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## AREA ELECTION RESULTS

**BOYNE VALLEY TOWNSHIP - Precinct 2 , HUDSON TOWNSHIP - Precinct 8 and MELROSE TOWNSHIP - Precinct 10**  
**BOYNE FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS SINKING FUND MILLAGE**  
**NO: 57.4% (101) YES: 42.6% (75)**  
75% PRECINCTS REPORTING AT PRESS TIME

**BOYNE CITY COMMISSIONER (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2)**  
**Hugh Conklin: 37.9% (310) Tom Neidhamer: 35.7% (292) Barbara Malpass-Young: 26.5% (217)**  
100.0% PRECINCTS REPORTING

**CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 2 (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 1)**  
**Leon R. Perron: 69.5% (107) Mike Doherty: 30.5% (47)**  
100.0% PRECINCTS REPORTING

Results are preliminary until confirmed by Election Officials.

# Buck Poles ready for opening day

BY JIM AKANS

Friday, November 15 is opening day, which isn't telling hunters eagerly anticipating the start of deer hunting season anything they don't already know. Following are the locations of several "Buck Poles" in the northern Michigan area where those bucks can be proudly displayed, and some lucky hunters may even win a great prize for their hunting skills.

Atlanta; - The 72nd Annual Buck Pole will be on November 15, from 8am-8pm at the Chamber of Commerce on State Street in Atlanta. Prizes will be awarded. Contest rules and registration are available at the Atlanta Chamber. For information check out Atlanta Chamber of Commerce on Facebook.



November 15 is opening day and there are several area "Buck Poles," such as the one shown here in Mancelona, where hunters can proudly display the successful result of that opening day hunt, and maybe win a great prize for their efforts. Photo courtesy of Mancelona Chamber of Commerce.

### Boyne City

- Boyne Co-op True Value will be holding its 8th annual



Raigen Bowers, Age 13, was the youngest hunter with a buck on the pole on day one at last year's Buck Pole at Skip's Sport Shop. Courtesy photo

Buck Pole Contest Nov. 15 and 16. Register for \$20 by 5:30pm on Nov. 14, at the Co-op, 113 S. Park St. Prizes will include one shoulder mount 30-06 and a 270 rifles, deer processing at Walloon Gen-

eral Store, tabletop smoker grille, Boyne Mountain waterpark passes, CarQuest car cleaning products, Boyne Provisions gift basket, lots of door prizes and much more. Mens, womens and youth division. Refreshments and beverages will be served at 5pm and prizes will be awarded at 7:30pm on Nov. 16. The Co-op is donating all proceeds to "Dress For Chill" student and pre-school clothing program. Call (231) 582-9971 for more information.

Young Girls Biggest Buck and Smallest Buck.  
- On November 16, Der-Miner's Parkside Market, 7131 Old 27 South, \$.5 entry fee. All entries are "Wild Card" so everyone hanging a deer on the pole is eligible to win. All deer must be legally tagged Michigan deer, must be field dressed, and deadline is 7:29pm on November 16. Entrants must be present to win. Prizes will be given out at 7:30pm on November 16.

### Gaylord

- The Pine Squirrel will have a Buck Pole on November 15 with prizes including First Buck, Biggest Buck, Youth Boys Biggest Buck,

### Grayling

- Skip's Sports Shop's 61st Annual Buck Pole will take place on November 15 and 16. Get your Orange Coat

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Advance Board of Commerce members (l) Sue Vrondran and (r) Jane Prebble.

## Advance, the Center of Charlevoix County

BY KAREN WALKER

Tucked into the heart of Charlevoix County is the once thriving but now nearly forgotten community of Advance. In 1868, W. Harvey Porter, one of the region's first settlers, constructed a water powered grist mill along Porter Creek and the village of Advance quickly flourished. Two general stores, a lodging house, blacksmith, and even a shoe shop served the area's newcomers, most of them immigrants from Germany. "Porter's Mill" had a capacity of 100 bushels a day and ground wheat for local farmers as well as for the Indians living in the area. Mr. Porter also operated a sawmill with a capacity of 10,000 board feet of lumber per day. The grist mill ceased operation in 1924 and the structure stood dormant for several decades before its destruction.

A short distance southeast of the mill, Wolverine Power Supply built an electrical generation plant in 1952 that operated for nearly 50 years. The plant was powered by coal, delivered down Lake Charlevoix by Great Lakes freighters that squeezed through the Pine River Channel in Charlevoix. But it too, has disappeared without a trace, replaced by a condominium development that makes the area seem like an extension of Boyne City. One of Advance's early general stores is the only remnant from the village's early history. The more than one hundred year old structure still operates as a general store, although seasonal.

No one seems to know how Advance got its somewhat quirky name. Even the pronunciation is unusual. One of the ways the locals can tell if someone is from out of the area is how they pronounce Advance. Properly spoken, Advance is pronounced with the accent on the first syllable; Advance.

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LOW: 24

**FRIDAY**  
  
HIGH: 33  
LOW: 25

**SATURDAY**  
  
HIGH: 37  
LOW: 32

**SUNDAY**  
  
HIGH: 34  
LOW: 21

**MONDAY**  
  
HIGH: 27  
LOW: 17

**TUESDAY**  
  
HIGH: 27  
LOW: 15

**WEDNESDAY**  
  
HIGH: 28  
LOW: 20

## record temps

DAY	AVG. LOW	AVG. HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
NOV 7	...31°	...49°	...11° (1992)	...70° (1975)
NOV 8	...32°	...50°	...15° (1967)	...69° (2009)
NOV 9	...32°	...49°	...17° (1991)	...71° (1999)
NOV 10	...31°	...49°	...16° (1980)	...71° (1999)
NOV 11	...31°	...48°	...14° (1985)	...67° (2010)
NOV 12	...31°	...48°	...15° (1983)	...65° (1964)
NOV 13	...31°	...47°	...14° (1986)	...65° (1999)
NOV 14	...30°	...47°	...5° (1986)	...62° (1958)
NOV 15	...30°	...46°	...2° (1996)	...65° (1990)
NOV 16	...30°	...46°	...10° (2002)	...64° (1990)

### Daylight Savings Time “fall back” is great time to check home detectors

As we turn back the clocks for Daylight Saving Time and temperatures continue to fall, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is reminding residents to take action to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. “As it gets colder, we start seeing more carbon monoxide poisonings,” said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health for MDHHS. “To prepare for winter weather, Michiganers should make sure their heat sources and carbon monoxide detectors are in good working order.” On average, 145 people are hospitalized for carbon monoxide poisoning each year in Michigan, according to data from the MDHHS Michigan Environmental Public Health Tracking Program (MiTracking). These hospitalizations are preventable when people are prepared. To protect yourself and your family from carbon monoxide, follow these safety tips:

- Make sure you have working carbon monoxide detectors. Detectors on every level of your home, including the basement, are strongly recommended. Detectors can be purchased at most hardware and big box stores. Daylight Saving Time is a good time each year to replace the batteries in your detector and push the “Test” button to be sure it’s working properly. Replace your detector every

five years or according to manufacturer’s instructions.

- Have your furnace or wood-burning stove inspected annually. Hire a professional to make sure it is functionally sound and vents properly outside the home.
- Never run a gasoline or propane heater, or a grill (gas or charcoal) inside your home or in an unvented garage. Any heating system that burns fuel produces carbon monoxide. Use a battery-powered detector where you have fuel burning devices but no electric outlets, such as in tents, cabins, RVs and boats with enclosed cabins.
- Generators should be run at a safe distance (at least 20 feet) from the home. Never run a generator in the home or garage, or right next to windows or doors.
- Never run a car in an enclosed space. If a vehicle is running, you must have a door open to the outside.

At high levels, carbon monoxide can cause death within minutes. Symptoms of overexposure to carbon monoxide include headache, fatigue, dizziness, shortness of breath, nausea and confusion. If you suspect you may be experiencing carbon monoxide poisoning, or your detector sounds an alarm, head outside immediately for fresh air and call 911.

Visit Michigan.gov/MiTracking for more information about carbon monoxide poisoning.

### Margaret McCrary, 75

(FEB. 1, 1944 - NOV. 2, 2019)



Margaret “GoGo” MaryAnn McCrary of Charlevoix passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at her home. She was born on February 1, 1944 in Sugar Island, MI, the daughter of Joseph and Josephine Andrews. Margaret loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandson. She was a very nice, caring person and would do anything for her family. She also enjoyed doing puzzles of all kinds, cooking, and reading. Margaret is survived by her loving husband of 52 years, Gordan McCrary; two daughters, Michelle Andrews

of St. Ignace, MI, and Ramona (Calvin) Olson of Petoskey; six siblings, Pauline Andrews of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Philip Andrews of Hessel, MI, Beatrice (Art) Leighton of Portland, OR, Josephine (Charles) Kavo of Charlevoix, Shirley (Mark) LaJoye of FL, Harvey Andrews of OH; two grandchildren, Natasha Olson, and Liane Olson; and one great-grandson, Vincent Olson. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Josephine Andrews; a brother, Ed Andrews; two sisters, Charlotte Biuqluize, and Lucille Chabonea; a niece, Pam Buiquize; and many aunts and uncles. Per her family’s wishes, there are no services planned. Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

of Charlevoix passed away on Tuesday, November 5, 2019. He was born on June 18, 1929, the son of Frank and Helen (Mattison) Sambrook, in Detroit, MI. There are no services planned at this time. Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

Ron was born January 17, 1945 in Cheltenham, England to Lesslie K. Stith and Olive M. Attwood. He graduated from Ball State with a masters in education, Cum Laude. He was a public school teacher for many years. After retiring from teaching, he moved to Beaver Island where he lived for over 17 years. Ronald was a proud Veteran of the United States Army National Guard. He was active in the local AMVETS, helped to coach the high school basketball team and was involved in many activities. Ron always had that Indiana smile and a hand to help. He was an avid golfer and loved all things college football. Ron is survived by his wife Karen Whitecraft Stith, daughter Melissa Wells, son David Stith, brother Reginald Stith, a sister, and grandchildren. A private service will be held at his family plot in Indiana. Arrangements have been handled by the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

### Ronald Lesslie Stith, 74

(JAN. 17, 1945 - OCT. 27, 2019 (AGE 74))



Ronald L. Stith of Beaver Island passed away unexpectedly October 27, 2019 on Beaver Island, MI.

### Richard Sambrook, 90

(JUNE 18, 1929 - NOV. 5, 2019)

Richard Edwin Sambrook

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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JORDAN VALLEY STATE FOREST

To the Editor,

Jordan River’s source is a spring behind Seven Ski Inn west of US-131 but lately it’s not advisable to get there by vehicle due to the wet ground on the dirt track leading to the valley. It was always rustic and as signs say a “seasonal road” but in recent years the rains have precluded the traffic the trails used to bear, one-lane trails traversable by car and truck but requiring some deft (and courteous friendly neighborhood) navigation to allow for oncoming traffic to pass. A lot has changed in the fifty-five years I’ve been around here, for some family has remained here throughout. Like many locals we’ve been down and back numerous times.

Larry’s Bar is what we called the tavern and car lot garage in West Elmira where now the East Jordan Iron Works, renamed “ej”, relocated from their long-term home in East Jordan on the lake. Just down the road south from Larry’s there’s a trail leading to the valley and next a road leading to Dead Man’s Hill, the historic site of the tragedy which namesake is attributed to Stanley Graczyk, Big Sam, who cascaded over the bluff with a team of horses and a big load of timber as he was heading downhill. There’s now a tour stop with fences and signs indicating the occasion and history. The view is wonderful, the entirety of the Jordan Valley and on a sunny day the Jordan River is visible as it snakes through the valley toward town.

The Green River conflates along the waterway as do other tributaries join the flow which concludes at the estuary of South Arm Lake, the East Jordan arm of Lake Charlevoix, the dual extension of the inlet at the town of Charlevoix at Lake Michigan which was dredged long ago to allow ships to pass in and out but was always a conduit for the flooding of the inland lakes. In 1867 came Soloman Isaman from Charlevoix to set

up a homestead on Pine Lake as it was then known, a pioneer subsequent to the land grants then proliferating after the Civil War as the soldiers came home and ventured north to homestead. Isaman built a log cabin abode and set aside some area within for a sort of trading post that soon attracted attention of other potential homesteaders and there you had it, a town was born subsequent to Amos Williams an itinerant preacher having named the Jordan River in effigy of the River Jordan. The mythos remains. In about 1962 my family found via the Detroit paper want ads a farm in the Jordan Valley on Marsh Road outside of town on M-32, closer to Larry’s Bar than East Jordan, and ultimately renovated the old log domicile to habitable condition, water, electric and all. John Vanek, a Bohemian émigré and family had homesteaded the 240 acres adjacent to Marsh Ponds, a series of overflow ponds from the Jordan River, quite a rural paradise it was back then and all owned by my father and mother when once finances were finalized at the obviously gouging price of \$35 an acre or \$8400 for 240, taxes \$60 per year, newly coined gas drilling lease netting \$240 a year with \$2400 every five years to re-lease. My parents fell for the sucker pitch. Seller, son Vincent Vanek, saw them coming. We would drive up from the Detroit area, stop at Larry’s enroute, then known as Stan’s, find Stan asleep with head on arm on the counter, fill up with gas at maybe .25 a gallon, wake him to pay him, have a .30 beer, then proceed to the farm. Big Sam was engaged to one of John Vanek’s daughter’s when he died untimely. John was a log cabin homebuilder, the squared log kind of house, fit together like Lincoln Logs, real ones, notched corners and all. He built multiple cabins in his day, at least one other “historic homestead” still standing, another actually dismantled and moved log-by-labeled-log downstate for re-assembly.

The old Vanek cabin is now ensconced within a sprawling compound of add-ons, the old root cellar incorporated below the kitchen addition with a trapdoor floor to escape when bears or wild Indians raid the premises. The property was divided years ago along the Marsh Road boundary and the remainder without marshes sold to a downstater in the mid-1990s. Meanwhile, the Jordan River has had problems, the lakes too, ups and downs of level, the one-time lake in the town harbor, once high and deep water, has sunk to a replicate marshy-like condition with even some dry land and tree sprouts showing. The East Jordan Marina needs dredging periodically to allow boats in and out due to the sand and silt carried downstream, in turn caused by erosion, farm residue, tourist detritus, a weir, and a composite of bridges, roads and population increase and other general lack of monitoring the waters in preservation mode. The water level has returned to somewhat normal and indeed the level has constantly re-assessed nature’s own propensity over the decades, now somewhat higher than ever as evidenced by the Jordan Valley dampness, but the estuary which was once a deep lake able to dock up to twenty large boats of lading is a shallow pond. What becomes of the area is anyone’s guess but gentrification foreshadows here as surrounding areas demonstrate. Empty storefronts could use some occupants. What the ej company family which owns a large tract of lakeside in town has in mind is anyone’s guess but the guess has been condos and big foot McMansions and possibly a larger marina to complement. And the Jordan River? It still flows, the famed trout stream is reduced in fishing stature, the sand and silt still waft downstream. It’s still worth a visit when the ground is dry enough. It will never be the same as when in its pristine primeval state nor will the lake, first marina boat launch,

pleasure cruises now having to endure boat-cops patrolling the waterways looking for yahoo beer drinkers – yes, BUI, Boating Under the Influence. The prices are rising for almost everything even as values go down for everything except lakefront properties and high-end dining and drinking, price and waterfront value high and consistent as are property taxes. You can still ride a rented canoe down the Jordan, fish in the river and lake, stop at The Landing for lunch and a drink, explore the State Forest by car or on foot. It’s still all here, just not quite what it used to be. Nothing is. No one knows where it’s going in once-rustic to pseudo-sophisticated personality although the original ambience still exists where weather and costs permit. There are concerned persons who patrol and monitor the riverside picking up trash and cleaning the river of constant debris, slipping in between the EPA oversight rounds to do what residents haven’t been quite able to keep up with, that is keep the river flowing clear. The Jordan River Action Group, Friends of the Jordan, East Jordan Lions Club and other concerned persons continue in these efforts to collect beer cans and refuse floating downstream. Published via East Jordan City internet site are phone and email for Tinker Breakey of the first named group for contact and donations. Supporting them and returning your beer cans is the least we can do though collected cans are exchanged for donation dollars. Too little too late but the difference is noticed and felt. Dead Man’s Hill and Hogback Hill offer opposite views of the valley unadulterated by mankind even now because you don’t see up close the results of our abuse down below. The Jordan River Valley was and still is to some extent God’s Little Acre, Amos Williams, Solomon Isaman, you and me too if we can keep it. Mitchell Jon MacKay, East Jordan

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## Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputy McAuliff earns recognition

Deputy Jeremy McAuliff with the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department earned an Excellence in Service Award for his work responding to and investigating domestic abuse cases. Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan recognizes law enforcement officers with the annual award in the five counties they serve as part of October's National Domestic Abuse Awareness Month.

Charlevoix County Sheriff Chuck Vondra said he appreciated the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan's recognition of Deputy McAuliff's work related to domestic violence responses. "Deputy McAuliff handles domestic violence calls with the seriousness that these calls demand and he does an outstanding job of documenting and presenting the cases for prosecution," Vondra said.

Allen Telgenhof, prosecuting attorney with the Charlevoix County Prosecutor's Office, said he is grateful for McAuliff's service in the community. "Deputy McAuliff has worked on some major cases this year, and his combination of patience with



Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan presented the Excellence in Service Award to Deputy Jeremy McAuliff of the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department to recognize his work in promoting domestic violence victim safety and offender accountability. Pictured (from left) are Melissa Fousek, Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan counselor/advocate; Libby Mikulski, Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney's Office crime victim rights advocate; Sgt. Nathan Kaminski of the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department; Jeremy McAuliff; Charlevoix County Sheriff Chuck Vondra; Allen R. Telgenhof, Charlevoix County prosecuting attorney; and Kerry Zahner, Charlevoix County chief assistant prosecuting attorney. Courtesy photo

victims and tenacity in investigations have been key to having offenders held accountable for their actions,"

Telgenhof said.

Libby Mikulski, crime victim rights advocate with the Charlevoix County Prosecu-

tor's Office, noted McAuliff's successful track record investigating domestic violence crimes which often results in

felony charges.

"Deputy McAuliff is patient with victims and realizes how difficult and scary it

is to disclose the abuse. He is an active listener and doesn't rush his investigations. He realizes that often times disclosing abuse puts victims in extreme danger. He puts extra work into investigating bond violations, witness intimidation and obstruction of justice which can commonly occur while a case is pending," Mikulski said.

Melissa Fousek, Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan counselor/advocate who encounters McAuliff in her work supporting survivors of domestic abuse, said "We are grateful he does this work and has been so helpful to victims of crime in our community."

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan counselor/advocate select Excellence in Service award recipients from Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet and Otsego counties who have demonstrated a strong knowledge and understanding of responding to, investigating and supporting survivors of domestic violence.



### Boyne Falls Public Schools STUDENT OF THE WEEK



### Cadence Matelski

**Student Name:** Cadence Matelski

**Grade:** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Parent's Name(s):** Gwen and Jim Matelski

**Future Plans:** Teacher or Daycare

**Favorite Book:** Restart by Gordon Korman

**Hobbies and Interests:** Sports and working with young children

**School Activities:** Softball, Basketball, Volleyball

**Staff Comments:** I have had the pleasure of having Cadence in my classroom as well as on my softball team. In the classroom she is a hard worker who strives for perfection. She is always willing to help other students and contributes to classroom discussions. All the attributes she shows in the classroom carries over to the softball field. She will do anything that is needed to be successful on the field as well as in the classroom. Congratulations Cadence!

**Submitted By:** Frank Hamilla

## Veterans Day ceremonies honor service to our country

BY JIM AKANS

November 11th is Veteran's Day; a date designated each year for honoring those who have served and who are serving our country in the military. It is not a date that was arbitrarily set; rather, it marks the occasion of an armistice that was called on November 11 at 11 am in 1918, ending hostilities between Allied nations and Germany during World War I. The following June, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the 11th day of the 11 month to be Armistice Day, and many communities hold memorial ceremonies at the 11th hour on this holiday.

Armistice Day became an official holiday in 1938, was given the name Veteran's Day in 1954, and while the date moved around a bit during the early 1970's, it was re-anchored to the 11th day of the 11th month by a law signed by President Gerald Ford in 1975.

Please take time on November 11th, to honor, recognize and remember the service of veterans and active military personnel. To those who have or are serving; THANK YOU!

Following are some of the programs that will be held in the Charlevoix County News distribution area this year.

The Boyne City American Legion will hold a Veterans Day ceremony in the Legion building, 302 S. Lake St., at 11am on November 11. Public is invited and all veterans are encouraged to attend. Program lasts approximately one hour.

Boyne City Hardware will present their first-ever Veterans Night Out, honoring our nation's active, former and re-



Please take time to honor, recognize and remember the service of those veterans and active military personnel. Photo by Jim Akans

tired Military heroes from 6-8 p.m. Friday, November 8. All veterans are invited, along with one guest, to enjoy 20% off store-wide, plus a fun evening celebrating community, camaraderie and country. The first 24 veterans through the door at 6pm get a free gift bag valued well over \$50. Enjoy refreshments, complimentary cocktails, free samples and interactive stations with chances to win amazing prizes throughout the evening. Prize drawings will be held every 15 minutes.

The Boyne City, Charlevoix and East Jordan Senior Centers will be hosting a Veterans Celebration on November 8 from 11am to 1pm. Lunch will be served at noon by guest servers. We will have a pinning ceremony at 12:15pm after lunch is served. Lunch is a choice of roast beef or pollack almondine, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, salad, soup and apple crisp. Lunch is free for Veterans.

County Transit System and the Commission on Aging are again working together again to provide free rides on November 8 for senior veterans to any of the three mainland Senior Centers to receive a free lunch. Veterans can contact County Transit for free rides to and from the Senior Centers by calling 231-582-6900. They should bring their veteran ID card, or a means of identifying themselves as a veteran. If you know any senior veteran in the area, let them know that Charlevoix County would like to provide them with this small token for all that they have given for the freedom of all county residents.

Boyne Falls Public School is inviting all veterans to join them at school on Friday, November 8th for their Veterans Day ceremony. The ceremony will begin at 10:30am in the gymnasium and will be followed by a complimentary lunch for all veterans. Guests may purchase lunch for \$5.

RSVP is appreciated - (231) 549-2211.

Ellsworth High School will be having a Veterans Day Assembly on November 11 honoring all veterans and their families. It will include Coffee & Donuts in the High School Commons at 8:30am followed by an Assembly in the gymnasium starting at 9am. The public is invited.

Petoskey; North Central Michigan College will honor those who have served our country with a Veterans Day breakfast on Monday, November 11, from 8-10 am in the Iron Horse Café on the Petoskey Campus. Veterans and their family members are invited to enjoy a free breakfast served by North Central students and employees. The college's Student Veterans Association and Chase Bank are sponsoring the event to show appreciation to our local veterans and their families. No reservations are necessary.

### BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT

**Monday, October 14, 2019**  
0916 Burn permit issued on Lewis Av  
1128 Assist with vehicle search in the 1000 block of Boyne Av  
1400 Salvage Vehicle Inspection  
1435 Report of 4wheeler racing through Rotary Park.  
1435 Report of a car on Vogel St that is very loud and likes to floor it on the corners.  
1520 Assist EMS in the 300 block of E Division St  
1624 Report of AirPods stolen on Friday.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019**  
1015 Report of 4wheeler rac-

ing through the Rotary Park again  
2217 Assist Sheriff Dept on Deer Lake Rd.

**Wednesday, October 16, 2019**  
1000 Vehicle unlock in the Industrial Park.  
1315 Assault complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av.  
1727 Road hazard on N. Lake St. in front of the FD.  
1924 PR at High School Volley-Buff game.

**Thursday, October 17, 2019**  
1204 H&R crash in the Industrial Park.  
1528 Vehicle unlock in the 1000 block of Boyne Av  
1612 Report of loud vehicle on

Hull St.  
1645 Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of S Park St  
1757 Suspicious situation at Avalanche  
1934 Assist EMS in the 800 block of S Park St  
2126 Assist EMS in the 500 block of N. Lake St.  
2305 Foot patrol at Boyne River mouth.  
2328 Assist Sheriff Dept in Boyne Falls.  
**Friday, October 18, 2019**  
0029 Dispatched a deer at Lakeshore Dr and Marshall Rd.

0825 Citizen assist in the 900 block of W Division St.  
1348 Driving complaint from Charlevoix St and Michigan.  
1445 PR schools for Homecoming parade  
1528 Report of the 4-wheeler driving on state St east of East St.  
1740 Personal injury crash at Boyne Ave. and E. Main St. Citation issued for Fail to stop in assured clear distance.  
1734 PR - Escort Cross Country team relay from the Lutheran Church to the football game.  
1845 PR homecoming  
1945 PR homecoming

1958 Intoxicated subject in the 400 block of Terrace St.  
**Saturday, October 19, 2019**  
0323 Suspicious vehicle in the 800 block of Brockway.  
1016 Missing person reported from the W Water St  
1222 Wallet found in the 200 block of S. Lake St.  
1434 Burn permit issued on E. Main St.  
1543 Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of N Park St.  
2103 PR Homecoming Dance  
2138 Vehicle unlock in the 1000 block of Boyne Av  
2300 PR Homecoming Dance  
2330 Report of possible child

neglect on Pearl St.  
**Sunday, October 20, 2019**  
0055 Car deer crash on State St near Rotary Park. Arrested subject on warrant from Emmet County.  
0305 Assist Sheriff Dept on Springvale Rd.  
1736 Found wallet on Pleasant Valley Rd. Was returned to owner.  
1940 Report of an egg thrown at door in the 300 block of E Division St  
1953 Assist EMS on W Ann St.  
2017 Residence egged on Franklin St  
2311 Arrested subject for No Security on Vogel St

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## Harvest Food and Supply Drive makes Safe Home feel like 'home'



Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan staff members are pictured with some of the needed items (front from left) Pam Luce, Megan King, Lindsay Walker, Haley Schneider, Amber Whitmore-Michel, Chris Krajewski, (back from left) Courtney Graham, Jamie Weaver, Anita Mosher, Melissa Fousek, Jamie Winters, Jennifer DeVries, Autumn Sobleski, and Amy Strohpaal. Courtesy photo

Picture a woman who makes the courageous decision to leave her home because it is no longer safe for herself or her children. Think about how she feels arriving at the Safe Home with few, if any, personal belongings. Imagine the multiple obstacles she faces at the start of this new and challenging journey toward a more positive, safer future.

You may wonder what you can do to help.

One of the most significant ways community members can support survivors of domestic abuse and their children in

northern Michigan is by donating to the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (WRCNM) Harvest Food and Supply Drive.

Donations of grocery/supermarket gift cards, non-perishable foods, household goods/paper products, personal care items, and financial contributions help make the Safe Home feel like 'home' for many families who utilize this essential service.

The Safe Home provides a secure, caring and supportive place for survivors to heal from the emotional and physical

pain of domestic abuse and regain control in their lives. Over the years, thousands of women and their children seeking refuge have been provided shelter, meals and all their daily needs at no cost.

"If you're not sure what to donate, grocery gift cards help us purchase exactly what is needed when it is needed," said Safe Home Coordinator Jamie Winters. "Gift cards can be purchased when you're out doing your household shopping and are an easy way to provide much needed food and supplies."

If donating nonperishable items, the Safe Home Needs List is available online at [wrcnm.org](http://wrcnm.org).

## Challenge Mountain's Spirit Day Camp wraps up a successful 35th year

Challenge Mountain's Spirit Day Camp is a summer day camp designed for individuals living with disabilities to enjoy recreational and leisure activities. "Participating in community-based activities is important to feeling part of a community," explains Challenge Mountain Executive Director Elizabeth Looze. "Spirit Day Camp ensures that individuals living with disabilities have opportunities that remove barriers and support social inclusion."

Spirit Day Camp is consistent with year-round adaptive recreational programs at Challenge Mountain, "centered on having fun, making and sustaining friendships, building confidence and independence, and fostering positive and hopeful expectations," Looze adds. Activities differ from year-to-year. This summer, participants experienced nature with hikes and exploration; spent an afternoon with the Young Americans at Boyne Highlands; learned to golf through the Boyne Highlands First TEE program; and played put-put golf at Pirate's Cove in Petoskey.

George Armstrong, a Petoskey High School special education teacher, started Spirit Day Camp in 1984 so students with disabilities could experience life at summer camp. Recently, Armstrong was recognized by Michigan Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC) as the 2019 Special Education Teacher of the Year. The MCEC award "recognizes an outstanding member of the profession whose work exemplifies the best in special edu-



Challenge Mountain founder George Armstrong and his wife, Linda (Program Director). Courtesy photo

cation teaching. His or her work reflects significant, documented educational success for students, continued professional development, and the highest standards of educational quality," according to [michiganec.org](http://michiganec.org). At the MCEC awards ceremony, Armstrong's dedication to his profession was summarized perfectly:

"He sees the best in people and has the personality to bring a positive, yet honest and realistic, attitude to every situation. His realness earns the trust of students, families and coworkers. George is an inspiration and mentor to new and seasoned staff members. He is admired for his kindness, dedication, resourcefulness and wisdom. In the words of one of his students, 'he is very generous and he thinks of everyone and not himself.'"

Armstrong's wife, Linda, is the Challenge Mountain Program Director. "We are fortun-

nate to have both Linda and George as part of our Challenge Mountain team," Looze explains. "Their energy and dedication make Spirit Day Camp and all Challenge Mountain programs successful."

Each year, Challenge Mountain connects over 1,800 children, youth and adults with special needs to life-enhancing recreational opportunities. Participants gain personal fulfillment through a sense of accomplishment and a feeling of acceptance that translates positively into their everyday lives. Programs are not just about having fun — these experiences create positive individual and group development, while building social

Challenge Mountain just wrapped up its Spirit Day Camp 2020 fundraising campaign at the end of August exceeding the \$30,000 goal, raising \$31,464 from 37

donors. Individual donations ranged from \$80 to a \$10,000 grant from DTE.

"This generosity makes it possible to plan in advance for the 2020 summer camp. We are so grateful for every gift," Looze adds. "Now, we are working on launching our year-end appeal in October that helps to fund over 50% of our year-round adaptive recreational programming. It's an exciting time of year."

Challenge Mountain is a non-profit 501c3 organization established in 1984 as the first adaptive skiing program in northern Michigan. Today, Challenge Mountain provides year-round adaptive recreation for individuals living with disabilities. Challenge Mountain also operates a Resale Store in Boyne City. For more information about programs, volunteering or donating, visit [CHALLENGEMTN.org](http://CHALLENGEMTN.org), or call 231.582.1186.

## BUCK POLES

FROM PG. 1A

Round-Up Buttons at Skip's for only \$3. The event is sponsored by the Camp Grayling Conservation Club and cash prizes will include; First Deer Each Day, First 10 Deer Each Day, First Lady Hunter Each Day, Youngest Hunter Each Day, Oldest Hunter Each Day, Heaviest Buck Each Day & Biggest Rack each day.

For over twenty years the Camp Grayling Conservation Club has sponsored and staffed the running of the Buck Pole. The deer are not only weighed but the antlers are measured and a scoring system that takes into consideration total spread, number of points, and length of points assigns a score used to determine the largest buck. The overall winner for the two days receives a new scoped hunting rifle. It is possible to win a prize in more than one category.

## Hillman

The Hillman Area Chamber of Commerce is holding their 2019 Buck Pole Contest on November 15 & 16 from 9am-8pm. It will be located in the lot next to the Dairy Queen. There is no entry fee, bucks must be shot within 30 miles of the Hillman area and must hang on the pole by 8pm. Prizes will include; Largest Rack Youth (16 & Under) - \$300 gift certificate towards a \$400 Gun Package, Largest Rack - Gun Package, Remington 30-06 Scoped bolt action (\$500 value), Largest Antlers by a Lady - Gun Package, Savage 308 Scoped bolt action (\$500 value), Heaviest Buck by a Man - \$75, Heaviest Buck by a Lady - \$75, and Next six Heaviest Bucks (Various Prizes). Event also includes 50/50 raffle and student bake sale. Prizes will be awarded after 8pm on the 16th.

## Indian River

Proclaimed as Northern Michigan's Largest Buck Pole, thousands of dollars in prizes will be awarded at Pat & Gary's Party Store #1 in Indian River on November 15. Pre registration (there is no cost) is by closing time on the 14th at the store. Everyone who pre-registers and brings in a buck will get a prize. The top three prizes are guns plus there will be lots of other prizes donated by local businesses, including largest rack, youngest hunter and more. Prizes are awarded after the last bucks are brought in by 8 pm on the 15th deadline.

## Mancelona

For 65 years, generations of deer hunters have been bagging their bucks and bringing them to Mancelona's buck pole, one of the oldest, most popular and best attended in northern Michigan. The annual contest is Mancelona's "claim to fame." It is located at the intersection of U.S. 131 and Highway M-88 (State Street) downtown Mancelona. The contest is

open at daybreak on November 15 and closes at 6:30pm on November 16. All hunter prizes will be awarded at 7pm at the close of the contest.

Registration is \$5 and hunter receive a commemorative Buck Pole Patch and a digital photo. The also receive a reusable bag with items from local businesses, Kitchen Farms potatoes, Alden Mill House seasonings and marinades, calendars and decals, pens, paper, coffee, key chains, cell phone chargers, a hunting cap and numerous other items.

Cash prizes are awarded to the hunter who has the heaviest (\$150), the deer with most points (\$100), widest rack (\$75), and the first deer hung (\$10). Registered hunters can also purchase tickets for a special drawing to receive their choice of a muzzle loader complete with a soft case, or a compound bow set with accessories.

Events also include a bonfire, warming tent, food concession stand and community raffle drawing. Raffle tickets are available \$1 each or a book of six for \$5. Tickets are sold throughout stores in Mancelona and will be available for purchase at the Buck Pole. The drawing is November 16 at 7pm. Anyone can purchase raffle tickets, and they do not need to be present to win. The raffle grand prize is \$1,000 cash, second prize is \$150 cash and third prize is \$100 cash.

For a list of hunters and deer statistics, a list of raffle prizes, donors and winners, a link to the live web cam and all contest rules and information, visit [www.MancelonaChamber.org](http://www.MancelonaChamber.org).

## Onaway

Hosted by Parrot's Outpost and Toms Family Market, will be next to Parrot's Outpost on opening day, November 15, from 11:30am until 7:30pm. Bucks must remain on the pole until 7:30pm. Prizes will include Biggest Deer, Second Biggest Deer, Biggest Deer (women), Oldest and Youngest Hunter. No pre-registration and free entry. Drawings for the general public will also be available to win. The Onaway Community Schools Robotics Team will serve hot dogs, chips and sodas. There will be 50/50 tickets available and free coffee and doughnuts offered all day. Over \$2,000 in prizes will award after 7:30pm.

## Vanderbilt

The annual Buck Pole will be hosted at Elkhorn Grill and Tavern all day on November 15. Bucks must be on pole by 8pm and taken home the night of the 15th. Prize categories are as follows: First place, Second place, Third place, Youngest Male, Youngest Female, Biggest Youth Buck, Oldest Hunter, First Buck In. Points are based on points plus spread, so for example, if you had an 8 point with a 16" spread, you would have 24 points. All deer must be legally tagged.

Good luck to all hunters, and have a safe, successful

## Apply now for 2020 DNR officer academy

Patrol trucks, boats, off-road vehicles, snowmobiles and more — if you enjoy being outdoors and would like to make a career of it, consider becoming a Michigan conservation officer. The DNR is accepting applications right now for its next conservation officer academy, which begins July 12, 2020, in Lansing.

"There's really no better law enforcement job in the state of Michigan," said Conservation Officer Shannon Kritiz, who patrols Eaton County. "I love hunting and fishing. Whether I'm teaching a hunter safety class, patrolling the county or responding to an emergency situation, every day I feel like I am really making a difference by protecting natural resources and the people that utilize them."

The DNR is seeking motivated people who are willing to learn. The 23-week conservation officer academy will teach recruits about the fish, animals and natural resources that conservation officers protect and how to safely operate the many vehicles used every day.

Visit [Michigan.gov/ConservationOfficers](http://Michigan.gov/ConservationOfficers) to locate a recruiter, review eligibility requirements, see training videos and interviews with past recruits, and learn more about the hiring process.

Questions? Contact Lt. Jason Wicklund at 517-284-5996.



The future of the Portside Art Fair will be decided at a community meeting scheduled for Monday, November 11, 5:30pm at the East Jordan Middle/High School Media Center. Courtesy photo

## Portside Art Fair future to be determined at Community Meeting

The future of the Portside Art Fair will be decided at a community meeting scheduled for Monday, November 11, 5:30pm at the East Jordan Middle/High School Media Center. The art fair was not held in 2019 after a 56 year consecutive run due to a lack of individuals willing to

serve on the planning, organizing and implementation of the event.

Individuals interested in being a working member of this committee of the Historical Society are urged to attend this decision making meeting. Kim Prebble will give information on art fair

logistics and organization details. East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce President Mary H. Faculak will facilitate the agenda.

For more information contact the Chamber of Commerce Office at 231-536-7351 or [info@ejchamber.org](mailto:info@ejchamber.org).

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# Auctioneers empowering youth through 4-H auctions

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Farmers and ranchers have long sent their livestock to auction barns to determine the market value for their stock, and be paid for their work in raising them. Auctioneers are trusted to merchandise the livestock as it is sold through the auction ring. This same method is also used by youth livestock programs, including 4-H to allow merchants, family and friends to support the youth involved in those programs. Many of these auctions are conducted during local county fairs.

Throughout the country over the last 130 years, millions of American youth have joined 4-H programs to learn about rural life and develop skills that will benefit them in the future. Livestock projects are just one of the many

programs that organizations like 4-H offer to youth. Learning to show and market a livestock project can offer lessons in commitment, responsibility and the importance in quality of work.

Auctioneers who work within their community are appreciative of the qualities that 4-H instills in youth, and are often called upon to help participants get paid for their projects. Every year dozens of Michigan auctioneers pause their normal business pursuits to sell their local 4-H Auctions. Supporting the youth programs and the young participants themselves is often viewed as a way to give back to their community. Michigan Auctioneer Scott Sykora is the second generation in his family to appreciate such service.

“It makes my heart grow

bigger,” said Sykora, who sells at eight Fair Auctions in Michigan and who’s father Jim was a Hall of Fame Auctioneer. “Dad always said you have to give back to your community, and this is a great way for us to do that.”

Wade Leist is another Michigan Auctioneer who sells multiple 4-H auctions every summer. Like Sykora, Leist is also a second generation auctioneer with a father in the Auctioneer Hall of Fame. For the Leist’s, supporting youth while working fair auctions is a family affair as his father, Frank and brother, Ed often take turns sharing the mic while selling fairs.

Leist recognized early on that selling at a fair is different than selling at a typical auction. “The 4-H buyers really want to support the kids, and it’s our job to let them support to the fullest,” said Leist. “Dad taught us to be fair to the buyer’s, but get every dollar they’re willing to offer.”

Both Leist and Sykora recognized the value in maintaining a rapid pace during the auctions to ensure that all participants receive a fair opportunity in the sale ring. A slow auction pace can benefit an early participant, but hurt a later participant due to bidder fatigue. Sykora and Leist both noted that it’s important to move the sale along, keep it exciting and engaging, and allow all the participants the chance to sell to a full audience of engaged bidders.

“There would be nothing worse than having a participant work all year on a project, only to offer that project to a small group of tired buyers” said Leist.

“If you can make them laugh, their check books open up like flowers,” added Sykora.

4-H auctions have certainly evolved over the years. Many



Auctioneers Ashley Peters, Jason Clark and Joe Sherwood at the Gratiot County Fair. Courtesy photo



Auctioneer Wade Leist at the Marquette County Fair. Courtesy photo

auctioneers can recall times where participants received bids that were similar to the actual market value of the animal. Today, buyers often reward participants with bids that are much higher than current market value. Supporters see the added price paid to be incentive for the youth to enter the program and learn the values that 4-H offers.

“Kids who work harder tend to be rewarded with higher bids” offered Sykora.

Supporters can also take advantage of 4-H auctions to recognize special efforts, or special circumstances in some participants. Leist recalled a fair where he sold a hog for \$135 per pound for a boy who suffered from Cystic Fibrosis.

“The young man had lost his sister to the same disorder,

and the family had been through some rough times recently,” said Leist. “The community came together before the auction and decided to show their support in a unique way. 135 bidders pledged \$1 per pound and raised over \$36,000 in just a couple minutes.” Their efforts not only impacted that family, but also brought awareness to Cystic Fibrosis when a video of the event was posted online and went viral.

County Fairs and 4-H programs provide youth the opportunities to succeed and learn new experiences to help them become productive, successful adults. Through 4-H, kids learn professionalism, competition, winning and losing gracefully, sportsmanship, interview skills, community

service and so much more. Studies show that 4-H youth are four times more likely to give back to their communities, two times more likely to make healthier choices, two times more likely to participate in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities and two times more likely to be civically active. Auctioneers and the auction method play an important role for the over 6 million 4-H participants from around the country who are influenced by the programs that are vital in preserving the rural lifestyle.

For more information about the Michigan Auctioneers Association and the auction industry in Michigan, log onto [www.FindMichiganAuctions.com](http://www.FindMichiganAuctions.com).



Charlevoix Circle of Arts has been awarded a grant of \$13,500 from the State of Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA) and the National Endowment for the Arts. Shown here are students on a recent visit to the arts center. Courtesy photo

## Circle of Arts receives matching grant

Charlevoix Circle of Arts has been awarded a grant of \$13,500 from the State of Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA) and the National Endowment for the Arts. The grant was awarded through the MCACA peer review process and was one of 659 applications to compete for MCACA fiscal year 2020 funding.

“This grant is so important because it provides support for administrative and operational costs that are es-

sential to maintaining the programs and services of the Circle of Arts,” explained Sarah Matye, Executive Director. “We are so grateful for the state’s support of arts and culture opportunities that help to enhance the quality of life for those in our community.”

Organizations receiving a MCACA grant award are required to match those funds with other public and private dollars. Local contributions to the Charlevoix Circle of Arts received from individu-

als, members, businesses and foundations will help to meet the matching grant requirements.

For more information or to make a donation to the Charlevoix Circle of Arts please stop in, call (231) 547-3554, or visit the website [www.charlevoixcircle.org](http://www.charlevoixcircle.org). The Charlevoix Circle of Arts is open 11am to 5pm Monday through Saturday and is located at 109 Clinton Street in downtown Charlevoix.

## St Mary School holds “Festival of Saints”

St. Mary School hosted its 3rd annual “Festival of Saints” on Tuesday, October 29th. The Most Reverend Bishop Raica was in attendance, along with many St. Mary School families, staff and parishioners.

St. Mary School students, grades Pre-K through 8th, all played a part in Tuesday’s event which focused on this year’s featured saints: St. Paul, St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, St. Martin de Porres, St. Mary, St. Isaac Jogues, St. Ignatius, St. Francis of the



St. Francis of 7 Seas Cast - Mackenzie Daman, Addison Parish, Norah Scheller, Charles Kelly, Faolan Bacon. Courtesy photo



St. Mary School hosted its 3rd annual “Festival of Saints” on Tuesday, October 29th. Courtesy photo

Seven Seas, St. John Vianney, and St. Therese of Lisieux. Working in small groups, the students researched their assigned Saint together and then created presentations of the Saints’ lives and acts in skits, speeches, movies and songs.

“Our Festival of Saints just keeps getting better and better,” said Kathleen Dvoracek, school principal. “The students and their teachers put a lot of time and effort into this

event. They not only have fun with their presentations, but they end up learning a lot about the saints and the many ways we can strive toward sainthood in our daily lives.”

The evening concluded with an informal reception in the Parish gathering space, where students were able to meet Bishop Raica and answer questions about their Saint project.

## ADVANCE

FROM PG. 3A

In addition to once powering the grist mill, Porter Creek has long been known for its abundant supply of fish. In 1949, a group of fishermen organized the Advance Board of Commerce to promote the village. In “downtown” Advance, the group erected a large wayfinding sign proclaiming its location as the “Corner of 42nd and Broadway”, a tongue-in-cheek reference coined by Bill Sanderson, one of the founders of the Advance Board of Commerce and for-

mer Eveline Township Supervisor. The sign rests at the intersection of Lake Shore Drive and Advance Road and claims to be the “Center of Charlevoix County”.

The Advance Board of Commerce is still active and currently operates as a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Their mission is three-fold; to promote the Advance area, provide opportunities to socialize, as well as charitable giving. The organization has members from throughout the county and new members are welcome, both individuals and businesses. But like many volunteer organizations, membership has dwindled in recent years.

Last weekend, the group hosted a breakfast fundraiser to help cover the cost of maintaining their community center building. Board President Sue Vrondran feels the hall could pay for itself with rental fees if more people knew about its availability. The building can be rented for gatherings such as wedding receptions, funerals, showers and graduation parties. It has seating capacity for up to about 60 and has a full kitchen. Outside is a basketball court the public is welcome to use anytime. For hall rental information, call secretary Jane Prebble at 231-582-6202.