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Spate named new Chief of Police in Boyne City

BY KAREN WALKER

At a special meeting held Nov. 6th, Boyne City Commissioners confirmed the appointment of Kevin Spate to serve as the City's new Chief of Police. Commissioner Ron Grunch remarked, "It's a great day in the city of Boyne City to have one of our own rise to this occasion". Officer Spate will replace Chief Jeff Gaither who retired Nov. 9th.

City Manager Michael Cain stated, "Chief Gaither's retirement is leaving very big shoes to fill in the Boyne

City Police Department. His leadership style promoted a true team environment and the most professional and well-rounded department Boyne City has ever had".

In his remarks to the many family members and coworkers gathered to witness the swearing in of the new Chief, retiring Chief Gaither said, "It's so important to have a leader with Kevin's capabilities, his love for the community, his passion for law enforcement, to step up and take over the leadership of the Boyne City Police Department. He's

quite capable of excelling and making the department better and better. I am confident the Police Department's relationship with the community will continue with Kevin's leadership".

Boyne City received eight applications for the Chief of Police position, three of which were selected for interviews. Officer Spate has been a Boyne City police officer for more than 20 years, serving as Assistant Chief of Police for the past several



Open house

Charlevoix road

& bridge work

On November 20, the

Michigan Department of

formation about the 2018

in Charlevoix, planned

Transportation (MDOT) will

have an informational open

house meeting to provide in-

four- to three-lane conversion

changes to the US-31/Clinton

cule bridge this winter, and a

2021 project to reconstruct a

MDOT staff will be pre-

pared to discuss several oper-

- The 2018 conversion of

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with similar travel times

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Charlevoix area:

Charlevoix

Street traffic signal, upcom-

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Jeff Gaither passing the torch to Kevin Spate

Community Foundations a vital Challenge Mountain partner

Recreation is the spirit of life. Challenge Mountain's SPIRIT Day Camp, a long-running recreation program for children and adults living with developmental disabilities, embodies that simple phrase. For 35 years, SPIRIT Day Camp has provided experiences for its participants ranging from miniature golf to boating, concerts in the park to museum visits.

'Our community foundations are vital partners in offering Challenge Mountain's Spirit Day Camp each summer," said Elizabeth Gertz Looze, **Executive Director of Challenge** Mountain. "For many campers, this may be the only opportunity he or she may have to enjoy summertime activities with life-long friends.

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Chip Hansen, Charlevoix County Community Foundation. Courtesy photo

members work alongside individuals, businesses, agencies, and nonprofits in exploring these community challenges, and we connect these conversations with the people, partners, and resources necessary to solve these often complex issues.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the establishment of National Community Foundation Week by former President George H. W. Bush. This week was created to recognize the work of community foundations throughout America and their collaborative approach to working with the



David L. Jones, Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area **Community Foundation. Courtesy photo**

to address community problems. Our impact and involvement is made possible by friends like you.

> foundations, you make a difference today and, thanks to the power of endowment, in perpetuity. We invite you to learn more about the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation and the

Charlevoix County Community Foun-

dation. Together we can do more.

When you give to your community

public, private, and nonprofit sectors

the US-31/Clinton Street intersection will be removed when the traffic signal is upgraded. Crosswalks will remain in place for the other three legs of the intersection. This change was requested by the city to reduce delays and backups of Clinton Street traffic turning north on US-31

- Work planned for this winter to the US-31 Charlevoix bascule bridge, including replacing steel components of the bridge identified during a 2017 project, replacing a power and control cable beneath the riverbed, and upgrading limit switches throughout. Work is currently scheduled to begin in late December with minimal impacts on traffic, except for a few nighttime-only clo-

- Scheduled 2021 reconstruction of US-31 from Barnard Road to Norwood Road south of Charlevoix. Plans call for removing the old concrete pavement from this 7-mile section of the highway and replacing it with asphalt. Work is expected to require a detour for most of the construction season using Atwood and Marion Center roads.

This open house will take place from 4-5:30pm on November 20 at the Charlevoix Public Library.

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Margaret E Lasater, 82

(JAN. 22, 1937 - NOV. 8, 2019)



Margaret Lasater passed away peacefully at Grandvue Medical Care Facility after a long battle with Alzheimer's. Margaret was born Janu-

ary 22, 1937 in Detroit, MI. She was the daughter of the late Thomas and Lillian Hawley and grew up in Wayne, MI. She graduated from MSU with a master's degree in 1962. She worked for the school system in Wayne before getting married to George Lasater in 1963 when they decided to make the move up to Boyne City. She worked as a speech therapist for the school system before starting a 28 year career as director with NW Michigan Hospice and retiring in 2010. She was an active member in the community, as a member of Eta Nu. serving on various boards and taking part in organizing and volunteering on fundraising events. Besides being involved in her com-

munity Margaret loved spending time with her familv and friends. She was an energetic and outgoing woman who enjoyed life and made everyone around her feel special. She was truly loved and will be deeply

Margaret is survived by three children, Amii Adams (John), Thomas Lasater (Tracy Conti), and George Lasater (Melissa). She was adored by her grandchildren, Nikolas, Jilian, and Luke all of whom loved to come visit Nana. Margaret is also survived by her sister Marylou.

She is preceded in death by her two brothers Tommy and Jamie.

The family would like to extend appreciation to the staff of Grandvue for their care and kindness to Margaret. In addition, gratitude is extended to the ladies who provided in home care so Margaret was able to stay in her home longer. Donations may be made in lieu of flowers to Charlevoix County Humane Society.

A gathering of family and friends will be held 5:00 to 8:00 PM Thursday, November 14th at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

Donald Joseph Hicks, 89

(DEC. 15, 1929 - NOV. 2, 2019)



Donald Joseph Hicks of Boyne City passed away peacefully on November 2 2019.

Don was born on December 15, 1929, in Detroit, Michigan, the son of Joseph and Myrtle (Fulford) Hicks. Don grew up in Detroit and graduated from Cooley High School. Don spent his childhood summers helping on the family farm in Goderich, Ontario, Canada, where he acquired his strong work ethic and love of the outdoors.

Don loved spending time with his family. He enjoyed woodworking and left many treasured pieces to his children and grandchildren and was always supportive of the numerous building projects undertaken by his family. Don was a lifetime member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Don was an avid bowler, a hobby he continued after moving to Boyne City in 1975. Don enjoyed playing euchre and was athletically gifted and was still playing volleyball well into his seventies

where he would keep up with his much younger grandkids.

Don retired after a distinguished career as a Lieutenant with the Detroit Fire Department. He loved to reminisce with his fellow firefighters and recount stories of being "on the job". He took on a second career in the construction field as a mason where his exceptional eye for detail made his work desired by many. His children and grandchildren benefitted from time spent with dad/grandpa building numerous projects for family and friends.

On January 21, 1950 he married the former Joy June Maschke who preceded him in death. Don is survived by his loving wife of 50 years Beverly Jean (Thorpe) (June 1, 1969); and by 8 children, Debbie (Bob) Jess of Charlevoix, Dan (Susan) Thorpe of Cape Coral, Florida, Darlene Hicks of Farmington Hills, Michigan, Denise (Len) Neeb of Battle Creek, Michigan, Don Hicks, Jr. of Charlevoix, Dennis (Patricia) Thorpe, David (Denise) Thorpe of Adrian, Michigan, and Dean (Sue) Hicks of Boyne City; 17 grandchildren; 27 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Joy June Hicks; his parents; sisters, Lenora (Miles) Allen and Shirley (Walt) Pivetta; and brother, Bill (Nancy) Hicks.

Don was a longtime member of Christ Lutheran Church (1250 Boyne Avenue, Boyne City, Michigan, 49712) where a memorial service will take place on Saturday, November 16, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. with a visitation beginning at 1:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Alzheimer's Association (921 West 11th Street, Suite 1, Traverse City, Michigan, 49684).

The family would also like to thank the staff at Boulder Park in Charlevoix, Michigan, who provided exceptional care and support for Don and his family.

Richard Sambrook, 90

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



Richard Sambrook of Charlevoix County passed away early Monday morning, November 5, 2019. He was in

hospice care at his daughter's home and died of natural causes.

Born on June 18, 1929, Dick was one of 4 boys born to Frank Jacob Sambrook and Helen (Matteson) Sambrook. A graduate of Fordson High School in Dearborn, MI, he married Leona Wakefield in 1950 and had 4 children; Richard, Susan, Mark, and Scot

Dick was trained as a diecast design engineer and worked within the automobile industry in the Detroit area throughout his career. His interest in outdoor activities including skiing and fishing, took him to Northern Michigan where he purchased his retirement home on the south arm of Lake Charlevoix in 1970. In his later years friends knew him as Rich, a nickname he preferred. Rich spent his winters since retirement at a trailer park in Port Ritchie, Florida, where he developed many close friendships and pursued his passion, golf. Rich was a polite and positive gentleman whose cup was always half full. He was a tinkerer and a project oriented fellow. No task seemed too small to take on. He had a good sense of humor and when he could no longer physically complete projects on his own, he was eager to offer advice.

Rich is survived by his son Richard Sambrook (Stephanie) of Ypsilanti, Michigan, and his daughter Susan Morris (Gerald) of Charlevoix, Michigan. Grandchildren include: Everett (Emily) Sambrook, Matthew (Samantha) Sambrook, Melinda (Andrew) Bellavia, Kirsten (Mark) Hayden, Colin Morris, Maxwell Sambrook, and Christopher Morris. Great grandchildren include: Owen Sambrook, Charlotte Bellavia, Luke Sambrook, and Logan Sambrook. Rich is also survived by his youngest brother, Rodnev Sambrook, nephew Harold (LaNea) Renshaw, and cousin Lucille Sambrook.

Richard was predeceased by his wife Leona-2006, his two youngest sons; Scot-2014, and Mark-2018, and his older brothers Donald Sambrook and Eugene Sambrook.

Family, neighbors, and friends of Rich Sambrook will gather along the south arm of Lake Charlevoix at his home in the summer of 2020 for a celebration of his life. For more information contact his daughter Susan at 200 Elm, Charlevoix, MI,

Memorial donations can be made to Little Traverse Conservancy, 3264 Powell Road, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook at

www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Virginia Bascom, 89 1930 - 2019



Virginia Bascom of Charlevoix, went to be with the Lord and her parents S.A. & Margaret Bascom on Wednesday, November 7, 2019, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan, Michigan.

Ginny, as she liked to be called, was born in Eckford, Michigan, to S.A. and Margaret Bascom.

Ginny graduated from Jonesville Community High School and received her cosmetology license in 1953. Ginny's greatest joy were

her siblings and helping others. She enjoyed crocheting, quilting, drawing, painting, and cooking.

Besides her parents Ginny was preceded in death by two sisters, Ethel Gabbard and Lois Warner, two brothers. Michael and John Bascom, three brother-in-law's Benton Gabbard, Louis Warner, and Don Dixon.

Ginny is survived by her siblings, Elaine (David) Houseworth, Shirley Dixon, Marilyn (Eugene) Allen, Robert (Judy) Bascom, Joyce (John) Buckmaster, Ravmond (Gwen) Bascom, Irene (Lionel) McClanaghan, Patricia (Robert) Prater, Sue (John) Prater, Charles (Betty) Bascom, Richard Bascom, Debra (Edwin) Wagonschutz and J.C. (Mari) Bascom, and her sister-in-law Louise Bascom. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, along with many great nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Cindy Skop, and all of the employees of Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jor-

A Memorial Service will take place on Friday, November 15, 2019 at 2:00 p.m., at the Winchester Chapel of

Mortensen Funeral Homes. Memorial Contributions in Virginia's name may be made to the charity of your choice.

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

Please feel free to share your memory, express condolences, and sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneral-

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News

Prosecutor sends letter explaining findings of officer involved shooting

Submitted by Allen Telgenhof

Attached is a copy of the letter I sent this morning to Chief Chuck Vondra of the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office and Chief Jeff Gaither of the Boyne City Police Department regarding the officer involved shooting in Melrose Township, Charlevoix County on October 26, 2019.

November 7, 2019

Sheriff Chuck Vondra Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office

1000 Grant Street Charlevoix, MI 49720

Chief Jeff Gaither Boyne City Police Department

319 N. Lake Street Boyne City, MI 49712

Re: Shooting Incident of October 26, 2019

Gentlemen,

This letter is to outline my review of reports and information I have received from the Michigan State Police regarding a shooting incident that occurred on October 26, 2019 in Melrose Township. Because the Michigan State Police conducted the investigation, I am copying Detective/First Lieutenant Mark Harris, and because of the public interest in this incident, I will be releasing a copy of this letter to the media and the public.

For privacy reasons, I am not including the names of individual civilian witnesses nor some details which are outlined in the report that are not relevant to my analysis of the issues presented.

I have determined that the officers involved acted lawfully and appropriately and no charges will be filed arising out of this incident.

Facts Leading Up to the Incident¹

At approximately midnight on the night of Friday, October 25/Saturday, October 26, 911 Central Dispatch received a telephone call indicating that a male subject, approximately 27 years of age, was leaving the caller's location in a grayish sedan and the subject planned to commit suicide by overdose.²

The suicidal person was identified as Johnathan Slattery and was described as having long blonde hair and wearing jeans and a black jacket. Officer Joel Novak of the Boyne City Police Department and Charlevoix County Sheriff's Deputy Jeremy McAuliff, responded to the call and began looking for Slattery and putting out an alert for other officers to be on the lookout as well.

Novak obtained Slattery's cell phone number and called him and spoke with him briefly on the phone. Slattery told Novak that he was "going to do what was right for his family." Novak asked Slattery where he was and if they could talk so he (Novak) could get some help for him (Slattery). Slattery then hung up on Novak and would not answer when Novak attempted to call back.

Novak informed McAuliff of this conversation and the officers then asked Central Dispatch to assist in "pinging" Slattery's phone to obtain his location. At 1:16 a.m., a "historical ping" was obtained showing that Slattery had been in the location of Addis Road near Boyne City.

McAuliff stopped at Bear River Health ("BRH") in Melrose Township to speak with staff there because it was learned that Slattery had recently been at Bear River. A staff member told McAuliff that Slattery had been there earlier that night and informed them that he had just been evicted from a transitional house where he had been residing.

Slattery asked if he could stay at BRH and was told he could not that night, but that he could come back the next day (Saturday, October 26) to apply for re-entry. The staff member said that they asked Slattery to leave BRH but to call back if he wanted to talk more.

The staff person told McAuliff that Slattery had been a frequent user of methamphetamine and heroin, but they did not know if he was currently using drugs.

Just as McAuliff was leaving BRH, at 1:37 a.m., a second historical ping was obtained, showing a location of US 131 and Bauman Road. This location is just four miles south of BRH.

McAuliff and Novak met at a location just off US 131, south of BRH and were discussing how to locate Slattery when they heard what sounded like a loud, high pitched horn. There were three separate blasts that appeared to be coming from the site of an old hotel building located on the southeast corner of the M-75 and US 131 intersection.

Novak shined a spotlight in the vicinity where the noise was coming from and saw movement near two parked cars in the parking lot there. He saw what appeared to be a person hiding and peeking over one of the cars

McAuliff and Novak approached the area where they encountered Slattery.

The Shooting Incident

The contact with Slattery was captured on video due to a body worn camera. In addition to interviews with both officers, two other witnesses observed much of what transpired and were interviewed.

McAuliff arrived first and approached Slattery. According to McAuliff, Slattery was putting his hands in his pocket and McAuliff told him to keep his hands in the open where they could be seen. Slattery was defensive and put his hands back in his pockets, so he was patted down for officer safety and a knife was recovered.

When asked for his name, Slattery told officers, "My name is (expletive) crazy, bro" and said that people were yelling for him to help them. McAuliff then asked Slattery, "What can we do to help you?" Slattery did not respond.

McAuliff continued to engage Slattery in conversation, asking where he was from. Slattery answered that he was from another planet. McAuliff then attempted to pat Slattery down further, however Slattery was resistant, moving his body sideways, keeping his right side away from McAuliff.

McAuliff asked Slattery if he had any additional weapons and Slattery said he had another knife. As McAuliff attempted to check his pocket, however, Slattery grabbed the deputy's wrist preventing him from searching the pocket.

When McAuliff attempted to check Slattery's front left pocket, Slattery again grabbed McAuliff's hand and prevented him from doing so. McAuliff told Slattery to stop and they physically scuffled briefly.

Officers then told Slattery that if he continued to fight, he would be tased. Slattery then was told to stop resisting the deputy and was told to place his hands behind his back.

When Slattery did not do what was requested, McAuliff attempted to handcuff Slattery. Slattery resisted being handcuffed and both officers drew their tasers and commanded Slattery to get on the ground.

Slattery initially complied but then stood back up. Officers continued to tell him to get back on the ground and Slattery got back down on his knees. As officers tried to again handcuff him, Slattery became combative and stood back up. McAuliff moved away from Slattery and told Novak, "Tase him."

Novak did so but the taser had minimal effect. Slattery

then began to run away and McAuliff deployed his taser. One of the officers yelled, "Taser, taser, taser." Still, Slattery was unaffected and moved around the front of a vehicle while McAuliff moved around the back of the vehicle to a position near Slattery.

Slattery said what sounded like, "You're going to (expletive) shoot, huh? You're going to (expletive) shoot."

Slattery went to one knee and as he rose back up, he reached behind himself with his right hand. Novak initially called out that Slattery had something in his hand and then Novak called out that it was a gun.

Both Novak and McAuliff had their bright yellow tasers drawn at the time Slattery pulled the gun. Slattery had seen both officers utilize the tasers which fired probes connected by wires to the taser gun. Both officers then attempted to move for cover behind the parked vehicles.

The officers as well as the non-police witnesses indicated that Slattery fired first, and the officers returned fire. Neither officer was wounded.

McAuliff approached Slattery who was lying motionless on the ground while Novak "covered" McAuliff with his gun drawn. McAuliff then removed a handgun from Slattery's right hand. This is clearly captured on the video.

The medical examiner pronounced Slattery dead at 3:15 a.m.

<u>Investigation at the Scene</u> <u>After the Incident</u>

The Michigan State Police was immediately contacted to investigate since the Sheriff's Office and Boyne City Police Department were involved.

The firearm that had been in Slattery's hand was a Glock .40 caliber which was registered in his name. On the ground near the decedent, police found three Glock magazines with live rounds and one Glock magazine was found in his pocket. Additionally, he had 18 loose rounds of ammunition in his pockets.

Officers found an airhorn on the ground, which was apparently utilized by Slattery to create the sound officers heard that drew them to the scene.

A search warrant was obtained for Slattery's car and 23 rounds of ammunition were discovered in a box sitting on the front passenger seat.

<u>Law Applicable to the Situation</u>

Where a police officer has reasonable suspicion that an individual is armed and thus poses a danger to the officer, the officer may perform a limited pat-down search for a weapon. Terry v Ohio, 392 US 1, 26-27 (1968).

An individual who obstructs a police officer is guilty of a felony punishable by up to two years in prison. MCL 750.81d(1). Obstruct includes the use or threatened use of physical interference or force or a knowing failure to comply with a lawful command. MCL 750.81d(7)(a).

A warrantless arrest may be made where a misdemeanor or felony is committed in a police officer's presence. MCL 764.15(1)(a).

A police officer making a lawful arrest may use that force which is reasonably necessary to effect the arrest or in self-defense. A police officer is not required to retreat before using deadly force in self-defense. People v Doss, 406 Mich 90, 101-102 (1979).

An individual who is not engaged in the commission of a crime may use deadly force where the individual honestly and reasonably believes that the use of deadly force is necessary to prevent the imminent death or imminent great bodily harm to himself or to another individual. MCL 780.972.

Application of the Law to
These Facts
This incident began when

officers were notified that Slattery was suicidal. Their purpose in looking for Slattery was a concern for his safety. They were drawn to his location because an airhorn had been utilized.

McAuliff arrived first and attempted to engage Slattery in conversation. Slattery responded in an agitated and defensive manner and said that his name was "crazy." He put his hands in his pockets and McAuliff reasonably asked for him to keep his hands out of his pockets, for the safety of the officers.

When Slattery did not do so, McAuliff conducted a brief Terry pat down to search for weapons for officer safety. He found a knife. When McAuliff attempted to pat Slattery down further, Slattery resisted by turning his body so that his right side was away from McAuliff and also by grabbing McAuliff's hand.

These actions constituted the obstructing of a police officer. At that point in time, Slattery could have been lawfully arrested.

The officers ordered Slattery to get on the ground. It

appears that they did so to help ensure their safety and to control the situation, not to arrest him at that point, even though they lawfully had the right to do so.

He initially complied, crouching and then dropping to his knees, but then he stood again. This was another act of resisting and obstructing, justifying an arrest.

Slattery then attempted to evade the officers, resulting in them drawing and deploying their tasers. Again, the use of the taser to detain Slattery was an appropriate and lawful use of force. Unfortunately, the tasers had little to no effect and Slattery was able to continue moving away from the officers.

Reaching behind him, Slattery then pulled out an object. Novak observed this and called out that he had something in his hand. Novak very quickly recognized that this was a gun and then called that out as well.

Shots then ran out. Both officers, as well as two civilian witnesses, indicate that Slattery fired his gun before the officers returned fire.

The officers were legally justified in using deadly force to defend themselves as they honestly and reasonably believed that the use of deadly force was necessary to prevent the imminent death or imminent great bodily harm to themselves.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. This was a tragic situation and my thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Slattery's family as well as the officers involved.

Sincerely,

Allen Telgenhof

¹ In this section, I am only including information that was known or was conveyed to the officers prior to the incident as that informs their state of mind at the time of the incident. Times are utilized in certain places because they are available through records, not the officers' memories. Later in this letter, I will discuss other facts which became known later.

² Later it came to light that the person who called 911 had overheard the subject tell someone on the telephone that with "one shot...all this shit would be over."

³ I am using Mr. Slattery's name in this letter because it has been released to the public already.

⁴ In viewing the video numerous times, it appears to me from his appearance and behavior that Slattery was under the influence of a controlled substance. At this time, toxicology results from the autopsy have not yet been received.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT

Monday, October 21, 2019 0341 Report of loud mu

0341 Report of loud music from Spring St. 0850 Report of CSC. 0854 Parking violation reported from the 500 block of S

1541 Report of home onBoice St. being egged overnight.1919 Alarm activation onRiver St.

Lake St.

0821

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 0743 Assist EMS on Glennwood Beach.

Deer Lake Rd.
0927 911 hang up from the
1000 block of Boyne Av.
1241 PR at the Elementary

Assist Sheriff Dept. on

school.

1306 Report of credit card

fraud from Fall Park Rd 1430 Found bike dropped off at PD

1427 Complaint of loud semi on Grant St 1802 Parking violation reported from the 500 block of S Lake St.

1825 Animal complaint on
Nordic Dr.
1856 Report of a lost or
stolen pistol from the 600 block
of W. Court St. Was later lo-

cated.

Wednesday, October 23, 2019
0055 B&E in progress in the
300 block of E. Main St. Suspect
fled prior to arrival. Was
tracked to Minnesota, arrested
thereon Thursday, and extradited back to Michigan on Mon-

0833 Request for welfare check on W Michigan.
1145 Subject at PD reports

seeing 3 coyotes in town in the last month.

2221 Suspicious vehicle in

cemetery.

Thursday, October 24, 2019
1045 Assist EMS in the 300

block of E Division St.

1215 Assist EMS in the 600
block of W. Court St.

1233 Harassment complaint

from Grant St.

1231 Complaint of loud
semi on Grant St
1343 Salvage Inspection
1400 Report of snowmobile

chained to lamp post at Ray and East St.

1558 Report of juvenile

complaint from Lewis Ave. 1603 Vehicle unlock in the Industrial Park

2042 Assist Sheriff Dept. at M-75 S and Dam Rd. 2112 Report of possibly intoxicated driver on Boyne Ave

Friday, October 25, 2019

near Division St

0840 PR at the Elementary school for Rambler recognition. 0917 Assist EMS in the 400 block of Front St

1156 Burn permit issued on Earl St.
1410 Follow up on snow-

mobile chained to lamp post at Ray and East. Owner will be enroute from Harbor Springs to remove it. 1443 Alarm activation in the Industrial Park.1839 PR at the football game.

1918 Report of an intoxicated subject trying to start fights with fisherman at the river mouth.

2043 PR at the football

game.
2212 MDOP at Brockway
and Harris St. Subject(s) throw-

ing rocks at passing cars.

Saturday October 26, 2019
0033 Report of suicidal subject in the 200 block of E. Lincoln St. Subject gone on arrival.
Later located near the junction in Walloon. Turned into armed subject.

1249 Reporting his vehicle was egged overnight on Harris

St.
1255 Found bike in the 500 block of N Lake St.
1434 Report of a suspicious

1434 Report of a suspicious subject on the sidewalk on Pearl St.

1658 Vehicle unlock in the

400 block of N Lake St 1756 Report of juveniles throwing something at cars in the area of Boyne Av and Fall Park Rd.

Sunday, October 27, 2019
0225 Report of no water
pressure on Hemlock St.
0952 Juvenile complaint on
Harris St.

Harris St.

1404 Assist Sheriff Dept. on
Tomkins Rd.

2029 Assist Sheriff Dept. on

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

WEDNESDAY – 50% off all Clothing

THURSDAY – 10% off anyone 55 or older & all military

FRIDAY – Buy 1 get 1 free on selected item of the day

SATURDAY – Fill a bag of clothing for \$5.99









News Briefs

BOYNE CITY

FREE DIABETES SCREENING

November 14, 10am-2pm, Boyne City Hall, 319 North Lake Street. The Boyne Valley Lions Club, based in Boyne City, is working with Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital, and MSU Extension Services to provide FREE diabetes screening for the community on World Diabetes Day. Additional healthcare professionals will be on hand to answer questions and provide referrals on how diabetes affects oral care, vision, and other diabetes related topics.

PETOSKEY

LUNCHEON LECTURE; FIRST ROBOTICS

November 15, NCMC Library Conference Room. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the program begins at noon. Combining the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology, this international robotics competition for high school students is said to be the ultimate sport for the mind. and Petoskey High School is in the thick of it. Physics teacher Tom Ochs and his students will explain the many academic and social benefits of this competition and how they run their team like a business. Reservations are required. You must call 231-348-6600 or email luncheonlectures@ncmich.edu to reserve your place for each presentation. Cost is

BOYNE CITY

MAKING AN ORDINARY LIFE EXTRAORDINARY EXPLORED

November 17, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. The program, titled "Make a Difference Now: Choose to Be Extraordinary," includes a filmed interview with internationally acclaimed author and speaker Mark Sanborn, who will share his thoughts on living an exceptional life. Sanborn investigated this topic in his popular book The Fred Factor, the story of Fred the postman. 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

PROTECTING WHAT'S IMPORTANT: BUSINESS SECURITY 101

November 19, 8:30-10am, The Vault Co-Working Space, 201 State Street, Whether you have your own server, are utilizing a cloud storage plution or just running PCs, this workshop will help vou sleep better at night knowing your have data-loss prvention controls in place. Bring your laptop, tablet or photo and test out tools that are available (some free) that can identify your business's cyber weakness and secure your internal systems. Register free online at thevaultcharlevoix.com.

CHARLEVOIX **CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

November 20, 5-7pm, The Villager Pub. Networking, food and fun. Hosted by Charlevoix State Bank. \$5 for Chamber members and \$10 for non-members.

CHARLEVOIX

OPEN HOUSE DISCUSSION FOR UPCOMING ROADWORK

November 20, 4-5:30pm, Charlevoix Public Library. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will have an informational open house meeting to provide information about the 2018 four- to three-lane conversion in Charlevoix, planned changes to the US-31/Clinton Street traffic signal, upcoming work on the US-31 bascule bridge this winter, and a 2021 project to reconstruct a section of US-31 south of Charlevoix

PETOSKEY

LUNCHEON LECTURE; URBAN SUSTAINABILITY IN INDIA

November 22, NCMC Library Conference Room. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the program begins at noon. Kerri Finlayson, North Central professor of anthropology and sociology, recently joined community college faculty from around the U.S. to explore the problems of urban sustainability in India's overcrowded cities. She will take us on a tour of the north (Jaipur) and south (Mysore and Bangalore) to discuss the biggest sustainability issues and steps being taken to address them. Reservations are required. You must call 231-348-6600

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each presentation. Cost is

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November 22 & 23. Seat-

BOYNE MEETS BROADWAY

ing begins at 5:30 with a fabulous meal provided by the Boyne City High School Hospitality Department starting at 6 pm. A 90-minute Broadway revue will begin around 7:30 followed by dessert and coffee in the Commons. Tickets are \$25 per person, and this event always sells out. Checks can be made to BCHS Drama. You will not want to miss this incredible event showcasing 70 of our BCHS students. To purchase tickets, contact any cast member, contact the high school office at 231-439-8100 or come to the high school auditorium on Saturday mornings from 10 am to noon.

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS "THE WIZARD OF OZ"

November 22-24, Charlevoix Middle/High School Auditorium. Students playing lead characters in the production include: Emily Olach as "Dorothy," Sean Bradley, as "Hunk/Scarecrow." Madeline Hanchin as "Hickory/Tin Man," Luke Sarya as "Zeke/Lion," Avery McCreadie as "Auntie Em," David Hitts as "Uncle Henry," Karissa Givens as "Miss Almira Gulch/Wicked Witch," Dominic Schwein as "Professor/ Wizard of Oz," and Helen Hanchin as "Glinda" In all, about 40 high school and middle school students make up the cast and crew, with direction and choreography by Jodi Thompson and Emily Chapdelaine. Showtimes are 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets, to be sold at the door, are \$10 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students. The Sunday matinee will also have a family admission special of \$20.00 (2 adults and 2+ children/students).

BOYNE CITY

12TH ANNUAL EARLIER THAN THE BIRD

November 23, 7-11am. Kick off the upcoming holiday season with friends and family and shopping specials - all while in the comfort of your pajamas. Boyne City merchants are inviting our eager holiday shoppers to get an "early bird" preview of the gifts and choices available. Most merchants will be offering amazing deals, many with refreshments. Shoppers wearing their pajamas will receive a special gift of the Earlier Than The Bird coffee mug, while supplies last. (Sorry, sweats and workout clothes are not eligible as pajamas). This event is sponsored by Boyne City Main Street and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information contact the chamber at 231-582-6222.

BAY HARBOR

NORTHERN MICHIGAN CHORAL 38TH FALL CONCERT

November 24, 3pm & 7:30pm, November 24, 3pm, Great Lakes Center for the Arts. This concert is a holiday celebration of music that is sure to please the entire family. Opening the concert with "Music Has Brought Us Together," the Chorale moves into songs for the holiday season that include "The Little Drummer Boy," "The First Noel," "O Come O Come Emmanuel," "Jingle Bells" and "Deck The Halls" to name a few. Adult tickets are \$15 and \$12 for Senior's 65+ and students, ages 11 -18. Children 10 and younger are free. Contact Chorale members for tickets or call the Great Lakes Center for the Arts Box Office at 231-439-2610 or e-mail: tickets@greatlakescfa.org. Tickets will also be available at the door. For more information, check the web sites of NMChorale.org, or Little Traverse Youth Choir.org and GreatLakesCFA.org.

BOYNE CITY THE DAILY LIFE OF THE "HIDDEN HOMELESS" **EXAMINED**

November 24, 6:30pm, Lifetree Cafe. Potluck Sunday. Dinner at 5:30, bring a dish to share. Program begins promptly at 6:29. The program, titled "A Day in the Life of the Hidden Homeless," features a filmed interview with Latoshia Jackson, a mother of eight who has been homeless for the past year. Jackson became homeless after her Memphis, Tennessee, home was destroyed by a tornado. tigated this topic in his popular book The Fred Factor, the story of Fred

the postman. 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.

WALLOON LAKE **ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING**

November 27, 6-8pm

CHARLEVOIX

9TH ANNUAL MUNSON CHARLEVOIX HOSPITAL 5K TURKEY TROT

November 28, 8:30am, Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital's main campus, 14700 Lake Shore Drive. This event is for both runners and walkers with strollers and leashed, friendly pets also welcome. Wear your turkey hat, turkey costume, or dress like a pilgrim costumes are encouraged! Donations of non-perishable food items for local food pantries are also encouraged. Register between now and Sunday, November 24 to guarantee your long-sleeved t-shirt - or upgrade to a cozy sweatshirt! Early shirt pickup will be available on Wednesday, November 27 from 5-7pm at the Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Late registration and shirt pick-up begins at 7:30am Thanksgiving morning in the hospital's lower level. Limited extra shirts are available with late registrations on a first served basis.

BOYNE CITY BOYNE KIWANIS 9TH ANNUAL TURKEY TROT 5K RACE/1-

MILE FUN RUN

November 28, starting at 9am. The race will begin and end at City Hall, 319 N. Lake St. Packet pick-up will be the day before event from 2-6pm at Stiggs Brewery & Kitchen. T-shirts are guaranteed if entry form is received by November 20. For further information email

boynecitytrot@gmail.com. Entrants are asked to bring a nonperishable food item that will be donated to Boyne area food pantries. Register online at runsignup.com or pick up a form at the Boyne Area Chamber, Edward Jones, Kilwins of Boyne City, or Lake Charlevoix Coffee.

EAST JORDAN COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING

FEAST November 28, St. Joseph Church. Please join us for a Community Thanksgiving Feast. Games and snacks at

1pm, dinner at 2pm. Come one, come all.

CHARLEVOIX HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING & PARADE

November 29, 3-6pm. Downtown. Join your friends and family at the Holiday Parade & Tree Lighting Celebration in downtown Charlevoix. Includes Black Friday sales, Holiday Craft Activity, Free Photos with Santa, Cookies and Hot Chocolate in East Park. Parade at 5:30p on Bridge Street followed by the Tree Lighting in East Park at 6pm. Contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-547-2101 or visit www.charlevoix.org for additional information or to get a parade entry form.

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ANNUAL SANTA PARADE &

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE November 29. The parade starts at 6pmand the Holiday Open House continues with refreshments from 5 to 9pm in most downtown stores. NEW THIS YEAR - visits with Santa will take place at the Sunset Park log cabin. The parade and open house are sponsored by Boyne City Main Street; call 231-582-9009 for further information or auestions.

EAST JORDAN **SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**

November 30, 8-10am. East Jordan Area Chamber will once again be hosting a Small Business Saturday -Shop Small Mini Breakfast. The Chamber will stuff 50 goodie bags for the first 50 shoppers.

EAST JORDAN **CHAMBER HOLIDAY AFTER HOURS**

December 2, 5:30-7:30pm, Foundry Bar & Grill. Celebrate the start of another wonderful holiday season with great networking, fabulous food and a cash bar. Sponsored by EJ and the East Jordan Area Chamber. Admission is by cash donation to benefit Care & Share and Good Samaritan Food Pantries.

BOYNE CITY LIGHTS OF LOVE TREE LIGHTING REMEMBRANCE

SERVICE

December 4, 6:30pm, Dilworth Hotel Porch.

EAST JORDAN **COMMUNITY NIGHT**

December 5. Get into the holiday spirit with an entry in the "Lighted Holiday Parade" that evening at 5:30pm (lineup at 5pm at the old fire hall on Main Street)! Promote your business, club, organization or church. This parade continues to grow each year...join the fun.

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LUNCHEON LECTURE; **CONSPIRACY THEORIES, FAKE NEWS, MEDIA AND POLITICS**

December 6, NCMC Library Conference Room. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the program begins at noon. Scott LaDeur, Ph.D., North Central professor of political science, examines why so many people believe claims about a faked moon landing, the rigging of voting machines, the "truth" about 9/11, and President Obama's birthplace. He will look at conspiratorial thinking and the power of "fake news" to create new realities for voters.. Reservations are required. You must call 231-348-6600 or email luncheonlectures@ncmich.edu to reserve your place for each presentation. Cost is

BOYNE CITY HOLIDAY HOBBY CRAFT

SHOW December 7, 9am-3pm,

Boyne City High School. Presenting 150 arts and crafts vendors. Event benefits the Boyne City School Booster Foundation.

PETOSKEY LUNCHEON LECTURE;

KAYAKING LAKE SUPERIOR December 13, NCMC Library Conference Room. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the program begins at noon. Author, traveler and grandfather Tom Renkes kayaked solo for a thousand miles along Lake Superior because, he said, "I had overcome storms in my life and wanted this journey as proof of my recovery and reclamation of a life." We will hear his observations and see what it is like to take a long trip in a very small boat along the largest, most rugged and most dramatic of the Great Lakes. Reservations are required. You must call 231-348-6600 or email luncheonlectures@ncmich.ed u to reserve your place for each presentation. Cost is

BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET Saturdays, 8am - Noon. The market has moved indoors to the lobby of Boyne City Hall, Packed full of beautiful produce, greens, homemade goodies and so much more. The Market is also working with the support of Blissfest and Grain Train to continue to provide talented local musicians for your listening pleasure as you shop. For more information on the market, visit the Boyne City Farmers Market Facebook page or email farmersmarket@boynecity.co

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FARMERS MARKET

October 10- November 26: Charlevoix Public Library, 220 Clinton St. Thursdays from 3-6pm. The vendors you love will be back for a new season to bring their farm goods to your table. The Charlevoix Farmers Market offers a variety of farmers and specialty vendors.

EAST JORDAN **APPLICATIONS FOR LIGHTED CHRISTMAS VILLAGE**

The East Jordan Lions Club is accepting applications for lighted displays for their annual Lighted Christmas Village at the Tourist Park. The displays should be set up at the campsites by December 5th, and viewing by car or walk through continues through January 5th. The Tourist Park is open every day, and the displays are lighted from dusk until midnight. Businesses, churches, clubs, families, and school groups are encouraged to participate. There is no cost to set up a display, and electricity is provided by the city. Please contact Sherry Pursel at skpursel@yahoo.com for information or an application.

CHARLEVOIX, EMMET AND ANTRIM COUNTIES

GO GRANTS FOR GIRLS.

GO Grants, or Girls Outreach Grants, will reach out to young girls in our area

Grants will range from \$100 to \$500, and can be used as resources in any field of endeavor. Since its inception,

who have an idea and pas-

sion to try something new.

Connecting Women in Business has provided more than \$71,000 to 194 girls in our service area. The purpose of the grants is to provide small grants to girls in grades 6 to 10 in the Char-Em ISD service area of Charlevoix, Emmet and northern Antrim counties. These grants will allow the applicant to pursue a special interest gain or improve a skill, participate in an outdoor experience and more. We encourage applica-

to the applicant. Application deadline is November 18, 2019. You can also download an application at petoskeychamber.com/connecting-women-in-business. For more information, contact Lisa Hoyt at 231-347-4150.

tions that will be challenging

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY **HEALTH DEPARTMENT SEEKS GREEN SPACE IMPROVEMENT** PROJECT PROPOSALS

The Health Department of

Northwest Michigan invites local communities to apply for funds to implement infrastructure, policy, and physical activity enhancements to public greenspaces. The grant, Building Healthy Places (formerly Building Healthy Communities), is part of continued work by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan to ensure all residents have an opportunity to live a healthy life. A portion of the grant aims to fund sustainable public greenspace enhancements that will create a lasting impact on the health of the community. Eligible applicants include any local government department, agency, special purpose district, public school district, Indian Tribal organization, or 501(c)(3). Several grants will be awarded, with individual grants limited to \$10,000. Entities with public greenspace sites in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, Otsego, or Wexford counties are eligible to apply. Letters of Intent should be submitted by Friday, November 22, 2019 and the submission deadline is Friday, December 13, 2019. An informational call will take place on Monday, November 25, 2019. For additional information including the application and requirements, visit nwhealth org/gip html or call Community Health Coordinator, Kirstyn Horan at 231-347-5362.

CENTRAL LAKE

DINING WITH DIABETES

Mondays, Through November 18 from 11am-1pm, First Congregational Church, 8066 W. State St, (on the corner of Chestnut and State). Dining with Diabetes Workshop is a free four-session program offering research-based education, cooking demonstrations and healthy recipe tasting. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Naomi Hyso at 1-231-845-3362 or hysonaom@msu.edu to register or for more information.

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 infor-

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mation, call 231-582-9301.

WELLNESS WORKSHOPS Held at Munson Healthcare

Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information. - Hatha Yoga, every Mon-

day and Friday 7:30-8:30am. The yoga sequences, along with breath work and relaxation techniques will assist in building strength, stamina, flexibility, balance, and increasing body awareness. The use of props, blocks, or blankets make poses easily

modified to suit the individual. All levels of fitness are welcome and modifications will be provided as needed. The class is taught by Lisa Hepner is a licensed physical therapist assistant with Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital.

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Wellness Wednesday, every Wednesday from 8am-11am. Health screens include: Total Cholesterol. HDL, TC/HDL Ratio, Glucose Level, Body Mass Index Score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure Reading. No fasting is required. However, if you are fasting and LDL and Triglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost for the service is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$10. Participants will receive all test results at the time of the screening and a "Know Your Numbers" log to track progress. A Registered Nurse will adapt health consultation and educational materials to individual results. Walk-ins only, no appointment required.

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

BOYNE CITY

FREE COFFEE, DOUGHNUTS & **LUNCH FOR VETERANS**

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

CHARLEVOIX

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

ister or for more information. **NORTHERN MICHIGAN**

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

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

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

BOYNE CITY BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Toddler Tales & Tunes every Monday at 10am and Preschool Storytime every Tuesday at 10am, Check website for any date changes. No registration is required.

- Yoga with Reb Andrews 9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week

- Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am advanced class, cost is \$5
- per session - The Boyne District Library Book Club meets at 7pm. Information at www.boyneli-
- brary.org.

News

National Homelessness Awareness Week

National Homelessness Awareness Week, November 16-24, provides an opportunity for people to become more aware of the complexities and contributing factors that drive homelessness. Research shows that domestic abuse and homelessness are profoundly connected with domestic abuse being the third leading cause of homelessness in America.

Consider the difficult question many survivors have when exiting an abusive relationship, "Where will I go?" The power and control dynamics related to the abuse

create unique barriers for survivors. Abusers many times isolate their partner both economically and socially, significantly reducing their options. The survivor must then choose between living with an abusive partner and leaving their home to stay at a shelter or living on the streets.

Obtaining safe housing and the economic resources to maintain that safety are significant challenges for women and their children experiencing domestic abuse. In rural areas like ours, the challenges are compounded because affordable housing is scarce, transportation options are limited and supportive resources may be miles away. Survivors also face additional barriers such as a lack of employment that offers a living wage and reasonably priced healthcare and childcare. These are issues that impact the long-term stability and safety of individuals and families across the nation including northern Michigan.

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan plays an essential role by providing survivors and their children an immediately secure, caring and supportive place to stay at the Safe Home, as well as counseling and advocacy. The Safe Home is staffed and operated 24-hours a day, 365 days a year and provides shelter, meals and all daily needs for survivors and their children at no cost.

Martin Luther King, Jr., said life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?" Here are some actions you can take to help end homelessness and domestic abuse:

- Speak out about these critical issues.

- Demonstrate your support by volunteering at shelters or helping to raise funds or collect needed items.

- Use the power of social media to engage your network in awareness-raising.

- Help others become informed by inviting Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan to speak to your organization, group, school or workplace.

- Be a role model by practicing respectful, kind and non-violent relationships.

- Think about ways you can change your language and behaviors in small ways that may contribute to larger changes in the way people experiencing homelessness and domestic abuse are seen and treated in our society.

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treated in our society. To learn more, visit the National Alliance to End Home-

lessness (www.endhomelessness.org), Northeast Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (www.nemcah.org), Northwest Coalition Against Homelessness (www.nwmichcoc.com) or

(www.nwmichcoc.com) or Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan (www.wrcnm.org).



Veterans Day program held at East Jordan Elementary

Students at East Jordan Elementary school held their annual Veterans Day ceremony on November 11. Shown here is the Flag Raising by Chris Anderson and Cub Scouts. Photo by Matt Stevenson



Boyne Falls Public Schools

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Christina Masserant

Grade: 7th Grade

Parent's Name(s): Stephanie Jenkins

Future Plans: Christina aspires to work in the medical field when she is older. Which may explain her favorite subject in school is Science.

Hobbies and Interests: She enjoys playing volleyball, basketball, and skiing.

School Activities:

Staff Comments: Christina is a hardworking student, who always has a smile. She helps teachers without hesitation when needed. She gives her best effort, is always energetic, and makes for a positive atmosphere with her upbeat personality. I look forward to Christina each day. She is always smiling, cheerful and make other around her smile. Keep up the good work, Christina!

Submitted By: Mrs. Hoogerhyde

SAFE in Northern Michigan brings awareness to current drug trends

SAFE in Northern Michigan is working to educate parents on the emerging substance use trends for teens. The group recently created a replica of a teen's bedroom using a converted trailer, which will be parked outside of high schools in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet Counties during parent-teacher conferences. The concept is to inform parents about vaping, marijuana, underage drinking and other substance use related items.

Local schools have noted an increase in the use of vaping devices by their students. Many parents have reported being unaware of current drug trends and delivery devices. Susan Pulaski, SAFE Coalition

Project Coordinator, shared that "Because of the danger of vaping, we want parents to be informed of these devices so that they can



SAFE in Northern Michigan is working to educate parents on the emerging substance use trends for teens. Courtesy photo

open the door to a conversation with their teen. Awareness of what devices look like can help to protect their teen."

As parents enter the trailer, they can choose to have a guided tour from a trained SAFE Coalition member or use digital posters to learn about items that can be used for vaping/marijuana or disguising substance use. Funding for the trailer was made possible by the Northern Michigan Regional Entity and generous donations of labor and materials from

the Home Depot in Petoskey.

SAFE will have the trailer at the following school events: Parent-Teacher Conferences in Charlevoix on 11/7 from 5-7:30pm, Ellsworth on 11/8 from noon-4:pm and Petoskey on 11/12 from 5-7pm and 11/14 from 6-8:pm

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The SAFE Coalition is currently seeking a sponsor for a trailer wrap to better identify the purpose of the trailer. For additional information on the trailer, sponsorship, or to schedule a visit with the trailer, call Susan Pulaski at 231-347-5813. For media inquiries, call Erin Luckhardt at 231-347-5628.

SAFE in Northern Michigan is working to educate parents on the emerging substance use trends for teens by creating a replica of a teen's bedroom.



BC Eagles Auxiliary donates \$1,500

The Ladies Auxiliary of Boyne City's Fraternal Order of Eagles 1583 recently donated over \$1,500 to seven charitable organizations fulfilling the FOE mission of "People Helping People. Courtesy photo

National Community Foundation Week

BY KAREN WALKER

In an effort to raise awareness of the increasingly important role philanthropic organizations play in addressing civic and economic challenges, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation is celebrating National Community Foundation Week November 12-18. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the establishment of National Community Foundation Week by former President George H. W. Bush. This week was created to recognize the work of community foundations throughout America and their collaborative approach to working with the public, private, and nonprofit sectors to address community problems. Community Foundation Week coincides with National Philanthropy Day on November 15th.

Community Foundation President Chip Hansen explains, "Providing grant dollars to area nonprofits, schools and municipalities is just one part of the work of your community foundation. We also have a seat at the table when our communities tackle bigger challenges like workforce housing, clean energy and economic development. Our staff members work alongside individuals, businesses, agencies, and nonprofits in exploring these community challenges, and we connect these conversations with the people, partners, and resources necessary to solve these often complex issues".

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is

a charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life for all who live in our area. Founded by a group of local citizens in 1992, the organization has grown to be a valuable resource for Charlevoix County. The Community Foundation awards grants that encourage environmental stewardship, the arts, economic growth, health and wellness, youth initiatives, recreation, education, and more. To date, the Community Foundation has distributed more than \$25 million in grants from their East Jordan office. To learn more about grant opportunities and details on becoming a donor, visit their website at c3f.org, or call 231-536-2440.

Free diabetes screening in Boyne City on World Diabetes Day

The Boyne Valley Lions Club, based in Boyne City, is working with Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital, and MSU Extension Services to provide FREE diabetes screening for the community on World Diabetes Day, November 14 at the Boyne City Hall located at 319 North Lake Street, from 10am until 2pm. Additional healthcare professionals will be on hand to answer questions and provide referrals on how diabetes affects oral care, vision, and other diabetes related topics.

Diabetes is expected to affect 522 million people by 2030 which is why the Boyne Valley Lions along with their partners are working to raise awareness of the impact that diabetes has on the individual and to promote the role of the family in the management, care, prevention and education of the condition.

The Lions are also known for:

- Diabetes education and free screening initiatives

- KidSight screening for early onset visual impairments

- White Cane fund-raising for the visually impaired

- Participate and serve volunteers in "Buff up Boyne"
- Serve hungry elementary school students at Field Days

and school carnival
- Project WAVE Lions initiatives

- Financial support to Girl Scouts, PAWS with a Cause, Boyne District Library, Alzheimer's Fund, Crop Hunger Walk, Humane Society, other

The Lions Club meets every Wednesday at the Boyne District Library at noon. For more information on becoming a Lion contact James Richman, Membership Chairman at mr.richman@gmail.com

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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, NOVEMBER 12, 2019

Boyne City has a very stable financial condition

Boyne City Commission seats will remain unchanged for the coming year. At the Nov. 12th regular City Commission meeting, Commissioners voted to retain Tom Neidhamer as Mayor and Ron Grunch as Mayor Protem. Commissioner Dean Solomon commented Mr. Neidhamer has been an outstanding mayor and has been consistently praised for the excellent way he represents the City. Mr. Solomon said, "He never fails to be a great advocate for our City". Neidhamer and Commissioner Hugh Conklin were reelected to serve another four vear term at the Nov. 5th election, defeating challenger Barbara Malpass-Young.

Commissioners heard a presentation of the City of Boyne City's 2019 Financial Gabridge & Company accounting firm. The report is for the Fiscal Year that ended April 30, 2019. Mr. Verlin stated Boyne City has a very stable financial condition.

In his written introduction to the report, City Manager Michael Cain writes, "Overall the City of Boyne City remains in excellent financial health. We have been and continue to make significant investments in the City and its various forms of infrastructure. That in turn has helped attract new citizens, businesses, and private investment. We continue to spend well within our means and when we do, we do our best to insure we obtain the best value for the dollars spent. Boyne City seeks to position itself for long term sustainability in good times and in bad, as we successfully



Boyne Commissioners (I to r) Tom Neidhamer and Hugh Conklin being sworn in at tonight's meeting.by Clerk Cindy Grice.

demonstrated during the great recession." Commissioner Dean Solomon pointed

out there is more financial information available on the City's website.

proposed amendments to the City's Zoning Ordinance. This past summer, the City Planning Commission reviewed the entire Boyne City Zoning Ordinance with the objective of identifying items that could potentially be a barrier to housing development in an effort to address a shortage of affordable workforce housing.

Some areas of the zoning ordinance targeted for changes include allowing accessory dwellings and duplexes as a use by right vs. a conditional use, permitting multiple family units with a maximum of four units as a conditional use, eliminate setback requirements for apartment buildings in the Central Business District and the Transitional Commercial District, and permit dwellings on the ground floor

those districts. City Planning Director Scott McPherson said there are other areas of the ordinance that are still being considered. A second reading and potential adoption of the amendments is scheduled for January 14,

In other business, Commissioners approved a proposed Storm Water Control Ordinance, approved the Michigan Main Street Program agreement, and approved the purchase of a Polaris Ranger side-by-side ATV with donated funds for the Fire Department.

The next regular City Commission meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2019 at noon. City Offices will be closed Thursday, November 28 and Friday November 29 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Boyne Thunder celebrates 16 years, over \$122,000 raised in 2019

The 16th annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run in July brought speed, thunder, and excitement to Northern Michigan, and over \$122,000 in proceeds to Camp Quality, Challenge Mountain and Boyne City Main Street. The event has now raised over \$1.1 million total since its inception in 2004. For a highlight video of this year's event, visit www.boynethunder.com

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



Pictured from left to right: Chris Bandy, Boyne City Main Street Board Chair, Elizabeth Looze, Challenge Mountain Executive Director, Bill Aten, Challenge Mountain Board Chair, Becky Follette Camp Quality Representative, Kelsie King-Duff, Boyne City Main Street Executive Director, Bob Alger, Boyne Thunder Committee Chair. Cour-

outdoor recreation and Boyne City Main Street

The poker run showcases 120 high performance boats from all over the country,

roaring through the waters of Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan on a 130mile excursion in search of the best poker hand. The

2020 event will take place on July 10 & 11. For more information about Boyne Thunder, visit

www.boynethunder.com.

Firearm deer season begins statewide Friday

For a lot of residents, Nov. 15 ranks up there with major holidays. Gathering with family and friends for the firearm deer season opener is a time-honored tradition in many Michigan families, built around the excitement and fun of enjoying time in the state's great out-

Some hunters share their love of deer hunting by introducing someone new to the sport. Mentored youth hunting licenses are available to kids 9 and younger, while apprentice hunting licenses are available to those 10 and older who haven't yet completed a hunter safety education course. Learn more about these options at Michigan.gov/MentoredHunting.

This tradition is economically important, too. More than 500,000 hunters pursued deer in Michigan during the 2018 hunting seasons, providing critical license revenue that supports wildlife conservation efforts. All of Michigan's hunting sea-

sons - from deer and elk to waterfowl and rabbit - contribute nearly \$9 billion a year to the state's economy.

All hunters are encouraged to review the 2019 deer hunting regulations, found in the Hunting Digest or at Michigan.gov/Deer. Key

changes this season include: Deer baiting and feeding is banned in the entire Lower Peninsula and in the core chronic wasting disease surveillance area in the Upper Penin-

and Food Plots. New regulations in the U.P. core CWD surveillance area.

Michigan Deer Baiting, Feeding

sula. Watch our video:

New antler point restrictions. Hunters can take deer to a DNR deer check station to earn a successful hunter patch. Visit Michigan.gov/DeerCheck for locations of check stations and drop boxes. (Click an individual location to see if it offers deer check, drop box or both.)





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