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Apples abound at the 40th Annual Apple Fest

BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

Most of us have heard the phrase, "an apple a day keeps the doctor away," but few know those words were actually coined by Benjamin Franklin. It's still unclear, however, who twisted

Franklin's words just a twitch to say, "an apple a day will keep anyone away...if you throw it."

Regardless of which "apple saying" you appreciate most, there will be plenty of apples and their by-products to experience and enjoy during this weekend's

Charlevoix Apple Fest. Event organizers say they expect tens of thousands in downtown Charlevoix for the 40th annual festival, which kicks off at 10am on Friday, October 12 and runs through Sunday, October 14. Hours are from 10am until 6pm Friday and Saturday and 10am until the Apple Fest wraps up at 4pm Sunday.

Some 165 vendors will be on hand throughout the weekend featuring countless kinds of apples and apple-laden foods and offering ample opportunities for folks to taste them, buy them, sample their ciders and much more-(although the throwing of apples, of course, will not be readily encouraged.)

As always, this year's Apple Fest will be held throughout the heart of downtown Charlevoix with vendors and activities stationed in East Park, Bridge

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Richie Friske (right) and co-worker Trenton Drog from Friske's Farm Market in Ellsworth were happy to hoist apples by the bushel during last year's Charlevoix Apple Fest. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY



There's a promise of apples and more at this weekend's 40th Annual Charlevoix Apple Fest. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

EJ Pumpkin Festival Pie Bake contest

Show us how you roll! It's time to pull out those favorite fall pie recipes and ingredients to get ready to bake a winning entry. The 9th Annual East Jordan Pie Contest will be a part of the annual East Jordan Pumpkin Festival & Moonlight Madness scheduled for Wednesday, October 17, downtown East Jordan.

The fun will take place from 5 to 7pm on the first block of Main Street. Registration/ pie drop off will be from 4:30 – 5pm in the Community Center. First, Second and Third Place winners will be announced at 7pm in front of the Community Center. In case of rain, vendors will be moved inside at the East Jordan Community

Center on Main Street.

The Pie Contest is proudly sponsored by Save-A-Lot of East Jordan. The pie contest is one of several family friendly events being held in conjunction with the East Jordan Pumpkin Festival & Moonlight Madness. For more information please visit www.ejchamber.org or 231-536-7351.



The 9th Annual East Jordan Pie Contest will be a part of the annual East Jordan Pumpkin Festival & Moonlight Madness scheduled for Wednesday, October 17. COURTESY PHOTO

East Jordan Pumpkin Festival on October 17

The 9th annual East Jordan Pumpkin Festival and Moonlight Madness promises to be bigger than ever! The event is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17, from 5 to 7pm in downtown East Jordan.

The first block of Main Street from Mill Street to Easterly Street will be closed to traffic to allow vendors to set up booths. Vegetables, fruits and crafts along with other foods will be available from local vendors and businesses. Participating downtown businesses will be offering special sales and promotions at their businesses with special business hours.

Enjoy face painting, pumpkins and early Trick-or-Treating at participating businesses. The fun will also include Twister Joe – Michigan's Favorite Balloon Artist, Castle Farms ride on train will be set up for rides, plus police car, fire truck and EMS Vehicles will be on display, pie baking contest,

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SUNDAY



HIGH: 47
LOW: 36

MONDAY



HIGH: 44
LOW: 36

TUESDAY



HIGH: 47
LOW: 37

WEDNESDAY



HIGH: 45
LOW: 37

record temps

DAY	AVG	LOW	AVG	HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
OCT 11	.39°	...63°	...22°	(1964)	.81°	(1949)
OCT 12	.38°	...62°	...26°	(1990)	.82°	(1995)
OCT 13	.38°	...62°	...24°	(1974)	.83°	(1995)
OCT 14	.38°	...61°	...26°	(1999)	.82°	(1995)
OCT 15	.37°	...61°	...26°	(1949)	.83°	(1968)
OCT 16	.37°	...60°	...22°	(1977)	.82°	(1968)
OCT 17	.37°	...60°	...24°	(1977)	.80°	(1968)
OCT 18	.36°	...59°	...24°	(1966)	.81°	(1950)
OCT 19	.36°	...59°	...21°	(1991)	.80°	(1965)
OCT 20	.36°	...58°	...25°	(1966)	.80°	(1953)

Coleda (Talley) Belzek, 82

(JUNE 14, 1936 – OCT. 3, 2018)



Coleda Belzek (nee Talley) passed peacefully on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, surrounded by her family at her home near East Jordan. She was born on June 14, 1936, in New Port, Arkansas, the daughter of Clyde O'Dell

and Elsie (Carter) Talley. On October 3, 1959, she married Joseph Belzek in Schiller Park, Illinois. Coleda and Joseph resided in Chicago, Illinois for 42 years while raising their children and building their life together.

Coleda was a homemaker and caretaker to many throughout her life. She was an avid bowler of 30 years and a gifted artist. Always seen with a warm smile on her face, she was quick witted and took great pleasure sharing the stories of the family's history. She was loved by many and had a generous giving spirit. Her influence will forever remain in the lives of all who knew her.

Coleda is survived by her husband, Joseph Belzek of East Jordan; two daughters, Theresa Lurgio of Hanover Park, Illinois and Janet Lederer of Plainfield, Illinois;

five grandchildren, Jamie (Alyssa) Belzek, Amanda Lederer, Victor (Becky) Belzek, II, Elizabeth (Dan Salazar) Belzek and Nicole (Craig) Laidlaw; eight great grandchildren; one brother Charles (Lorraine) Talley of Rockford, Illinois; and one sister, Virginia (late Henry) Wilkins of Fort Myers, Florida. She was preceded in death by parents Clyde O'Dell (Elsie) Talley and one brother, Clyde O'Dell (Jean) Talley Jr., son Victor Belzek.

The family will receive friends on Monday, October 8th, 2018 from 3:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc., East Jordan. A rosary service was held on Monday evening at the funeral home. A funeral mass was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, East Jordan and will be laid to rest at St. John Nepocumene Praga Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are requested to go to McLaren Hospice.

Richard L. John, 69

(OCT. 22, 1948 – OCT. 1, 2018)



Richard L. John, age 69 of Petoskey, previously of Charlevoix passed away on October 1, 2018 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital.

Richard was born on October 22, 1948 in Charlevoix, MI to the late Alvin and Dorothy (Pabo) John.

Richard was a member of the Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in Petoskey as well as the Knights of Columbus.

He spent a lot of his free time volunteering in his communities.

Richard's favorite activity was spending time with his daughter and grandchildren. He also enjoyed listening to the police scanner, fishing, camping, and going to the casino.

Richard is survived by his daughter, Renee Huckle; grandchildren, Page John, Adina Huckle, Chloe Huckle, Isaiah Huckle, Jeremiah Sulz, Steven Sulz, and Gabriella Sulz; great grandson, Gabriel Bastianelli; former wife, Sheryl (James) Graham along with many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with Pastor Sherry McGuffin officiating. Visitation will be held from 12:00 p.m. until the time of services also at the

funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to his family, in care of Mortensen Funeral Homes, 209 State Street Charlevoix, MI 49720.

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

Quinella Marie (White) Potter, 83

(MARCH 13, 1935 - OCT. 7, 2018)

Quinella M. Potter passed away Sunday, October 7, 2018, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

A graveside memorial service will be held on Sunday, Oct. 14 at 1:00 P.M. at Barnard Cemetery, 15700 Klooster Rd, Charlevoix, MI 49720. A full obituary will follow.

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Hayes Township names Collard as Township Treasurer

BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

HAYES TOWNSHIP - After weeks of contention in the wake of a lengthy and hot dispute over development of a township park, officials in Charlevoix County's Hayes Township have finally named a treasurer to pay its bills and manage finances. At least for now.

The Hayes Township board voted on Monday, October 7, to approve Julie Collard treasurer. Collard will be stepping into the shoes of longtime township treasurer Robbin Kraft, who retired

September 20, 2018 after 27 years in that post. Kraft was appointed in 1991 and has been consistently elected as township treasurer ever since.

Her newly-appointed replacement, Collard, will be running unopposed on next month's ballot.

The township board has been tussling over who to name to pay its bills and oversee its financial obligations since Kraft retired last month.

The board failed at first to reach an agreement over who

should replace former treasurer Kraft following her retirement, but finally settled on Collard this week, allowing the township to officially move forward with its monthly financial obligations.

Kraft's retirement came on the heels of the contentious acquisition and re-development of Camp Sea-Gull, now named Hayes Township Park Camp Sea-Gull, which a group of locals have long protested.



COURTESY PHOTO
Longtime Hayes Township Treasurer, Robbin Kraft

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"Classical Boom Tour" at Great Lakes Center for the Arts

Black Violin brings their innovative talent to the Center's stage on Saturday, October 13 at 8pm..What is Black Violin? Or should we ask, who is Black Violin and why should I get tickets?

Black Violin is currently performing their Classical Boom Tour, which includes a stop at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor. This current tour is a follow up to the successful 2016-2017 UNITY tour, which sold out 28 public performances.

Composed of classically trained violist Wil B. and violinist Kev Marcus, Black Violin combines classical training with hip-hop influences to create a distinctive multi-genre sound that is often described as "classical boom." Black Violin has shared stages with top names including Kanye West, Aerosmith and Tom Petty, and has creatively collaborated with the likes of Wu-Tang Clan, Wyclef Jean, and Alicia Keys. The duo has composed music for the television series Pitch and made appearances on HBO's Ballers, The Tonight Show, The Wendy Williams Show, and The Ellen Show.

"The Center's mission is to present the full diversity of the performing arts. Black Violin was too compelling not to bring to Northern Michigan, as they showcase the amazing diversity of music - from classical to hip-hop - within a single entertaining evening, bringing together audiences that may not otherwise expect to share the same concert experience," expressed Executive Director Jill O'Neill on how the Great Lakes Center decided upon including Black Violin in their Fall & Winter Season.

Black Violin is currently writing and recording their next studio album, due out



Black Violin brings their innovative talent to the Center's stage on Saturday, October 13. COURTESY PHOTO

still in 2018. The band's major label debut Stereotypes (featuring Black Thought of The Roots and MC Pharoahe Monch) on Universal Music debuted at #1 on the Billboard Classical Crossover Chart and #4 on the Billboard R&B Chart. NPR praised the album and band saying, "their music will keep classical music alive for the next generation."

In December, Black Violin was announced as the Turn-around Artist for Mary B. Bethune Elementary School in their hometown of Broward County, FL. Turn-around Arts, a national education program of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, infuses arts into struggling schools to support overall reform efforts. Founded by President Obama's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities in 2012, the program partners

schools with music instrument grants, art supplies, professional development, musicals, and pairs each school with an artist to provide mentorship, inspiration, and support for the school's journey in the program. Turnaround Artists include Elton John, Edward Norton, and Yo-Yo Ma, among other highly acclaimed members of the arts community.

Black Violin has performed for more than 100,000 students in the past

12 months throughout North America and Europe. The band is endorsed by Yamaha Music and has partnered with the National Association for Music Manufacturers (NAMM) to continue their advocacy for accessible music education.

Experience Black Violin Saturday, October 13 at 8PM at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts. For tickets or more information visit greatlakescfa.org, call 231.439.2610, or e-mail tickets@greatlakescfa.org.

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News

PUMPKIN FEST

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children's games plus much more.

Festival organizer Shannon Fender states "This is the largest schedule of events for the Pumpkin Festival and Moonlight Madness that we have ever had. We are so excited and appreciative of all the many businesses, organizations and many individuals who have stepped up this year to be part of this family friendly community fall event".

For more information on Pumpkin Festival and Moonlight Madness, contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce - www.info@ejchamber.org or 231-536-7351

APPLE FEST

FROM PG. 1A

Park and a lot of the kid and family-friendly fun found on Mason Street.

Along with dozens of varieties of fresh-picked apples brought in from local orchards, festival-goers will also find an array of apple-themed baked goods, butters, ciders, salsas and countless other apple products for sale. There will also be a farmer's market featuring other produce grown locally and an arts and crafts fair with vendors showcasing a variety of unique Michigan made artwork and other merchandise. Kids activities this weekend will include a petting zoo, face painting and the ever-popular balloon creations by local favorite "Twister Joe".

Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce community events manager Shelly Ferguson told the Charlevoix County News on Monday that the weekend is both looking favorable weather-wise and apple-wise.

"I've talked to people from some of the orchards that will be here this weekend and they've said they had a good apple harvest this season, so there's going to be a lot of great apples here," Ferguson said.

She said fall colors also promise to be at peak or near-peak this weekend, which is an added bonus for the tens of thousands of festival-goers Ferguson said are expected in Charlevoix.

"We get people not just from this area and from downstate, but people come from across the country-we get people from around the world who come for this, really."

The annual Apple Fest has in fact become somewhat of a homecoming tradition for some in Charlevoix Ferguson said, giving families and friends a reason to gather and enjoy the fall colors and harvest season before the snow flies and hectic holidays follow.

"It's a great time for people to come together and enjoy all that makes Charlevoix beautiful in the fall, the colored leaves, the apples-everything," Ferguson said.

While scattered rain showers, partly sunny skies and overall average autumn temperatures in the 40s-50s are forecast for Charlevoix this weekend, Ferguson said she considers that an almost picture-perfect prediction for Apple Fest-especially since there aren't high winds on the radar, unlike last year when windy conditions cut the annual Apple Fest a little short on its last day.

"The winds can be a real issue, especially with the (vendor) tents. We can deal with rain. We can deal with snow and we can deal with temperatures, but it's the wind that will get us...and so far it looks like we won't really have to deal with that this year," Ferguson said, "It's going to a really fun weekend for everyone."

Nearly a dozen animals found new homes during Empty the Shelters Day at Charlevoix Area Humane Society

BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

BOYNE CITY - Nearly a dozen dogs and cats from the Charlevoix Area Humane Society found new owners and landed "forever homes" last weekend during yet another national "Empty the Shelters" day sponsored by the BISSELL Pet Foundation.

Twice yearly during the spring and fall, the BISSELL Pet Foundation sponsors "Empty the Shelters" events across this country and pays all adoption fees for pre-approved prospective pet owners. The foundation was started in 2011 by Cathy Bissell and has paid adoption costs for some 13,624 cats and dogs in 17 states since the "Empty the Shelters" event was rolled out in May, 2016.

Charlevoix Area Humane Society executive director Scott MacKenzie said six dogs and five cats went home with new owners on Saturday, October 6, with BISSELL Foundation paying all their adoption costs, which typically run between \$95 - \$135 for dogs and between \$45-\$60 for cats/kittens here. And

folks are still coming in to check out animals left behind seeking forever homes. "We had great participation from the public and we're still seeing more people coming in, even though they won't have their fees paid, now...so it's been great. We still have lots more waiting to find loving homes," MacKenzie said, "We're tickled to be partnering with Bissell and it's been very successful."

This fall's Empty the Shelters event came just days after the Charlevoix Area Humane Society reopened after being closed for two weeks due to a respiratory infection that swept through the shelter last month.

MacKenzie explained how many people don't realize the Charlevoix Humane Society also houses stray or abandoned animals that are found throughout Charlevoix County, whereas many counties, like neighboring Emmet County, use a separate facility for such animals.

When a stray dog was recently brought to the Charlevoix shelter, MacKenzie said it had a



Happy new dads Matthew Kuiper and Josh Barnett drove to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society from their home in Saulte Ste. Marie, MI to adopt Nelson, a 10-month-old Akita mix, who was a rescue dog shipped to the Charlevoix shelter from Detroit. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY

Mike Schehl, a kennel attendant at the Charlevoix Area Humane Society, knows the histories, personalities and nuances of every animal at the shelter, including Peta the cat, who has long been waiting to find a forever home. PHOTO BY MICHELLE MEDJESKY



respiratory infection that quickly spread to other animals in the kennel, so a decision was made to close the facility to contain and control the illness. "We didn't want to take any chances so we made a self-imposed lockdown, to make sure everyone here stayed safe and healthy, the animals were safe and healthy and that the people who take them home will be, too," MacKenzie said.

The animals at the Charlevoix Area Humane Society, which is a non-profit/no-kill shelter located in Boyne City, were given the "all clear" days before last weekend's Empty the Shelters event, with almost a dozen healthy dozen dogs and cats going to their "forever homes".

Kennel attendant Mike Schehl, who has worked at

the Charlevoix Area Humane Society for the past five years, will personally attest not only to the robust health of each and every animal at the shelter, but he'll also make sure every prospective adoptive pet parent goes home knowing exactly what they're getting. Schehl makes it his mission to know every animal's history, its personality, its likes and dislikes, quirks and its issues. Making the perfect pet/person match is what he's all about.

"I'm really very passionate about my job," Schehl told the Charlevoix County News.

MacKenzie said there are still many dogs and cats at the shelter seeking loving homes, because the need really never ends. The Charlevoix shelter not only gets animals that are

strays or relinquished from within the county, but it routinely gets animals sent here from other shelters and rescues throughout the country. He noted that his shelter is especially seeking loving homes for cats right now. "We're up to our whiskers in cats," said MacKenzie, "So if anybody wants help getting through the cold winter, we have a lot of warm cats here looking for homes and who would be great to snuggle with."

For more information about animals now available for adoption at the Charlevoix Area Humane Society, go to: <https://www.charlevoix-humane.org/>

Boyne Thunder celebrates 15 years - over \$1 million donated



ABOVE: Pictured from left to right: Boyne City Main Street Executive Director, Kelsie King-Duff, Boyne City Main Street Board Chair, Michelle Cortright, Challenge Mountain Executive Director Elizabeth Looze, Boyne Thunder Committee Member, Ward Collins. COURTESY PHOTO

BELOW: Pictured from left to right: City Main Street Executive Director, Kelsie King-Duff, Boyne City Main Street Board Chair, Michelle Cortright, Camp Quality Representative Becky Follette, Boyne Thunder Committee Member, Nan Winter, Boyne Thunder Committee Member, Ward Collins. COURTESY PHOTO



The 15th annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run in July brought speed, thunder, and excitement to Northern Michigan, and over \$207,000 in proceeds to Camp Quality, Challenge Mountain and Boyne City Main Street. Even more exciting, the event has now raised over \$1 million total since its inception in 2004. In 2018 event set a new record for the amount raised in a single year.

"The support for this event from the community, sponsors, and participants is unbelievable. We are so thankful and have a lot to celebrate this year," Bob Alger, Boyne Thunder committee chair said.

Boyne Thunder is coordinated by Boyne City Main Street and supports Camp Quality, a non-profit organization serving children with cancer and their families by providing year-round programs, experiences, and companionship, Challenge Mountain, a non-profit organization dedicated to enriching and improving lives for the mentally and physically challenged through outdoor recreation and the Boyne City Main Street program.

The poker run showcases 120 high performance boats from all over the country, roaring through the waters of Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan on a 130-mile excursion in search of the best poker hand. The 2019 event will take place on July 12 & 13. For more information about Boyne Thunder, visit www.boynethunder.com or email mainstreet@boynecity.com.

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BOYNE CITY

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

October 11, 5:30-7:30pm, The Farley Calendar Company & Promo Products, 635 N. Park Street. There is no charge for admission. Complimentary heavy hors d'oeuvres, including beef and chicken sliders, will be provided, as well as door prizes, and the Chamber will host a 50/50 raffle that will benefit the charity of the host's choice. The first 100 people through the door will also receive a free tote bag. Many other door prizes will also be given away, more Mackinac Island packages and six Boyne City Commemorative Throws. Music will be provided by Johnny Storm and Ken Michelini of Jelly Rolls Blues Band.

CHARLEVOIX

40TH ANNUAL APPLE FEST

October 12-14. Experience the magic of autumn in northern Michigan at the 40th Annual Charlevoix Apple Festival. Join the festivities and show your support for our local farmers, orchards and non-profit organizations while celebrating the season in scenic downtown Charlevoix this October. The Harvest is in! Info at www.charlevoix.org

CHARLEVOIX

APPLE FEST FUN RUN

October 13, Downtown Charlevoix. 1-Mile begins at 9am, 5K begins at 9:30am. Don't miss this fall run with friends and family! Register online for the 1 mile and 5k runs. Pickup your goody bag Saturday, October 13 filled with local favorites from Cinema III, Cherry Republic and more! Finish your run through a hay bale maze, jumping through tires and more. Treats for young and old at the finish line!

CHARLEVOIX

ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

October 13, 11:30am-2:30pm, Charlevoix United Methodist Church. Featured are varieties of delicious chili made by seven local restaurants: Bridge Street Tap Room, The Cantina, French Quarter Bistro, Hot Dogger's Coney Café, Pigs Eaten' Ribs, Scovies and Weather-vane. The meal includes all-you-can-eat chili, corn bread, mac n cheese, ice cream and beverage all for \$8. Children age 6 and under eat free. Then cast your vote for your favorite chili. You are the judge. Everyone is welcome at our Sunday Service at 10am to hear an uplifting message. Please feel free to call the church at 547-2654 between 9:30am - 12:30 pm, Monday - Friday with any questions. Church is located at 104 State St., Charlevoix.

EAST JORDAN

ANNUAL BREEZEWAY FALL COLOR CRUISE

October 13, 8am-5pm. Three Saturday's of beautiful fall colors on C-48 the Breezeway. Pick up your "Goodie Bag" in Atwood and cruise to Boyne Mountain at your own pace - stopping whenever and wherever you want. See the fall colors, buy your pumpkins & apples, shop and much more! www.ridethebreezeway.com

BOYNE CITY

WHAT REALLY MAKES PEOPLE HAPPY DISCUSSED

October 14, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "Life's Myths: What Really Leads to Happiness," features a filmed interview with Oliver Burkeman, author of The Antidote: Happiness for People Who Can't Stand Positive Thinking. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is in the First Presbyterian Church. Use the Pine St. entrance.

CHARLEVOIX

ILLUSIONIST TOM COVERLY

October 16, 6pm, Charlevoix Middle/High School auditorium. Doors opening at 5:40pm. While Coverly's powerful message speaks to youth, his Chriss Angel/ David Blaine style illusions captivate all ages. He has shared the stage with many famous acts and

performed his show for more than two-and-a-half million people including Duck Dynasty and the cast and crew of the Batman vs. Superman movie. The show is faith-centered, family friendly and is open to the public. Free admission- Priceless message.

PETOSKEY

LUNCHEON SERIES :GRANT IMAHARA, ROBOTICS EXPERT & DISNEY IMAGINEER

October 16, 7pm, NCMC Student and Community Resource Center gymnasium. Grant Imahara is recognized as the electronics and robots expert from Discovery Channel's Mythbusters. He can also be seen playing Lt. Sulu in the critically acclaimed web series Star Trek Continues. Grant spent nine years working behind the scenes in special effects as an animatronics engineer and model maker for George Lucas' Industrial Light and Magic. Free admission but tickets required. Please email willcall@ncmich.edu to reserve your seats or call 231-348-6600. You can also pick up tickets at any North Central location

EAST JORDAN

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL/MOONLIGHT MADNESS/TRICK OR TREATING

October 17, 5-7pm. Participating businesses open until 7pm including early Trick or Treating. Enjoy face painting, costume contest, music, food & vendor booths, special sales in participating businesses, Twister Joe Balloon Artist, EMS, Fire Truck and Police Car display, plus much more.

CHARLEVOIX

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

October 17, 5-7pm, Townhouse Bar, 231 Bridge Street. Co-hosted by Charlevoix Pizza Company. Free to chamber members and \$10 for non-members.

BOYNE CITY

HALLOWEEN FUN RUN

October 18, 10am, Northern Michigan Equine Therapy. This family-friendly fundraiser will be held outdoors on our picturesque property north of Horton Bay. Joggers or walkers can choose from a 1-mile walk or 5k run. The course features wooded trails, and jogging strollers are permitted. Water and popcorn will be provided. The horses will wear their costumes, don't forget yours. Pre-register by October 13th to receive a free t-shirt. \$25 Pre-registration, \$35 on-site registration. Register at www.nmequine.org

BOYNE CITY

ASTRONOMY CLUB DISCUSSES GAMMA RAYS

October 18, 7:30pm, Wildwood Observatory, 1825 Wildwood Heights Rd. Gamma Ray Bursts are the types of events that create short and long duration bursts. Since the discovery of Gamma Ray Bursts the reason for the difference in length has been a mystery. Telescopes will be set up for viewing, weather permitting. All are .

PETOSKEY

LUNCHEON LECTURE: NCMC NEW PRESIDENT

October 19. The program will be held in the Library Conference Center on the Petoskey campus. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the program begins at noon. For the first time in 18 years, North Central Michigan College has a new president. Dr. David Roland Finley comes to the Petoskey campus from Lake Superior State University where he served as provost and interim vice president for academic affairs, as well as dean of the College of Business and Engineering. Dr. Finley will discuss his focus on enhancing North Central's collaboration with communities and finding new opportunities to serve students. Reservations are required. Call 231-348-6600 or email luncheonlectures@ncmich.edu to re-

serve your place at the table. Cost is \$12 (cash or check only - at door) and includes lunch.

EAST JORDAN

HARVEST DINNER & AUCTION

October 20, 5:30pm, Evangelical Lutheran Church. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm (free will offering) with the auction starting immediately thereafter. There will be good quality household items, fresh produce, homemade items and baked goods to bid on. Come and enjoy good food, fellowship and fun. The church is located at 7855 Rogers Road, East Jordan. For more information call 231-536-7566.

BOYNE CITY

FRESHWATER CONCERTS PRESENT MARIA MULDAUR

October 20, 8pm, Freshwater Art Gallery, 217 South Lake Street. Part of an album release tour. This album will mark Maria's 41st album in a distinguished career that has established her as a preeminent and revered interpreter of American roots music and it is her first studio album in six years. For this stunning show, Maria pays tribute to the wonderful Blue Lu Barker, the popular vocalist and songwriter of the late 30's and 40's whom Billie Holiday once cited as her biggest influence. She is best known for her 1970's hit "Midnight at the Oasis." Tickets \$35 in advance. Call to reserve 231-582-2588. Remember to bring an item for our food pantry collection box

BOYNE CITY

OVERCOMING REGRET EXPLORED

October 21, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program features the filmed story of Chad Arnold, a man whose need for an organ transplant prompted his brother to volunteer to be a donor. Arnold's brother died as a result of the surgery; Arnold survived. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is in the First Presbyterian Church. Use the Pine St. entrance.

EAST JORDAN

STATE OF COMMUNITY FORUM

October 23, 11:30am-1:30pm, Harvest Barn Church, 210 S. Lake Street. Presenters include: Sarah Lucas - Director of Community Development - Networks Northwest, Tom Cannon - East Jordan City Administrator, Matt Stevenson - East Jordan Public School Superintendent, Tom Teske - Chairman East Jordan Downtown Development Authority and Mary Faculak - President/CEO East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce. Lunch will be catered by East Jordan Public Schools. Sponsors include Charlevoix State Bank, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, East Jordan Public Schools and the Harvest Barn Church. Price for lunch is \$15 per person for East Jordan Area Chamber Members, \$20 for Not-Yet-Members. Reservations are asked to be made by October 16, 2018. Call the Chamber Office at 231-536-7351 or send checks to East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, 100 Main Street, P.O. Box 137, East Jordan, MI 49727. Master Card and Visa Accepted.

BOYNE CITY

LISTENING TO LEAD WORKSHOPS

October 25, 9am-noon and 1:30-4:30pm. Boyne City Hall. Sarah Heschels will be leading an experiential workshop, "Listening to Lead: Cultivating Relationships at Work, Home, and in the Community." This introductory workshop will explore what constitutes an open, honest question and how to formulate one and provide time to practice writing open, honest questions, listen actively, and experience being listened to. \$100 per person. Info and registration at www.restoringwatersconsulting.com

EAST JORDAN

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER

HOURS

October 25, 5-7pm, The Landing Restaurant, 10231 Ferry Road. Sponsored by 4Front Credit Union. It's "Networking on Lake Charlevoix" with hors d'oeuvres, door prizes and a cash bar. Free to East Jordan Area Chamber members, \$10 for non-members.

BOYNE CITY

GROWING CLOSER TO GOD EXPLORED

October 28, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "Encountering God: What Ancient Practices Can Teach Us Today," features a short film depicting how various groups and individuals have tried to grow spiritually. Lifetree participants will explore how ancient practices might benefit their own spiritual lives. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is in the First Presbyterian Church. Use the Pine St. entrance.

BOYNE CITY

BUSINESS EXPO/TASTE OF BOYNE

October 30, 3-7pm, Civic Center at Boyne Mountain. This is always one of Northern Michigan's largest business networking events, as more than 1,000 people come to see 75 booths. The public is welcome to attend for \$5 admission, which includes tastings from about 10 food providers in the Taste of Boyne. New this year are mini-workshops during the event, 15-30 minutes each. Free with \$5 admission.

BOYNE CITY

13TH ANNUAL TRUNK AND TREAT

October 31, 5-7pm. First Presbyterian Church is hosting the 13th Annual Trunk and Treat. Setup Time: 4:30 on Pine St. between the Early Learners building and the

church. Pine St. will be closed between Park St. and East. St. ALL community members and organizations willing and able to participate are encouraged and welcome. We recommend at least 800 +/- wrapped candy or treats (pencils, pens, healthy snacks, etc.). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the First Presbyterian Church 582-7983.

BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET

The Boyne City Farmers Market has several vendors in Veteran's Park. Market hours are Wednesday's and Saturday's, 8 am - Noon. During peak season the market features more than 65 regular vendors, all local, serving seasonal fruits, vegetables, and herbs; gourmet baked goods and preserves; eggs and cheese; honey and maple syrup; proteins, fish, potted annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, and cut flowers; plus a juried craft market with unique hand-made items for your home or a special gift. Market will move to City Hall, 319 Lake Street, from 9am-noon starting October 20.

CHARLEVOIX

FARMERS MARKET

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

EAST JORDAN

FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays 8am-Noon, Memorial Park. Locally organically grown fruits and vegetables. Baked goods, jewelry, crafts, flowers and more. Free coffee from 8am-10:30am courtesy of North Perk Coffee.

BOYNE CITY

KINDER CLOSET

At Christ Lutheran Church is open from 10am to noon on the second Saturday of every month. Free baby

Boyne Falls Public Schools

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Haylee Anthony

Grade: 12

Parent's Name(s): Jenny Anthony

Future Plans: Leaning towards a career in photography

Favorite Book: *If I Stay* by Gayle Forman

Hobbies and Interests: Take pictures, play guitar, sing with my family, driving

School Activities: Student Council

Staff Comments: Haylee is currently serving as a student library aide. She reports to the library ready and willing to work with a cheerful greeting and a smile on her face. She catches on quickly to new tasks, takes care of the everyday tasks quickly, and then gets going on the long-term projects with little direction. Haylee's work ethics and gentle personality make her a valuable team player on our school library team.

Submitted By: Dianna Brown

items are provided, including 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.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

PEOPLE FUND GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Great Lakes Energy People Fund is accepting grant applications from non-profit organizations throughout its local service area. The upcoming grant application deadline is Oct. 15. The People Fund is supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members who allow their electric cooperative to round up their bill each month to the next dollar. Since 1999 more than \$3.3 million in grants have been awarded to charitable and community organizations throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26-county service area, which stretches from Kalamazoo to the Mackinac Straits. The People Fund awarded \$216,155 in grants in 2017. Non-profit organizations can read program details and request a grant application online at www.gtlakes.com/grant-application-request/ or by calling Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-485-2537, ext. 1313. Non-profit organizations that serve communities located in the Great Lakes Energy service area are eligible to apply.

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.

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ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

Agreement paves way for Enbridge to permanently shut down, replace Line 5 beneath the Straits of Mackinac

Accord between the state and company requires Enbridge to pay all costs for a multi-use tunnel beneath the Straits, compels safety improvements on other water crossings

The state of Michigan and Enbridge Energy today announced an agreement that will lead to major safety enhancements along the entire length of the Line 5 petroleum pipeline crossing the state, permanently shut down the current segment that crosses the Straits of Mackinac, and construct a multi-use utility tunnel beneath the Straits. All costs for the tunnel will be paid by Enbridge.

Under the agreement signed today, Enbridge would pay for all design, construction, operation and maintenance of the tunnel for up to 99 years, subject to approvals by the Mackinac Bridge Authority. Tunnel construction is estimated to cost between \$350 million to \$500 million over the 7- to 10-year duration of the project. This major infrastructure initiative for northern Michigan, which would be owned by the Mackinac Bridge Au-

thority and in which Enbridge would lease space, also could house additional infrastructure, such as broadband and electrical lines.

“Since taking office 20 months ago, I’ve worked closely with Gov. Snyder to ensure our Straits remain safe while maintaining the flow of pipeline commerce,” said U.S. Rep. Jack Bergman. “The proposed tunnel is a forward-thinking, innovative approach ensuring safety and continued economic stability. Michigan’s First District is long overdue to benefit financially from the continuous flow of products transiting our area. I will work tirelessly to ensure that the economic advantages from our energy infrastructure directly benefit the constituents of the First District.”

“This common-sense solution offers the greatest possible safeguards to Michigan’s waters while maintaining critical connections to ensure Michigan residents have the energy resources they need,” said Gov. Rick Snyder. “The historic agreement will result in eliminating nearly

every risk of an oil leak in the Straits and provide added protections to the Great Lakes. It also will allow for multiple utilities to be housed and protected, better connecting our peninsulas, improving energy security and supporting economic development. The taxpayers of Michigan will benefit greatly from this project but won’t have to pay for it.”

The new accord, which builds on a November 2017 agreement between the state and Enbridge, also demands specific actions at sensitive Line 5 water crossings other than the Straits, expanding protections along the length of the pipeline in Michigan.

“Pipeline safety has always been a top priority for me,” said U.S. Rep. Fred Upton, chair of the House Subcommittee on Energy. “I led the bipartisan effort on two major pipeline safety and accountability bills in the last several years. Getting Enbridge to pay for 100 percent of the Line 5 replacement tunnel is the right approach and one I’ve sought since day one. I want to thank the State of Michigan, and Governor Snyder, for their clear-

headed leadership on this issue. This agreement needs to get done as quickly as possible for the protection of our Great Lakes.”

Assessments to date of the Line 5 Straits crossing confirm the pipeline’s integrity. However, the agreement will demand additional measures to reduce risk during tunnel construction. Those safety measures will:

- * Assure the Straits pipeline is not operating when high waves would severely hamper response to a potential oil spill. The agreement requires that Enbridge staff be present at the Straits to be able to shut down the line within 15 minutes – even if power is lost – when wave heights hit 6.5 feet for at least an hour. Enbridge must continue to shut down the Straits pipeline when wave heights hit 8 feet for at least an hour.

- * Provide a new radar system to supply improved, real-time wave-height data at the Strait.

- * Assure at least \$1.8 billion in available funds be provided by Enbridge to respond to a potential oil spill in the Straits or anywhere on

Line 5 in Michigan, providing added protections as tunnel construction is completed.

- * Provide consistent state supervision of Line 5 through regular meetings between Enbridge and the state.

- * Install cameras in the Straits, paid for by Enbridge, to support new regulations from the U.S. Coast Guard prohibiting ships in the area from dropping their anchors. This has been identified as one of the most serious threats to Line 5 and other utility lines on the bottom of the Straits. The cameras will allow the Coast Guard to monitor vessels entering the waterways and immediately communicate with those that are operating dangerously.

The new agreement would also:

- * Require immediate additional safety measures at 13 priority Line 5 water crossings, in addition to requiring actions at 68 other crossings as identified in a previous report.

- * Prohibit heavy crude oil from ever traveling through Line 5.

A previous report con-

ducted by Enbridge and overseen by the state identified a tunnel beneath the Straits as a feasible replacement alternative to the existing Line 5 Straits crossing.

In compliance with the 2017 agreement, Enbridge has already applied for authorizations and approvals to replace the Line 5 crossing at the St. Clair River, a key water body that provides drinking water to a large population in southeast Michigan. That work will begin upon the receipt of those authorizations and approvals.

Line 5 is 645 miles long and transports up to 540,000 barrels a day of light crude oil and natural gas liquids, including propane. Below the Straits of Mackinac, the pipeline splits into two lines that lie on the lake bottom within an easement issued by the state of Michigan. A new pipeline in the tunnel would not increase volumes or alter the types of products transported through the existing Line 5.

Schmidt supports agreement to build multi-use tunnel to replace Line 5

LANSING, Mich. — State Sen.

Wayne Schmidt, R- Traverse City, issued the following statement on Wednesday regarding the agreement in principle for a tunnel to replace Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac:



“I am pleased that the state and Enbridge have reached an agreement that will protect the Great Lakes and also ensure residents in Upper Peninsula have access to reliable and affordable propane to keep their families warm.

“Michigan is home to some of the most beautiful natural resources in the world, and we must do everything we can to protect them. The tunnel being built under this agreement will help keep our Great Lakes safe for generations to come. Importantly, the construction and maintenance of the multi-use tunnel will be paid for entirely by Enbridge and not Michigan taxpayers.”

North Central Michigan College listed as #1 community college in Michigan

North Central Michigan College is delighted to announce that it has been listed as the #1 Community College in Michigan by BestColleges.com. The College is joined in the top five by Henry Ford, Muskegon, Delta and Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College.

BestColleges.com provides students with direct connections to schools and programs suiting their educational goals through their program rankings. These

rankings are intended to inform and guide prospective students toward institutions that provide a quality education and a meaningful learning experience at an affordable cost. Key measures incorporated in the algorithm include acceptance, retention, graduation and enrollment rates. Also included are each school’s student loan default percentages.

“We are very pleased to receive this ranking by Best-

Colleges.com. This independent analysis is affirmation of the top-notch instruction, personal attention and exceptional value found at North Central,” states Dr. David Roland Finley, president of North Central.

For more information, go to <https://www.bestcolleges.com/features/best-colleges-in-michigan/> and click on Best Community Colleges in Michigan.

October also marks Col-

lege Month in Michigan, part of a national initiative aimed at providing every graduating high school senior the opportunity to apply to college and for financial aid. Special focus is placed on assisting students who would be the first in their families to attend college, as well as students who may not have otherwise seriously considered applying to college.

Boyer City Parking Study report

On Tuesday, October 9, Rich & Associates will be presenting their final parking study report for the City of Boyne City. A public meeting and open house to review the study will be held in the Commission Chambers of the Boyne City City Facilities at 319 North Lake Street at 4:30 p.m. The consultants will also be reporting on the study at that evening’s Boyne City City Commission meeting which begins at 7:00 p.m. at the same location.

The study reviews the current parking situation and future needs in the City’s core downtown area as well as at selected sites near it. In general the report that there are currently sufficient parking spaces to meet most of the communities needs but that they could be managed better. Full details and recommendations are in the report.

Boyer City received the study at no charge due to its status as a certified Redevelopment Ready Community by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The study was arranged through the efforts of Michigan Municipal League.

The study is available for review at the Boyne City Offices, the Boyne District Library and on the City’s website at www.cityof-boyne.com. Questions, comments or suggestions regarding the study can be forwarded to Boyne City City Manager Michael Cain at 231.582.0377 or mcaim@boyncity.com.

Energy assistance available to low-income Michiganders

As colder weather arrives, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is reminding low-income residents they can apply for emergency energy assistance either online or using paper applications.

Misinformation has been circulating that has the potential to create confusion that could cause residents to not realize that both online and paper applications for energy assistance remain options.

“MDHHS is making sure that residents who may need assistance to keep their homes heated and the lights on have access to energy assistance applications – whether they want to apply online or using paper forms” said Terrence Beurer, the department’s deputy director for Field Operations Administration. “People who need help paying their energy bills can apply online at www.michigan.gov/mbridges or pick up paper applications at their local MDHHS office. Lobby navigators at MDHHS offices and some private agencies that assist with energy assistance can help people apply online. We want residents to have multiple ways to apply so they can keep their families warm.”

Assistance to low-income households is available

through State Emergency Relief and the Michigan Energy Assistance Program.

State Emergency Relief is for immediate assistance to someone facing conditions of extreme hardship or emergencies threatening health and safety. This emergency support is designed to help low-income households that are normally able to make ends meet, but occasionally need help when an unexpected situation arises – and is available to pay for utilities only when a shutoff has occurred or there is a threat of a shutoff.

The Michigan Energy Assistance Program is a preventive program designed to provide energy assistance to low-income households so that they can reach energy self-sufficiency. A household that qualifies for State Emergency Relief for heat or non-heat electricity services also qualifies for additional energy services from the Michigan Energy Assistance Program through private agencies that have received MDHHS grant funding.

More information can be found on the Michigan Energy Assistance Program website. Grantees for 2018-19 have not yet been announced, but the website will be updated in October.

If they do not want to or

cannot apply online, people can apply for energy assistance at local MDHHS offices or through MEAP grantees. The application form MDHHS-1171 can be found and printed on the Assistance Application page of the MDHHS website.

Michigan Energy Assistance Program grantees will use the MI Bridges online system to assist applicants and provide them with energy self-sufficiency services such as weatherizing their homes so they are more energy efficient.

There are some changes in the application process beginning Oct. 1. All households applying for energy assistance are now using MDHHS applications. Previously, there were different applications for the Michigan Energy Assistance Program. MDHHS will now process all applications,

which will streamline the process and allow grantees to devote more of their resources to helping people become energy self-sufficient.

Beginning Oct. 1, people can apply for energy assistance year-round. That’s different than in recent years, when people were required to apply only during the designated energy crisis season, which was from Nov. 1 to May 31.

Anyone with questions about energy assistance can visit www.michigan.gov/mdhhs and click on “Assistance Programs” and then “Emergency Relief: Home, Utilities & Burial.” Or contact the local MDHHS office for information.

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Your role in ending Domestic Abuse

SUBMITTED BY CHRIS KRAJEWSKI,

DOMESTIC ABUSE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM DIRECTOR, WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN

During October's National Domestic Abuse Awareness Month, and moving forward, take time to imagine a world without domestic abuse. Think about your role as a caring and concerned community member.

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan encourages community members to create social change through awareness and action. We in-

vide individuals, families, businesses and groups to think about one thing that might help create and sustain healthy communities.

By choosing one thing, such as kindness, and making it a habit in your everyday life you are taking positive action.

Choosing to make kindness an everyday habit is an ongoing conscious effort. It means making a choice – even when it's not easy – to look out for each other, to treat all people with respect, to choose to lift someone up who is having a bad day and to reach out to someone in need of support.

When you act with kindness you help build healthy, respectful relationships. When you act with kindness you show compassion for others.

When you act with kindness you support human dignity. When you act with kindness you honor the rights of all people to live free from violence.

Why take action to help end Domestic Abuse?

Rarely will you find an issue that impacts so many; one in three women experience domestic or dating abuse in their lifetimes, according to the Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention. People of all races, religions, and all income and education levels experience domestic abuse; it can happen to anyone. It is likely you may know someone who has or is experiencing domestic abuse, even if they have not shared their story. It happens everywhere. It happens in northern Michigan and its impact extends into the community, places of work, worship, healthcare and schools.

You can make a positive difference to help end domestic abuse. Begin with kindness.

Domestic violence affects all of us

Domestic violence remains a significant public health problem in the U.S. The National Coalition to End Domestic Violence reports:

- 10 million people a year are physically abused by an intimate partner
- 20,000 calls are placed each day to domestic violence hotlines
- 374 gun-related domestic violence fatalities so far this year

National Public Radio has also reported that mass shootings in the U.S. in recent years have roots in domestic violence against partners and family members.

National Manufacturing Day is coming to Northern Michigan's students

During the week of Nov. 5-9, 2018, area students, parents and community residents will have the opportunity to tour some of the region's most unique and important manufacturing facilities. Tours will take place at numerous plants in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, during school hours.

National Manufacturing Day is a national effort to promote manufacturing jobs to high school students as a post-secondary career path option and to create awareness about the important role of manufacturers in communities.

"Area high schoolers will be able to learn first-hand about the skills they'll need to enter the manufacturing workforce. Local parents will learn about the high-paying, in-demand job opportunities for their students right here in Northern Michigan. Community residents will see our successful businesses in action!" said Ashley Cousens, Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director.

Cousens has been working to organize the local National Manufacturing Day with a committee of regional representatives from chambers of commerce, Char-Em Intermediate School District's Career and Technical Education team, the Northwest Michigan Industrial Association, Northern Lakes Economic Alliance staff, schools administrators and counselors.

Participating manufacturers currently include:

Charlevoix County: Lexamar, Industrial Magnetics, Precision Edge, ACAT, Wojan, Harbor Industries, Michigan Scientific, DCL, MDC/Rosetta/Redi-Rock, ALP, EJ Visitor Center, and EJ Plastics. The North Central Michigan College Fab Lab will be on-site at East Jordan Middle/High School as well.

Emmet County: Jervis Webb, Central Industrial, Moeller Aerospace, Petoskey Plastics, Manthei Veneer, and Circuit Control Corp. (Additional manufacturers may be added.)

"We hope that students throughout our area will have the opportunity to tour manufacturing facilities in their own communities and get a better understanding of what jobs are available to them locally when they graduate," Cousens said.

Jim Rummer, Char-Em ISD CTE Director, said the



ALP in Charlevoix County will open its doors to students during the week of Nov. 5-9, as part of local National Manufacturing Day activities. COURTESY PHOTO

Study Shows Manufacturing Day Has Big Impact on Student Perceptions

Just how much of an impact is Manufacturing Day (MFG Day) having on students' perceptions of manufacturing? Cumulatively, the effects over the years have been quite substantial — and continue to trend upward.

The latest study by Deloitte and The Manufacturing Institute on MFG Day's effects on student perceptions of manufacturing found:

- 84 percent of students who attended MFG Day events emerged "more convinced that manufacturing provides careers that are interesting and rewarding."
- 71 percent of student attendees said that they "were more likely to tell friends, family, parents, or colleagues about manufacturing after attending an event," meaning that they weren't just convinced — they were inspired.

- 64 percent of surveyed student event participants said that they "were more motivated to pursue a career in manufacturing."

Based on a projected 267,607 student attendance figure, that's:
- 224,290 students with a better perception of manufacturing careers
- 190,001 students talking to friends and family about manufacturing - 171,268 students thinking about joining the manufacturing team

While that's not enough to close the projected gap of 2 million unfilled positions manufacturers in the U.S. will be faced with in 2025, it's a strong start. By having an MFG Day every year — and continuing to increase participation across the U.S. — this effort can inspire a whole new generation of manufacturers.

effort will benefit manufacturers who are in need of skilled workers. "This is a great example of the work of our CTE team — connecting students with jobs and making sure they are all career and college ready," Rummer said. "We hope National Manufacturing Day exceeds expectations and perhaps even makes some on-the-spot job connections between our students and our businesses."

Allan Hopkins, plant manager of Petoskey Plastics and a member of the Northwest Michigan Industrial Association, said events like National Manufacturing Day are crucial to recognizing the role of manufacturing in every-

day life, and also to help recruit future employees.

"Manufacturing day is important to all Americans because as we continue to develop products and unlock new technologies that grow our economy; we create jobs and competitiveness," Hopkins said. "Our area manufacturers are opening their doors to inspire our young people to pursue careers in manufacturing and engineering. Today's technical graduates will drive the next chapter in American production and innovation."

Mary Faculak, President/CEO of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, said her organization is proud to be par-

ticipating in making National Manufacturing Day a reality locally. "We are so fortunate to have world class industries in our region that provide excellent career choices and work environments in one of the finest areas to live, raise families and enjoy a superior quality of life. This introduction to our local manufacturers certainly may turn out to be a life changing experience for our area students," she noted.

How to participate
More details will be made available to Char-Em ISD schools, including how high school students may register for the tours. Transportation will be pro-

vided for interested students throughout Emmet, Charlevoix and northern Antrim Counties, courtesy of Char-Em Intermediate School District and its partner agencies. Interested students will be asked to register with their school. Questions may be directed to high school counselors or by calling Tory Thrush, Char-Em ISD Career/College Readiness Liaison, at (231) 582-8070.

Additionally, many of the facilities will open their doors to the community and parents from noon to 3 p.m. on the day of their specific tour; dates of specific tours at the various manufacturers will be announced soon. Please note not all participating manufacturers will offer community tours; please check in advance. Complete details will be available on the Char-Em ISD website, www.charemisd.org, closer to Nov. 5.

In coordination with the week's activities, North Central Michigan College will host a public, community open house from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7, in the TECH building shop, room 228.

The National Manufacturing Day is held throughout the country on Oct. 5, 2018. In future years, the local team hopes to coordinate all regional site tours around the national activities, Cousens noted.

More information: www.mfgday.com

Northern Exposure Disaster Conference

The American Red Cross of Northern Michigan is proud to partner with Mackinaw City to host the upcoming "Northern Exposure Disaster Conference." The week-long interactive conference will provide a full complement of introductory and advanced emergency disaster training opportunities for both new and existing Red Cross volunteers.

The conference will take place at the Mackinaw City Recreation Complex October 15 through 19 from 8am to 5p m. Anyone in Northern Michigan interested learning more about disaster relief and preparedness, or those wishing to explore available volunteer opportunities to assist the Red Cross deliver its humanitarian mission, are encouraged to attend.

With a mission of helping others, Northern Michigan Red Cross volunteers are regularly engaged in local and national activities involving disaster preparation, response and recovery. During the Northern Exposure Disaster Conference Red Cross staff and instructors will provide a complete series of hands-on opportunities and classes designed to educate and train individuals on the many aspects of Red Cross disaster relief operations.

The Red Cross responds to disasters large and small nearly 70,000 times a year. Providing hot meals for families affected by disasters, blankets to protect from the cold and ensure they have a safe place to go. You can help us respond to emergencies by joining our volunteer team.

To learn more about how to participate in the conference, please call: 231-947-7286, extension 7411, or to become a Red Cross volunteer team member, visit: redcross.org.

Michigan Community Service Commission listening tour event in Gaylord

The Michigan Community Service Commission will visit Gaylord as part of its Volunteer Michigan Tour, visiting each region in the state to explore ways to expand service and volunteerism in communities across Michigan. The Michigan Community Service Commission, the state's lead agency on volunteerism, will host an event from 9 to 11am on Oct. 17 at Gaylord City Hall, 305 E Main St.

Community leaders and residents from Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon counties are invited to attend.

The listening tour will allow individuals to share thoughts on how to expand service and volunteerism to address the state's most pressing issues and learn about resources available. Participants will discuss community challenges and ways to improve the quality of life for residents. The input gathered from the tour will help shape the future of Michigan volunteerism and national service as participants will generate ideas to include in a new State Service Plan.

"We want to hear from a diverse group of community leaders to see how service and volunteerism can address Michigan's toughest challenges," said Michigan Community Service Commission executive director Ginna Holmes.

Register for the event at: <https://2018-volunteer-michigan-tour-gaylord.eventbrite>.

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Television's Dr. Oz and Cleveland Clinic's Dr. Roizen report on health, wellness and quality of life.



CBT benefits moms with kids who have special needs

To paraphrase something the actress Allison Janney once said: If June Cleaver [Barbara Billingsley] made women in the 1950s and '60s feel bad because they didn't measure up to her all-too-perfect mom character in "Leave it to Beaver," Janney's character on the TV sitcom "Mom" should make moms everywhere feel great!

Well, laughter is great medicine. But there's something else that can make moms, especially those caring for children with special needs, feel better about themselves: cognitive behavioral therapy, or CBT.

Researchers at the University of Louisville have found that brief CBT sessions — just five 45-to-60-minute meetings — significantly improved the mental state of women who take care of children with chronic health conditions, such as cerebral palsy and cystic fibrosis. The therapists also believe that CBT works in any situation where mothers are emotionally stretched because of a child's complex health condition.

One therapist describes the women as feeling isolated and blue because they couldn't hire a babysitter who knew how to deal with their child's special needs, and consequently couldn't find a way to spend time with friends. But even if such situations didn't change, after therapy, the moms reported decreased depressive symptoms, such as negative thinking, and their sleep quality greatly improved.

So if you (or someone you know), find yourself in a similar situation, locate a CBT program near you. Contact the Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies at www.abct.org to find a CBT therapist in your area.

Talk and listen to your toddlers

Written by Sting (he credits his infant son at the time with the lyrics: "I've never paid him, so that's another possible lawsuit"), "De Do Do Do, De Da Da Da (Is all I want to say to you)" actually might be expressive enough to raise a child's IQ by an average of 14 to 27 percent. That's according to a recent study published in *Pediatrics*, the journal of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The point that the researchers were making is that toddlers between 18 and 24 months of age who take more turns speaking in a back-and-forth dialogue with adults, even though they may not be using real words, develop higher "expressive vocabulary scores nine to 14 years later." That's pretty impressive research. (The researchers looked at three age groups: 2 to 17 months; 18 to 24 months; and over 25 months.)

So when you're with your child (they did not make a distinction between boys and girls), put down the cellphone — and take it out of your child's hands, too! — and have a ton of discussions with your little one, especially during this very powerful developmental stage in his or her life.

Remember, we told you a few weeks ago that when a second-grade teacher asked students which modern gizmo they wished had never been created, nearly 25 percent said they hated their mom's cellphone and wished it didn't exist. So, talk with your toddlers and see what they have to say. Just Do, Do, Do.

Bang those drums

If you've ever been to a Cleveland Indians home baseball game, chances are about 100 percent that you've heard a tom-tom drum echoing from the top bleacher seats. The drummer is a guy

named John Adams, a retired AT&T worker who, besides attending home games since 1973, co-teaches a graduate level course at Cleveland State University on aquatics for kids with disabilities.

We're pretty sure Adams would be delighted to know, if he doesn't already, that drumming does more than rev up a sports crowd. It helps children diagnosed with autism improve their motor control and enhances their powers of concentration and communication.

According to a new study, autistic children who drum for 60 minutes a week experience vast improvement in dexterity, rhythm and overall timing, along with an improved ability to concentrate on their homework. The benefits don't stop there.

Teachers told the researchers that their autistic students who played the drums also were better able to follow instructions and their social interactions and communication with peers, adults and the school staff improved significantly.

So if you know someone who has autism or someone who has a child with autism, suggest they give "The Kit" (as Ringo Starr calls a drum set) a try, either a traditional model or a newer electronic drum (which is great, because you can control the volume). Check local music stores for info on lessons. Then you'll discover if you are (or are related to) a budding Buddy Rich or an emerging Sheila E.

Don't let asthma cause you weight gain

Pear-shaped Homer Simpson often has severe breathing problems when he tries to pick up the pace, and it makes sense, since we have long-known that obesity is a serious risk factor for developing respiratory issues. About 39 percent of folks who are obese develop asthma.

What's the connection? A new lab study in the *American Journal of Physiology — Lung Cellular and Molecular Physiology* suggests that having a high body mass index triggers bodywide and localized inflammation in the lungs that leads to constriction of airways and asthma.

Fortunately, losing weight can help ease symptoms. In one Danish study from 2012, obese participants who lost 14.5 percent of their initial weight saw a "48 to 100 percent remission of asthma symptoms and use of asthma medication."

But what hasn't been recognized, until now, is that asthma is a risk factor for becoming obese. Another new study tracked more than 8,600 people and found 10.2 percent of folks with asthma at the start of the study had become obese at the 10-year mark; only 7.7 percent of those without asthma were obese at that point. Folks who developed asthma as adults and those with non-allergic asthma were at even greater risk of post-diagnosis obesity.

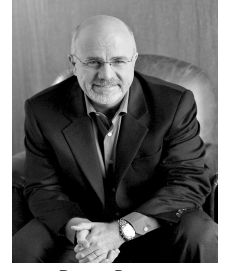
So if you develop asthma, this is one more reason to stick with a long-term asthma control regimen that works — don't just rely on a rescue inhaler — and to increase, your physical activity, with your doc's advice. Let asthma sufferers David Beckham, Jerome Bettis and Jackie Joyner Kersee inspire you.

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DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

(Spending money in the budget?)

Dear Dave,
We are debt-free except for our home, and we have six months of expenses set aside in our emergency fund. Every time we do our monthly budget, we set aside a small amount of personal spending money for us both. Do you see anything wrong with this?

DeAnna

Dear DeAnna,
There's absolutely nothing wrong with having a little fun money calculated into your monthly budget when you're in good financial shape. The problems start when couples don't agree on these kinds of things — or worse — when they start hiding stuff and lying to each other about where the money's going.

People either grow together or they grow apart when they get married. When you start hiding things from your spouse you're essentially keeping separate lives. That's a bad sign in any marriage, and in many cases, this kind of thing leads to divorce.

Having an agreed-upon budget isn't just telling your money what to do. It's also an important part of a healthy sharing and communication process between husband and wife!

—Dave

(Close up small business?)

Dear Dave,
I have a small business, and I love what I do. Unfor-

tunately, things haven't been going well the last several months. On top of that, I've committed a lot of money to advertising in the coming year. Recently, I got a great job offer from a company that would pay me twice what I'm making now. What do you think I should do?

Hugh

Dear Hugh,
If it were me, I'd want to keep my options open. Closing your business would mean giving up all your customers. I'm not sure that's a good idea when the offer has just been made, and you know so little about the actual job.

If you think this new job is something you might like, why not accept the offer and see if you can continue your other work on the weekends? That would help cover some, if not all, of your advertising commitment. Plus, it would keep some money rolling in if the new job doesn't work out.

If you find you like this new job, then you've got a great income and something you like doing on weekends that pays. If you keep your business open — even on a small scale — there's always a chance it will begin to grow again. Who knows? It might give you the opportunity to jump back into it full-time somewhere down the road!

—Dave

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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EVERYBODY KNOWS To the Editor,
Kavanaugh is guilty. Even his supporters acknowledge guilt. Why wouldn't they? Donald Trump set the new temporary standard that lying under oath is okay. Statutory rape is okay. Cheating is okay. Philandering is okay. Selling out your own government is okay. Violating Constitutional law is okay. Everybody knows Jeff Flake is a flake, Susan Collins a bullslinger. Manchin is a maverick opportunist at best for a cause that holds no promise. So why do these guys — and girls — do this?

It's politics impure and simple. They're looking down the road for some benefit forthcoming by being obstreperous in the face of obvious guilt of the wannabe pretender to a throne that is dubious at best. The Supreme Court of the US (SCOTUS) has discredited its reputation to point of negligibility. That's a Constitutional problem needing addressing like a few others, namely, the electoral college, presidential executive orders and signing statements, title of nobility, i.e. judges (hiz-zoner in black robe minus only the powdered wig), several others that have been superseded in custom but still remain in signatory print. It's past time to revisit it up to date in this era of the Internet and the

Woman. This latter is happening anyway in elections and as soon as some are willing to brave the internet challenge the foreign invasion will be nullified. Until then it's election 18 and 20 to the rescue.

Republicans know this, how could they not? It's desperation, it's grasping at straws like drowning men, mostly males, as they sink into the swamp slime of their own perpetuating. Allegations of rape, pillage, lying under oath? These indictments may be levied anytime, anytime anyone has the courage to do so. Watch election 2018 for harbinger of retaliation, not the threat made by Brett Kavanaugh but certainly coming around felicitously, as true righteousness always does.

Perhaps it is too late for resuscitating the sanctified Constitution. It's unlikely a peaceful resolution could occur so we're left with only one option. Yep, drugs. No, ha, ha, just kidding. As in the 1960s mass protests, mirrored by the Women's March recently, Million Man and other demonstrations that are still legally protected by Amendment Numero Uno even though not recognized by the dumbass cops who arrest those peacefully assembling, petitioning for redress of grievances. There, how much plainer could it be? The government usurps the First Amendment at every rally. Sure, the skinheads get

to march too, but they don't get to bash heads and neither do the cops. If the Constitution survives it will be changed considerably to encompass basically what the First Amendment already says but enlarged upon. Cops, poorly trained and incapable of higher-level education, must be restrained, disarmed, because they're not able to advance to maturity equivalent to the task at hand. Courts, especially prosecutors, have similarly to be held accountable, indicted when found illegally malfasant. Judges, well, judges should be made to spend 24 hours behind bars every year for further education on the merits and responsibilities of their jobs. These would indeed be wakeup calls. Supreme Court? Well, no, that didn't work out, probably a bad idea from the gitgo. Judges are a hand-me-down from the Star Chamber of England, that infamous hanging judge terrorizing Britain, aped by the Bastille and all other medieval horror stories. That's how America came about, King George III and all that heritage, thousands of years of invasions and revolutions, Russia and China inclusive. Vikings were no choirboy cub-scouts either, nor were indigenous Indian tribes the magnificent noble savage image portrayed. Mexicans and other south of the border peoples are mixtures of Spaniards

and ancient peoples such as Incas and Mayans, once thriving populations with architecture beyond modern standards, now elusive or homogenized into Americanized drug culture. Point submitted.

This moment will pass with all rectifying resolutions appropriate to a declaration of free people, for repression never lasts beyond its zenith, which seems real close at hand. He who laughs last laughs longest, best/loudest, as the time-worn adage goes. These insults to propriety of recent blatancy will pass unto the trash bin of history as do all oppressive motions by mankind seeking hegemony over his own kind. Politicians promising relief through blatant lies are to be pasteurized, literally put out to pasture. If we're going to have a Constitutional government, let it be what it says — with revision according to current needs. We know when someone is lying, even though a few are quite able to deceive until the last moment. These ones lately are even bad liars. We are not convinced and we are not amused. What's really going on here is a matter of what stance you take in acceptance or rejection of political lies. Everybody knows.

Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

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