearing his WWII cap wherever he went.

On December 10, 2017, Elwood æWoodyæ Austin, answered the final call and is being honored by his special companion Wilma, his extended family, his comrades, and many friends.

DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

(Tiny home depreciation?)

Dear Dave,
Do you think the value of a “tiny home” would depreciate like a trailer?
Romeo

Dear Romeo,
That’s a tough one. I’m not certain they would depreciate like a trailer, but I don’t think they would go up in value much, either.

Anytime there’s a very limited demand for something, the price or value doesn’t generally increase. And there are very few people looking to buy tiny homes. The tiny home movement is kind of a niche thing. It’s a very narrow market, and something that doesn’t have a lot of demand isn’t going to appreciate.

I would avoid the tiny house movement if I were you, Romeo. Don’t invest in things that don’t have proven track records and don’t go up in value. I love real estate, but not tiny real estate!
—Dave

Dave Says

(Expenses, not income)

Dear Dave,
I bring home \$4,100 a month in military disability pay and Social Security combined. My wife brings home an additional \$2,000 each month. Should we base our emergency fund level on her income only, since mine is guaranteed?
Lewis

Dear Lewis,
Your emergency fund shouldn’t be based on income. I recommend folks

have three to six months of household expenses set aside in an emergency fund. What would it take to operate your household for that length of time if one or both of your incomes disappeared?

I don’t anticipate your income stopping, Lewis. But income loss isn’t the only thing you’re guarding against with an emergency fund. You’re also guarding against things like an illness in the family, if the transmission in the car goes out, or your home’s heating and cooling unit needs to be replaced. There are many more crises that can come upon a family other than a loss of income.

I don’t mind if you two lean toward the three-month side of expenses, since your income is pretty stable. But always remember, an emergency fund should contain three to six months of expenses, not income.

Thank you for your service, sir.
—Dave

(Laptop dilemma)

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are just starting Baby Step 1 of your plan. Prior to this, we told my two nephews we would buy them laptop computers for college. They don’t get a lot of encouragement or support from their immediate family, so we try to help them when we can. Should we go ahead and honor this commitment, postpone getting our starter emergency fund in place, and possibly take on a little more debt, or bow out of the agreement?
Lisa

Dear Lisa,
Well, it’s difficult to be generous when you’re broke. You don’t even have \$1,000 to your names, and you’re going to buy two laptops? I don’t know how much debt you have, or what your household income is, but I do know nei-

ther of you have managed your money very well in the past.

If you make \$50,000 a year, and you have \$70,000 in debt, you should sincerely and apologetically bow out. Explain that you made a big mistake, and just be honest about why you can’t provide the laptops. If you make \$200,000 a year, but you’ve just been incredibly silly and lazy with your money, you should buy the laptops and then get serious about growing up and getting control of your finances.

Don’t make promises, financial or otherwise, you can’t keep. I know this is a tough, embarrassing situation, but it’s what I would do if I were in your shoes.
—Dave

(What happens to the debt?)

Dear Dave,
I’ve started your personal finance course in high school, so I’m asking this for the entire class. What happens to your debt if you pass away with no relatives or heirs to take responsibility for what you owed?
Elizabeth

Dear Elizabeth,
In many cases it simply does not get paid. Relatives or heirs of the deceased are not responsible for a friend or family member’s debt, except in cases where they have been a co-signer on that debt.

Let’s say someone’s parents died, and at the time of their death they had \$100,000 in debt in their names only. The only way that debt will be paid is if they owned enough stuff — if they had enough in the way of assets — to pay the debt. If they owned a \$200,000 home, the house would have to be sold in order to pay the debts. Their estate would be the only thing standing good for the debt. If they owned nothing, and had no co-signers on any of the debt, the creditor would not get paid. The bank lost that money.

Elizabeth, I hope that helped. Please tell your teacher I said thank you for leading the class!
—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

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East Jordan State of the Community Luncheon

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—East Jordan is heading in the right direction and its future is bright was the message members of the community walked away with after hearing four keynote speakers discuss the status of the city, schools, and DDA at East Jordan's State of the Community Luncheon Tuesday, November 11.

An air of optimism filled the Harvest Barn hall as 26 East Jordan High School seniors and other members of the community listened intently to Mayor Russell Peck whose speech focused on the challenges and infrastructure im-

provements that still lie ahead for the city. "All in all things are looking up, we're heading in the right direction. Together we will position our community for a resilient and sustainable future. Indeed, East Jordan's future is bright," he concluded.

Peck not only talked about all that the city has accomplished but emphasized the infrastructure improvements needed to accommodate new growth. "We are very optimistic about the future of our community and that optimism comes from the exciting new direction we have been heading," he said. He cited the city's sewer system that is already operating at 86%

capacity, sidewalks, and sea-pilings to be installed at the southwest side of the harbor next to the bridge intended to stop silt from filling the harbor (construction to begin in December) as projects that will further enable the city to grow. He mentioned the new well house (already up and running), the now open 24/7 recycling center and the \$12,000 Kayak facility in the park which he stated presently "looks like an art project." "We are developing the kind of community we have envisioned for future generations. There is a positive beat energy," he said.



DDA Chairman Tom Teske, Chamber of Commerce Director Mary Fac-Stevenson, and Mayor Russell Peck address an audience of community leaders at the third annual State of the Community Address Tuesday, November 11. "East Jordan's future is bright," said Peck.

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Boyne City's Luke Sage (2) follows an opening for another big gain. Sage finished with 63 yards on nine carries and a touchdown. Full Story in Sports. (PHOTO BY CINDA SHUMAKER)

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If you need any additional information, please contact Ruth Witek at (231) 582-3152 or (231) 758-2787. If you would like to submit the name of a child in need, please contact Nancy Hosmer at (231) 582-7246.

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Schmidt calls for shutdown of Enbridge pipeline under the straits

LANSING — State Sen. Wayne Schmidt, R-Traverse City, issued the following statement on Wednesday regarding the recent damage to Line 5 and other underwater cables beneath the straits:



State Sen. Wayne Schmidt

"I cannot begin to explain my disappointment with what happened last week — not only because of what happened, but how it

was handled as well. "The communication efforts by Enbridge and ATC were nonexistent. I have been in contact with my federal partners, including Congressman Bergman's office, and there is a mutual concern that because the communication efforts on behalf of all companies involved were thin, efforts toward fixing the problem will also be

less than impressive. If waiting days for information about something so important is what we're to expect, I have zero confidence situations like this have been and will be handled in a timely, effective manner.

"As a result, I am calling for a complete shutdown of Line 5. We've talked about this long enough — there have been numerous issues that have stemmed from the 65-year-old pipeline and it's time we shut it down and

pursue an alternative.

"The line should remain down as we independently verify that there is no potential for risk — including shipping or anchor damage — or come up with an alternative. Taking Enbridge at their word that everything is operating as it should is not good enough. There is simply too much conflict and too great a risk to our state's natural resources.

"I am also greatly disappointed with the shipping

company that is responsible for the damage. I've been in touch with representatives from the U.S. Coast Guard and I've been assured that these underwater pipelines and cables are clearly labeled on the nautical maps used by shipping companies. Because of the potential for damage, it is highly recommended that ships do not drop anchor in these areas, yet that is exactly what we saw. The company's negligence has put our Great Lakes and their re-

spective ecosystems at risk, and they certainly must pay for doing so.

"I want to thank all of the local, state and federal officials for their coordinated efforts, and while I am thankful that no environmental damage was detected, I think it's time we pursue a safer alternative to running a pipeline under the straits."

Beaver Island Community Theater presents "The Odd Couple" ...with a twist

Neil Simon's Odd Couple is coming to the Robert Gillespie Memorial Theater at the BIC Center at the end of this month — but with a twist. The Beaver Island Players will present the "Female Version" of the show. Yes, Unger and Madison are at it again, but this time its Florence and Olive instead of Oscar and Felix.

"I'm really excited to be bringing this show to our stage," said Jaque LaFreniere, the show's producer. "It's a great change-up on a classic Broadway hit."

The cast for the show includes Laura Green and Becca Foli as the odd couple with support from Marie Boyle, Vicki Smith, Heidi Vigil, Elaine West, Nick DeLatt and Brian Foli.

They are under the direction of Stan Jansen.

"I retired last year as a professor in the theater department at CMU and this is a great way to kick off my retirement production experience," said Jansen. "The cast is fabulous and the theater at the BIC Center is a great performance space."

"We're thrilled to get our 10th anniversary season underway," said Carol Creasser, the president of The Preservation Association of Beaver Island, which operates the BIC Center. "It's going to be a great show. And it is easy to get over here to see it. This time of year it is easy to find a place to stay, and there are great places to eat for dinner and a show.

Our ferry is running and both of the airlines serving the island have plenty of flights."

Performances are Saturday, April 28 at 7p, and Sunday the 29 at 2pm at the Beaver Island Community Center on Beaver Island. Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$8 for students and can be purchased at the BIC Center or by calling 231-448-2022.

Information on getting to the island is available at beaverisland.org or by calling the Community Center at 231-448-2022. Information about BIC Center is available at biccenter.org. Information about other upcoming island events is available at calendar.wvbi.net.

Crime victim services Federal grants available to public and nonprofit groups

Local organizations across the state will be able to apply for \$3.75 million in federal grants to provide services for supervised visitation and safe exchange programs, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) announced today.

The MDHHS Division of Victim Services has posted its second of five Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding. The division is accepting proposals from organizations that would expand and enhance their existing supervised visitation and safe exchange service for crime victims. MDHHS will award

three- to five-year U.S. Department of Justice grants of \$50,000 to \$750,000.

Supervised visitation and safe exchange programs provide parents who may present a risk to their children or to another parent the opportunity to have parent-child contact monitored by an appropriate third party. Visitation centers have begun to emerge as a service for some families engaged in child custody disputes and for families with histories of domestic violence and other allegations of parental misconduct.

Questions about the RFP for supervised visitation and safe exchange programs can

be emailed to MDHHS-CVSC-VOCA-GRANTS@michigan.gov and must be submitted by Friday, April 20 by 5 p.m. The deadline for proposals is Thursday, May 10 by 3 p.m.

The remaining three RFPs will be available in April and May and will focus on sexual assault services, tribal victim services and children's advocacy center development. Applicant agencies must be public or non-profit organizations — including faith-based entities and American Indian tribes — that provide direct services to crime victims. The purpose of the funding is to expand and enhance services

to victims of crime, such as responding to the immediate needs of crime victims, reducing psychological consequences of victimization and helping restore victims' sense of dignity and self-esteem.

For more information or to apply, visit the MI E-Grants website and select the "About EGrAMS" link on the left panel to access the Crime Victims Agreement training manual. The RFP is located under "Legal and Policy Affairs" in the Current Grants section.

For more information about Michigan's Division of Victim Services, visit Michigan.gov/crimevictims.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT

Monday, April 2, 2018
0840 NSF check complaint received from the 100 block of N Park St
0946 911 hang up in the 400 block of W Michigan
1453 Found key and fob turned in to PD
2158 Assist EMS in the 700 block of Line St

Tuesday, April 3, 2018
0458 Assist EMS in the 500 block of Grant St
0816 Suspicious subject in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
0951 Larceny complaint in the 200 block of W Cedar St
1017 Alarm in the 800 block of Front St

1144 Report of CSC that occurred in the 200 block of W Cedar St
1551 Suspicious situation in the 1000 block of Boyne Av.

Wednesday, April 4, 2018
1040 Citation issued for speed at Division and Grant.
1225 Request for vehicle unlock in the 500 block of N East St.

Thursday, April 5, 2018
1640 Suspicious items found in the 400 block of N Lake St.

Friday, April 6, 2017
707 parking complaint in

the 300 block of Silver St.
0908 Assist to CPS
1051 Assist probation officer on S Park St
1300 Found credit card dropped off at PD
1707 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Old Horton Bay Rd.
2005 Assist citizen in the 200 block of N Lake St

Saturday, April 7, 2018
0213 Arrested subject for OWI at East and Water.
1247 Welfare check in the 500 block of N Lake St
1524 Attempted scam reported from the 400 block of Trent St.
1701 Vehicle unlock in the

1000 block of West St
1744 Arrested subject on warrant while on traffic stop Lake and State
2256 Enroute to assist Sheriff Dept. on Renkie Rd. Canceled while enroute
2307 Assist MSP on M75 N
2347 Assist MSP on M-75 S

Sunday, April 8, 2018
1327 Civil complaint in the 500 block of N Lake St
1957 Civil situation in the 100 block of E Michigan Av
2234 Report of vehicle stuck on rock in the 300 block of E Division St. Gone on arrival.

Boyer Falls Public Schools STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Logan Crocker

Grade: 8th

Parent's Name(s): Jennifer Kind, Larry Crocker

Future Plans: Go to college to become an Engineer

Favorite Book: The Last Apprentice Series

Hobbies and Interests Baseball and Drawing

School Activities: Baseball

Staff Comments: Logan is a very hard worker who strives for perfection in the classroom. He has no problem staying on task to complete any challenge. Logan is a very polite young man who is well liked by all his peers. It is a pleasure to have Logan in my classroom, and I am sure he will excel at the high school level next year.

Submitted By: Frank Hamilla

Adopt-A-Highway dates changed due to weather

With persistent snowbanks and late season snowstorms complicating plans, the schedule for the annual Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Adopt-A-Highway (AAH) program has been changed. The ongoing pickup in the southern half of the Lower Peninsula will be extended through April 29.

The first Adopt-A-Highway pickup for the northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula will be later, from May 5 to 13. Volunteers pick up litter three times each year. Statewide, there will be a summer pickup from July 14 to 22 and a fall pickup from

Sept. 22 to 30. AAH groups wear high-visibility, yellow-green safety vests required by federal regulations when working within a highway right of way. MDOT provides free vests and trash bags, and arranges to haul away the trash.

Sections of highway are still available for adoption. Groups are asked to adopt a section for at least two years. Adopt-A-Highway signs bearing a group's name are posted along the stretch of adopted highway. There is no fee to participate.

For more information, go to www.michigan.gov/adoptahighway.

EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, APRIL 17, 2018

Community seeks volunteers for day of service and members for ORV club

BY KRISTAL JOHNSON

EAST JORDAN - The East Jordan City Commission continued lease negotiation discussions for the ambulance authority at their bimonthly meeting Tuesday evening, approved new requests, and promoted upcoming service projects and clubs. Mayor Russ Peck opened the meeting by giving commendation to Jerald Cihak, who served on the East Jordan Fire Department as a fireman and diver for several years, as well as, the East Jordan City Commission from September 7, 1993 until November 1, 2003.

At the request of the commission, City Attorney Scott Beatty presented commissioners with a draft lease agreement for the Jordan Valley Emergency Medical Services (JVEMS) Authority. In the draft agreement, Beatty added language that he hoped might answer some of the questions the commission raised at their previous April meeting.

At the April 3 meeting, Commissioner John Doebel, the city representative on the JVEMS Authority board, suggested that the authority had reservations concerning the account that any collected funds would be held and whether there was a cap on such funds.

Beatty added language to the discussion draft specifying that the authority will contribute \$10,000 annually to go into an account to be known as The Fire/EMS Building Reserve Fund. While the fund shall be held and administered by the city, Beatty added language to specify that the collected funds will constitute an (irreversible) credit running to the authority. A \$50,000 cap on the fund balance was also included in the new draft, as well as, "not to exceed costs" for lawn care and snow removal.

A consensus was given by commissioners to move forward with the draft lease.

Commissioners also approved requests Tuesday evening, including authorization of EJ Perpetual Care

Funds being sent to the Charlevoix County Community Foundation pending auditor approval, as well as, authorizing a contractor's pay application in the amount of \$461,630.01 for the wastewater treatment plant. Logistics requests from the East Jordan's Lions Club were also approved for the South Arm Classics event that will be held Saturday, July 14.

During City Administrator Tom Cannon's closing report, he encouraged the community to volunteer for the Russ Mawby Signature Service Project that will take place Saturday, May 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will bring together 100 visiting volunteers and community members for a day of service. Out of the six regions that were awarded the Russ Mawby Signature Service Project last year, Grayling was the Northern Michigan recipient. AmeriCorps members worked with community volunteers in Grayling on several service projects, some of which included orchard pruning, bird house building, and planting trees and a pollinator gar-

den. This year, Cannon said, volunteers will focus a lot at Sportsman's Park for clean-up, shrub removal, and painting the gazebo. A boxed lunch and t-shirt will be distributed to all participants who sign-up before April 21. To become a volunteer, register at surveyMonkey.com/r/DDNZ7X3.

Commissioner Tracey Johnson gave an update to the commission before the meeting's close regarding the South Arm ORV (off-road vehicle) club he is in the process of building. Johnson hopes to see East Jordan expand their ORV trail system and better connect trails to neighboring communities, including Boyne City. He hopes to begin accepting members to the club soon. For those interested, the South Arm ORV Club can be found on facebook or at <https://southarmorv.wixsite.com/mysite>.

The next regular meeting of the East Jordan City Commission is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

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tween Friday night and Sunday. Some 1,600 GLE customers in 17 counties were still without power Sunday morning. The largest outages were reported in Antrim, Charlevoix and Newaygo counties.

Consumer's Energy reported online that 40,479 of its customers lost power during the storm and some 250,000 DTE customers throughout the state also experienced a power outage, which for some was still not restored into Tuesday.

Kurz said Xanto will be done toying with northern Michigan by the coming weekend, with sunny skies and temperatures predicted to be where they normally are this time of year and in the upper 40's to low 50's by Sunday.

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Open Door Christian Coffee House reopens

The Open Door Christian Coffee House has reopened for the 2018 year. We have a nearly full schedule and are excited about all the wonderful music we have coming to our events. We have different talent

every first and third Saturday from April through December. This year's schedule will be:
April 21: Jim Visser
May 5: Crooked River (Ralph Knapp)
May 19: Mary Ann Garza

June 2; Doylene Jenkins
June 16; One Accord (Gene Warner)
July 7; The Walkers – Tom, Jana and Tami
July 21; 4 One Quartet
Refreshments will be

available; free coffee and snacks with a small charge for pizza and soda. Great fellowship. Everyone is welcome. The Coffee House is located at 951 Mill Street in East Jordan.



Ribbon Cutting at new Crossroads Ecumenical Resale Shop

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce conducted a Ribbon Cutting at the new location of the Crossroads Ecumenical Resale Shop. Also housed in the new building is the Care and Share Food Pantry. The new address is 6710 M-32 in East Jordan. The resale shop is open Tuesday - Friday from 10am to 4pm and Saturday from 10am to 2pm. In its new home the shop features a great selection of clothing, furniture, household items and much more. Shown here, the ambassadors from the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce and Crossroads staff, Board Members and volunteers as they cut the ribbon at the new Crossroads location. COURTESY PHOTO

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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EAST JORDAN, HOW DO WE LOVE THEE?

To the Editor,
Let us count the ways. No hurricanes, no tsunamis, no earthquakes, no tornados. No Nuremberg Trials like soon to enter the lexicon of Washington DC. No terrorist attacks. No school shootings (yet). East Jordan of course does not stand alone but is an integral part of the greater Northwest Michigan Lower Peninsula inclusive of all towns distributed throughout Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, with attachments to Grand Traverse and Otsego. We're integrated despite historic rivalries.

But I digress. East Jordan has no gangs, no ghettos, no SWAT teams, no SEALs, but plenty of veteran service persons, and I do emphasize persons, not males only. We tend to take the small town for granted after so many years. One longtime friend here said he and his wife were looking for a town with no stoplights, settled for this one with its one blinker at the bizarre M-32 multiple intersection at what became the deli store filling station, stop signs otherwise, not even a light at M-32 and M-66 till much later. With the fabled Jordan River trout stream, this was and remains a little piece of paradise, even benefactor/employer replete via "ej", other busi-

nesses like East Jordan Plastics and more.

There are drug problems here, homelessness, poverty amidst wealth, this though not widely reported is the reality. When we see food pantries and resale shops proliferating we know things aren't all happy-go-lucky. That's not just here though, this is nationwide. What we have here is still a nice little town with all the amenities we have come to enjoy or indeed come here to enjoy. This is still "Mayberry" in contrast to, say, Hemingway Point or Bay Harbor though this is changing with developments that look strikingly akin to gentrification. We do have Mary Faculak as Director of the Chamber of commerce, Tom Cannon as City Administrator, Russ Peck as Mayor, all respected and competent and upholding responsibilities while promoting future prospects for the town. So many others beyond word count capacity contribute but in total, with a little tweaking, the city is run well. Tweaking might include a municipally elected Mayor as before the charter renewal of the nineties because an elected leader has more visibility than one selected from among the commissioners, who used to be councilors, a friendlier sound because commissioner is more applicable to police commissioner. But this is just a personal take since we get to bless and to

blame as country superstar Kris Kristofferson sang.

In East Jordan one can walk most anywhere – although most don't – without apprehension on remarkably clear streets regardless weather conditions, find shops open even with a few still vacant. Same for Boyne City and Charlevoix proper, that is without the add-ons obscuring the water. These are still small towns with all the bucolic charm inherent even with upgrades and upscale attempts. East Jordan is displaying symptoms of that and the future looks prosperous although a little uncertain as to keeping the old Jordan Valley character.

Crime. Not really though one might think so to absorb the local police and court reports. But most crime although drug oriented comes here from elsewhere. Lemme tell ya, anyone passing through with criminal intent will be noticed post haste, happens occasionally. Outsiders don't fit in readily here, not ostracized but noticed, and any apparent oddity will gain attention immediately. County jails are filled mostly with DUI offenders and misdemeanor violators, occasionally out-of-towners on a crime spree, and that's it. It keeps everyone busy enough and provides cash for the county coffers, funding to continue the oversight of bureaucratic controls which in East Jordan some maintain are too

stringent for its size. That's about it though East Jordan is picked on somewhat for its backwater lumberjack heritage.

Otherwise it's waterways and four seasons of sports and activities, no real problems like downstate and elsewhere. Everybody's basically happy and unaffected, ingenious and honest. There's really no reason to be anything else hereabouts because apart from the occasional grafter via telephone, internet or business dealing, nobody wishes anybody ill. That's the way it is here regardless the titles of political persuasion or social inclination. Everyone just gets along with basically no questions asked. They don't have to; the word is out anyway as to who's who; it's just that way in these rural communities. One might be misunderstood at times because this is a plain-spoken community but a friendly gesture or word resolves everything. Buying a round of beer at the local watering hole clinches it. Cops? Not to worry. County and State boys might be overly zealous about ticket and DUI money but local boys have to live here. We all get along. It's the nature of a small town.

Mitchell Jon MacKay,
East Jordan

Grant helping MDHHS assess oral cancer screening procedures

April is Oral Cancer Awareness Month, and to help raise awareness the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Oral Health Unit is using a nearly \$27,000 grant from the Delta Dental Foundation to assess screening procedures for oral cancer and determine knowledge of the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) among oral health professionals.

Dr. Jeff Johnston, Chief Science Officer and Vice President at Delta Dental, represents the organization on the MDHHS advisory committee for this project.

"Although April is cancer awareness month, the need for early diagnosis and treatment is year round," Johnston said. "Promotion of HPV awareness and vaccination will pay off in less people having to go through this terrible disease."

The Oral Health Unit is using the funding to conduct a survey of 5,000 Michigan dental providers. Responses will help:

- Assess screening procedures for oral cancer by oral health professionals.
- Assess the knowledge of oral health professionals of oral cancer screening, HPV and HPV vaccine.
- Determine if oral health professionals perform any follow up after identifying pa-

tients with suspected oral cancers.

- Determine if oral health professionals are willing to discuss HPV, its connection to oral cancer and/or promote the HPV vaccine.

In addition, survey results may be used to develop interventions and pilots and share best practices among Michigan dental providers.

"The goal is to increase the number of Michigan residents screened for oral cancer and referred to specialists if needed and to increase the number of individuals vaccinated with the HPV vaccine," said Nick Lyon, MDHHS director. "We appreciate Delta Dental's support in researching this important issue. Oral cancer is the eighth most common cancer diagnosis in men, causing more than 8,000 deaths among men and women each year."

Each year more than 30,000 new cases of oral cancer are diagnosed in the United States, and it is estimated more than 50 percent of all oral cancers are associated with HPV lesions. HPV is a virus that causes infection on the skin or mucous membranes of various areas of the body, including the mouth.

For more information about oral health, visit Michigan.gov/oralhealth.

Michiganders warned not to consume products containing kratom due to Salmonella outbreak linked to substance

LANSING – The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is collaborating with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development and local health departments to investigate a multistate outbreak of Salmonella linked to the consumption of products containing the plant substance kratom.

More than 130 people from 38 states, including three individuals in Michigan in Kent, Livingston and Monroe counties, have been infected with Salmonella linked to kratom. No deaths have been reported; however, 38 individuals have been hospitalized.

Kratom is a plant consumed for its stimulant effects and is also used as an opioid substitute. Kratom is known as Thang, Kakuum, Thom, Ketom and Biak. Ill individuals have reported consuming kratom as pills, powder and in tea.

"We are advising Michigan residents not to consume any products containing kratom," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "If you have used kratom and subsequently develop symptoms, please consult your medical provider. In addition, we urge people to consult their health care provider before taking any supplement, especially if they have weakened immune systems, are pregnant,

younger than 5 years old or are an older adult."

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued a mandatory recall for all food products containing powdered kratom manufactured, processed, packed or held by Triangle Pharmedicals, LLC. Other kratom products have been recalled voluntarily by suppliers or manufacturers as several other brands and products containing kratom have tested positive for Salmonella. As part of the Michigan investigation, the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories has detected Salmonella in the following four kratom-containing product samples purchased online from Herbal-Salvation/Viable Solutions, LLC, in Nampa, ID: Red Vein Bali (Indonesia), Green Horn (Indonesia), Red Vein Sumatra (Indonesia) and Thai Maeng Da. (Thailand). For a list of recalled kratom products, .

Most people infected with Salmonella develop diarrhea, fever, nausea, vomiting and abdominal cramps 12-72 hours after being exposed to the bacteria. The illness usually lasts four to seven days, and most people recover without treatment. In some cases severe diarrhea or infection may occur and require hospitalization.

For more information about the outbreak investigation involving kratom, .

TREE CITY

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chief executive and founder of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Trees provide numerous environmental, economical and health benefits to millions of people each day, and we applaud communities that make planting and caring for trees a top priority"

In observance of Arbor Day, Boyne City's annual seedling giveaway will take place this year on Thursday, April 26th from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm at City Hall. This year the city will be giving away White Pine, White Spruce, Colorado Blue Spruce, Elderberry

Bushes, and Butterfly Bushes. Come early for the best selection. We are asking that each individual limit their selection of trees to a total of two bundles.

With continued efforts through Boyne City's Urban Forestry and street tree programs the city is currently taking names and address of city residents who would like to have a tree either planted, trimmed or removed from the city right – of – way at their property.

For additional information about any of the tree programs offered by the city, please contact Andy Kovolski, Superintendent of the DPW at (231) – 582-6597.

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ELLSWORTH

KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

April 19, 3-7pm, Ellsworth Elementary School. Call (231) 588-2544 for additional information.

CHARLEVOIX

INNER CIRCLE GALLERY TALK: TERRY WOOTEN

April 19, 10am, Charlevoix Circle of the Arts, 109 Clinton Street. Terry Wooten is an award-winning poet and creator of the Stone Circle, a talismanic landmark, and focus of an international documentary film. His collected works, The Stone Circle Poems, was selected as a Notable Book by the Michigan State Library for 2016. He has taken his performance poetry and writing workshop program to K-12 schools, colleges, libraries, festivals and conferences for over 30 years. Free to attend.

CHARLEVOIX

CAREER EXPO

April 19, 9am-Noon, Charlevoix Middle/High School. Students will have an opportunity to meet with a variety of people in different occupations including community members and college admissions representatives. This will provide a chance to ask questions and understand more about specific careers. In addition, prizes will be awarded for participation. Come see how you can build a rewarding career and life here in northern Michigan.

BOYNE CITY

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

April 19, 5:30-7:30pm, Stiggs Brewery & Kitchen. The monthly event includes a 50/50 door prizes, food, drink, and business networking. There is no charge for admission or refreshments.

CHARLEVOIX

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

April 20, 8:30am, 10:00am & 12:45pm. April 23, 8:30am & 10:00am. If your child turns 5 on or before September 1, 2018, call to register to attend one of our sessions. We're the school with a small family atmosphere and big potential for your child. Stop in to see how together we can help your child succeed. For more information or to register for one of the sessions call 231.547.3215 rayder.net

BOYNE CITY

PAINT THE TOWN RED FUNDRAISER

April 21, 6pm-Midnight, Boyne Mountain Resort. Boyne City Booster Foundation's gala event/ Proceeds will provide funding for programs and activities in the Arts, Athletics, and Academics for the students of the Boyne City Public Schools. Paint the Town Red starts with dinner buffet stations and cash bar, silent and live auctions from 6 to 8 p.m. From 8 p.m. to midnight, you can dance to the sounds of "Main Street Soul," Detroit's premier dance and Motown band. The Boosters are again offering the incentive of "Reserved" tables to parties of 10. Tickets are \$60 a seat, and the entire table must be paid in full. Open seating tickets can be purchased separately for \$60. Tickets will be available at the office of Ralph W. Gillett, CPA, 106 E. Water St., phone (231) 582- 6421.

EAST JORDAN

FATHER/SON BANQUET

April 21, 6-8pm, East Jordan High School. Fathers, sons, grandfathers, uncles, friends – gather for fun and friends to enjoy dinner and fellowship. Dinner, Magic, the annual Kentucky-Style Derby and most of all...a celebration of Fathers & Sons. Tickets can be purchased from any Rotarian or at the door, \$10 adults, \$5 children.

CHARLEVOIX

LIVE FROM CHARLEVOIX PRESENTS ILLUSIONIST BEN WHITING

April 21, 8pm, Charlevoix Cinema III. As a speaker and entertainer, Ben performs at numerous conferences, award banquets, and private events across the country for clients such as American Express, GE, and Oprah's

HARPO Studios. He is also currently one of Crystal Cruise Lines' premier entertainers, which has enabled him to perform and speak in over 40 countries around the globe. If you are purchasing Student Passes, please bring proper School ID to the show. Visit livefrom-charlevoix.com

PETOSKEY

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HEALTH FAIR

April 21, 10am-2pm, Petoskey Middle School, located at 801 Northmen Drive. For 28 years, northern Michigan community agencies have been participating in the McLaren Northern Michigan Children's Health Fair. Taking place in April, the "Month of the Young Child," this free education focuses on events and activities for newborns to 12 year olds. Providing a fun family atmosphere, the Children's Health Fair is an educational environment where parents can learn best practices to keep children healthy and safe. Events include Action Hero Fun Run, crafts, face painting, hands-on learning activities and materials and prizes. Bring a gently used book and take one home and participate in the Free Cycle BookBin Project. There is a low-cost lunch available at the event for \$3 each or \$8 for the family.

BOYNE CITY

PUBLIC EDUCATION GRADED

April 22, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Pass or Fail? The State of Education," features filmed interviews with Nikhil Goyal, TED talk speaker and author of One Size Does Not Fit All: A Student's Assessment of School, and Sajjan George, the founder of Matchbook Learning, a school-turn-around organization. Goyal advocates sweeping changes in the educational system. During the session Lifetree participants will have to opportunity to discuss the current state of public education and what changes might improve the system for schools, parents, and students. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. In the First Presbyterian Church. Use the Pine St. entrance.

EAST JORDAN

AMERICAN GIRL DOLL TEA & ACTIVITIES

April 22, 2-3pm, East Jordan High School Cafeteria. Drinks, snacks, crafts and activities...tea cups optional. Bring a doll to the party to share with your friends. Door prizes include American Girl Dolls and more. 2018 Doll of the Year Luciana Vega and Wellie Wishers Camille & Willa. You must be present to win. Admission; \$5 for children and \$2 for adults. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more info call Connie Roberts 231 675 4332.

BOYNE CITY

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

April 26, 5-7:30pm, St. Matthew's Church Fellowship Hall, 1303 Boyne Avenue. Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and desserts will be served, and donations are appreciated. Proceeds to benefit Unity Hall, located at 509 North East Street in Boyne City, a safe and caring meeting place for people suffering from addictive, compulsive or other behavioral problems.

EAST JORDAN

ROTARY VARIETY SHOW

April 27 & 28, 7-9:30pm, East Jordan Community Auditorium. Join the all star cast for a great night of music, skits and lots of fun. Your sides will hurt from laughter and you will be sure to know some of the music so that you can sing along. Tickets are on sale now. See any Rotarian to purchase your show tickets. Tickets are \$10 each and will be selling fast. Rotary is adding another fun and cool twist. "Forks to Funnies" is a limited-seating, pre-show dinner theater opportunity that we're providing in conjunction with The Landing. "Forks to Funnies" starts at 5pm on each show night. Tickets are \$50 are available online at <http://bit.do/ejrotary> and include dinner, dessert, drinks and ticket to the show.

BOYNE CITY

THIRD ANNUAL KIDS CORNER

April 28, 10am-Noon, Charlevoix County Conservation District office, 303 North Street. Features hands-on nature activities for kids, and information on things to do and places to go around Charlevoix County. Our conservation partners this year include Raven Hill Discovery Center, Natureology, Friends of the Boyne and Boyne District Library. Each family will receive a pine tree seedling for participation.

EAST JORDAN

JORDAN VALLEY FIDDLERS JAMBOREE

April 28, Noon-10pm, East Jordan Civic Center. Come and play your fiddle, accompany the fiddlers with your acoustic instrument, call your favorite dances, enjoy the music and/or dance to the calls. Everyone is welcome. Admission by donation at the door. Monies collected, after expenses, are used for fiddle/instrument/calling scholarships

Jamboree is from 12 noon to 5pm and the Dance (Including Rounds, Squares & Contras) is from 7 to 10pm. (with some instruction for beginners from 6:30 to 7pm.). Registration for musicians and callers opens at 11:30am. You will perform in the order in which you sign in. Fiddlers from around the state, ages 5-95 will play 3 of their favorite tunes. Light refreshment, including pizza, available on site. Restaurants are nearby and you may bring your own food.

BOYNE CITY

MIRACULOUS INTERVENTIONS DISCUSSED

April 29, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe, 401 S. Park Street. The program, titled "Emergency: Make Room for God," features a filmed interview with Dena Ballagh, a woman who experienced a sudden life-threatening illness but was saved largely due to the efforts of a doctor whose identity she still doesn't know. During this program, participants will have an opportunity to share emergency situations they've experienced and any miracles that resulted from them. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. In the First Presbyterian Church. Use the Pine St. entrance. Join us for the potluck always on the last Sunday at 5:30. Bring a dish to share.

BOYNE CITY

ARBOR DAY SEEDLING GIVE-AWAY

May 3rd, 7:30am-4:30pm, Boyne City Hall. This year the city will be giving away White Pine, White Spruce, Colorado Blue Spruce, Elderberry Bushes, and Butterfly Bushes. Come early for the best selection. We are asking that each individual limit their selection of trees to a total of two bundles. For additional information about any of the tree programs offered by the city, please contact Andy Kovolski, Superintendent of the DPW at (231) -582-6597.

HARBOR SPRINGS

ANNUAL INSTANT WINE CELLAR FUNDRAISER

May 4, 6:30pm, Zoo Bar at Boyne Highlands. There will be plenty of wine and beer available for the raffle through attendees - all to raise money to bring free books to children in Emmet and Charlevoix counties! Entry to the event is \$5 and either a (\$20 value) bottle of wine or a six-pack of craft beer, or just \$25 per person. This is the second year the Instant Wine Cellar is supporting Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, and the first at the ZOO BAR. Visit charemunitedway.org

EAST JORDAN

SALAD AND SOUP LUNCHEON

May 4, 11am-1pm, East Jordan United Methodist Church. The East Jordan United Methodist Women will serve an all you care to eat Salad and Soup Luncheon featuring dozens of delicious salads, several soups, rolls, desserts, and beverages. The cost for the luncheon is \$7 with children 5 and under free. Proceeds from the

luncheon benefit local East Jordan outreach projects. The church is located at the corner of 4th and Esterly in East Jordan.

BOYNE CITY

BUFF UP BOYNE

May 5, 9am-Noon. The community clean-up event is organized every year by the Boyne City Main Street Program and it will start in Sunset Park, behind the Chamber building. Doughnuts will be provided in the morning, courtesy of Todd Meier and Dearborn Sausage. Volunteers are asked to bring their own tools, such as brooms, rakes, shovels and gloves. Some supplies will be available to borrow.

BOYNE CITY

FUN WALK FOR AUTISM AWARENESS

May 5, 10am, Veteran's Memorial Park. North County Community Mental Health is sponsoring its 7th Annual Fun Walk for Autism Awareness. On-site registration begins at 9am and the "Fun Walk" begins at 10am (approximately a half mile in length). Registration fee is \$10. All participants will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win one of many great prizes including gift cards and special giveaways. Must be present to win. For further information or to register contact Heather Smith at 231-347-9605 x3607 or hsmith@norcocmh.org or visit www.norcocmh.org to access the registration form and information.

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX CAMEL CUP

May 5, Noon-6pm, Charlevoix Elks #2856, 12735 US 31 N. The Camel Cup is a giant game-board race where the dice are rolled and the corresponding camel moves forward on the board. The camel that makes it to the end first wins and money is paid out to those betting on that camel. There are six races leading up to the final race where the six largest earning camels compete for the coveted Camel Cup. All proceeds raised fund the Bridge Drop New Year's Eve celebration. To sponsor a camel or to get more information email amanda@visitcharlevoix.com.

ELLSWORTH

SPRING FLING FASHION SHOW, LUNCHEON AND SILENT AUCTION

May 7, noon, Tapawingo, 9502 Lake Street. Hosted by A Matter of Taste. Tickets are on sale now - \$20 per person. Proceeds will feed families in need.

BOYNE FALLS

NLEA ANNUAL LUNCHEON

May 11, 11:30am-1:30pm, Boyne Mountain. Joe Short, founder of Short's Brewing Company, will be the keynote speaker as an expected 700 guests involved in the economic vitality of our area get together for an exciting luncheon. The Northern Lakes Economic Alliance hosts this celebration of regional economic development featuring live entertainment, prestigious awards and recognition, and plated lunch. Individual tickets are \$25, and \$250 for a table of 10. Register at eventbrite.com.

EAST JORDAN

50TH ANNUAL EJ LIONS CLUB MOTHER DAUGHTER BANQUET

May 12, 6pm, East Jordan High School. Dinner will be prepared by Chef Joe Krumholz of the Jordan Inn. East Jordan Lions Club members with the help of family and friends will serve the dinner. 2018 Miss East Jordan Madiynn Steltzner will be the Mistress of Ceremonies. Past Mothers of the Year will be recognized, and the 2018 Mother of the Year will be announced. Tickets are available at the door or from any East Jordan Lion. Prices are \$8 for adults, \$4 for students; preschool children will be admitted free of charge. Doors will open at 5:30 pm.

BOYNE CITY

ANNUAL CRAFT BEER BLOCK PARTY

May 17, 5-9pm, downtown. The 4th Annual Craft Beer Block Party will kick off the 58th Annual National Morel Mushroom Festival again this year, and we're looking for sponsors. Again this year, we'll have a great band, lots of delicious food and of course, craft beer and wine.

BOYNE CITY

MOREL FESTIVAL

May 17-20. Highlights include an Arts & Crafts Show, Carnival Rides, Morel Outdoor Recreation Show, Guided Mushroom Hunt, Wine & Dine Gourmet Dinner, Competitive Mushroom Hunt, The Taste of Morels and the Great Morel Giveaway. Full schedule at www.morelfest.com.

CHARLEVOIX

SECOND ANNUAL JOPPA 5K

May 19, 8am, Michigan Beach Park. Runners and walkers are welcome. There will be a free One Mile Fun Run on the beach at 9:00am, making this a great family event. Timing provided by Endurance Evolution. Register online at runsignup.com. Proceeds benefit Joppa House Ministries, a 501c3.

EAST JORDAN

RUSS MAWBY SIGNATURE SERVICE PROJECT

May 19, 9am-3pm. Come join AmeriCorps members for a day of service in and around the community of East Jordan. Volunteers are needed to complete projects such as river clean-up, park beautification, trail clearing, brush clean-up and more. Lunch is included. Register to volunteer at surveymonkey.com/DDNZ7X3. For more information contact Alison Mellon at (231) 547-9947.

ELLSWORTH

REGIONAL BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

May 22, 5:30-7:30pm, Antrim Dells. The three Chambers of Commerce in Charlevoix County will hold their "Swing Into Summer" Regional Business After Hours. For the past 20 years, the Boyne, East Jordan and Charlevoix Area Chambers of Commerce have teamed up to host this joint Business After Hours to provide networking opportunities for the entire county.

BOYNE CITY

INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

Saturday, 9am-noon. Boyne City Indoor Farmers Market is located in the main lobby area of the new City Facilities Building, which is right next to the summer market location in Veterans Park. Admission is \$18, which gets you a souvenir glass and five tasting tickets; extra drink tickets are available for purchase at the event, two for \$3.

CHARLEVOIX

WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

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

- Hatha Yoga, every Monday and Friday 7:30-8:30am. The yoga sequences, along with breath work and relaxation techniques will assist in building strength, stamina, flexibility, balance, and increasing body awareness. The use of props, blocks, or blankets make poses easily modified to suit the individual. All levels of fitness are welcome and modifications will be provided as needed. The class is taught by Lisa Hepner is a licensed physical therapist assistant with Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital.
- Wellness Wednesday, every Wednesday from 8am-11am. Health screens include: Total Cholesterol, HDL, TC/HDL Ratio, Glucose Level, Body Mass Index Score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure Reading. No fasting is required. However, if you are fasting and LDL and Triglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost for the service is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$10. Participants will receive all test

results at the time of the screening and a "Know Your Numbers" log to track progress. A Registered Nurse will adapt health consultation and educational materials to individual results. Walk-ins only, no appointment required.

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

BOYNE CITY

FREE COFFEE, DOUGHNUTS & LUNCH FOR VETERANS

The community of Boyne City will be hosting a free social gathering for all veterans from 9 to 11 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Boyne Area Senior Center. Coffee and doughnuts will be donated by supportive area businesses. The senior center will also offer free lunches to all veterans on the fourth Tuesday of the month, starting in January. The senior center is located at 411 E. Division St.

CHARLEVOIX

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

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan provides counseling and support services at no cost to survivors of domestic abuse, sexual assault, child abuse, child sexual assault and adults molested when they were children. Support services include crisis counseling, individual counseling, support groups, trauma therapy (EMDR), play therapy for children, safety planning, advocacy and resources/referrals. If you or someone you care about has been a victim of crime, contact the WR-CNM's main office at (231) 347-0067.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan offers free playgroups for children 0-60 months and their preschool-age siblings. Playgroups help you learn about your child's developmental stages, learn new children's games/activities and share parenting concerns/experiences with other parents and the playgroup facilitator. Playgroups are held in various northern Michigan communities. For current playgroup locations/times, visit www.wrcnm.org or call (231) 347-0067.

BOYNE CITY

BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Toddler Tales & Tunes every Monday at 10am and Preschool Storytime every Tuesday at 10am. Check website for any date changes. No registration is required.
- Yoga with Reb Andrews 9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week
- Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am advanced class, cost is \$5 per session
- The Boyne District Library Book Club meets at 7pm. Information at www.boynelibrary.org.

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