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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, AUGUST 27, 2019

City and Mountain Bike Association working on agreement for trailhead and parking for Boyne Forest Trail

BY KAREN WALKER

At Tuesday's regular Boyne City Commission meeting, commissioners considered approving an agreement with Top of Michigan Mountain Bike Association (TOMMBA) allowing a portion of City owned property on Old Horton Bay Road to be used as part of the Boyne Forest Trail System, with a trailhead and parking lot serving the trails. Under the agreement, TOMMBA would be responsible for planning,

building, and maintenance. The agreement is limited by City Charter to a three-year term. However, it would be an automatically renewing agreement provided each party agrees to an extension. Commissioners chose to table the matter for a month while City staff and TOMMBA refine the agreement wording.

Commissioners considered two separate petitions to vacate city streets. Thomas Stockbridge, property owner

at 639 Woodland Drive requested the City vacate all of Balsam Place, a short street located in Glenwood Beach Resort. The street currently serves only four property owners, all of whom signed the petition to vacate. City Planning Commission recommended the request move forward. A public hearing on the matter will be scheduled for a future date.

Commissioners denied a request to vacate 150.6 feet of undeveloped Edwin Street

between Union and Jefferson Streets. Charles Johnson of 410 Jefferson Street requested the abandonment. Mr. Johnson's driveway is located within the Edwin Street right of way. The portion of the street proposed to be vacated is 50 feet wide and borders two other adjacent properties. The request to vacate was not signed by the adjacent property owners. Mr. Johnson's house is non-conforming as it encroaches 7.1 feet into the required 10-

foot setback on the north lot line. The decision to not move forward on Mr. Johnson's request was based on Planning Commission recommendation and City Staff's findings that vacating the street would landlock a potentially buildable parcel.

To address the growing number of requests for memorial benches, trees, and landscape rocks, Commissioners adopted a new policy

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Exciting Boyne City Labor Day weekend ahead

BY JIM AKANS

Labor Day weekend in Boyne City has become the prime northern Michigan destination for those of every age and interest. From the Friday night kick-off Stroll the Streets event, a Kiwanis Club car show on Saturday with classic to modern vehicles on display, to the annual Labor Day Drag Races on Sunday featuring nearly every type of vehicle speeding down the "drag strip" on the airport runway, Boyne City is the place to be this Labor Day weekend.

The Kiwanis of Boyne City organizes the annual Labor Day Weekend Car Show, and it will be held this year on Saturday, August 31 from 8am to 4pm. The show will be held at Veterans Park along the beautiful Lake Charlevoix shores, and registration will be from 8 to 11am. There will be a Friday

Night Free Drive-in preview in the first two blocks of E Water Street on Friday evening, August 30, from 6-9pm.

Registration on Saturday opens at 8am. Pre-registration is \$20 per vehicle through August 30. Day of registration is \$25 per vehicle. Door prizes awarded throughout the day. 19 trophies for classes and three special awards trophies. Judging begins at 10am. Voting for special classes closes at 1pm. Awards presentation will begin about 3pm. Proceeds benefit the youth of the Boyne City area.

Those attending the show can expect to see virtually every type of vehicle, including cars and motorcycles ranging from new models all the way back to turn of century vehicles. Among the anticipated vehicles will also be hot rods, street rods, Corvettes, Mustangs and more.

The Boyne City Car Show, organized by the Kiwanis of Boyne, will begin Friday evening in conjunction with the downtown Stroll the Streets event, and continue on Saturday with a show in Veterans Memorial Park. File Photo



On Sunday, September 1, the Boyne City Police Department will present the Annual Labor Day Drag Race at the Boyne City Airport. Since 2003, this always-exciting daylong event is a fundraiser with proceeds split evenly between the Boyne City Airport and the Boyne City Police Department. Along the eight-mile

track utilizing the airport runway, side-by-side racers complete with pro-style light tree starts. There will be a wide array of competitor vehicles including sports cars, muscle cars, modified cars, family cars, diesel pickups, motorcycles...even asphalt-ready snowmobiles

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The Annual Drag Race at the Boyne City Airport landing strip revs up on Sunday, September 1, with exciting side-by-side races featuring a wide array of vehicles including sports cars, muscle cars, modified cars, family cars, diesel pickups, motorcycles and more. Photo by Jim Akans



Don Henglesh of the Charlevoix Lions Club. Courtesy photo

New program provides healthy snacks at Mt McSauba Day Camp

Campers at this year's Mt. McSauba day camp became familiar with a new program rolled out as a result of a partnership with the local Lions Club and Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital. Called "Try-it-Tuesday," the program's goal was to introduce new healthy snack foods to the campers, aged 5-13.

The hospital, through its Wellness Workshop, provided a dietitian and registered nurse to work with the campers each Tuesday morning, making healthy snacks. In many cases, the young campers were trying certain fruits, veggies and other nutritious snacks for the very first time. Smoothies, fruit kabobs, parfaits and fruit "bugs" all took their turns showing up in pre-packaged kits for groups of campers to work together to assemble.

The hospital's certified diabetes educator, Amanda Evans, and Kristie Fichtner, RN, joined the campers each Tuesday to not only provide the ingredients and recipes, but to provide health tips and education that would help promote healthy eating.

"Spending this time with the campers was so worthwhile. Children in that age group often don't stay focused for long periods of time, so our 30-minute snack time with them each week was packed full of hands-on learning," said Amanda Evans. "It was fun to see them be surprised by how something healthy can taste so good!"

Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Wellness Workshop director, Kathy Jacobsen, worked together with Don Henglesh of the

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WEDNESDAY



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SEP 2	..50	..76	..29° (1976)	..97° (1953)
SEP 3	..49	..75	..32° (1976)	..95° (1953)
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SEP 7	..48	..74	..36° (1955)	..89° (1960)

OBITUARIES

Royce Edward Delaney, 90

(JULY 16, 1928 - APRIL 9, 2019)

Royce Edward Delaney formerly of Big Rapids and Boyne City, died April 9, 2019 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan, Michigan.

Royce was born July 16, 1928, the son of Virgil and Clara (Decker) DeLaney. Royce was born in Boyne City but spent some of his childhood years in Grand Haven until moving back to Boyne City where he attended and graduated from Boyne City High School. Royce was a four-year letterman in basketball, baseball and football as well as the quarterback. He also served as president of both his freshman and sophomore classes, and president of student council in his senior year.

He started his career in 1950 at Consumer Power Company as a tree trimmer and retired in 1987 as supervisor of tree trimming. For many years he played Santa Claus in Boyne City and also participated in Boyne City Sports Booster program. He became a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Boyne City at the age of 18 and acquired lifetime membership in Big Rapids Eagles.

Royce married June Kuhlman on January 23, 1950 and spent 67 wonderful years together until she passed in June 2017. Surviving are their children, Kathy (Tim) DeLaney-Jones, Steven (Monica) DeLaney and Tamara (Paul Gough) DeLaney; grandchildren, Heather (Alex) Costas, Heidi (Kyle) Mellema and Stephanie (Marty) Vance; great grandchildren, Andru and Brandon Costas, Delaney and Mason Mellema, Thomas and Zachary Vance. There was a memorial

service at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City on Friday, August 16, 2019. Pastor David Behling officiated.

Donations are asked to be directed to Perry Farm Village of Harbor Springs.

Stone Funeral Home is in care of arrangements.

Meta Elizabeth Zinck, 90

(JULY 23, 1929 - AUG. 25, 2019)



Meta Elizabeth Zinck died on August 25th, 2019 in East Jordan at the age of 90, surrounded by her family. Meta was born in Boyne City, Michigan on July 23, 1929 to Henry and Emma Dodds. She lived in Boyne City most of her life, marrying George Zinck on December 18, 1959. Meta and George had five children. While they lost Lori at birth, Brenda, Mark, Diane and Paul all graduated from Boyne City schools.

Meta worked as telephone operator for Michigan Bell Telephone and after marriage she and George took care of her parents until their death. Meta later worked at Boyne City schools, East Jordan Tool and Die and Essex Wire (later United Technologies). Upon retirement from United Technologies in 1991, Meta

spent lots of time with her children and grandchildren and loved to do crafts and play cards. Her crocheted Easter baskets, holiday decorations and dish towels have traveled and brought happiness to children and homes across Michigan and the country as she gave them to everyone she met. She also made and gave pocket crosses to family, friends and strangers. Meta was always ready for a game of cards, her favorites being cribbage, rummy, and kings-on-the-corner.

Meta was a resident of Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan since 2014, and was also a member of Christ Lutheran Church and the VFW Auxiliary.

Meta was preceded in death by her husband George (d. 1979); her daughter Lori (d. 1962); her father Henry (d. 1967) and mother Emma (d. 1969), her brothers Everett (d. 1926), George (d. 1981) and Edwin "Ham" (d. 1987); sisters Blanche (James) Cooper (d. 1939) and Maxine (Arnie) Fewless (d. 2012).

She is survived by her children Brenda (Bob) Sagorski of Jenison, MI, Mark (Sheila) Zinck of Grand Rapids, MI, Diane (John) Munk of Boyne City, MI and Paul (Sharon) Zinck of Troy, IL; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City with a gathering of family and friends being held from 10:00 AM until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations may be made to Grandvue Medical Care Facility or to Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City.

Marion Stetson, 80

(SEPT. 14, 1938 - AUG. 18, 2019)



Marion DuBrie Stetson passed away on August 18, 2019 suddenly in the comfort of her home on Walloon Lake of natural causes.

She was an active sports enthusiast with a gregarious personality.

Marion was born in Ann Arbor, Michigan on September 14, 1938 to Frederick Wilson and Marion Jasmine Dettlinger (DuBrie).

Marion graduated from Grosse Pointe High in 1957, attended Stephens College for 2 years prior to graduating from University of Michigan with a BA in Education. She spent the majority of her teaching career in the Detroit Public School System, finishing up as the Physical Education Director at the Grosse Pointe Academy doing what she loved best considering her solid lifelong athletic abilities.

Marion met William Allan Stetson through mutual sailing friends. After a short courtship they were engaged at Nubs Nob Ski Resort in Harbor springs, Michigan. They were married on April 27, 1963 and resided in Grosse Pointe, Michigan until Bill's retirement in 1986.

She was always community minded and spent count-

less hours as her daughter's basketball, volleyball and softball coach as well as their Brownie and Girl Scout leader.

During their retirement, Marion was extremely active in many clubs and athletics. She was a voracious reader and a member of various book clubs. She was involved with Christ Child, Lunch Bunch, Beautiful Boyne Belles, local garden and bridge clubs as well as her sorority, Eta Nu. She enjoyed golfing, fishing, skiing, tennis and badminton. Her love for sailing culminated in a Bayview-Mackinac Race victory in 1985.

Marion and Bill were members of the Bayview Yacht Club in Detroit, Michigan, Walloon Lake Country Club, Petoskey Bay View Country Club as well as Clinton River Ski Club and Boyne City Yacht Club. Her competitiveness and love of sports and games were showcased through these many organizations.

Marion was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Bill. Marion is survived by her husband of 56 years, William Allan Stetson, daughter Katherine MacConnachie (Daniel), their daughters Samantha and Madelyn who reside in Grosse Pointe, Michigan and Susan Lee (Michael) and their son Lucas of Aspen, Colorado.

Friends and family will miss her ever present smile and bubbly personality.

A celebration of life will be held Sunday, September 1st from 1-4pm at the family's home on Walloon Lake. Pastor Ryan Donahoe of First Presbyterian Church of Petoskey will perform a short ceremony lakeside at 1:30pm. They ask attendees to wear cheerful attire with an emphasis on her favorite color blue.

Anyone wishing to make a memorial contribution in

Marion's honor may send it to Crooked Tree Library, Walloon Lake Trust and Conservancy or any charity of their choice.

Jane Mae (Clark) Hand, 79

(JULY 30, 1940 - AUG. 21, 2019)

Jane Mae Hand of Petoskey passed away on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, at Villa at the Bay in Petoskey.

She was born on July 30, 1940 in Bellaire, Michigan, the daughter of Wesley and Margaret (Dewey) Clark.

Jane married Merle Gordon Hand on November 7, 1959, in Petoskey. She drove bus for the Char-Em Intermediate School District.

She is survived by her husband, Merle Gordon Hand of Petoskey; three children, Kaye (Dale) Miller of East Jordan, Richie (Elizabeth) Hand of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina and Kimberly (Edward) Stetz of Murphy, North Carolina; six grandchildren, Julie (Nick) Miller-Smith of Potterville, Keri (Josh) McCrabb of Dublin, Ohio, Garth Hand of Baraboo, Wisconsin, Taylor Hand of Elmira, Donny Miller of Grandville and Ted Peck of East Jordan; five great grandchildren, Shayleigh, Colin, Kody, Lydia and Anthony; two great, great grandchildren, Lucianne and Levi; and a brother, James (Cindy) McWatters of Petoskey. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Jeanie Hand.

A private memorial service was held on Saturday, August 24, 2019. Cremation interment will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Bellaire. The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

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Otsego County Commissioner Ken Borton to run for State Representative

On August 26, County Commissioner, Ken Borton, announced his intention to seek the Republican nomination for the 105th State Representative District. The 105th State Representative District includes the counties of Antrim, Charlevoix, Montmorency, Oscoda and Otsego.

"I am running for state representative to be a strong voice for Northern Michigan in Lansing," said Borton (R-Gaylord). "As a county commissioner I have advocated on behalf of my constituents at a state and federal level, now it my goal to go to Lansing and help to solve some of the major challenges Michigan faces."

Borton is a successful small business owner who

has taken an active role in his community.

He added; "My wife, Brenda, and I love our community and enjoy living and running our business here," said Borton. "I want to go to Lansing to ensure that the people of the 105th District will have a voice that stands up for our values and our way of life."

Those interested in Borton's campaign can visit his website at www.KenBorton.com

RIGHT: On August 26, Otsego County Commissioner, Ken Borton, announced his candidacy for the 105th State Representative District at an event held at the Otsego Grand Event center in Gaylord. Photo by Jim Akans



The Benefits of Fall Planting

In Fall, the soil still holds summer's warmth, which encourages root growth. Fall planting gets shrubs and trees off to a faster start the following Spring. The warm soil allows the plant to develop strong, healthy roots. Photo-synthesis slows down due to shorter days, and cooler air temperatures allow less foliage growth and more root growth. This means you will need to water your new plants less often.

With fall-planted plants, once Spring arrives, the es-

tablished root system allows the plant to be much more able to cope with varying weather conditions. Spring-planted shrubs and trees will likely do worse in the same conditions because they do not have a strong, healthy root system yet. In addition to the weather, fall planting is easier on plants because weeds have mostly gone dormant, so the new plants do not need to compete with weeds until Spring. Pests are also less of an issue in fall, although rodents can

still cause problems.

In addition, Fall planting is easier on your schedule. Since Fall weather is more predictable, Fall gives you more time to plant. You can take each step as you have time, rather than trying to work between the heat waves, cold snaps, rain and even unexpected late snows of spring.

The conservation district is currently accepting orders for a Sept. 28th pick up at our Annual Conservation Expo to be held in the AuSable

River Center in Roscommon from 10am - 3pm. Species available are White Cedar, Douglas Fir, Pines & Spruce. Order form is available on our website: crawfordroscommon.weebly.com and may be ordered with a credit card.

For further information, please contact the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at 989-275-3163 or barb.stauffer@macd.org. A forester will be referred to you at no cost; and, if desired, a site visit to your

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Labor Day weekend brings variety of Bridge Walks

BY JIM AKANS

Labor Day weekend in northern Michigan is filled with plenty of late summer fun. A highlight is several bridge walks, including the very popular Mackinac Bridge Walk as well as shorter bridge walks in area communities.

This is the 62nd year for the Mackinac Bridge Walk, following a tradition that began in 1958. Recent changes to the walk have been made in the interest of safety and security. The result of these changes suspends vehicle traffic from crossing the bridge from 6:30am until noon on September 2, and it affects how participants can walk the Mighty Mac.

"We heard from many people last year that the new options worked well and that the walk was very enjoyable without vehicles on the bridge," said Mackinac Bridge Authority Executive Secretary Kim Nowack. "Whether you've walked the

bridge before or not, Labor Day 2019 will be a great day to participate in this 62-year tradition."

Walkers have three main options:

- Starting from either end of the bridge and walking toward the center, turning around at the midpoint and returning to the city they started from, where their transportation is located. The turnaround points will move toward the ends of the bridge beginning at 10am but walkers can walk at least a portion of the bridge if they start by 11:30am.

- Walk the entire length of the bridge starting from either end. Those who choose this option must reach the midpoint before 10 am or they will be turned back. Anyone who walks the entire bridge must arrange their own transportation back to the side they started once the bridge reopens to public traffic at noon.

- Crossing the bridge, starting from either end, and then turning around and walking back to the side they started

from. In this option, walkers will need to cross the midpoint on their return trip by 10am or they will be turned back and need to find their own transportation back across the bridge after it reopens at noon.

The Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce will again host the second annual "Double Crossers Club," an opportunity to celebrate the hardy individuals who walked the entire length of the bridge, and back, collecting a certificate from both sides. Double Crossers are encouraged to start the walk promptly at 7am. If any participant does not make it all the way across and back to center span by 10am, they will be turned back to the nearest side and will be responsible for their own transportation across the bridge after the event ends. To be a Double Crosser you will need to keep a steady pace and know your ability. info at www.mackinawchamber.com

For a much shorter hike, the Cheboygan DDA is sponsoring their annual Labor



On Labor Day, thousands will enjoy the thrill of a lifetime by strolling the Mighty Mac. Vehicle traffic is now suspended during the walk. Photo courtesy of the Mackinaw Bridge Authority.

Day "State Street" Bridge Walk on September 2. Line up begins on the East side of Cheboygan River by the DNR Office at 11am and the Walk begins at 11:45am. Participants will walk across the State Street Bridge and progress to Festival Square for a free community picnic.

Charlevoix will also be holding a Bridge Walk on Labor Day, with their annual "Little But Mighty Bridge Walk." Participants meet at Town House Bar at 12:45pm. Bridge Walk T-shirts will be on sale at the Town House Bar the week before the event and the day of. Information available at visitcharlevoix.com

Horton Bay will hold its 39th annual candlelight walk across the famous 14.5-ft. Horton Bay Bridge. The walk will begin at 7:30pm. Those who make it across will receive a certificate of accomplishment, which can then be taken to the General Store and shown for free ice cream.

Prior to the walk, the Horton Bay United Methodist Church will host its annual Labor Day Pig Roast from 4 to 7pm. There will be lots of

great food including pork, sweet corn, potato salad,

Of course, communities throughout northern Lower



Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce hosts a "Double Crossers Club," which is an opportunity to celebrate the hardy individuals who walked the entire length of the Mackinac Bridge, and back, collecting a certificate from both sides. Courtesy photo

coleslaw and homemade pies. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5 to 10, and free for those under 5. The event will also featured will be music from The Knapps and tables with crafts and homemade goodies for sale beginning at 4 pm.

Michigan provide excellent opportunities for shopping, recreation and entertainment all summer long, and that means a good time can be found virtually anywhere one happens to travel in the area this Labor Day weekend.

Have fun and be safe!



Charlevoix will also be holding a Bridge Walk on Labor Day, with their annual "Little But Mighty Bridge Walk." Courtesy photo

School-Based Mental Health expansion in Northern Michigan

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is excited to announce the expansion of school-based health services to include 5 new school-based mental health sites in Northern Michigan schools. Four of these, located in Alanson, Central Lake, East Jordan Elementary, and Gaylord Middle School, are among 60 statewide to receive a portion of a \$5 million grant to support youth mental health needs through the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Michigan Department of Education's Child and Adolescent Health Center program. The final site, in Charlevoix, is being supported locally by the school district. Master's prepared mental health professionals will focus on prevention, early identification and treatment for mental and behavioral health concerns.

The new sites will join the Health Department's 5 current school-based health centers which include the Hornet Health Center (Pellston), Ironmen Health Center (Mancelona), Gaylord Blue Devil Wellness Center (Gaylord High School), East Jordan Wellness Center (East Jordan Middle/High School) and Rambler Wellness Center (Boyerne City Elementary/Middle School).

According to Director of Community Health Services, Dr. Natalie Kasiborski, "We are thankful to our representatives in Lansing who recognize the growing need for mental health support for students, and to our school partners who recognize that healthy students are better learners. Integrating health services into school clinics reduces barriers to care many families in our area face, including lack of transportation and limited insurance coverage. These programs are an opportunity for students to receive the support they need to be successful with less time away from the classroom."

Schools across Michigan have been advocating for increased funding to meet the growing needs of students with behavioral, emotional, and mental disorders. Data from the Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth (MiPHY) indicate that of middle and high school students in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego Counties, an average of 40.9% of students felt so sad or hopeless almost every day for two weeks or more in a row that it caused them to stop doing usual activities during the past 12 months; 22.5% had seriously considered attempting suicide during the past 12 months; 15.8% made a plan about how they would attempt suicide during the past 12 months; and

7.2% actually attempted suicide one or more times during the past 12 months.

When asked about the school-based mental health site and its impact on Central Lake students, Superintendent Lenore Weaver said she "is very excited to have this opportunity to provide increased support to our students and families. Positive mental health supports have always been an important component of any child's education."

As sites open with the 2019/2020 school year, the full-time, Master's prepared mental health staff will provide assessment, brief intervention, one on one counseling and evidence-based treatment groups.

For additional information about the behavioral health expansion, call Erin Luckhardt at 231-347-5628 or visit www.nwhealth.org.

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Monday, August 5, 2019
 0032 PPO violation reported from the 300 block of Silver St.
 0255 Assist EMS in the 300 block of E Division St
 0313 Suspicious situation reported in the 300 block of Silver St
 0639 Found a bag of clothes and iPhone on the picnic table by the marina. Returned to owner.
 0805 Report of a verbal altercation on Jefferson St.
 0935 Found purse dropped off at PD. Returned to owner
 1040 Violation of no contact order in the 500 block of N Lake St.
 1050 Found cell phone in Veteran's Park. Returned to owner
 1120 Civil issue in the 600 block of E Main St.
 1220 Found key dropped off at PD
 1505 A subj on a personal watercraft drove into the swim area at Peninsula Beach.
 1956 Vehicle unlock on Ottawa St.
 1945 Metal pipe in the road way at Boyne Av and Division St.
 2038 Assist EMS in the 300 block of E Division St.
 2058 Found wallet on Zink Rd. Returned to owner.
 2106 Property damage crash at Water and East St
Tuesday August 6, 2019
 0109 Report of three juveniles walking down Division St. Citation issued for curfew.
 0705 Car deer crash State St and Call St.
 1052 Report of tandem trucks being loaded with a front end loader in

the construction zone at Cedar St.
 1220 Barking dog complaint on W Court St.
 1356 CITATION issued for Expired Plate at Main and Grant.
 1622 Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of N. Lake St.
 1755 Report of threatening text messages from Line St
Wednesday August 7, 2019
 0910 Report of vehicle obstructing view turning onto Lake St off of North St.
 0935 Report of lost glasses at the Farmer's Mkt this morning
 1131 Report of attempted fraud scam phone call received on Court St.
 1505 Burn permit issued on State St.
 1632 Fraud complaint from Front St.
 1845 Assist EMS in the 500 block of E Main.
 1940 Report of lost diabetes test kit at the farmer's market this morning.
 2126 Lodged a stray dog at the Animal shelter.
 2244 Two juveniles were skateboarding down N. Lake St.
Thursday, August 8th, 2019
 VM Report of lost wallet in the 300 block of N Lake St.
 1440 Driving complaint on Front near Pleasant.
 1555 Driving complaint from the 1300 block of Boyne Av.
 2004 Lodged a stray dog at the animal shelter
Friday, August 9, 2019
 0012 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Ridgeland Rd,
 0223 harassment complaint on W Main St
 0820 Report of lost wallet
 0842 Found keys dropped off at PD
 1017 Report of goose near the small boat launch wrapped up in fish line.
 1320 Found bracelet turned in that was found on sidewalk on Division near 1910 bldg.
 1407 Private property damage crash at Challenge Mtn.
 1505 Report of someone burning in the 1300 block of Charlevoix St.
 1534 Hit and run crash in the 300 block of N lake St
 1152 Report of scam call allegedly coming from Consumer's Power threatening to shut off power
 1843 Report of a vehicle parked in a handicap space at River St. and East St.
 1953 Citizen assist on Front St
 2016 PR- Vet Park Pirate Fest
 2020 Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of Vogel.
 2036 PR- Vet Park Pirate Fest
 2049 Hit and Run crash at Lake St and Main St
 2213 Motorist assist at Veteran's Park.
 2205 Suspicious situation in the 900 block of Division.
 2243 private property damage crash in the 700 block of Wenonah.
 2339 Arrested subject on warrant at North and Park St.
Saturday, August 10, 2019
 0102 Road hazard at State and Cozy Nook.
 0720 Found drug related materi-

als in the 1300 block of Boyne Av
 0955 Traffic control for Pirate Parade.
 1055 An intoxicated subject crashed bike at Front and Second St. Was arrested for bond violation.
 1135 Report of people riding in a pontoon being trailered down to the lake on N Lake St.
 1155 Report of a hole in the ground by Veterans Park Pavilion
 1143 Report of a vehicle parked in a private parking space on Water St. Gone on arrival.
 1323 Driving complaint coming into town on M-75 S.
 1426 Report of vehicle leaking gas on Lake St.
 1648 Report of a disabled vehicle in the road at Water and East St.
 1825 Lodged a stray dog from Boyne Falls.
 1859 Assist citizen in the 600 block of Front St.
 2044 Report of suspicious subject in Walloon Park.
 2119 Highly intoxicated subject in Peninsula Park.
 2157 Report of cat that crawled into pipe at Honeywell.
 2208 Assist Sheriff Dept. in Boyne Falls.
Sunday, August 11, 2019
 0032 Suspicious subject in Veteran's Park.
 1003 2 vehicles parked across the sidewalk in the 400 block of Front St.
 1752 Report of subject acting strange on Ridge St
 2155 Fireworks complaint from the 900 block of N Lake St

WEEKEND

FROM PG. 1A

Entry fees are \$30 on race day for cars, trucks and motorcycles, while pit passes are \$15. Spectators pay a \$10 admission fee; children under 12 years are admitted free. Gates open to racers at 8:30am for registration and tech inspections. The races will begin at noon and typi-

CAMP

FROM PG. 1A

Charlevoix Lions Club to come up with the idea of "Try-it-Tuesdays" for the Mt. McSaubia camp program. "We're glad that Don approached us to partner in promoting health and well-

cally run until about 5pm. This event is being organized by the Boyne Valley Lions Club, providing lunch and refreshments from their concession trailer on site. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Boyne City Airport and the Boyne City Police Department.

For additional information regarding the car show visit www.boynechamber.com and for the drag race check out www.bcpddrdragrace.org

ness to our local kids this summer. We are always looking for opportunities to work together with our community leaders on healthy initiatives, and the Lions were a perfect fit," said Ms. Jacobsen. "We provided the staff and the program, and they provided the food each week. It was a great partnership and the kids loved it."

TUESDAY – Spin the wheel for a Deal!!!!
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CHARLEVOIX

NATIVE PLANT WORKSHOP

August 29, 4-6pm, Charlevoix Conservation District's Community Room. Native Plant Workshop with Vern Stephens of Designs by Nature. Learn the values behind planting native on local fauna, soil and your groundwater. Other interesting topics include site preparation, installation, maintenance and examples of different native plants. The workshop will also be an opportunity to pre-order your plants for the plant sale the following week. The workshop is free, but space is limited; RSVP by contacting Alison at 231-582-6193.

CHARLEVOIX

PLEIN AIR PAINT AND PICNIC GATHERING

August 29, 9:30am, Inwood Brewery (17922 Ferry Road). Paint, catch up with friends, have some good food. Bring work to show and share. Paint with Cal Kempainen and Gene Rantz or just relax and enjoy. Everyone welcome.

BOYNE CITY

KIWANIS LABOR DAY WEEKEND CAR SHOW

August 30; 6-9pm and August 31; 8am-4pm. Friday Night Free Drive-in preview in the first 2 blocks of E Water St. Saturday judged Car show in Veteran's Park. Registration opens at 8am. Pre-registration \$20 per vehicle through August 30. Day of registration \$25 per vehicle. Door prizes awarded throughout the day. 19 trophies for classes, 3 special awards trophies. Judging begins at 10am. Voting for special classes closes at 1pm. Awards presentation will begin about 3pm. Proceeds benefit the youth of the Boyne City area.

CHARLEVOIX

EVENING GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL PLANT SALE

August 31, 9am-noon, Ferry Beach. Charlevoix Evening Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale at Ferry Beach. Members and friends offer perennials from their northern Michigan gardens at bargain prices. For more information, call 231-547-4182.

BOYNE CITY

16TH ANNUAL DRAG RACE

September 1, Boyne City Airport. Side-by-side, eighth-mile drag races will run from 12 noon-5 p.m. at the airport, 1048 E. Main St. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Boyne City Airport and the Boyne Valley Lions Club. The event is organized by the Lions and a committee of drag race enthusiasts. Entry fees are \$25 in advance and \$30 on race day for cars, trucks and motorcycles, while pit passes are \$15. Spectators pay a \$10 admission fee; children under 12 years are admitted free. Gates open to racers at 8:30 a.m. for registration and tech inspections. For information and registration forms visit www.bcdragrace.com.

BOYNE CITY

7TH ANNUAL BOYNE CITY TRIATHLON

September 1, Peninsula Beach. This course will take your breath away the first time you see it. Athletes will start out swimming in the crystal clear waters of Lake Charlevoix before skimming the coastline on their bike and passing through town on their run. You'll also meet 4-time US Olympic Triathlete Hunter Kemper. Funds raised from this event support Team Lucky Seven, Inc. and its mission of "Racing to Fight Brain Disease." Events include: Olympic Triathlon: 1,500m swim, 40km bike, 10km run, Sprint Triathlon: 750m swim, 20km bike, 5km run and Sprint Duathlon: 5km run, 20km bike, 5km run. Events can be completed INDIVIDUALLY or as a RELAY team. Register at Tritofinish.com.

BOYNE CITY

TRUE BEAUTY DISCUSSED

September 1, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program—titled "True Beauty: Is It Really Only Skin Deep?"—features a filmed interview with MeLisa Mounsey, a woman who survived an incident that burned over 95 percent of her body. Mounsey explains the challenges she's faced in learning to accept herself and how the incident has shaped her view of beauty. 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.

CHARLEVOIX

STATE STREET BRIDGE WALK

September 2. Line up begins on the East side of Cheboygan River by the DNR Office at 11am and the Walk begins at 11:45am. Participants will walk across the State Street Bridge and progress to Festival Square for a free community picnic.

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX RECOVERY DAY

September 2. Help us celebrate recovery from substance use disorders, reduce stigma for all substance use disorders and mental health disorders, socialize with members of our community and have some fun. All who are supportive of recovery in some fashion are welcome to participate. 11am recovery walk (downtown pavilion), Noon optional open AA meeting at the Alano Club, 1:10pm raffle luncheon at the Alano Club, 2pm Alano Club annual cash raffle drawing, 3:30pm coed softball game at Carpenter St. ball field (practices Sunday 8/25 - 2pm, all equipment provided) Recovery walk t-shirts will be on sale at the time of registration for \$10 each as well as cash raffle tickets to help support Alano Club for \$10 each. If you have questions, contact BASES at 231-547-1144.

HORTON BAY

PIG ROAST AND LABOR DAY BRIDGE WALK

September 2, starting at 4pm, Horton Bay United Methodist Church. Lots of great food will be served including pork, sweet corn, potato salad, coleslaw and homemade pies. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5 to 10, and free for those under 5. Also featured will be music from The Knapps and tables with crafts and homemade goodies for sale beginning at 4 p.m. Anyone interested in booth space for crafters may call Suzie at 231-347-4679. Then at 7:30 p.m., Horton Bay will hold its 39th annual candlelight walk across the famous 14.5-ft. Horton Bay Bridge. Those who make it across will receive a certificate of accomplishment, which can then be taken to the General Store and shown for free ice cream.

PETOSKEY

MICHIGAN FUNGI WORKSHOP

September 5, 7-9pm, North Central Michigan College. Marilynn Smith, expert mycologist, will offer "Identifying and Harvesting Northern Michigan Fungi." There will be classroom study of edible and poisonous mushrooms in our area, as well as field trips to collect and identify fungi in the field. Free though seating is limited. To register, call 231-348-6613, email ccefaq@ncmich.edu or visit www.ncmich.edu, click on Community & Events, Corporate and Community Education Workshops.

CHARLEVOIX

CLASS OF 1959 REUNION

September 7, starting at 5pm, Weathervane restaurant. For information about this 60-year reunion contact John E. Haggard at (231) 342-2905 or Carol Wojan at (231) 620-5604.

PETOSKEY

BERGMANN CENTER "STARLIGHT" SILENT & LIVE AUCTION

September 8, 1-4pm, Odawa Casino Ovation Hall. Doors open at 1pm. Auctioneer; Scott MacKenzie. Entertainment by Pine River Jazz Band. Buffet and cash bar. Tickets \$35 each. Ticket info at bergmanncenter.org or pick up at Bergmann Center (231) 547-2979.

BOYNE CITY

NEAR-DEATH EXPERIENCES DISCUSSED

September 8, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "10 Minutes to Live: Now What?" features a filmed interview with Rick Bundschuh, a pastor in Hawaii who received an alert in error of an incoming ballistic missile on January 13, 2018. During this Lifetree program, participants will talk about their current priorities and discuss the difference between the urgent and the important things in life. 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.

PETOSKEY

MICHIGAN NEW JOBS TRAINING PROGRAM

September 10, 9-10am, NCMC Library Conference Center. This meeting will be to explain how the Michigan New Jobs Training Program works and how to become involved. No new dollars are required to be part of this training program. Michigan will rebate back to your company the State income tax you currently pay for your people in a "new" job. These funds go into a training account for you to spend training the skills and knowledge you want your staff to master. Attendance is free. Just call (231) 348-6613 or send us and email at CCEfaq@ncmich.edu to register for free.

CHARLEVOIX

STATE OF THE COMMUNITY

September 10, 11:30am-1:30pm, Castle Farms. The State of the Community provides attendees an opportunity to learn from community leaders about their successes and upcoming initiatives, as well as specific topics that are timely and insightful to businesses and the Charlevoix community. Speakers for this event: Mark Heydlauff, City Manager, City of Charlevoix, David Roland Finley, Ph.D., President, North Central Michigan College and Kent Wood, Director of Government Relations, Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance. To more information or to register to attend, please contact the Chamber at 231-547-2101.

BOYNE CITY

CHAMBER GOLF OUTING

September 12, Boyne Mountain Alpine Golf Course. We will begin with lunch at noon, a shotgun start at 1 p.m., followed by dinner and awards ceremony at 6. The fun includes goodie bags, door prizes, a 50/50 raffle and more. Single registration is \$110, and a foursome is \$400, including green fees, cart rental, lunch, dinner and prizes. Single and team registrations are welcome. Register at www.boynechamber.com

CHARLEVOIX

NATIVE PLANT SALE

September 13, 3-6pm, Charlevoix Conservation District's Community Room. Pre-order plants at the August 29 workshop or by calling the office at 231-582-6193. Prices are \$6.50/qt for wildflowers, \$7.50/qt for woodland species, \$70 for garden flats and \$60 for single species flats. The plant sale is for those who pre-order, but the public is welcome to purchase any available extra items. For

more information, stop by office or call.

CHARLEVOIX

CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE FORUM

September 13, 6:30-8pm, Charlevoix Public Library. Meet the candidates up for city council election! Learn about the candidates running for city council this fall. At this forum, each candidate will answer questions regarding a variety of issues affecting the city.

BOYNE CITY

DREAMS AND NIGHTMARES EXPLORED

September 15, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "Dreams and Nightmares: The Science Behind the Stories of Your Mind," features a filmed interview with Dr. William Moorcroft, author of "Understanding Sleep and Dreaming." In the interview, Moorcroft explains that sleep is critical for our brains to function and dreams are a way for the mind to organize and process information. In the episode, Moorcroft also discusses the cause of recurring dreams and nightmares. 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.

BOYNE FALLS

BOYNE CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

September 17, 5:30-7:30pm, Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers show grounds, 145 US-131. Business After Hours is the Chamber's monthly business networking event, held at member businesses. There is no charge for admission or refreshments. This Business After Hours will have a fall harvest theme with exhibits and demonstrations such as the sawmill, grist mill, one-room schoolhouse, museum, and wagon rides. They will serve fall foods including cider and donuts. Several prizes will be given away in addition to some club freebies for all attendees.

CHARLEVOIX

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

September 18, 5-7pm, Elks Lodge. Business After Hours (BAH) are a wonderful marketing opportunity for members as they elevate the host's presence in the community. BAH events are free (unless otherwise noted) to members and not-yet members can attend for \$10.

CHARLEVOIX

COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN COMMUNITY INPUT SESSION

September 19, 5-7pm, Charlevoix Public Library Community Room A. Charlevoix County is updating the five year Parks and Recreation Plan. The County would like to gather as much input from the community as possible to plan and prioritize projects for the Parks and Recreation system. Open House format, drop in any time between 5-7pm.

EAST JORDAN

CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

September 19, 5-7pm, Raven Hill Discovery Center. Networking, appetizers and drawings. Free to EJ Chamber members, \$10 for non-members. We will begin with lunch at noon, a shotgun start at 1 pm, followed by dinner and awards ceremony at 6 pm. The fun includes a 50/50 raffle, goodie bags, door prizes and more. Only 18 teams of four will be available for this Best Ball Scramble event Registration information at BoyneChamber.com

CHARLEVOIX

NEEDLE DROP-OFF

September 21, 9am-1pm, McLaren Northern Michigan Charlevoix Office, 1404 Bridge Street. Needles need to be in an approved hard impermeable plastic container. For needles only. Free. Info at 800-248-6777

BAY HARBOR

THE VIOLET VIOLA CONCERTO

September 21, 7pm, Great Lakes Center for the Arts. Season opening concert presenting the World premiere of a newly commissioned work by composer, David Lockington entitled, The Violet Viola Concerto. This piece was written for the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra and Music Director and violist, Libor Ondras, and was inspired by the birth of Lockington's granddaughter, Violet. Il Señor Bruschino Overture by Gioachino Rossini and Variaciones Concertantes by Alberto Ginastera will also be on the program. This performance will be at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts. Pre-Concert talk by Music Director Libor Ondras and composer, David Lockington at a special time-5:45 PM

Tickets at glcorchestra.org. Reserved Seating: \$50, \$35, \$25. Ages 18 and under are FREE. Veterans call 231.487.0010 for special pricing.

BOYNE CITY

"MIRACLE CURES" YOU MAY BE MISSING REVEALED

September 22, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "Stem Cells: The Miracle Cure You May Be Missing Out On," includes a film featuring a regenerative stem cell procedure as well as an interview with Dr. Christopher Centeno, who performs orthopedic procedures using adult stem cells in both the U.S. and in an offshore clinic. Centeno, who uses stem cells as an alternative to joint replacement and to treat tendon, ligament, and bone pain, wonders if concerns about lost revenue have prompted the domestic ban of some procedures that are available in other countries. This program provides insights into the ongoing debate. 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.

CHARLEVOIX

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WITH SENATOR SCHMIDT AND REPRESENTATIVE COLE

September 23, 8-9am, Charlevoix Public Library. Legislative Update presented by Consumers Energy in partnership with the Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance. Hear from local legislators on issues that impact the Charlevoix area community. In attendance will be State Representative Triston Cole and State Senator Wayne Schmidt.

CHARLEVOIX

CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION BASH

September 26, 5-8pm, Ferry Beach. Join us in celebrating YOU at our Membership Appreciation Bash! Food, music and fun to be had. We are excited to show our appreciation to our member businesses and their employees, thank you for your partnerships.

BOYNE CITY

HARVEST FESTIVAL

September 28, 8am-4pm. This family fun day will include music, crafts, children's activities, food and fall produce in the downtown area. As the extended Farmers Market will be moved downtown from Veterans Park, portions of Water and Lake Streets will be closed to traffic. There will be a Scarecrow Contest organized by the Boyne Area Chamber. Children's games and activities will be sprinkled around downtown. The festival is sponsored by Boyne City Main Street.

PETOSKEY

NATURAL BEEKEEPER WORKSHOP

October 7, 7-9pm, North Central Michigan College. Join beekeepers from across the Tip of the Mitt at the "Natural Beekeeper" presentation to hear from renowned bee expert Ross Conrad. He will discuss Organic Approaches to Modern Apiculture. Sponsored in conjunction with the Little Traverse Bee Guild. Free though seating is limited. To register, call 231-348-6613, email ccefaq@ncmich.edu or visit www.ncmich.edu, click on Community & Events, Corporate and Community Education Workshops.

CHARLEVOIX

APPLE FEST

October 11-13, East Park, Bridge Park and Mason Street. Experience the magic of autumn in northern Michigan at the 41st Annual Charlevoix Apple Festival. Join the festivities and show your support for our local farm-

ers, orchards and non-profit organizations while celebrating the season in scenic downtown Charlevoix this October. The Harvest is in! Friday and Saturday, 10am-6pm and Sunday, 10am-4pm.

BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET

Veterans Park, Wednesdays and Saturday's, 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@boynecity.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 Marketeer program and earn a T-shirt in just four visits. Market patrons get FREE 20 minute parking along the east side of Bridge Street and East Park to make your shopping experience easy as pie.

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.

ELLSWORTH

FARMERS MARKET

There will be a farmers market every Saturday through October 12, 9am to noon, in the Village's Community Square across from the Front Porch Restaurant.

BOYNE CITY

WEEKLY RESIDENTIAL RUBBISH COLLECTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

The City will hold its weekly residential rubbish collection program starting on August 28. This collection will serve all 3 unit or less residential properties in the City. It does not serve commercial properties. Area 1; Main Street and the areas South of Main Street: Pick - up service will be on August 28 and September 4. Area 2; North of Main Street: Pick-up service will be on August 29 and September 5. Items for this collection should be placed out after 5 p.m. on Wednesday and before 7 a.m. Thursday.

North of Main Street: Pick-up service will begin on Thursday, August 29th. Items for collection should be placed out after 5pm on Tuesdays and before 7am. Wednesdays. This program is in addition to, not a replacement of, your existing residential household garbage collection.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANTS

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is happy to announce the fall grant deadline is October 1, 2019. We invite you to begin thinking of project/program ideas for funding consideration. Starting this fall, perspective grantees will be limited to one application. Please forward this to anyone in your organization who is interested in more information on how to apply. In an effort to make more impactful grants moving forward, the C3F will be making changes to the grantmaking process beginning in 2020. We will keep you informed regarding the changes as they unfold.

BOYNE CITY

BLUE MONDAYS OPEN MIC

Mondays, 7-9pm, Freshwater Art Gallery. Hosted by Robin Lee Berry throughout the summer. We invite you to bring and sing or chill and listen. Questions call the gallery 231-582-2588.

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.

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The movable scaffold system designed by Ruby+Associates of Bingham Farms, fabricated by Moran Iron Works of Onaway, and used by Seaway Painting of Livonia, not only allowed that job to be done efficiently on both towers of the bridge, but also earned a structural engineering award in competition with many other impressive projects. Photo courtesy of MDOT

Mackinac Bridge painting project earns engineering award

Industrial painting requires some pretty advanced equipment, from removal and collection to providing working conditions safe from wind and rain. Add to that the challenge of performing that work on the 552-foot towers of the Mackinac Bridge and some creative engineering is required. The movable scaffold system designed by Ruby+Associates of Bingham Farms, fabricated by Moran Iron Works of Onaway, and used by Seaway Painting of Livonia, not only allowed that job to be done efficiently on both towers of the bridge, but also earned a structural engineering award in competition with many other impressive projects.

Earlier this summer, at the Structural Engineers Association of Illinois 2019 Excellence in Structural Engineering Annual Awards, Ruby+Associates took home the Best Neighboring State Project Award for the bridge painting platforms.

"As this is the first time in the bridge's history when the towers have been stripped to bare metal and repainted, it makes sense that Ruby+Associates, Moran Iron Works, and Seaway Painting would need new, innovative equipment to get the job done," said Mackinac Bridge Authority Executive Secretary Kim Nowack. "We congratulate them on the award and thank them for their work preserving this infrastruc-

ture icon."

The platforms were custom designed and built for Seaway Painting crews to enclose and move up and down the bridge's towers above the roadway deck, first during the 2017-2018 project to strip and repaint the bridge's north tower, then again during the current 2019-2020 project to do the same on the south tower. The platforms encircled the tower legs and allowed workers to adjust it to accommodate the tower tapering near the top. Another platform allowed access to the struts joining the tower legs.

The award nomination noted that the design needed to withstand winds regularly exceeding 100 mph and allow for the enclosure and capture of paint and sandblasting materials. The original paint is lead-based and Seaway is required to contain 100 percent of the paint as it is removed and ship it to an appropriate landfill facility. The new paint, which is zinc-based, is expected to last at least 35 years, with periodic maintenance.

The south tower contract is for just less than \$6.5 million, with Seaway required to complete the project by Dec. 31, 2020. The contract to repaint the north tower was just less than \$6.3 million. Installation and removal of the platforms has required brief closures during the overnight and early morning hours on several occasions.

9th Annual "Boomers & Seniors" EXPO at Sportsplex September 4

BY JIM AKANS

The 9th annual "Boomers

& Seniors Expo," presented by Saks Wellness Center and the Otsego County

Sportsplex, will be held on Wednesday, September 4 from 1 to 5pm. Folks of

every age will have a unique opportunity to learn about the many different services and products available for the boomer generation and for senior citizens right here in northern Lower Michigan.

For the past several years, nearly 1,000 people have attended the Expo to peruse approximately 100 vendors representing a diverse array of services and products specifically addressing a wide array of needs. Those include housing options, in-home services, medical products and equipment, medical services including dental and vision, banking and financial planning, elder law, health and aging awareness, nutrition, recreational resources, and much more. Attendees will have the opportunity to speak with representatives from each of these businesses and agencies and learn how their services and products can fulfill specific needs.

There will also be an opportunity for a variety of free health screenings and advice by Munson Health Care Otsego Memorial Hospital, Walmart, OCCOA and more. Of course there will be plenty of free food samples for attendees to enjoy, vendor raffles plus lots of freebies and brochures to pick up at several vendor stations.

The "Boomers & Seniors" Expo event is free to attend. The Otsego County Sportsplex is located at 1250 Gornick Avenue in Gaylord. For additional information and a full list of this year's vendors and event sponsors, please visit www.gaylordseniorexpo.com

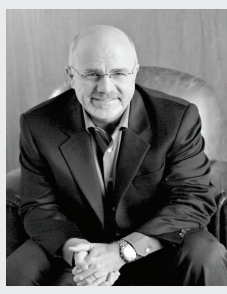


The 9th annual Healthy Aging "Boomers & Seniors Expo" event will be held at the Otsego County Sportsplex on Wednesday, September 4 from 1 to 5pm. Photo by Jim Akans



For the past several years, nearly 1,000 people have attended the Expo to peruse approximately 100 vendors representing a diverse array of services and products specifically addressing a wide array of needs. Photo by Jim Akans

DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

(Test his resolve)

Dear Dave,
Our son is 27, and he has a good job making \$55,000 a year. Recently, we learned he financed an expensive car he's now upside down on. In addition, he has accumulated over \$15,000 in credit card debt. He lives in a small town, and only pays \$650 a month in rent, but he is asking for money. We taught him about living on a budget and staying out of debt when he was younger, and now it seems he didn't listen very well. How do you think we should handle this situation?
Bryce

Dear Bryce,
The first thing I'd advise telling him is that you and his mom aren't going to whip out the checkbook, and make his problems disappear. That may sound harsh, but he had a really good thing going until he messed it up by acting impulsively and irresponsibly with his finances. Nope, I wouldn't take care of it for him—not at his age. This young man needs to have some skin in the game. I'd tell him to sell the fancy car, and get some-

thing way cheaper to drive for a while. I'm talking about a little beater in the \$2,000 to \$3,000 range. It sounds like he'll have to get a small loan to cover the difference, but a little car debt is better than a lot of car debt. I'd also advise him to pick up a part-time job nights or weekends until he gets that credit card debt paid off.

In other words, let him wallow in it and worry about things for a while. Then, if he's willing to accept responsibility for his actions, and starts handling money more wisely, you two might help out every so often with a little extra cash on the payments.

But I'd test his resolve first. And I'd want to see proof he has learned from his mistakes!
—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including *The Total Money Makeover*. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

A day of tribute to the American worker

BY JIM AKANS

Since the time I entered the workforce many, many years ago, I always thought it ironic that the day set aside each year to recognize hardworking Americans should be called Labor Day. At first glance, it seemed to me the intent was to focus on working extra hard as this first Monday in September rolled in. It was as if an order was being issued on the calendar to make sure whatever distractions the late summer may bring, this was a day to set aside to labor...lazy beach bums.

Of course, it is not. According to the Department of Labor (could this be people just waiting to be asked to do something), Labor Day is "a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers." Origins reach back to the late 1800's, beginning with Labor Day recognitions through ordinances passed by municipalities followed by a state law in Oregon passed in 1887. Laws soon ensued in Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York. By 1894, 23 states had passed laws recognizing Labor Day so Congress passed an act designating the first Monday in September a legal Labor Day holiday. Congress has a way of being right out in front of national trends.

There is however, a bit of a back-story. The labor movement rarely, if ever, achieved anything without a fight. Turns out the origin of the Labor Day idea is something



that is contested to this day. It seems two gentlemen; Matthew Maguire and Peter McGuire (no spelling error here...same sounding last names and same idea), each came up with the notion that there should be a national holiday for workers, and they both did it at the same time...well over 100 years ago.

Citing the Department of Labor again, it is noted that Peter McGuire, general secretary of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners as well as the cofounder of the American Federation of Labor, envisioned a day honoring all "who from rude nature have delved and carved all the grandeur we behold."

Meanwhile, Matt Maguire, a machinist who later became a secretary for Local 344 of the International Association of Machinists, suggested a Labor Day holiday

be created while he was serving a secretary of the Central Labor Union in New York. The Central Labor Union actually drafted a Labor Day proposal and set up a committee to plan events.

The Department of Labor has even set up a spot on their website to vote your choice of who is the "father of Labor Day." Hands down, Matt Maguire is leading Peter McGuire by a margin of 60 percent to 40 percent. With all the current election hoopla we certainly understand polls can be less than accurate...but this fight has been going on much longer than a political campaign season.

A few more bits of trivia:

- The first Labor Day was celebrated on September 5, 1882 in New York...though it

was a Tuesday.
- The original thought for celebrating Labor Day was to have community parades and festivals recognizing workers and their families. No mention of hot dogs, soda and beers by the lake.

- Labor Day, Labour Day or International Workers' Day is celebrated at some point during the year in over 80 countries.

- Labor Day is widely viewed as the end of the summer season here in the U.S. and has become a huge retail sales event, much like President's Day.

- Labor Day marks the transition from pre-season football to regular games in both the NFL and College sports.

This Monday please take a few moments to step back from the grill, pull the shopping cart over, or stop toiling in the garden and think about the American worker. Those who get up in the morning, spend the day expending the labors of body and mind most often for the profit of others, and return home in the evening to rest and prepare for the next day's round. Chances are very high that you are one of those workers too.

Embrace this national holiday that at its core is a tribute to hardworking Americans. A day when, as noted on the Department of Labor web site, we honor "the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom, and leadership — the American worker."

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and procedure to provide guidance for fulfilling the requests.

In other business, Commissioners awarded a purchase order to Stonequest in Saginaw for a special stone to improve the City's two softball fields at Rotary Park. Commissioners also awarded a purchase order to Vermeer Midwest in Marne for a one month rental of a tub grinder to process tree debris at the North Boyne Compost Facility.

The next regular City Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

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