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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, MAY 14, 2019

**City considers prohibiting jumping into Boyne River**

BY KAREN WALKER

An ordinance to prohibit individuals jumping into the Boyne River gained support from Boyne City Commissioners at their regular meeting Tuesday. Jumping or diving into the Boyne River from any man made structure, or from any elevated height from any property owned by the City of Boyne City would be prohibited.

Commissioner Dean Solomon suggested the police department clarify some of the ordinance wording. A second reading of the proposed ordinance is scheduled for the June 25th commission meeting. Commissioner Ron Grunch feels this is a tool to help safeguard the community.

In other business, City Manager Michael Cain reported the Michigan Economic Development Corporation approved grant funding of \$408,000 to complete proposed improvements to the Veterans Park Pavilion. Work will begin after Labor Day and is expected to take approximately eight weeks to complete.

Michelle Cortright announced the successful completion of a campaign to purchase a forty acre parcel in Evangeline Township. The Walloon Lake Trust and Conservancy teamed up with Top of Michigan Mountain Bike Association to raise the needed funds. The property will become a Conservancy preserve in the Boyne School Forest corridor. The new preserve will protect the hilly landscape around Walloon Lake and create a place for an additional eleven miles of sustainably built hiking and biking trails. Upon completion, a combined total of 31 miles of multi-use trails will be available on this parcel and the existing Boyne School Forest trails. Construction of the new trails is expected to start immediately.

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**Re-energize, Restructure and Rebuild EJ Portside Art & Historical Society**

The East Jordan Portside Art and Historical Society is seeking new members, board members and individuals interested in art and history. Due to decreasing membership the group was unable to host the 2019 Portside Art Festival, which is their only fundraiser at this time.

The East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce committed to assisting in Re-energizing, Restructuring and Rebuilding the Historical Society. You do not need to be a native of East Jordan or live in the community to be a member.

If you are interested in preserving and celebrating the history of East Jordan, you are invited and encouraged to become a member. All ages are eligible to be a member, families are encouraged to join and help make a difference in preserving our heritage and history.

MSU Extension Educator Bethany Prykucki along with MSU Extension Educator Emeritus, Phil



Learn more about the Historical Society, explore opportunities to get involved and brainstorm the greatest potential moving forward at a session to be held on May 20 at the East Jordan Community/Civic Center. Courtesy photo

Alexander will facilitate a process for attendees to learn more about the Historical Society, explore opportunities to get involved and brainstorm the great-

est potential moving forward.

The session will be held on Monday, May 20, 5:30 to 7pm at the East Jordan Community/Civic Center,

116 Main Street, downtown East Jordan. For more information, please contact Mary Faculak at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce - 231-536-7351

**Volunteers needed for Ellsworth Pig Roast**

The Pig Roast tradition continues! This 39th year's event will take place on Friday night, June 14 and Saturday, June 15.

Friday evening will include all American Picnic dinner, a Paddle Antrim celebration and cruise, a

water slide for children and an ice cream social.

Saturday will feature events all day long, beginning at 8 a.m. The pancake breakfast, the 5K run, our hometown parade, crafts, a great meal, lots of games and attractions for chil-

dren, a benefit motorcycle ride and the annual horse pull plus other attractions await the public. New this year will be a two-day softball tournament.

The event is still being planned so there are lots of opportunities for input and

volunteers. If you are interested in getting involved, please e-mail us at ellsworthpigroast@gmail.com or leave a message on our Facebook page, "Annual Ellsworth/Atwood Pig Roast."



East Jordan native Phyllis Olszewski was honored as the 2019 Mother of the Year. Courtesy photo

**Phyllis Olszewski named 2019 EJ Mother of the Year**

The 51st annual Mother/Daughter Banquet was held Saturday, May 11 at the East Jordan Middle /High School and was hosted this year by the East Jordan Varsity Competitive Cheer Team. The long running event had been hosted by the East Jordan Lions Club.

East Jordan native Phyllis Olszewski was honored as the 2019 Mother of the Year. Contestants from the Miss East Jordan Court and the Fifth Grade Dance Troupe provided entertainment and past Mothers of the Year were recognized. Gretchen Bender of E.J. Catering prepared a delicious meal for this year's banquet.

A special donation was given in loving memory of Jeff Argetsinger, a member of the East Jordan Lions Club. The East Jordan Mother/Daughter Banquet held special place in Argetsinger's heart.

Event sponsors included EJ, East Jordan Plastics Inc., East Jordan Lions Club, Teamsters Local 406.

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FRIDAY

HIGH: 58  
LOW: 39

SATURDAY

HIGH: 59  
LOW: 43

SUNDAY

HIGH: 60  
LOW: 48

MONDAY

HIGH: 61  
LOW: 46

TUESDAY

HIGH: 62  
LOW: 46

WEDNESDAY

HIGH: 60  
LOW: 45

## record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
MAY 16	...40°	...70°	...25° (1967)	..93° (1998)
MAY 17	...40°	...70°	...26° (1983)	..88° (1977)
MAY 18	...41°	...70°	...25° (1981)	..87° (1998)
MAY 19	...41°	...71°	...24° (2002)	..88° (1975)
MAY 20	...41°	...71°	...27° (1954)	..91° (1977)
MAY 21	...42°	...72°	...25° (1967)	..89° (1975)
MAY 22	...42°	...72°	...22° (1967)	..88° (1964)
MAY 23	...42°	...72°	...26° (1963)	..87° (1964)
MAY 24	...43°	...72°	...22° (1956)	..89° (1975)
MAY 25	...43°	...73°	...25° (1992)	..88° (2007)

## OBITUARIES

### Shirley Jean Bowers, 86

(APRIL 19, 1933 - MAY 11, 2019)

Shirley Jean Bowers passed away at her home in East Jordan on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

She was born April 19, 1933 at home in Bay Shore, Michigan to Theo & Clarabell (Hoxie) Hammon-tree. She is a 1951 graduate of Boyne City High School and while still in high school, she met the love of her life, Donald Bowers. They were married on June 2, 1951 at the First Presbyterian Church of Boyne City.



After marrying, Shirley moved to East Jordan and worked as a phone operator. After raising 4 daughters she decided to return to the workforce. She began working at Northwestern State Bank before becoming the first receptionist at the East Jordan Family Health Center. She was also the secretary at the First Presbyterian Church of East Jordan for many years.

Outside of her working commitments, Shirley graciously volunteered much of her free time to many community organizations. She was a member of the Eastern Stars where she played the organ and held many office positions. She valued her commitment to faith as a member of the First Presbyterian Church of East Jordan, where she enjoyed participating in the vocal and bell choirs and served as both a Deacon and Session member. She also enjoyed gardening, painting and playing music.

Shirley's fondness of early childhood education led to the development of the East Jordan Co-Op Nursery School in 1968. In 2010, she was named East Jordan's Mother of the Year.

Most importantly, Shirley was a mother, grandmother & great grandmother. Shirley is survived by her husband, Donald Bowers of East Jordan; four daughters, Donna (Greg) Huryk of Muskegon, Brenda K. (Tracy) Malpass of East Jordan, Diane "Dee" (Robert) Hawley of East Jordan and Susan J. (Kurt) Nichols of East Jordan, eleven grandchildren; and sixteen great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers and two sisters; and one granddaughter, Michele Thorman.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at 11:00 am at the First

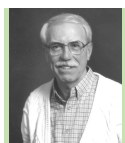
Presbyterian Church in East Jordan, with Rev. Jaime Klinger officiating the service, with interment following at Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the East Jordan Ambulance Association, PO Box 223, East Jordan, MI 49727 or Saladin Shriners Children's Trust, Attn: Judy Williams, 233 East Fulton St.; Suite 102, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

### Dale W. Bachelor, 83

(NOV. 30, 1935 - DEC. 15, 2018)

Dale W. Bachelor of Boyne City died December 15, 2018 at the Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.



Dale was born on November 30, 1935 in Montrose, MI, the son of Hubert and Doris (Reed) Bachelor and was raised in Fairgrove and Montrose until the age of 10 when the family moved to Petoskey. Dale graduated from Petoskey High School with the Class of 1953 before attending and graduating from Michigan State University.

On February 22, 1958, Dale married the love of his life, Nancy Cotanche, in Petoskey. Dale taught agriculture in Vermontville and in Harbor Springs before the family in 1960 moved to the Hudsonville area. He then went to work for Smith-Douglass Fertilizer in Holland, Michigan, and was there for 38 years before retiring as Chief of Marketing from the area in 1998. He returned to Petoskey upon his retirement and to his current home on Walloon Lake in 2000.

He enjoyed fishing, boating, golf and loved playing softball. He played as pitcher in most cases. He played on a championship winning intramural team in college, as well as playing in the local church league. He was also known for his homerun that he hit into the lake while playing for the Potchman team.

He was a dedicated member of the First Christian Church of Petoskey and served in almost all positions of the church, except that of minister. He was also a Life-Member of the Fraternal Order of Oddfellows.

Dale was one of the most genuinely decent people you

could ever hope to meet. He always had a smile on his face and was known for his sense of humor.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy; 5 children, Sam (Reenie) Bachelor, Elizabeth Pruitt, Jennifer (Scott) Hayes, Jeffrey Bachelor, and Jay Bachelor; 9 grandchildren, Phillip, Jay, Sarah, Nick, Tyler, Paige, Blake, Kelly, and Ashlee; 3 great grandchildren, Braxton, Emma, and Ava; sister, Marilyn Burrows and by numerous nieces and nephews.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents and by 6 siblings.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 25, 2019, at the First Christian Church in Petoskey. Dale's family will begin to receive friends at the church beginning at 10:00 a.m.

### Ruth Ann (Krizan) Christy, 79

(SEPT. 3, 1939 - MAY 13, 2019)

Ruth Ann Christy of Boyne City passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on May 13, 2019 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

Ruth was born in Detroit, Michigan on September 3, 1939 the daughter of John and Susie Krizan.

In 1970 she moved to Boyne City and worked as a waitress at Mr. Jays and B&C Restaurant's before becoming an inspector at Bendix (Honeywell) for fifteen years.

Ruth was a people person with a great sense of humor; there was no walking past her without hearing a hello. She enjoyed sitting by the water, camping and traveling.

Ruth is survived by her three children Cherie Kennedy of Seattle, WA, Bob (Lori) Christy of Boyne City and Colleen (Tom) Sweet of North Dakota; four grandchildren Ambre Ayoub, Allen Detlaff, Bethany and Johnathon Christy.

She is preceded in death by her parents; five brothers and one sister.

A gathering of family and friends will be held from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM Friday, May 17, 2019 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City. A private graveside service will be held at a later time at Maple Lawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family request memorial donations to be directed to Grandvue Medical Care Facility; in memory of Ruth.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com).

### Michael Ervin Richter, 67

(MAY 18, 1951 - MAY 4, 2019)

Michael Richter of Boyne City passed away on May 4th, 2019 in Petoskey, MI.



Mick was born May 18th, 1951 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He was the son of Ervin Richter and Hannah Lindstrom.

Mike joined the Army upon graduation which he later retired from. He married Laurie Bekkering and had two sons; Jon and Joe. Mike enjoyed going to the Upper Peninsula, gardening and playing Black Jack. He loved his family, friends and coffee. Mike was a very social man ready to tell a joke or help anyone. He loved to cook.

Mike is survived by his children Jon (Lisa) Richter and Joe Richter; mother Hannah Lindstrom; sister Cindi Kline; brother Scott Richter; grandchildren Alyson Leigh Richter, Samanta Dodge, Olivia Massey, Richelle Massey, Brandon Massey; many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father Ervin Richter and brother Randall Todd

Richter.

A memorial service will be held 1:00 PM Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City with a gathering of family and friends being held from 12:00 noon until the time of service.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com).

### Leath Marie Vaughan, 63

(OCT. 19, 1955 - MAY 7, 2019)

Leath Marie Vaughan of Boyne City, formerly of Allen Park, MI., passed away peacefully Tuesday, May 7, 2019 with loved ones at her side.

Leath was born in Dearborn, MI., the daughter of the late James and Leath Ann (Sarasin) Vaughan. She attended Allen Park High School and graduated with the Class of 1973.

She started her working career with J.L. Hudson's Dept. Store in downtown Detroit for ten years until their closure in 1983.

In 1985 she got a job with the US Postal Service and completed her thirty year career in 2015. She was a very dedicated employee and managed to accumulate nearly a full year of unused sick leave and vacation time. Leath's pets were her life. Whether it was hamsters and guinea pigs as a teenager or her cat and dog, Becky and Julian, she put her pets before herself. Her perfect day would be taking Julian to the dog park to play.

Leath is survived by her brother, Kevin and Chris (Jakubiec) Vaughan of Carleton, MI. and many cousins.

A funeral service was held Saturday, May 11, 2019 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

The family requests that memorials in Leath's name be made to the Allen Park Presbyterian Church in Allen Park, MI.

Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory are encouraged to do so online at [www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com).

### Chester "Chet" Janssens, 86

(JUNE 1, 1932 - MAY 8, 2019)

Chester "Chet" Janssens of Boyne City passed away in hospice care in Petoskey, Michigan, on Wednesday, May 8, after a very short illness. He and his wife Cynthia lived on Big Bear Lake in the Lewiston area for nearly 20 years before moving to Boyne City four years ago to be nearer his brother Carl Janssens and the "big water."



Chet was the president of Crusader Marine Engines in Sterling Heights until his retirement. A life-long boater, he was active in the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and the Clinton River Boat Club while living downstate and joined both the Boyne City Yacht Club and the Somerset Pointe Yacht Club after moving to this area. His main interests continued to be boating, travel and golf.

Janssens spent six years serving on the board of directors of the Munson Otsego Memorial Hospital and was a member of the Boyne City post of the American Legion.

He traveled extensively with his wife Cynthia, the former travel editor of The Detroit News, visiting Antarctica, the Galapagos Islands, Africa, South America, Alaska, Russia, Europe, Japan and New Zealand. He never lost his love for "schlepping bags" for Cindy.

He was born in Detroit on June 1, 1932, to Carlo and Mildred Reeser Janssens. He attended Cass Technical High School and served in the U.S. Army during the Ko-

rean conflict. He returned to the Detroit area and attended seven years of night school at the then Lawrence Institute of Technology in Southfield earning a degree in engineering.

He is survived by spouse Cynthia Boal Janssens, four children - Paula Janssens Palazzolo, Glen Janssens, Jennifer Boal Colucci and Amy Boal - and nine grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother Carl Janssens, owner of Mayfair Plastics in Gaylord, and a sister, Shirley Borchardt of Macomb, MI. His parents and first wife Glenda Janssens pre-deceased him.

There will be services for Chet on Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m. at the Trinity Missionary Church in Petoskey (600 N. Division St.) followed by a Celebration of Life at the historic Perry Hotel in Petoskey. Questions? [Cynthia2248@msn.com](mailto:Cynthia2248@msn.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Friends of the Boyne River ([boynriver.org](http://boynriver.org)) and to the Hiland Cottage Hospice in Petoskey.

### Betty Lou Groesser, 81

(JUNE 23, 1937 - MAY 12, 2019)

Betty Lou Groesser of East Jordan, formerly of Ellsworth, passed peacefully at Grandvue Medical Care Facility on Sunday, May 12, 2019.

She was born on June 23, 1937 in Suttons Bay, and was the eldest of four children, raised by Pete and Josie Herman. On July 11, 1953 she married Loren Groesser, and they made their home in Ellsworth.

Betty worked over 35 years at Dura Automotive in East Jordan. She enjoyed gardening, bowling, and in later years, bingo. Betty also was involved with sports, coaching girls' softball and she loved to watch the Detroit Tigers. Baking cakes for the grandkids and making homemade bread, always gave her joy. Sitting on her big front porch was a favorite and a scoop of ice cream was always available.

She is survived by four children: Bonnie (Gary) Hebdon of Florida, Darlene Bolser of East Jordan, Cindy Cebulski of Ellsworth, and Ken (Deb) Groesser of Ellsworth, 10 grandchildren, several great grandchildren and even a few great, great grandchildren. Also surviving are many nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are her parents Pete and Josie, her husband Loren, son Edward, son-in-law Rusty Bolser, sisters Ruby LaCrosse and Maxine Steurer, brother Chico Herman, and infant sister Nancy.

The family would like to thank the staff at American House in Charlevoix for the care of Betty over four years and also the staff at Grandvue for the care and support over the last three plus years.

A Memorial Gathering will be held Saturday, May 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Ellsworth Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com).

### Marie Evelyn McSawby, 86

(MAY 12, 1932 - MAY 6, 2019)

Marie E. McSawby of Charlevoix passed away Monday, May 6, 2019.

She was born May 12, 1932 in Charlevoix, the daughter of William Sands and Anna (Enos) Sands.

Marie was a proud member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. She greatly enjoyed the outdoors, including biking and taking

in nature, as well as singing. Marie was a lover of children, especially those in her family.

For many years Marie worked at United Technologies in Boyne City as an assembler.

Surviving Marie are two nieces, Lori (Antonio) McSawby-Hartle of Charlevoix, and Tina Wiser-McSawby of Charlevoix. Also surviving Marie are numerous great nieces and great nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Louis McSawby, sister Catherine McSawby, and niece Jennifer McSawby.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 10 at the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with Pastor Jonathan Mays officiating. Interment followed in Brookside Cemetery, Charlevoix.

Memorial contributions may be made to Boulder Park Terrace, 14676 W. Upright, Charlevoix, MI 49615.

The family would like to give special thanks to all of the staff at Boulder Park Terrace, who took great care of Marie in her last year.

Please sign her online guestbook at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

### Penny Sue Baldwin, 55

(MAY 22, 1963 - MAY 1, 2019)

Penny S. Baldwin of Charlevoix passed away Wednesday, May 1, 2019, with her loving brother by her side.

No services have been planned at this time.

Arrangements have been handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Sign her online guestbook at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

### Peirce Erb, 91

(JUNE 24, 1927 - MAY 9, 2019)

Peirce Erb of Walloon Lake passed away on May 9, 2019. He was born in Holland, Michigan on June 24, 1927, the son of William and Mildred (Peirce) Erb.

Upon graduation from Todd School in Woodstock, IL, Peirce joined the Merchant Marines in 1945 and crewed on Liberty Ships until 1946. He then joined the Army and was discharged in 1948. Peirce then attended Northwestern University and after finishing his freshman year, he transferred to Central Michigan College in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan to follow his future wife, Mary Whitfield. Peirce and Mary were married in 1951, at Walloon Lake and had a daughter, Deborah, as well as a son, Randall, by adoption.

Peirce graduated from Central Michigan College with a degree in teaching and his first position as a teacher was at Todd School in Illinois, the same school he had previously attended. His teaching career led him to positions in Cadillac, Michigan, Wayland Academy in Beaverton, Wisconsin, Walloon Lake School and finally the Petoskey Middle School from which he retired from teaching.

Peirce's hobbies were woodworking, sailing, camping, and skiing. He was the Ski Patrol Leader at Walloon Hills Ski area for 19 years.

Peirce is survived by his wife Mary of Walloon Lake, his Daughter, Deborah (Gary) Green of Walloon Lake, and son Randall of Santa Monica, California.

A celebration of his life will be held on May 19, 2019 at the Melrose Township Hall, 04289 M-75, Walloon Lake, Michigan from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Given Peirce's lifelong love of reading, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Crooked Tree District Library, P.O. Box 518, Walloon Lake, Michigan 49796.

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## Blue and white flags raise awareness for foster care need

From Wayne County to Gogebic County, blue and white lawn flags will dot Michigan's landscape this month to demonstrate the need for loving foster homes for children.

Michigan has approximately 13,500 children in foster care. Children of all ages who have been victims of abuse and neglect need temporary foster homes to care for them until they can be safely reunified with their parents or – in a smaller number of cases – until they can find adoptive

homes if it's not safe for them to return home.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has proclaimed May to be Foster Care Month in Michigan to encourage people to consider becoming foster parents and to recognize those who are already doing so.

"Every child deserves a safe, loving and stable home," Whitmer said. "This month and throughout the year, I hope Michiganders will consider opening up their homes to children in foster care."



Image courtesy of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) oversees



the state's foster care system. "Foster parents are critically important in help-

ing us meet our mission of protecting the safety and well-being of children," said MDHHS Director Robert Gordon. "I want to express my thanks and gratitude to the many Michiganders who provide love, affection, support and security to children who are in need."

The first step to becoming a foster parent is contacting a Foster Care Navigator. Navigators are experienced foster parents who can answer questions, help individuals find an agency that's right for them and provide

guidance along their journey to becoming a foster parent. They can be reached at 855-MICHKIDS.

To learn more about foster care, visit [www.michigan.gov/hopeforahome](http://www.michigan.gov/hopeforahome). Find dates and locations for foster care flag displays and the times that child welfare staff will be available to answer questions on the Foster Care Awareness Month Flag Display page on the MDHHS website.



### Charlevoix Rotary upgrades playground

The Rotary Club of Charlevoix recently completed a multi-year renovation of Rotary Park on Carpenter avenue. In this final phase, Club members installed a new slide, new benches, and a new T-Rex rider. The \$37,000 total project was made possible with collaboration from the City of Charlevoix, and generous funding from The Charlevoix County Community Foundation, Rotary District 6290, and the Charlevoix Rotary Club. A special thank you to all of the Club members that helped with the installation, Swanson K&D, and Charlevoix Ace Hardware. Courtesy photo

## Charlevoix Man Gets Prison Sentence

Christopher Milan Kroll, 40, Charlevoix, was sentenced yesterday to 16 to 24 months in prison by Judge Roy C. Hayes III in the 33rd Circuit Court.

Kroll had pleaded guilty on April 9 to two counts of resisting and obstructing police officers and operating while impaired.

According to an affidavit filed in the case, on December 16, 2017, Charlevoix City Police Officer James Schlappi observed a vehicle traveling on Petoskey Avenue driving erratically and clocked at 68 mph in a 35 mph zone.

Schlappi pulled the vehicle over and encountered the driver, later identified as Kroll, who smelled of alcohol and had slurred speech. Kroll refused to take field sobriety tests or a preliminary breath test.

Kroll was arrested and attempted to keep the patrol car door from being closed and removed one of the handcuffs from his wrist. Once at the Charlevoix County Jail, Kroll struggled with, bit and spit upon corrections officers and physically prevented his blood from being drawn at the hospital despite a search warrant.

While this case was pending, Kroll failed to appear for a scheduled court appearance

and left the jurisdiction. He was arrested in Kent County on multiple felony charges and sentenced to prison there on December 4, 2018.

Kroll has pending charges in Charlevoix County for absconding while on bond, possession of marijuana, driving while license suspended and having an open intoxicant in a vehicle. Prosecutors are seeking to add charges for possession of heroin and cocaine.

The sentence given Kroll was the maximum sentence that could be given by the court on a resisting and obstructing charge. All three of Kroll's sentences will run concurrently.

"This Defendant had seven prior misdemeanors and 19 prior felony convictions," Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof said. "He placed officers and hospital personnel at risk. I was glad that the court focused on safety of the public in fashioning a sentence that will protect the people of this county."

"We filed the absconding charge because people cannot just leave while on bond, commit more crimes and not have any consequence."

Submitted by Allen Telgenhof

# Raven Hill hosts "To the Moon and beyond"

July 20 of this year is the 50th anniversary of man's first landing on the moon, and Raven Hill is celebrating with a variety of events starting Saturday, May 18 from noon to 4pm. To the Moon and Beyond is a chance to highlight the science of space and its historical and cultural impact on man.

On Saturday, May 18, from noon to 4pm, the community is invited to "Science Day: Earth and Space" with activities developed by the National Informal STEM Education (NISE) Network. Raven Hill is one of 350 communities across the United States to be chosen to engage participants in Earth and Space phenomena, encourage reflection around science as a way of knowing and promote visitors to identify as science learners. Families are invited to come and engage in a variety of hands-on Earth and Space science concepts. Kids of all ages can take part in 'make-it, take-it activities' which will give guests an opportunity to construct an electroscope to detect static electricity, make a pocket solar system, build & test simple rockets and other exciting activities. Local science enthusiasts from EJ (for-



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merly East Jordan Ironworks) will be on hand to facilitate stations, as part of Enhance East Jordan. Science Day: Explore Earth and Space is sponsored in part by the National Informal STEM Education Network, the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

A Space Exhibit will run from July 1 to the 21 in the Warren Loranger Great Room and will include dis-

plays of shuttle tiles, spin-offs from NASA's space program, a scaled solar system model, a "lost on the moon" problem-solving activity among other displays and posters, all of which will encourage families to engage in the awe-inspiring fields of Earth and space science.

On July 18 at 4pm, the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra will perform an open air concert under the Pavilion at Raven Hill, featuring Celestial Summer

music inspired by space exploration, and planets in the solar system. Selections include Kligende Geographie, by Telemann; Navarra, by Sarasate; Musica Celestis, by Kernis and the Holst Planets.

Finally, from noon to 4pm on July 20, the Center will host Space Day: To the Moon and Beyond, with a number of exciting events. In addition to more hands-on NISE Network Earth & Space activities, families can visit the Eggdrop Station and package a raw egg to simulate the lunar module landing its delicate instruments on the moon's surface. Eggdrop packages will then be dropped 1,000 feet from a plane at 3pm. Afterwards, everyone will be invited to participate in a Rocket to the Moon challenge.

Tickets for the Celestial Summer concert are \$20 per person. Admission is \$10 per person for all other events, discounted 10% for members. Picnic tables are available for lunches and snacks. For more information, questions to volunteer or become an event sponsor, please call Cheri at 231-536-3369 or email [info@miravenhill.org](mailto:info@miravenhill.org)

## Schmidt supports auto insurance reform

LANSING, Mich. — State Sen. Wayne Schmidt on Tuesday supported the Senate plan to reduce Michigan's highest-in-the-nation auto insurance rates.

"This was a difficult vote," said Schmidt, R- Traverse City. "I've seen the fantastic benefits we have in our state and I hate to tamper with that quality of care. The simple fact, however, is people are being priced out of being able to drive, and we can't have that."

Michigan drivers pay the most expensive auto insurance rates in the country. That's because, under the current system, all motorists in the state are legally required to carry unlimited, one-size-fits-all personal injury protection (PIP) coverage, which pays for uncapped medical expenses resulting from injuries sustained in an auto accident. All auto insurance companies must also pay an assessment to the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) to cover medical costs for claims that surpass \$555,000, which is ultimately passed on to drivers.

Additionally, there is no existing fee schedule for medical care provided through a no-fault claim. That means health care providers can charge whatever they want for care, a factor that balloons costs to unaffordable levels.

Senate Bill 1 would allow policyholders the choice to select coverage that best meets their needs and budget. Specifically, the legislation would eliminate the existing PIP requirement and allow drivers over the age of 62 the option of allowing Medicare or their other health care benefits to cover medical costs. It would also give younger drivers the ability to choose an

amount of coverage that suits their needs. Savings would correspond with the chosen benefit level.

"When you choose a health insurance or life insurance policy, or a policy for your business, you have choices based on your specific needs and budget," Schmidt said. "Today's reforms will allow you to have those same choices when purchasing auto insurance."

The legislation also aims to provide greater transparency and equity in health care billing practices; crack down on unnecessary medical treatments; reduce the system's susceptibility to lawsuits, fraud and conflicts of interest; and cut down on the number of uninsured drivers through more affordable rates.

"We're not eliminating the quality of care that the no-fault system provides," Schmidt said. "We're simply allowing people the option of purchasing what they can afford."

SB 1 was approved by the Senate and will now move to the House of Representatives for further consideration.

## North Central Michigan College announces summer hours

North Central Michigan College announces summer hours for the business and administrative offices, library, fitness center, gym and book store, starting Monday, May 13.

North Central administrative and business of-

fices, including student services and Learning Support Services, the College Library and College Store are open Monday through Thursday, 8am until 5pm, Friday, 8:30am until noon. These hours are in effect until Monday,

August 19 when regular business hours resume.

Summer hours for the fitness center and gym in the Student and Community Resource Center are Monday through Friday, 6am – 7pm, closed Saturday and Sunday, begin-

ning May 11 – September 1. Regular hours resume September 3.

The Iron Horse Café will be open Monday – Thursday, 11am – 1pm. For soup and salad beginning May 7 – August 17.

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## BOYNE CITY

### ANNUAL CRAFT BEER BLOCK PARTY

May 16, 5-9pm, downtown. The 5th Annual Craft Beer Block Party will kick off the 59th Annual National Morel Mushroom Festival again this year. featuring craft breweries, plus wineries, restaurants and live music from Jedi Mind Trip. The block party draws a big crowd to the middle of downtown Boyne City with the 100 block of South Lake Street blocked off for all the festivities.

## BOYNE CITY

### NATIONAL MOREL MUSHROOM FESTIVAL

May 16-19. 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](http://www.morelfest.com).

## PETOSKEY

### ANNUAL NLEA SPRING LUNCHEON

May 17, Registration starts at 11am, Great Lakes Center for the Arts. celebrating economic development with fellow businesses, and community and government leaders involved in the economic vitality of our area. The event format will be a little different than in years past. Guests will watch the program first in the auditorium. Following the program, rather than a traditional seated lunch, there will be food stations set up around the facility for guests to partake in while networking and exploring the building.

Registration from 11:00am to 11:30am. Proceed to the auditorium for the program from 11:30am to 12:30pm. Networking/Lunch stations until 2:00pm. Tickets are \$20 per person and you may purchase up to 10 tickets per transaction. Tickets are mandatory at the door. NLEA will mail tickets to the address you include on your order. Please fill tickets out and bring with you as admission into the event. Purchase at [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com).

## CHARLEVOIX

### LINCOLN DAY DINNER

May 17, 5:30pm reception, dinner at 6pm, Grey Gables Restaurant. The Charlevoix County Republican Party is hosting a Lincoln Day Dinner. Special guest speaker will be RNC Committeeman, Rob Steele. Dinner is \$60 per person and must be purchased in advance. To RSVP and purchase tickets contact CCR Chair Sue Cook at (231) 547-5818.

## BOYNE CITY

### RUN FOR THEIR LIVES 5K RUN/WALK

May 18, 8am, Behind former Boyne City Chamber Office (Lake and Water Streets). Start/Finish Downtown on Front St. Course is out and back along Lake Charlevoix.

Pre-register by dropping registration form off at the Charlevoix Area Humane Society. Or E-mail form to [pets@charlevoixhumane.org](mailto:pets@charlevoixhumane.org) Day of race Registration: 6:30-7:25am. Registration form found at [www.charlevoixhumane.org](http://www.charlevoixhumane.org) Morning of registration in back of the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce

building. Entry Fee: \$20 \$25 race day \$10 ages 12 and under Refreshments: Water, fruit and more. Questions: call 231-582-6774 or email [pets@charlevoixhumane.org](mailto:pets@charlevoixhumane.org).

## EAST JORDAN

### ENHANCE EAST JORDAN

May 18, 9am-3pm, Meet in Memorial Park. Five Projects To Choose TonWork On At-Friends of the Jordan, City of East Jordan-Parks, East Jordan Public School- Bike Trail, Grandvue Medical Care Facility and Raven Hill Discovery Center. Registration via email to - [info@ejchamber.org](mailto:info@ejchamber.org) or call 231-536-7351. All volunteers will receive a pair of gloves courtesy of East Jordan True Value Hardware.

## BOYNE CITY

Illegal Immigration Explored May 19, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "An Immigrant in the Sanctuary: When Faith and Politics Collide," features a filmed interview with Rev. Mike Morran, whose church offered sanctuary to Arturo Hernandez Garcia, an undocumented immigrant. Garcia moved into the church basement knowing he faced immediate deportation should he leave the church building. At this Lifetree episode, participants will have the opportunity to share their views concerning illegal immigration, immigration reform, and responding to undocumented immigrants. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is in the First Presbyterian Church, 401 S. Park St., Boyne City. Use the Pine St. entrance.

## EAST JORDAN

### POLISH DINNER

May 19, 1-3pm, St. Joseph Church Social Hall. Great Homemade Polish Food; cabbage rolls, cabbage and noodles, pierogies, kielbasa and kraut, goulash, mashed potatoes, vegetable, desert and beverage. 50/50 raffle. \$10 for adults, \$5 ages 6-10 and under age 5 free.

## CHARLEVOIX

### COMMUNITY POOL OPEN HOUSE

May 19, 1-3pm, Charlevoix Community Pool. Come celebrate the Pool Renewal Project and... Give us a chance to thank you for your support. Ribbon cutting promptly at 1pm Informal Tours by Board & Staff 1-2 pm. Free Open Swim 2-3pm. Complimentary food and beverages in our new multipurpose room. [charlevoixpool.com](http://charlevoixpool.com)

## BOYNE CITY

### ROTARY CLUB OPEN MEETING

May 20, 5:30pm, Red Mesa Grill. The public is invited to join us and learn how Rotary contributes to the Boyne community and how our service projects benefit people around the world. This meeting will take the place of the usual Monday morning meeting. The club holds an evening open meeting once a month, on the third Monday.

## EAST JORDAN

### RE-ENERGIZE, RESTRUCTURE AND REBUILD

May 20, 5:30-7pm, Community Civic Center. The East Jordan Portside Art and Historical Society is seeking new

members, board members and individuals interested in art and history. MSU Extension Educator, Bethany Prykucki and Extension Educator Emeritus, Phil Alexander will facilitate a process for attendees to learn more about the Historical Society, explore opportunities to get involved and brainstorm the greatest potential in moving forward.

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### COUNTY WIDE BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

May 21, 5:30-7:30pm, Lavender Hill Farm, Horton Bay. Members of the Boyne, Charlevoix, East Jordan and Beaver Island Chambers of Commerce will be attending this event, which always draws a big crowd. For the past 21 years, these chambers have teamed up to host this joint Business After Hours to provide networking opportunities for the entire county. Admission is \$5 including hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, drawings and networking. There will be great food and beverages as always. Each of the participating Chambers will bring a giveaway/door prize that represents their community.

## EAST JORDAN

### OVER SHOPPING & OVER SPENDING PRESENTATION

May 23, 6pm, Jordan Valley District Library. Terrence Shulman from Franklin, Michigan will present on how to not over spend on unnecessary items. Facts such as 15% of internet shoppers are compulsive shoppers, men and women shop/spend about equally, and the average credit card debt for a U.S. Citizen is nearly \$10,000. He has been on CNN, Nightline, CNBC, Entertainment Tonight, 48 Hours, Oprah Winfrey Show, etc. His book "Bought out and spent!" is available to check out from the library. This is a free event, but you need to register at 536-7131

## CHARLEVOIX

### ROUND LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL

May 24-26, 5-8pm, Bridge Park. Free concerts and fun. Featuring the Jelly Roll Blues Band, The Hustlers and the Jill Jack Band. Info at [livefrom-charlevoix.com](http://livefrom-charlevoix.com)

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### 10TH ANNUAL BREEZEWAY GARAGE SALE

May 24 and 25.

## BOYNE CITY

Prime Minister's "God Encounter" Aired

May 29, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. Former Ethiopian prime minister Tamrat Layne tells about his controversial "encounter with God" in a filmed interview at Lifetree Café on Potluck Sunday, May 26. Bring a dish to share at 5:30. Program begins at 6:30. After serving as prime minister, Layne was convicted of corruption charges and served 12 years in prison. During his incarceration, Layne claims he experienced a supernatural visit from God. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is in the First Presbyterian Church, 401 S. Park St., Boyne City. Use the Pine St. entrance.

## EAST JORDAN

### ANNUAL CHAMBER GOLF

## OUTING

June 7, The Mallard Golf Club. Lunch is at noon, shotgun start at 1pm. Nine holes with cart, lunch and snacks, golfer gifts, prizes and games. \$60 per person or \$240 per team. Contact the chamber at (231) 536-7351 for details.

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### SPRING ELECTRONICS AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

June 7, 5-8pm and June 8; 9am-1pm. Accepting common hazardous items, electronics, appliances and mattresses. Registration is May 28-June 6th. For location information or to register call 231-547-7221 between 8-4pm or visit [charlevoixcounty.org](http://charlevoixcounty.org).

## CHARLEVOIX

### SUMMER OPEN HOUSE

June 13, 4-8pm, downtown. Specials, refreshments and giveaways at participating stores and restaurants. Side street musicians on Bridge Street from 6-8pm. Visit [charlevoix.org](http://charlevoix.org) for more information.

## ELLSWORTH

### ANNUAL ELLSWORTH PIG ROAST

June 14 & 15. Friday evening will include all American Picnic dinner, a Paddle Antrim celebration and cruise, a water slide for children and an ice cream social. Saturday will feature events all day long, beginning at 8am. The pancake breakfast, the 5K run, our hometown parade, crafts, a great meal, lots of games and attractions for children, a benefit motorcycle ride and the annual horse pull plus other attractions await the public. New this year will be a two-day softball tournament.

## EAST JORDAN

### SHARPS DROP-OFF

June 19, 9am-1pm, McLaren Northern MI, 915 Mill Street. Sharps need to be in an approved hard impermeable plastic container. For needles only. Free. Info at 800-248-6777.

## NORWOOD TOWNSHIP

### CURBSIDE TRASH PICK-UP

June 22. Curbside pickup will be held on Saturday, June 22 this year. Items you would like to have picked up need to be at the curb by the evening of June 21.

## BOYNE CITY

### FARMERS MARKET

Veterans Park, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8am - Noon. Shoppers can purchase fresh local produce and unique goodies from the market For more information on the market, visit the Boyne City Farmers Market Facebook page or email farmers-market@boyneccity.com

## 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 Marke-

ter program and earn a T-shirt in just four visits.

## EAST JORDAN

### FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays 9am-1pm, Memorial Park. Locally organically grown herbs, fruits and vegetables. Baked goods, jewelry, jams, jellies, maple syrup, farm fresh eggs and more.

## BOYNE CITY

### LEAF & RUBBISH PICKUP

LEAF PICKUP is on Mondays and Fridays from now through June 7, Please set bagged leaves curbside anytime after the first day of pickup, in biodegradable paper yard waste bags. City crews will pick up bags as time allows. nBrush will not be picked up curbside, but may be brought to the North Boyne Compost Site. You may haul your own leaves, either bagged in biodegradable bags or unbagged, to the compost site on Robinson Street, open seven days a week for your convenience. They may NOT be left in traditional plastic trash bags. Yard waste details. RUBBISH PICKUP is for larger items that cannot be disposed of with your household trash such as mattresses, furniture and light construction debris. These pickups will be: Wednesdays: May 22 & 29 and June 5 for areas including Main Street and south and Thursdays: May 23 & 30 and June 6 for areas north of Main Street.

## EAST JORDAN

### OPEN DOOR CHRISTIAN COFFEE HOUSE

Features gospel music on the first and third Saturdays of the month starting at 7pm. East Jordan Senior Center, 951 Mill Street. Everyone welcome. Free coffee and snacks with a small charge for pizza and water.

## BOYNE CITY

### KINDER CLOSET

At Christ Lutheran Church is open from 10am to noon on the second Saturday of every month. Free baby items are provided, including diapers; wipes; clothes and more, for any Charlevoix County parent with a newborn to 24 month-old-child. Christ Lutheran Church is located at 1250 Boyne Avenue in Boyne City. For more information, call 231-582-9301.

## 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](mailto: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 WRCNM'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](http://www.wrcnm.org) or call (231) 347-0067.

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## The Michigan Big Tree Hunt contest is underway

ReLeaf Michigan, a non-profit tree planting and education organization, is celebrating Michigan trees with its 14th Michigan Big Tree Hunt Contest. This free contest runs now through September 3, 2019 and is open to participants of all ages.

Join Michiganders across all 83 counties to hunt for the largest trees in the state. Big trees can be found anywhere: a backyard, a local park, or a hiking trail. When the contest

closes certificates and prizes will be awarded for the largest tree submitted from each Michigan County, the largest tree found by a youth hunter (15 and younger) and adult hunter (16 and older), the largest Eastern White Pine found in the state and for potential state champion trees. To enter your big tree, visit [www.bigtreehunt.com](http://www.bigtreehunt.com) for an online entry form or for information on where to find a paper entry form.

ReLeaf Michigan started the Michigan Big Tree Hunt in 1993 to celebrate our state's beauty and gather information about Michigan's biggest trees. Contest entries provide potential state champion trees to Michigan's Big Tree Registry as well as the National Register of Big Trees. Since Michigan champion trees die or may be removed, contest entries are a wonderful opportunity for all age groups to help track these vital, his-

torical, living landmarks.

More contest details available online at [www.bigtreehunt.com](http://www.bigtreehunt.com). If you have a question not answered on the website, email [ledwards@ReLeafMichigan.org](mailto:ledwards@ReLeafMichigan.org) or call (800) 642-7353.

**RIGHT:** ReLeaf Michigan, a non-profit tree planting and education organization, is celebrating Michigan trees with its 14th Michigan Big Tree Hunt Contest. Courtesy photo



## Boyerne City Public Schools Board Meetings May 13, 2019 & May 6, 2019

### May 13th Regular Board Meeting

At the Boyne City Public Schools regular Board of Education (BOE) meeting on May 13, 2019, many items were presented, discussed and approved. Below are a few of the highlights we thought would be of interest.

**Staff Announcements**  
President Ken Schrader presented an award to our Transportation Director **Joe Howie** for all his years of dedicated service to BCPS.

We are pleased to announce that **Adam Stefanski** was approved as the Athletic Director for the Boyne City Public Schools athletic program. He will be replacing John Hertel who has moved to full-time Assistant Principal/Student Success Coordinator for the Boyne City High School.

**Kathy Notestine** was acknowledged and appreciated by the Board after 25 years of dedicated service in our food service department. She will be retiring at the end of the year.

**Public Commentary**  
There was no public comment.

**Donations**  
The Board also graciously accepted two donations:  
Boyerne City Booster Foundation totaling \$4,946 as follows  
\$1,195 ES STEAM Assembly  
\$1500 MS WEB Supplies (Middle School mentoring program)  
\$654 Rambler Travel Bottles  
\$650 Wrestling Record Board  
\$266 BCMS Hoop House Materials  
\$481 ES Headphones  
\$200 BCMS Camp Daggett Supplies  
Ace Hardware of Boyne City for the donation of \$100 to go towards the Boys Soccer Team.

**Action Items**  
The Board approved the meal prices for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by Food Service Director Layna Krell. Suggested pricing for student lunches is a product of a formula put forth by the State of Michigan. For the 2019-2020 school year, the prices will remain \$1.75 for breakfast and a five-cent increase to \$2.90 for lunch at all buildings.

The Board accepted the 2019-2020 Char-Em ISD General Fund Budget Resolution. This is required by law to acknowledge the ISD's budget proposal that is presented to the Board.

A Bid Resolution was

accepted by the Board for the General Obligation Bonds. On Monday, May 13, the business office accepted 6 total bids for the Obligation Bonds awarding Fifth Third Securities the bid at 1.875793%. This is the final bond funds raised through the 2016 bond vote which will fund 1:1 technology device purchases and other capital improvements.

The Board accepted a **Chromebook purchase** for the BCMS students of 345 Dell 3100 11" Chromebooks in the amount of \$74,520 and 355 NutKase 11" Ballistic cases in the amount of \$9,212.25 for a total of \$83,732.25. This is the first phase of the District's technology refresh process to support the 1:1 technology for all BCPS students. The high school and elementary schools replacement devices are scheduled for replacement next year.

The Board accepted the Revision of **Policy 0167.2 Bylaws, Closed Session**. This was an update to coincide with new laws to allow the Board to meet in closed session to consider security planning to address existing threats or prevent potential threats to the safety of the students or staff (a majority vote is required).

**Other Notes**  
Community members are welcome and encouraged to attend School Board meetings and become involved in the operation and governance of their school district. Your involvement in the education of our children is appreciated. The Boyne City School Board meetings are typically on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Our next regular meeting will be June 10, 2019, followed by our Budget Hearing/Regular meeting on June 24, 2019. All meeting dates can be found at our website at this address: <https://www.boyne.k12.mi.us/District/Portal/board-of-education>.

Notice of all special meetings will be posted on the website and by the main entrance in each school building as to date, time, and place.

### May 6th Workshop Meeting

Scott Hoefft from Integrated Designs, Inc. joined the Board members and administrative team for a workshop Board meeting on **May 6, 2019**. Pat Little and Scott Hoefft gave a combined presentation regarding a possible May of 2020 Bond vote for capital improvements and

renovations. Although the District sent out an invitation to the community, no members of the public attended.

First, a review of the current bond debt was reviewed by the Board. Pat Little reiterated a strategy for a future bond issue is to not raise taxes for any improvements needed. Therefore, the goal is to keep the school bond millage rate at the current amount, 3.14 mil. The Board also reviewed the projected cash position of the district for capital improvements.

Next, the Facility Study draft was reviewed. This 2019 version is a continuation of the 2017 Facility Study that was updated and refined after recent work had been completed and new concerns identified. The study is broken into five categories. Importantly, no decisions were made at this meeting, rather the Board was given important information to build their knowledge for future decision-making. There are many items on these lists not described here, but the Board was given the full list.

**Priority one** features items which need attention in the next year. The only item listed is a new fire alarm system and panel at the Boyne City Education Center. Pat Little indicated that this may be taken care of this year, prior to the bond vote.

**Priority two** features items which need to be considered in the next two years. Of significance on this priority list is the renovation and improvement of the science classrooms at the middle school. The administrative team and BOE discussed several different ways to accomplish this task. It was decided that IDI would meet with the middle school science teachers in May 2019 to review ideas. Other specific priorities on the list are replacing HS and ES carpet, improvements to the auditorium lighting and sound systems, classroom furniture improvements for all buildings, and media center renovations at the MS.

**Priority three** features items that need to be completed in the next 2-5 years. Bigger items include replacing boilers at the ES, refinishing the HS gym floors and auditorium stage, 6 additional buses, a significant amount of repaving of parking lots and site work, along with an upgrade of the HS generator to build enough capacity for the community to use the building in case of a community-wide crisis. The renovation of the ES

media center was also discussed.

**Priority four** features items that need to be considered for 6-10 years out. The bus garage, which was constructed in 1962, had over \$700,000 of items needing repair on this list. Flooring and window replacement at the ES, BCEC, and MS were also reviewed.

A long discussion was held about the elementary school and the lack of room to expand classrooms if there is an increase in housing in the area with the proposed construction that is in the planning phase. A plan for adding classrooms to the south end of the building was presented along with expanding the office areas. The Board was in agreement that the District must be ready to act quickly if the proposed subdivision of homes and apartments begins construction and families start moving in.

Also discussed was the desire to add an indoor practice space to support athletics and other community events. Scott Hoefft from IDI shared examples of buildings he is currently working on in other districts with the same need. The district would be required to carefully define what solutions they seek to help make an accurate cost estimate. The other challenge is locating a space for a building of this size to aesthetically and logistically fit on our existing property. Several solutions were discussed with no clear preference.

**Priority five** items are projects that the District is "grandfathered" into which do not require action. These items were not discussed due to time constraints.

Also not included in this discussion was a review of future investments in technology infrastructure and devices for staff and students.

Overall, the Board and administration felt it was a positive and productive meeting. Everyone expressed appreciation at the meeting for the proactive approach to maintain and improve District facilities. Next steps include the administration and IDI working to refine the list for accuracy, meet with pertinent staff members for input, and to start narrowing the list into an affordable package for further discussion later this summer or in early fall.

A copy of the facility study is available to the public if requested at the District office.

## NCMC offers "Quick Admit Days" for fall semester

North Central Michigan College will offer quick admissions support every Thursday from May 23 until August 1 for students who are ready for college but want a fast and easy application process. These Quick Admit Days will run from 9am - noon.

Advisors will be on hand to help prospective students apply to North Central, apply for financial aid (including filing the FAFSA) and register for classes, all in one three-hour period. This is a perfect opportunity for individuals

who need quick answers and support and whose time is limited due to work or family restrictions.

Participants need to bring a copy of their high school and/or unofficial transcript from a prior college and their 2017 tax return. Participants will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 tuition credit or \$500 to be used toward the purchase of a new laptop!

If interested, call 231-348-6349 or email Corey Lansing at [clansing@ncmich.edu](mailto:clansing@ncmich.edu).

## Kirtland Community College Announces 2019

### Winter President's, Dean's, and Part-time Honorees

**ROSCOMMON** - Officials at Kirtland Community College recently recognized students for their academic achievements during the 2018-19 winter semester which earned them placement on the college's president's, dean's and part-time honorees lists.

To qualify for the president's list, candidates must be full-time students who earn a grade-point average between 3.8 and 4.0. Dean's list candidates must have a grade-point average of 3.4 to 3.799. Part-time candidates must have a grade-point average of 3.5 to 4.0.

To learn more about Kirtland's programs, advising, testing, financial aid, veteran support and other services available to students, contact 989-275-5000 ext. 284 or visit [www.kirtland.edu](http://www.kirtland.edu).

Following is a list of students honored within our circulation area.

### Dean's List

Brian Berlin, Lewiston; Molly Brown, Gaylord; Sara Brown, Cheboygan; Cloe Carr, Gaylord; Ellie Carr, Gaylord; Jesse Caveron, Gaylord; Johnathon Coomer, Atlanta; Andrea Cummings, Levenson; Dennis Daniels, Gaylord; Brandon Davison, Grayling; Daniel Dekun, Luzerne; Rachael Doyle, Lewiston; Hailey Eames, Grayling; Brock Ellis, Mio; Alexis Evans, Gaylord; Ashley Fortier, Grayling; Sarah Gohl, Gaylord; Joseph Greenway, Grayling; Kyla Hatfield, Boyne City; Ariane Hawkins, Gaylord; Rickey Heavner, Grayling; Austin Isenhauer, Grayling; Nicole Jenne, Gaylord; Patrick King, Grayling; Jenna Klopff, Gaylord; Kyle Lutz, Grayling; Chantel Maczorowski, Gaylord; Whitney Martin, Kalkaska; Jasmine Omans, Vanderbilt; Sarah Paul, Atlanta; Cody Robinson, Gaylord; Gabrielle Rose, Gaylord; Jenna Shelp, Grayling; Tiffany Walker, Grayling; Brian Watson, Mio; Samuel Wilson, Grayling; Andrew Wojdan, Frederic

### President's List

Allen Bergeron, Gaylord; Anastasia Bragg, Gaylord; Elijah Bragg, Gaylord; Darren Buck, Grayling; Koedy Dole, Grayling; Joshua Esch, Mio; Anne Fila, Grayling; Amber Goldman, Mio; Nicole Heilig, Lewiston; Kerry Hoig, Wolverine; Kyleigh Holberton, Mio; Shania Huff, Gaylord; Tanner Jones, Gaylord; Andrew Kalember, Gaylord; Savannah Klapek, Frederic; Emily Ladenack, Fairview; Jennifer Lester, Grayling; Hannah Materna, Onaway; Matthew Mouch, Elmira; Durius Oaks, Fairview; Sky Page, Grayling; Bryan Pendry, Gaylord; Sara Piehl, Frederic; Adam Popp, Gaylord; Delana Price, Mio; Witnee Rose, Grayling; Theresa Saur, Charlevoix; Olivia Schoening, Lewiston; Neil Simmons, Cheboygan; Seara Snider, Gaylord; Adriana Sokalski, Grayling; Ryan Stephens, Mio; Leah Streifel, Gaylord; Rachel Streifel, Gaylord; Kenneth Thornton, East Jordan;

Kurtis Watts, Gaylord; Charity Willis, Vanderbilt

### Part-time Honorees

Caleb Allen, Grayling; Garrett Anderson, Mio; Karley Auten, Mio; Baylee Barajas, Comins; Natasha Bayne, South Boardman; Kenneth Bedford, Boyne City; Orion Beningo, Gaylord; Mia Bennett, Grayling; Chelsea Beukema, Kalkaska; Montana Breiholz, Grayling; Travis Brown, Afton; John Bunker, Grayling; Skylynn Burk, Grayling; Alexander Conners, Gaylord; Tanner Cooper, Boyne City; Tyler Corbin, Gaylord; Douglas Coulters, East Jordan; Tammie Culbertson, Mio; Mason Daniels, Mio; Noah Dandenbergh, Grayling; Jake Daubenspeck, Vanderbilt; Sherman Davis, Lewiston; Paula Demerest, Gaylord; Jason Douglas, Gaylord; Aaron Eaves, Fairview; Jacob Emmons, Grayling; Alexis Farr, Kalkaska; Eric Franckowiak, Elmira; Patricia Freeman Switaliski, Gaylord; Jason Ganske, Petoskey; Eric Goddard, Wolverine; Seth Gregory, Gaylord; Kayla Hamp, Mancelona; Jaela Holberton, Mio; Rebecca Holloway, Mio; Timothy Horning, Lewiston; Preston Huskey, Mio; Lisa Jenkins, Grayling; Sydney Kann, Mio; Collin Kwapis, Gaylord; Robert LaDuke, Gaylord; Daniel Lahey, Mio; Holly Lancaster, Vanderbilt; Steven Lawrence, Mio; Jordan Luckett, Gaylord; Tanner Lunning, Mio; Conner Mann, Indian River; George Martin, Mio; McGwire Mathewson, Lewiston; Nicholas May, Lewiston; Jacob McBee, Boyne City; Tyler McCleave, Grayling; Jason McConnell, Onaway; Cristy Meck, Elmira; Taylor Menne, Johannesburg; Bethany Metts, Gaylord; Aidan Mills, Gaylord; Colton Mitchell, Mio; Hunter Moblo, East Jordan; Allen Morgan, Johannesburg; Lacey Morse, Grayling; Leo Ouellette, Harbor Springs; Andrea Parke, Gaylord; Caleb Pettis, Gaylord; Kenneth Philbaum, Grayling; Jared Piechan, East Jordan; Jenna Plaggemars, Gaylord; Lisa Reed, Gaylord; Kylie Ritchey, Mio; Mason Robbins, Luzerne; Hayley Schlaff, Mancelona; Skyler Schlaff, Grayling; Dara Schoen, Grayling; Lauren Schreiber, Grayling; Kimberly Scott, Grayling; Thomas Shanahan, Gaylord; Ashley Shaw, Mio; Isabella Siemen, Gaylord; James Smith, Charlevoix; Leona Smith, Elmira; Adam Sobek, Gaylord; Devon Tappan, Comins; Thomas Teeling, Vanderbilt; John Thompson, East Jordan; Julie Tolan, Atlanta; Janae Troyer, Fairview; Garrett Turley, Grayling; Benjamin Ulewicz, Johannesburg; David Wade, Gaylord; Richard Wagner, Gaylord; Christian Warren, Grayling; Sheena Warren, Mio; Mark Weber, Indian River; Britney Welsler, Mio; Stephen White, Gaylord; David Wilks, Gaylord; Jason Wilson, Frederic; Aaron Wojdan, Frederic; Chad Wright, Fairview; Luke Zaremba, Elmira

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## Reasons to Delay Buying a Home

Assuming you have the financial resources and the desire to eventually own your own home, there are very few good reasons to put off the purchase. You can miss out on years of appreciation if you do.

The main thing you want to avoid when buying a home is being put in a position where you will have to sell it too soon. If you have to sell a home before it has appreciated enough to cover the costs and commissions of selling, you could find yourself in a financial bind. This is especially true for those who buy a home with a down payment of ten percent or less.

Real Estate commissions traditionally run around six percent of a home's sales price. The seller's closing costs generally come to about one and a half percent. You can see how this can easily exceed the first year's appreciation. If you made a minimal down payment, you could actually have to come up with cash out of pocket to sell your home.

### New to the Area

A very good reason to delay buying a home is if you have just moved to an unfamiliar area or region of the country. It makes sense to rent for a number of months before deciding on exactly where you want to live. Often when people buy a home immediately they find that they might have made a better decision if they had waited awhile.

### Uncertain Job Future

You could be right out of college or expecting a promotion and a transfer. Or your company has announced an impending "restructuring." If any of these apply, it might be best to wait to buy a home. When you have a more accurate picture of what your next few years will be like, that will be the time to buy.

### Marital Problems

Real estate agents see a lot of life unfold before their eyes. One of the saddest occurs when former clients divorce and are forced to sell a recently purchased house. It happens all too often when a family in turmoil decides that buying a new home may help resolve their problems. Perhaps it is inevitable that such problems occur, but selling a home before it appreciates can create an additional financial burden in an already difficult situation.

# Real Estate Feature Property



## Remodeled classic home in ideal Boyne City location

BY JIM AKANS

Situated on a beautiful corner lot in Boyne City, this classic style home with plenty of curb appeal has been extensively updated and offers an excellent opportunity.

This four bedroom, three bath home has approximately 2,360 square feet of gorgeous living space on the main and upper levels. Interior high-

lights include hardwood flooring in the foyer, living, dining and kitchen areas, an updated kitchen with lots of cabinet storage and counter space, elegant corner fireplace in the living room, main floor utility room, large master en-suite and much more. The home also features central air conditioning, a new family room addition, new roof, gutters, siding and windows. It also has a

Michigan basement for extra storage needs.

The open yard offers plenty of space for gardening, and a detached two-and-a-half car garage that includes a workshop area. The home is within walking distance to downtown Boyne City, as well as parks and the Lake Charlevoix waterfront. This is a fantastic me and location!

This remodeled classic home

is located at 402 East Pine in Boyne City, and it is listed at \$299,900. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call Marty Moody, Associate Broker or Christopher Christensen, Associate Broker, at Lynda's Real Estate Service in Boyne City at 231-582-9555 or email at Marty@lyndasrealestateservice.com or Chris@lyndasrealestateservice.com



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