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Russ Peck re-elected East Jordan Mayor

BY KAREN WALKER

East Jordan's longtime mayor, Russell Peck, was re-elected by his fellow commissioners to serve another term as mayor during the City Commission's organizational meeting held Nov. 11th. Mr. Peck has served twenty-one years as a Commissioner for the City of East Jordan. Commissioner Mark Penzien was elected Deputy Mayor. Mayor Peck was sworn into office at the regular meeting of the City Commission held Nov. 19th along with Commissioners Abbie Hawley, Tracey Johnson,

Amy Sherman, and Paul Timmons who were re-elected to serve four year terms at the Nov. 5th election.

Also discussed at the organizational meeting was the possibility of holding only one meeting per month. Currently, East Jordan City Commission meets the first and third Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Abbie Hawley stated City staff feels they are spending lots of time preparing for meetings and feels more of their time could be shifted to regular office duties. City Administrator Tom

Cannon said the City Charter requires only one meeting per month. City Attorney Scott Beatty pointed out that eliminating the second monthly meeting would effectively cut the opportunity for public input from twenty four times per year to twelve. Commissioners ultimately chose to keep the existing meeting dates and times but will consider cancelling the second meeting of the month when warranted.

The next Regular Meeting of the City Commission is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 3, 2019.



Mayor Russell Peck is sworn in by East Jordan City Clerk, Cheltzi Wilson.

Celebrate Together

IN THE TRADITION OF A COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING

BY JIM AKANS

Joining around the Thanksgiving dinner table is an American tradition that reaches back nearly four centuries. It is a celebration of family, fellowship and food...oh so much delicious food! While the intimacy of a Thanksgiving gathering at home is a joyful event, celebrating the holiday with community, as those early Americans did, can be a memorable and rewarding experience.

In Boyne City, The Eagles will host their annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner from noon to 2pm on Thanksgiving Day at the Eagles Hall, 106 River St. The dinner is open to the public, and there is no charge. Dinner includes turkey, stuffing, potatoes and gravy, vegetables and desserts. Please consider bringing a monetary donation or a non-perishable food item; proceeds will be divided among local food pantries. Anyone interested in volunteering, donating food, transportation or in need of a home delivered meal (within a six mile radius of the Eagles) call (231) 582-6904 by November 27.

The Whi-Ski Inn in Boyne Falls is hosting their 4th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner from 12-

Give Thanks

In all circumstances.
Give thanks, for this is
the will of God for you
in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:18

While the intimacy of a Thanksgiving gathering at home is a joyful event, celebrating the holiday with community, as those early Americans did, can be a memorable and rewarding experience. Courtesy image

4pm. They will be preparing a delicious meal with all the fixin's for anyone that would like to stop in and enjoy. The meal will be by donation of your choice or by bringing in non-perishable food items. All proceeds will benefit the Boyne Valley Food Pantry.

In Charlevoix, The 13th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Thanksgiving Day from noon to 3pm at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, 1003 Bridge Street. The meal is provided at no charge. All are welcome. A Community Thanksgiving Feast will be held on November 28 at St. Joseph Church, located at 207 Nichols Street in East Jordan. Please join us for a Community Thanksgiving Feast. Games and snacks at 1pm, dinner at 2pm. Come one, come all.

At the core of each of these Thanksgiving celebrations is the embracing the spirit of community celebration by sharing food and fellowship. These wonderful gatherings are open to the public, free of charge...just bring along a hearty appetite and a heartfelt community spirit.



BC public input session for Avalanche and the Open Space properties December 4

Residents and community members are invited to attend a public input session on Wednesday, December 4 at 5:30-7:30pm at Boyne City City Hall, 319 Lake St. The focus of this public meeting is to seek public input on the development of schematic design plans for Avalanche (base of the hill) and the Open Space properties. The City will build upon previous planning and design efforts for each park property.

After a short presentation describing this and prior efforts to plan park development, attendees will be invited to participate in a hands-on activity aimed at influencing schematic plans for the park properties. Public input for schematic development of the two park spaces will be critical to ensure a comprehensive plan that responds to the public's and City's desires. This input is an important step in funding acquisition for park development.

A subsequent presentation by Beckett & Raeder, Inc. will present preliminary schematic design plans based on the input, as a subsequent opportunity to provide input toward the final schematic plans. This presentation will take place on January 9, 2020 at Boyne City City Hall, time TBD. Final Schematic Design Plans and accompanying information is scheduled to be completed in February 2020.

For more information on the public input sessions and the schematic design process for the Avalanche and Open Space properties, please feel free to contact Tim Knutsen, Beckett & Raeder, Inc., at 231-347-2523.

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FRIDAY



**HIGH: 34
LOW: 27**

SATURDAY



**HIGH: 39
LOW: 32**

SUNDAY



**HIGH: 39
LOW: 33**

snowfall

2018-19	AMT"	CITY	2019-20	AMT"	CITY
11/19/18	.3.7	ATLANTA	11/18/19	.6.5	ATLANTA
11/19/18	.9.5	BOYNE FALLS	11/18/19	.2	BOYNE FALLS
11/19/18	.4.2	CHARLEVOIX	11/18/19	.9.5	CHARLEVOIX
11/19/18	.3.5	CHEBOYGAN	11/18/19	.3.4	CHEBOYGAN
11/19/18	.11.4	EAST JORDAN	11/18/19	.18.8	EAST JORDAN
11/19/18	.17.2	GAYLORD	11/18/19	.24.1	GAYLORD
11/19/18	.13.5	KALKASKA	11/18/19	.26.9	KALKASKA
11/19/18	.11	LEWISTON	11/18/19	.8.5	LEWISTON
11/19/18	.7.3	MIO	11/18/19	.10.8	MIO
11/19/18	.14.2	ONAWAY	11/18/19	.6.9	ONAWAY
11/19/18	.13.3	PETOSKEY	11/18/19	.12.6	PETOSKEY

record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG. HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
NOV 21	.27°	...42°	...14° (1964)	.63° (1953)
NOV 22	.27°	...42°	...9° (1971)	.58° (2003)
NOV 23	.26°	...41°	...6° (1989)	.62° (2003)
NOV 24	.26°	...41°	...2° (1950)	.62° (2003)
NOV 25	.26°	...41°	...8° (1950)	.60° (2006)
NOV 26	.25°	...40°	...9° (1974)	.63° (1984)
NOV 27	.25°	...40°	...5° (1951)	.66° (1990)
NOV 28	.25°	...39°	...8° (1976)	.61° (1990)
NOV 29	.24°	...39°	...5° (1976)	.62° (1998)
NOV 30	.24°	...39°	...4° (1958)	.65° (1998)

Illean Elizabeth (MacKenzie) Beyer, 84

Illean Elizabeth (MacKenzie) Beyer has passed away of natural causes on November 8. Born in Highland Park, Michigan, Illean lived in Fowlerville, Redford Township, East Jordan, and Southfield, Michigan. Illean was preceded in death by her sons, Jamie and Jay. Illean is survived by her loving husband, John, her children, Shirley, Helen, Janice, Sherry, Patrick (Michael), John, Debbie, and Maryann as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Illean and John took in over 300 foster children during their lives and were recognized for this accomplishment by Catholic Social Services of Southeast Michigan and the Detroit Children's Aid Society. Per Illean's wishes, there will be no funeral service. However, a wake is being planned at the Fowlerville Senior Center for Sunday, 11/24 from noon - 2 PM.

Margaret "Margie" E. (Behling) Kenney, 64

(JUNE 15, 1955 - NOV. 14, 2019)
Margaret "Margie" Kenney of East Jordan passed from this life on November 14, 2019 at McLaren Northern

Michigan surrounded by her loving family. Her family remembered and celebrated her life on Tuesday, November 19th, 2019 at her service at Lighthouse Missionary Church in East Jordan led by her brother, Rev. David Behling. Interment in Maple Lawn Cemetery in Boyne City. She was born Margaret Etta Behling in Petoskey on June 15, 1955 to Raymond and Eloise (Niver) Behling. Margie's mother sadly preceded her in death when Margie was very young. Her father remarried and Margie was raised by her loving second mother, Margaret. She grew up in Boyne City and was a graduate of Boyne City High School. For more than four decades she was a valued member of the staff of Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan, where she worked as a restorative aide, helping residents in need of physical therapy. Margie could always be counted on by her co-workers and by the residents that she cared for daily; to be a constant source of smiling, selfless compassion. Margie rarely missed a chance to be on the sidelines of whatever sporting event in which her kids and grandkids were playing. She was and continues to be to her family, a shining example of a selflessness and unconditional love. She will be missed!

telling jokes with her closest friends and family. She was an extremely generous person and would spend her last dime to help someone in need. She made sure to teach her children that life was not always about getting what you wanted but finding ways to appreciate what life has already provided. She instilled in her children and grandchildren the true meaning of love and forgiveness. She was extremely proud of her large, loud and loving family. Susan is survived by her children, Teresa (Greg, Jr.) Seese of Charlevoix, Cathalene Brock of Ellsworth, and Walter (Lora) Moblo of Gaylord; 13 grandchildren, Tyler, Taylor, Quinten, Tannor, Wesley, Emily, Desaray, Braidin, Taylor, Tori, Megan, Juliea and Bailey; 9 great grandchildren; and her special cuddle buddy, Gizmo; as well as her siblings, Sherrell "Sherry" (the late Jim) Pickett, Jeanne (Dave) Jenks, Oliver, II "Yogi" (Pam) Westervelt, and L.J. (Kerrie) Westervelt. She is preceded in death by her parents, Oliver, the 1st and Gladys. The family is planning a memorial gathering, details will be announced at a later time. Arrangements are being handled by Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey.

Geraldine "Gerri" Drewa, 89

(SEPT. 15, 1930 - NOV. 18, 2019)



Geraldine "Gerri" Drewa of Charlevoix, passed away on November 18, 2019 at Boulder Park Terrace. Gerri was born on September 15, 1930, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Sebastian and Agnes (Dressler) Serna. Gerri was a longtime member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix and was employed by the Charlevoix County Clerk's office for several years. She enjoyed reading and going for car rides. She is survived by two children, Kathy (Jim) Marsh of N. Augusta, SC, Dan (Dawn) Drewa of Charlevoix, 3 grandchildren, Desiree Drewa, Brian (Marya) Marsh, Valerie (Stevens) Shuler, 4 great-grandchildren, Connor, Brenden, Marylyn, and Samson. She was preceded in death by her husband Leo Drewa, son David Drewa, brother Ronald Serna and her parents. Visitation will be at St. Mary Church on Sunday, November 24 from 2-4 p.m. with a Rosary at 3:30. Funeral Mass will take place on Monday, November 25, 2019, 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church. Burial will take place in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery in Charlevoix. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Catholic Church or Boulder Park Terrace. Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Arrangements have been handled by the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Albert W Houghton, 72

(JUNE 8, 1947 - NOV. 13, 2019)
Albert W. Houghton of Charlevoix passed away November 13, 2019 at his home. Albert was born June 8, 1947 in Charlevoix to Albert Stanley Houghton and Jenny (Nowland) Houghton. Albert was known as a selfless man to all, with family gatherings being the most important to him. A lifelong resident of Charlevoix, he enjoyed hunting, farming, and going on car rides, and was a proud Veteran of the United States Army. Albert was preceded in death by his wife, Elaine Houghton, daughter Jamie Houghton and brother Bob Houghton. Surviving him are four children, Jessica Houghton of Indiana, Roger Houghton of Cheboygan, Randy (Jennifer) Houghton of Charlevoix, and Ryan (Kim) Houghton, of Charlevoix. Also surviving him are two sisters, Bertha Potter of Charlevoix, Michigan and Bernice of Michigan, along with ten grandchildren. Service details are pending at this time. Arrangements have been handled by the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign Albert's online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

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DeMar Kenneth Bodley, 79

(NOV. 21, 1939 - NOV. 13, 2019)
DeMar Kenneth Bodley of Charlevoix passed away November 13, 2019 at Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital. DeMar was born October 21, 1939 in Whittaker, Michigan to Willard S. Bodley and Ruth Marie (Wilson) Bodley. DeMar was a long time resident of Charlevoix, graduating from Charlevoix High School in 1958. He was a former President of the Petoskey Rock Club, enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling. DeMar was a proud veteran of the United States Army. He was a construction and lawn worker for most of his career. In June of 1971 DeMar married Linda Catherine Powell, who preceded him in death. Also preceding him is his brother David Bodley and sister Barbara DePas. Surviving DeMar is a sister Nancy Ellen (Dick) Burns, a niece Elizabeth Bascom, along with special friends Sharon Reed, and Melvin & Doris Thayer. No services are planned. Arrangements have been handled by the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Surviving DeMar is a sister Nancy Ellen (Dick) Burns, a niece Elizabeth Bascom, along with special friends Sharon Reed, and Melvin & Doris Thayer. No services are planned. Arrangements have been handled by the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Surviving DeMar is a sister Nancy Ellen (Dick) Burns, a niece Elizabeth Bascom, along with special friends Sharon Reed, and Melvin & Doris Thayer. No services are planned. Arrangements have been handled by the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Fraley James "Doc" Stewart, M.D., 73

(JAN. 4, 1946 - NOV. 15, 2019 (AGE 73))



Fraley James "Doc" Stewart, M.D. of Charlevoix passed away November 15, 2019 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, Michigan. Doc was born January 4, 1946 in Charlevoix, Michigan to Harry A. Stewart and Freda (McMillan) Stewart. A full obituary with service details will be posted soon, a Memorial Service will take place spring of 2020 at the Charlevoix United Methodist Church. Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

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Susan Lee (Westervelt) Mischloney, 64

(JULY 30, 1955 - NOV. 14, 2019)
Susan Lee Mischloney of Charlevoix died November 14, 2019 at home surrounded by family. Susan was born in Lansing, Michigan, the daughter of Oliver Westervelt, the 1st and Gladys Jeanette Feeny. She found the love of her life and was happily married to John Mischloney until his death in 2010. Family was always the number one priority for Susan. There was nothing she enjoyed more than a day spent outside, fishing or some other activity, followed by a night around a campfire, playing cards until the morning, sharing stories and

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Antrim Ski Academy equipment and clothing sale

Antrim Ski Academy will be holding their twenty fifth annual equipment and clothing sale, Saturday November 30th. The sale itself will be held from 9am to 5pm, Saturday, in the Grand Ballroom in The Lakeview Hotel at Summit Village at Shanty Creek. This sale will feature new and used ski and snowboard equipment and clothing.

People with equipment and/or clothing that they wish to sell, may drop these

items off at the swap location Friday, Nov. 29th, from 5pm – 8pm and again from 8 am to 10 am on Saturday. Unsold items and/or payment(s) for sold items may be picked up between 5 and 6pm Saturday evening. Antrim Ski Academy retains 20% of the selling price of all items sold, as a commission for selling the items. Proceeds from this year's swap will benefit the Great North Academy (Elk Rapids/St. Francis/Central Lake/Grand Traverse Acad-

emy) High School Ski Team and the Antrim Ski Academy Scholarship program. The scholarship program provides skiing and snowboarding opportunities to those students who may not otherwise be able to afford ASA programs.

Non skiers are welcome to the sale, as each year we generally have a nice selection of new and used winter coats, pants, hats and gloves at very affordable prices.

Please note that we do not

accept straight skis, rear entry boots, equipment with non-conforming bindings, or non-winter items. Items priced \$5 or less are considered a donation and no payment will be made to the seller on those items.

For additional information on this year's swap, please contact Steve (231) 676-2493 or any other board member. Board members and their contact information may be found on ASA's website, www.antrimskiacademy.com

Registration continues for the Antrim Ski Academy's winter 2019-2020 programs. Informational brochures, including the registration form are available at most area schools, online at www.antrimskiacademy.com or by calling Steve (231) 676-2493 or any other board member. Registration will continue through January 1st. Scholarships are available to those needing financial assistance, with scholarship forms available

on ASA's website, www.antrimskiacademy.com
The Antrim Ski Academy is celebrating its twenty seventh season and is dedicated to providing quality, affordable ski instruction and race training to school age students in the northwest Michigan area. Instruction takes place at Schuss Mountain at Shanty Creek for eight to ten week sessions, meeting week-day evenings.



Visit the WLAC office to get your FREE orange bandana to help hunters see your pup when you're out enjoying nature. Shown here; Odin Sporting the New Bandana. Courtesy photo

"Protect Your Pup" at Walloon Lake Association and Conservancy

The Walloon Lake Association and Conservancy (WLAC) wants to help keep your dog safe this rifle-hunting season. Visit the WLAC office to get your FREE orange bandana to help hunters see your pup when you're out enjoying nature. The WLAC also recommends investing in reflective collars, harnesses, and leashes. "We always want to ensure that everyone stays safe on our preserves and in other natural areas this time of year, and that includes keeping pets safe as well.

Brightly colored clothing is one simple and effective way to help make your presence known and prevent accidents." said Abbie Hawley, WLAC Director of Conservation Programs. The WLAC office is located at 4060 Suite 102 N. M-75, Walloon Lake. Feel free to stop by anytime between 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday-Friday. For more information about The Walloon Lake Association and Conservancy please visit www.walloon.org.

Boyer City Main Street presents façade grant to Boyne Avenue Properties



Pictured from left to right: Mayor Tom Neidhamer, Boyne City Main Street Executive Director Kelsie King-Duff, Boyne City Main Street Chair Chris Bandy, and Bob Earl and Jennifer McIntire with Boyne Avenue Properties. Courtesy photo

Boyer City Main Street recently presented Boyne Avenue Properties with a \$10,000 check for the façade work done at 437 Boyne Avenue. The building, located on M-75 at the very East end of the Boyne City Main Street District, recently underwent a complete renovation, and will now house four tenants. Each Spring, Boyne City Main Street awards \$20,000 in reimbursement façade grants. The Façade Grant Program provides matching funds for Main Street Dis-

trict property owners and tenants to improve the facades of their buildings, in order to maintain the architectural character and economic viability of downtown. The application process is extremely competitive. For every dollar awarded the applicant must spend an equal amount. "We are always excited to see the completion of a façade project. This one is especially exciting as it really helps improve the entrance into downtown Boyne City" Kelsie King-Duff,

Boyer City Main Street Executive Director said. Funds are provided by Boyne City Main Street with dollars raised through Boyne Thunder. There is no set minimum or maximum number of projects per year. The grant program seeks to encourage private investment through the rehabilitation and improvement of facades within the Boyne City Main Street District, to encourage good design that will serve as quality examples, and to preserve the architectural character that is

distinctive to Boyne City. By improving the appearance of the building facades, the program aims to improve the economic viability of the downtown. For more information about Boyne City Main Street and the façade grant program, visit www.boynecitymainstreet.com or email mainstreet@boynecity.com.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT

Monday November 4, 2019
0346 Vehicle into power pole in the 800 block of State St.
1411 Civil dispute in the 500 block of N Lake St
1435 Burn permit issued on Lake Park Dr.
1857 Car deer crash on Fall Park Rd near Boyne Ave.
2114 Intoxicated subject laying under a tree on the side of Lincoln St. near Grant St.
2207 Driving complaint on Boyne Av
2323 Intoxicated subject calling from Pearl St.
2344 Felonious Assault on Adams St. Arrested in Indian River with assistance from Tuscarora Twp. PD

Tuesday November 5, 2019
0321 Civil standby on Adams St.
1105 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Old Horton Bay Rd
1207 Marijuana violation in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
1445 Report of lost set of keys
1647 Civil stand on Adams St
1846 Assist EMS in the 500 block of N Lake St

Wednesday, November 6, 2019
1356 Suspicious situation in the 800 block of State St
1529 Juvenile complaint in

the 900 block of Brockway
2014 Report of someone throwing eggs at cars from somewhere Maple Lawn Cemetery property. 2045 Assist Child Protective Services in the 300 block of E Division St.
Thursday, November 7, 2019
0024 Suspicious situation at the airport
0345 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Centennial Dr.
0730 PR at the high school.
0830 Found cell phone in the 200 block of E Lincoln.
0841 Report of dead deer at Wildwood and Jefferson
0927 Lockdown Drill at the Early Childhood Education Cen-

ter.
1113 Report of car egged yesterday while parked next to the American Legion.
1340 Juvenile complaint from the 1000 block of Boyne Av.
1420 Public urination on Pleasant Av.
1424 Report of fraudulent email received in blackmail attempt.
1600 Salvage Inspection turned into recovery of stolen vehicle.
1744 Car deer crash at Boyne Ave. and High St
2021 Assist sheriff Dept. on Behling near Pleasant Valley
2314 Assist sheriff Dept. M-75 S and Moll Dr.

Friday, November 8, 2019
1110 Private property damage crash on Marshall Field Dr.
1142 911 hang up from the 800 block of Brockway
Saturday, November 9, 2019
0104 Suspicious vehicle at the DPW building.
0729 Car deer crash at Marshall Rd. and Lacvue Dr.
1221 Suspicious situation on W Court St.
1340 Animal complaint in the area of W. Michigan and Charlevoix St.
1409 MDOP to the 1910 building.
2158 Assist Sheriff Dept. on

Brook Dr.
2343 Intoxicated subject pounding on a door on Douglas St. Located subject on Pleasant Ave. Subject was arrested on Probation Violation.
Sunday, November 10, 2019
0207 Assist Sheriff Dept. on M-75 S
1815 Attempt to locate subject on Front St.
1831 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Bear River Rd.
2020 Suspicious vehicle parked near the cold storage building at the DPW.
2054 Assist Sheriff Dept. with an alarm activation on Anderson Rd.

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Petoskey man charged with Multiple Felonies

Thomas Richard Pettersch, 26, Petoskey, was charged today in Charlevoix County with 21 felony counts related to a string of break-ins of seasonal homes and properties.

Pettersch is charged with two counts of home invasion, first degree, a felony with a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison. He is charged with 14 counts of home invasion, second degree which carries a maximum penalty of 15 years.

Lastly, Pettersch is charged with five counts of breaking and entering a building with intent, a 10-year felony. The prosecution also filed a habitual offender, fourth, notice which increases the maximum of all the offenses to life in prison.

Pettersch is currently lodged in the Cheboygan County Jail related to a similar charge he is facing there.

According to an affidavit filed in the matter, there were 19 break-ins in Charlevoix County reported or discovered between October 27 and 30. All involved seasonal homes on area lakes.

Firearms were stolen from two of the residences, resulting in the most serious charges of first-degree home invasion. The second-degree home invasion charges relate to the other house break-ins and the breaking and entering with intent charges relate to properties where a



THOMAS RICHARD PETERSCH

garage or shed was entered. Items stolen also included a chain saw, leaf blower, pellet guns, flashlights, a drill, watches, an air compressor, a nail gun, a planer, jewelry and loose change.

Because most of the owners do not reside in the area full-time, many have been unable to travel yet to their properties to observe what had or had not been taken. There is also the possibility of other break-ins that may not have yet been discovered.

The affidavit indicates that after Pettersch's arrest, officers obtained a search warrant for his home and located several items that had been reported as stolen in the Charlevoix County thefts.

The charges against Pettersch are merely allegations at this time and he is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Submitted by Charlevoix County Prosecutor, Allen Telgenhof

SMA – C.S. Lewis Festival High School Essay Contest & Awards Ceremony

St. Michael Academy (SMA), Northern Michigan's only Classical Catholic high school, today announced that it will host the First Annual SMA – C.S. Lewis Festival High School Essay Contest and Awards Ceremony. The Awards Ceremony will be held Thursday, November 21 at St. Michael Academy, 2225 Summit Park Drive, near the intersection of Mitchell and Division streets, just east of Petoskey. The event will begin with a reception at 6:30pm with the ceremony to follow at 7:00pm. The event is free and open to the public. In this inaugural year of

the Essay Contest, SMA students were asked to read and craft essays on C.S. Lewis' masterpiece on education, The Abolition of Man. The contest winner and runner-up will be revealed at the ceremony, which will also feature those students presenting their respective essays. The winning essayist will earn a \$400 scholarship, while the runner-up will earn a \$100 scholarship. The other finalists will receive gift certificates from local vendors. SMA will receive a C.S. Lewis book set as a gift from the Festival. Anne McDevitt, Executive

Director of the C.S. Lewis Festival, stated, "We are excited to collaborate with St. Michael Academy on this essay contest. The mission of our festival is to encourage reading and writing about the classic works of C.S. Lewis. The SMA students have epitomized the spirit of our mission and we encourage the community to join us in celebrating their outstanding work."

SMA Headmaster Dr. Richard Brake added, "What a perfect marriage of message and mission as we join forces with the largest and most influential C.S. Lewis

society in the country for the purpose of bringing his wisdom to a new generation of Christian leaders. We are so grateful for this partnership, and cannot wait to show-off our bright young scholars to the Little Traverse Bay region!"

For more information, please contact the SMA office at 231-881-9025, or email Dr. Brake at drbrake@stmichaelpetoskey.org. For planning purposes, attendees are encouraged to RSVP.

Kick off the holiday season in downtown Boyne City

Kick off the upcoming holiday season with friends and family and shopping specials - all while in the comfort of your pajamas. That's right, it is nearly time for the 12th annual Boyne City "Earlier Than The Bird" holiday shopping event on Saturday, Nov. 23rd, from 7 to 11am.

Your Boyne City merchants are inviting our eager holiday shoppers to get an "early bird" preview of the gifts and choices available - the Saturday before Thanksgiving. 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, by visiting the Sunset Park Log Cabin. (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.

For more information on downtown Boyne City visit www.boynecitymainstreet.com

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Errin O'Brien

Student Name: Errin O'Brien

Grade: Boyne Falls Preschool – GSRP Classroom

Parent's Name(s): Sarah Shuman & Mike O'Brien

What do you want to be when you grow up? Errin would like to be a nurse that helps animals when she grows up.

Favorite Book: "The Two Bite Club" by Adrienne Durrett

Hobbies and Interests:

Errin enjoys drawing and is a big fan of My Little Pony movies, books, television shows and toys.

School Activities:

While at school, Errin likes to make cards for her friends, dance to Kids Bop songs after rest time, and brush her teeth.

Staff Comments:

Errin is a happy, sweet and very compassionate person. She greets her teachers each morning with a smile and is always kind to all of her peers. When something isn't right, she knows when to speak up. Errin is an important part of our school family and we look forward to watching her continue to grow this school year!

Submitted By: Mr. Mitchell (Klooster), Ms. Emily (Matelski) & Ms. Iysha (Shelton)

BY JIM AKANS

A great way to balance caloric intake and expenditure this coming Thanksgiving Day is to participate in a Turkey Trot event. It is a unique opportunity to get some exercise and provide benefit to area non-profit agencies before digging in to America's favorite gathering at the dinner table.

The 9th Annual Munson Charlevoix Hospital 5k Turkey Trot run/walk begins at 8:30am on Thanksgiving morning. It starts and ends at the hospital parking lot (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.

Online registration information is available on a [visitcharlevoix.com](http://www.visitcharlevoix.com) website link or in person at the Wellness Workshop (411 Bridge Street) or on the day of the event from 7:30-8:30am in the hospital's lower level. The registration deadline to guarantee your long-sleeved t-shirt or cozy sweatshirt is



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November 24. Pick up your shirt from 5 - 7 pm at the Wellness Workshop on November 27. Registration is \$25/adult (includes t-shirt) or \$30 with an adult sweatshirt, and \$15/youth (includes t-shirt).

New this year will be gold, silver and bronze medals for:
- Best Costume
- Babies in Strollers
- Runner Female
- Runner Male
- Leashed and Friendly Pets

The Wellness Workshop will be open from 8:30am-11am to serve as a "Warming Station" along the Turkey Trot route providing hot chocolate, coffee and water.

It is a warm place to rest, and use of the restroom or baby changing station as needed. Get more information online at MunsonHealthCare.org or by calling the Wellness Workshop at 231-437-3482.

The Kiwanis Boyne City annual 5k run and one-mile fun run/walk Turkey Trots take place on Thanksgiving Day in Boyne City at 9am, beginning and finishing up at Boyne City Hall. The individual entry fee is \$25 pre-registration (one t-shirt), or \$30 day of event. Family Entry - \$50 pre-registration (two t-shirts), or \$60 day of event. T-shirt guaranteed if entry form received by November 18. Extra t-shirts will

be available for purchase @ \$10 each while supplies last.

Chip timing ay Superior Timing will be offered, and awards will be recognizing age groups in 10-year age categories. Online registration is at www.runsignup.com. Entry forms can be picked up at Boyne Chamber, Edward Jones, Kilwins or North Perk Coffee. Packet pick-up is the day before event from 2-6pm at Stiggs Brewery.

All proceeds from the event go directly into Kiwanis Club of Boyne City Foundation account. Kiwanis Clubs focus on changing the world by serving children, one child, and one community at a time. 100% of the money raised from this event will stay in the Boyne City Area! We would also ask everyone to bring a canned good or non-perishable item to the event. We will then deliver it to our local food pantry which is always in need.

Joining a Turkey Trot event is fun, healthy and helps to support terrific community programs. It may even become a family tradition that makes a great excuse for enjoying that second helping at the Thanksgiving dinner table even more.

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THANKSGIVING FUN FACTS

Columbus gave turkeys their name!

It was actually Christopher Columbus who was responsible for giving turkeys their name. Probably even the contestants on Jeopardy would be gobbled up that little fun fact.

Yes, Columbus mistakenly thought these turkeys, which were indigenous to this continent but were not found in Europe, were relatives of the peacock. Why? Because Columbus originally thought he landed in India and he knew that peacocks were in abundance there. He figured the turkey was a member of the peacock family, which makes sense.

So he named them "tuka," which is "peacock" in the Tamil language of India. But, by the way, turkeys are not related to peacocks. They are actually a type of pheasant. That's another factoid that may give the Jeopardy contestants a fowl time.

Here's another piece of trivia revolving around the Thanksgiving holiday in our country that probably not many people know about: Thanksgiving gave birth to the TV dinner!

It happened like this. In 1953, the Swanson Company had so much extra turkey – 260 tons worth! – that a salesman told them they should package it onto aluminum trays with other sides like sweet potatoes ... and the first frozen TV dinner was born.

The convenience of frozen TV dinners caught on very quickly with consumers across the country and spread internationally within a few short years. Hopefully the Swanson salesman received a generous bonus from his employer.

While it's uncertain if turkey was part of the first Thanksgiving celebration, the popular fowl has become



The turkey has become standard fare for Thanksgiving celebrations in the U.S. But was the fowl on the menu for the first Thanksgiving in 1621? (photo courtesy of DNR)

standard fare for the annual holiday celebration. In the U.S., about 280 million turkeys are sold each year for Thanksgiving. The average size of the bird is 15 pounds with about 70 percent white meat and 30 percent dark meat.

Turkey today is as much a part of Thanksgiving as Detroit Lions' football and drum sticks. Even if the pilgrims and their Native American guests did not partake of turkey at the first Thanksgiving meal in 1621 in Plymouth, Mass., we know from historical accounts that there was plenty of other scrumptious food prepared for the three-day feast, including some fine New England lobster.

Those who didn't care for eating lobster weren't short-changed, though. Chicken, rabbit, venison, cod, bass, squash, beans, barley, chestnuts, hickory nuts, onions, leeks, dried fruits, maple syrup and honey, radishes, cabbage, carrots, eggs, and goat cheese were also part of the fare. Wild turkey did inhabit the area but historians are divided on whether the fowl made it to the table in 1621 or not.

We do know that the first Thanksgiving feast was organized by Governor William Bradford to thank God for His bountiful provisions. The exact date is not known, though it took place sometime between Sept. 21 and Nov. 9, most likely in early October. The date of Thanksgiving was probably set by President Lincoln to correlate with the anchoring of the Mayflower at Cape Cod on Nov. 21, 1620.

Everyone ate with spoons, knives and their fingers at the first feast, since there were no forks available. The Wampanoag Indians had taught the pilgrims how to cultivate the land and were invited in appreciation of their friendliness. Chief Massasoit and the 90 men with him did not come to the banquet empty-handed; they killed five deer and added that to the feast.

Here are some other interesting Thanksgiving facts:

- The consumption of turkey has been blamed for the annual "Thanksgiving nap" that mysteriously overtakes folks on the afternoon of the fourth Thursday in November. But, scientists pour

water on that assertion. Scientists say that extra glass of wine, the high-calorie meal or relaxing after a busy work schedule is what makes folks drowsy after the Thanksgiving meal.

- President Lincoln issued a Thanksgiving Proclamation on Oct. 3, 1863 and officially set aside the last Thursday of November as the national day for Thanksgiving. In the 1940s, Congress passed a law setting the fourth Thursday of the month as the official Thanksgiving date.

- Since 1947, the National Turkey Federation has presented a live turkey and two dressed turkeys to the President. The President "pardons" the live turkey.

- Turkey has more protein than chicken or beef. The most popular ways to serve leftover turkey is in a sandwich, in stew, chili or soup, in a casserole or as a burger. Each year, the average American eats somewhere between 16-18 pounds of turkey.

- A 16-week old turkey is called a fryer. A five-to-seven month old turkey is called a young roaster.

- The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade began in 1924 with 400 employees marching from Convent Ave to 145th street in New York City. No large balloons were at this parade, as it featured only live animals from Central Park Zoo.

- A spooked turkey can run at speeds up to 20 miles per hour. They can also burst into flight approaching speeds between 50-55 mph in a matter of seconds.

- Wild turkeys, while technically the same species as domesticated turkeys, have a very different taste from farm-raised turkeys. Almost all of the meat is "dark" (even the breasts) with a more intense turkey flavor.

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