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# "Sno-Blast" festival in East Jordan Feb. 21-23

BY JIM AKANS

There's an exhilarating "Sno-Blast" coming to East Jordan. Starting on Friday, February 21 and continuing on Saturday and Sunday, East Jordan will be hosting its 39th annual Sno-Blast. Snowmobiler riders and aficionados will enjoy the fascinating Classic and Antique Snowmobile Show, Snowmobile Safari Ride, Radar Runs, and the TNT "Ride Like a Girl to Save the Girls Bikini Radar Run."

The "Blessing of the Sleds" will take place on Saturday. Sno-Blast will also include an ORV Fun Run, the crowing of the "Belle of the Blizzard" and "Winter Knight," a Grand Story Hour at Books N' Things, a Euchre Tournament, and there will be Concessions and an all day Bean Pot on Saturday.

There will be a Kids Coloring Contest - Sponsored by BC Pizza. Kids ages 0-11 are invited to color the Sno-Blast Coloring Page (Available at the E.J. Chamber of Commerce or E.J. Elementary School). Turn into Chamber Office or School Office by February 19, 2020. Pages will be on display at the E.J. Sno-Mobilers Club House during Sno-Blast for voting.

Events will be taking place at the Snowmobilers Club House and in downtown East Jordan. While



Starting on Friday, February 21 and continuing on Saturday and Sunday, East Jordan will be hosting its 39th annual Sno-Blast. Courtesy photo

downtown be sure to check out the variety of local businesses and eateries. The 39th Annual Sno-Blast Schedule will appear in the 2/20/20 edition of the Charlevoix County News. Visit www.ejchamber.org or check out EastJordanSnoBlast on Facebook for additional information.

**Who will be this year's Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight (2019 Winter Knight - Tom Reid Jr. & Belle of the Blizzard - Luanne Reeds, shown here). Find out at the crowning event on Friday evening, February 21. Courtesy photo**



## Downstate man arrested for Home Invasion

### Moved his belongings into home, changed the locks and put up a new mailbox

Charlevoix County Sheriff Chuck Vondra would like to make the public aware of a man who was recently arrested in Bay Township in Charlevoix County.

The arrestee, Jeffrey Donius from Shelby Township Michigan, was arrested by Charlevoix County Deputies after locating him living in a home that was not his. Donius moved the property

owners' belongings out of their house and moved his stuff in, changed the locks, and put a new mailbox up.

It appears Donius was casing other properties both in and outside of Charlevoix County.

Some stolen property was recovered from a reported B&E in Evangeline Township in Charlevoix County.

We also have property that

was recovered that is not currently reported stolen.

If you have had an encounter with Donius or have been the victim of a theft, please call the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office at 231-547-4461.

Jeffrey Donius is charged with home invasion and remains lodged in the Charlevoix County jail on a \$50,000 bond.



JEFFREY DONIUS

### Boyne City Main Street semifinalist in Great American Main Street award

Boyne City is one of eight communities selected as a semifinalist for the Great American Main Street Award (GAMSA). Given out by the National Main Street Center, the award recognizes communities for their excellence in comprehensive preservation-based commercial district revitalization.

"The Great American Main Street Award is a top honor within the commercial district revitalization field," said Patrice Frey, President and CEO of the National Main Street Center. "These eight outstanding semifinalists have demonstrated the impressive economic and community growth that is possible when commercial districts harness the power of the Main Street Approach. They're a model for Main Street programs across the country working to achieve comprehensive, preservation-based revitalization."

GAMSA semifinalists were selected from a nationwide pool of accredited Main Street America applicants based on their successful and innovative uses of the Main Street Approach™. Criteria includes: volunteer, partner, and community engagement; community transformation; commitment to historic preservation; impactful public/private partnerships, entrepreneurship development; people-centered design; and the community's approach to diversity, equity, and inclusion. 100 communities have been recognized as winners since the award's inception in 1995.

Boyne City Main Street began nearly 17 years ago and has served as a catalyst for many downtown Boyne City, and Boyne community projects. This includes Boyne Thunder, Stroll the Streets, Boyne City Farmers Market, Veteran's Park pavilion project and much more. More importantly, the program has involved hundreds of community members and volunteers and many important partnerships to help bring the community's vision for

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## weather forecast

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HIGH: 12 LOW: 7	HIGH: 18 LOW: 12	HIGH: 31 LOW: 26	HIGH: 29 LOW: 14

## snowfall

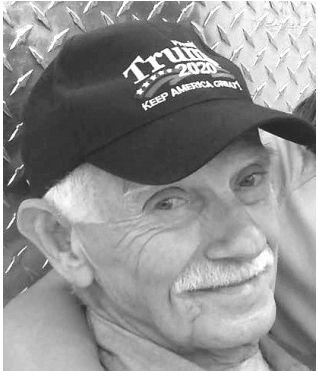
2018-19	AMT"	CITY	2019-20	AMT"	CITY
2/11/19	.39.1	ATLANTA	2/10/20	.38.5	ATLANTA
2/11/19	.78	BOYNE FALLS	2/10/20	.60	BOYNE FALLS
2/11/19	.58.7	CHARLEVOIX	2/10/20	.52.1	CHARLEVOIX
2/11/19	.54.4	CHEBOYGAN	2/10/20	.49	CHEBOYGAN
2/11/19	.96.8	EAST JORDAN	2/10/20	.84	EAST JORDAN
2/11/19	.96.3	GAYLORD	2/10/20	.103.1	GAYLORD
2/11/19	.73.2	KALKASKA	2/10/20	.124.2	KALKASKA
2/11/19	.47.5	LEWISTON	2/10/20	.44	LEWISTON
2/11/19	.43.3	MIO	2/10/20	.44.3	MIO
2/11/19	.62.8	ONAWAY	2/10/20	.63.2	ONAWAY
2/11/19	.106.8	PETOSKEY	2/10/20	.84.2	PETOSKEY

## record temps

DAY	AVG	LOW	Avg	HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
FEB 13	.11	.31	.22	(1982)	.49	(1990)
FEB 14	.11	.32	.27	(1971)	.48	(2002)
FEB 15	.11	.32	.25	(1963)	.56	(1999)
FEB 16	.11	.32	.28	(1963)	.50	(1981)
FEB 17	.11	.32	.41	(1979)	.52	(1981)
FEB 18	.12	.33	.13	(1989)	.57	(1994)
FEB 19	.12	.33	.21	(1979)	.56	(1994)
FEB 20	.12	.33	.21	(1950)	.57	(1983)
FEB 21	.12	.33	.20	(1978)	.52	(1983)
FEB 22	.13	.34	.24	(1963)	.57	(2000)

# OBITUARIES

**WILLIAM C. SENN, JR., 76**  
(MAY 24, 1943 - FEB. 5, 2020)



William Carroll "Bill" Senn, Jr. of Gaylord passed away Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

Bill was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on May 24, 1943, the son of William Senn, Sr. and Roberta Jane (Campbell) Senn. He has lived in Michigan for more than 20 years.

Bill is survived by his wife, Penny; his children, Shannon Senn, Rocky Spencer, II, and Sylvia (Justin); Compton; 3 grandchildren, Vivian, Makayla, and Doug; 2 sisters, Sharon Smith and Jean (Jim) Carlson and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Sr. and Roberta Senn. Bill worked at EJ (East Jordan Iron Works) for 20 years.

He and his wife Penny distributed the Weekly Choice in the Gaylord area in their matching shirts every week for the past 10 years.

At this time, the family has chosen to remember William privately.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Nelson Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

**JOANNE BILLMAYER, 91**  
(OCT. 9, 1928 - FEB. 7, 2020)



JoAnne Billmayer of Boyne City died peacefully in her home surrounded by her family on Friday, February 7, 2020.

JoAnne was born on October 9, 1928 in Grand Forks, ND to Arthur and Gladys (nee Leeson) Larson, and raised in Elm Grove, Wisconsin.

She graduated from the

University of Wisconsin where she was a Delta Gamma and made so many dear lifelong friends. While in Madison, WI, JoAnne met Charlie Billmayer and they married in 1950. Charlie's career in the marine business eventually led them to Michigan where they raised four daughters, collected many more dear friends, and embraced the Michigan lifestyle with enthusiasm and joy.

JoAnne and Charlie, our parents, had an infectious sense of adventure and were truly supportive in every way with their children, grandchildren (8), great grandchildren (8), and large extended family.

We will always remember JoAnne for her joie de vivre, her sassiness and her unconditional love for those dear to her. She will be missed tremendously by so many.

JoAnne is survived by her daughters, Trish (Rick) McCullough, Julie (Bob) Koch, Melissa Haist, all of Florida, Susan (Michael) Bates of Virginia, her sister, Judy (Bob) McCaffrey and her sister-in-law, June Specht. She was predeceased by her husband, Charlie and her parents.

There will be no memorial service, in honor of our mom's wishes. Charitable donations may be made to the American Heart Association, McLaren Hospital Petoskey or a charity of your choice.

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

**ARLENE R. SWANEY, 83**

(APRIL 18, 1936 - FEB. 5, 2020)  
Arlene R. Swaney of Grand Rapids passed away on February 5, 2020. No services are planned. She will be buried along-

side her family in the Ellsworth Cemetery in the spring when weather permits.

Arrangements are being handled by the Ellsworth Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

**MARY ANN (KOTOVICH) BLOOMFIELD, 98**

(JULY 30, 1921 - FEB. 6, 2020)



Mary Ann (Kotovich) Bloomfield of East Jordan died on Thursday, February 6, 2020, in Petoskey.

She was born on July 30, 1921, in Detroit, the daughter of George and Anna (Fada) Kotovich. She grew up in East Jordan and graduated from East Jordan High School in 1940. She then studied nursing and graduated from Wayne State University in Detroit.

She served as a nurse in the United States Army as a Second Lieutenant from 1944 to 1946. She later worked as a nurse in a variety of health related venues.

On January 9, 1960, she married George W. Bloomfield at St. James Catholic Church in Ferndale, Michigan.

She was a member of the American Legion Post #227 in East Jordan.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Anne Smigulec of East Jordan;

three nephews, Robert (Joyce) Roberts of Algonac, Ted Kotowich of East Jordan and Tim Kotowich (Patrizia) of Munich, Germany; four nieces, Janet Pearson of Gaylord, Terry Perniciaro of Monroe Township, New Jersey, Niki Kenny of Petoskey and Kathy (Bruce) Reid of Charlevoix; several great nephews and great nieces. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, George W. Bloomfield; son, Joseph Bloomfield, son-in-law, Steve Smigulec; four brothers; two sisters.

A memorial mass will be announced at a later date. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Charlevoix Humane Society.

Arrangements were handled by the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

**RAYMOND LEE BRACE, 87**

(JAN. 4, 1933 - FEB. 8, 2020)

Raymond Lee Brace, Sr of Central Lake passed away Saturday, February 8, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born on January 4, 1933 in Royal Oak, MI to Minndon and Mable Brace. Raymond grew up in Detroit until he moved to Central Lake when he was 13 years old. He participated in track, jumping hurdles, and competed in the State finals. Raymond graduated in 1951 and joined the Army where he was stationed in Alaska until 1953.

On August 7th, 1954 he married his sweetheart Shirley Thier and they have been married 65 years.

In his early years Raymond was employed as a stone sawyer for Wolverine Marble Company and then at Decora Marble as a foreman, both in Detroit.

Raymond went on to get his Associates degree and graduated from Lawrence Tech University in 1964.

Eventually he went to work for the City of Birmingham as an Engineering Inspector until he retired in 1995. He was a spiritual man and was active in his church.

Ray was preceded in death by his sister Loretta Crawford of Hesperia, MI, brothers Leroy of Madison Heights and Robert of Largo, FL. He was also preceded in death by his two nieces and nephew Denise, Darla, and Delmus.

He is survived by his wife Shirley, daughter Susan (Brace) Frantti and husband Kalle Frantti of Central Lake, son Raymond Lee, Jr and wife Tammy (Wood) Brace of Warren, and an adopted daughter Julie (Brace) Susalla. He is also survived by 6 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, and 5 nieces and nephews. He will be missed by his family and many friends.

The family wishes to thank the Munson Healthcare, Grayling Hospice, for their thoughtful and tender care.

Visitation will be at 11 a.m. with the funeral service following at 12 Noon on Saturday, February 15th at Pleasant Valley Free Methodist Church, 3055 W. Old State Rd, East Jordan, with Pastors Brian Yost and Dave Scott officiating. Memorial donations can be made to A.C. Paws, PO BOX 94, Acme, MI, 49610.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com).

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# Emmet County EMS puts remounted ambulance in service

Emmet County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) took delivery in January of the first of two remounted Braun ambulances budgeted for 2020. The new ambulance was inspected by county EMS staff and emergency vehicle technicians upon delivery from the factory and the workmanship and quality was found to be exceptional, according to EMS director Randy Weston.

"Several EMS staff members have commented that it looks like a brand new ambulance," said Weston.

The ambulance was stocked with all the required equipment, then it was inspected by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services EMS Division, and placed into service on Wednesday, Jan. 29.

"There is a substantial cost savings with remounting the modular box over purchasing a new ambulance and the quality of this remount has proven to be a good choice," Weston said.

The second remounted ambulance is scheduled to be delivered to the Braun



Emmet County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) took delivery in January of the first of two remounted Braun ambulances budgeted for 2020. Courtesy photo

factory in early May with a completion date of August 1. "In addition to the savings realized by not going with a

new ambulance, the projected cost of the second remount is \$2,000 less than the original estimated cost of

\$125,000," reported Weston. He added that the extra savings was due to the availability of a 2019 Chevrolet 4500 chassis.

Replacement of the vehicles in the county's fleet of ambulances will continue over the next few years, made possible by the passage of an increased millage by Emmet County taxpayers in November 2019.

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Retired Michigan State Police Inspector John Card, (right), places a medal on Mason Hengartner, a Special Olympics Michigan athlete from Area 2, after the young man completed a Snowboarding event during the Winter Games at Schuss Mountain Thursday. Photo by Joanie Moore



Army National Guard Specialist Danica Makowski gives a High-5 to Eric Kozlowski, a Special Olympics Athlete, after he placed 2nd in an Alpine Ski event. Photo by Joanie Moore

## SEMIFINALIST

FROM PG. 1A

downtown to life. “Boyer City Main Street is honored to be named a GAMSA semifinalist alongside a great line-up of communities from across the U.S. This is for each and every community member that has helped make this possible over the last 17 years,” Rob Swartz, Boyer City Main Street Board Chair said.

The reinvestment statistics from this year’s batch of semifinalists show the true impact of their hard work. Together, the eight semifinalists have brought in over 1 billion dollars in public investment and half a billion dollars in private investment, generated 9,498 jobs, opened 459 new businesses, rehabbed 734 buildings, and logged 192,371 volunteer hours since their programs’ inception.

The GAMSA winners will be announced on May 18, 2020 at the National Main Street Center’s Main Street Now Conference in Dallas, Texas.

# Special Olympics Winter Games held at Schuss Mountain

The annual Special Olympic Winter Games were held at Schuss Mountain and Shanty Creek, Grand Tra-

verse Resort and Howe Arena in Traverse City. Approximately 850 athletes competed in snowboarding, skiing,

snowshoeing, ice skating and other winter events.

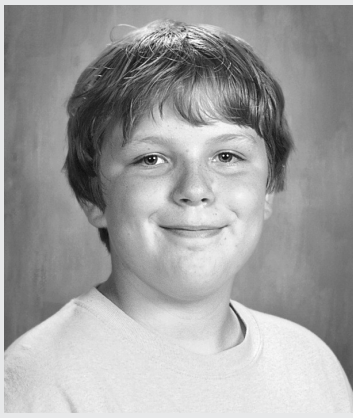
Danica Makowski, a Traverse City resident, was one

of hundreds of volunteers who worked at the Winter Games this year.

“I’m looking forward to

volunteering again next year,” she said. The Winter Games wrapped up Friday.

## Boyer Falls Public Schools STUDENT OF THE WEEK



### Jordan Devers

Grade: 9

Parent’s Name(s): Sarah Devers and Steve Reinhardt

Future Plans: Continue education to become a certified welder and CNC machinist

Favorite Book: “Kane Chronicles” by Rick Riordan

Hobbies and Interests: Likes to work on dirtbikes and snowmobiles

School Activities: participated in weightlifting

Staff Comments: Jordan has done a great job this year. He made the honor roll his first trimester and is well on his way to do the same this trimester. Jordan’s commitment to his academics and participation in class has been a great example of the logger agreement for his peers. He is a pleasure to have in class and am proud of him for the success he has achieved this school year. Keep up the good work Jordan!

Submitted By: Mr. Stolarski

## NCCMC signs transfer agreements with 25 Michigan Universities

Transferring to a four-year college or university from North Central Michigan College will now be even simpler thanks to new transfer agreements signed with 25 Michigan colleges and universities.

“This will benefit our students tremendously,” said Dr. David Roland Finley, president of North Central. “The percentage of North Central students who transfer to a four-year institution has increased over the past five years to approximately 30 percent. This agreement will ensure their seamless transfer for completion of a bachelor’s degree, making it easier for them to reach their academic goals. We believe students get their best start at North Central, and our region — and the entire

Tip of the Mitt — benefits as a result.”

Transfer agreements will allow North Central students to transfer more credits to four-year schools in the areas of biology, business, criminal justice and psychology. The new agreements specify major-specific courses that students should complete while enrolled at North Central that are common across all institutions in Michigan. The identification of these courses makes it easier for students to complete essential courses before deciding where to transfer.

North Central advisors now have details available for students about which courses they should complete and how those courses apply to degree programs at

the participating universities.

“Transferring from community college to a four-year college or university is more common than ever,” said Erica Lee Orians, executive director of the Michigan Center for Student Success at the Michigan Community College Association. “Our community colleges want to ensure that students receive credit for the courses they have completed when they take the next step in their education.”

The initiative was funded through the Fiscal Year 2018 state budget, which included a one-time appropriation to support this initiative, the redesigned Michigan Transfer Network at [www.m-transfer.org](http://www.m-transfer.org), work to build stronger math pathways,

and efforts to award credit for military experience.

A study conducted by the National Student Clearinghouse found that 52 percent of bachelor’s degree earners in Michigan previously enrolled at a community college, which is higher than the national average of 49 percent.

The Michigan Center for Student Success is leading the statewide initiative for the MCCA in partnership with the Michigan Association of State Universities and the Michigan Independent Colleges and Universities. The project continues through fall 2020, and North Central is working on completing additional agreements in other academic program areas.

## Petoskey Winter Carnival starts February 14

The Winter Carnival will celebrate its 92nd year in 2020. Downtown Petoskey has reinstated its partnership with the long-running Winter Carnival and will tap back into its roots with ice sculptures displayed on downtown sidewalks and in Pennsylvania Park.

On Friday, February 14, Tour the downtown stores, and be treated to chocolate treats wherever you go with the Chocoholic Frolic from 3-7pm. To participate, simply pick up a Stamp Book at the Downtown Office or at any participating store and start your chocolate tour. You will receive a stamp at every participating business you visit. Turn your completed Stamp Book into the Downtown Office by 7:15pm to be entered into the drawing for the Chocoholic Frolic Gift Basket! Drawing will be held at Beards Brewery at 7:30pm.

Friday will also bring the annual Winter Ghost Walk starting at 6pm. You’ll be shivering from more than the winter temperatures by the time you finish this hour long tour of the haunted establishments in Downtown. This walking tour starts at the Perry Hotel (100 Lewis Street) and makes its way throughout Downtown. Tickets are \$15 per person. Space is limited so reserve your tickets now by clicking below or calling Andi at 231-348-0388. Dress warm!

Saturday, February 15, will bring a host of events and activities. There will be an Ice Bar Celebration sponsored by Ruff Life Pet Outfitters from 2-6 pm. Includes Music from Lite 96.3 with DJ Tim Nixon and Live Ice Carving.

There will be a Cardboard Sled workshop at the Petoskey District Library from 10 am - 2 pm. Have you wanted to build your own cardboard sled to compete in the Winter Sports Park Cardboard Sled challenge? Well, Petoskey District Library has you covered. Cardboard and



Bumpjumping is a very popular Winter Carnival event, where participants race down the hill aboard a unique contraption featuring a seat mounted to a ski. Courtesy Photo. Courtesy photo



all other essentials will be supplied. Make your cardboard sled at the Library, then take it to the Winter Sports Park and register for the Cardboard sled race.

### THE FUN AT PETOSKEY WINTER SPORTS PARK ON SATURDAY WILL INCLUDE:

10:30 AM; BUMPJUMPING REGISTRATION

11AM; CHAR-EM C. LEAGUE HOCKEY GAM AND CHARITY EVENT WITH ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO THE LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY HUMANE SOCIETY.

NOON; BUMPJUMPING COMPETITION; COME SEE AN EVENT UNIQUE TO NORTHERN MICHIGAN

1-2:30PM; PAHA BANTAMS HOCKEY GAME

2:30-4PM; PAHA SQUIRTS HOCKEY GAME

4-5:30PM; PAHA MITES HOCKEY GAME

3PM; YOUTH SLEDDING COMPETITION FOR AGES 12 AND UNDER.

6PM; CARDBOARD CHALLENGE REGISTRATION. INDIVIDUALS, TEAMS, AND ORGANIZATIONS ARE ALL ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE. BUILD YOUR SLED FROM CARDBOARD/DUCT TAPE/PAINT.

6:30PM; FIGURE SKATING PERFORM-

ANCE BY THE PETOSKEY FIGURE SKATING CLUB CHOREOGRAPHED BY ANNE MURRAY & TERRI SEEVER.

7PM; CARDBOARD CHALLENGE XV BEGINS. SLEDS WILL BE JUDGED ON SPEED AND CREATIVE DESIGN

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Winter Carnival attendees can also “Search The Stores For Olaf The Snowman. Once you find him in all of the participating stores, turn your Olaf stamp book into the downtown office by 4pm Sunday, February 16th for a chance to win win \$100 in Downtown Dollars. Pick up an Olaf stamp book at the Downtown Office located at 216 Park ave or any participating store and start searching.

For a list of participating businesses and additional information visit [www.petoskeydowntown.com](http://www.petoskeydowntown.com)

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**Tons of items for sale**  
Vendor Tables - \$25 per table  
Contact Bud Sprowl, (989) 335-3195 for display info

**Admission is \$5.00 (or more)**  
of Non-Perishable Food Items per person  
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**PART 2**

**4. REARRANGE BEDROOM CLOSETS AND KITCHEN CABINETS.**

Buyers love to snoop and will open closet and cabinet doors. Think of the message it sends if items fall out! Now imagine what a buyer believes about you if she sees everything organized. It says you probably take good care of the rest of the house as well. This means:

- Alphabetize spice jars. Neatly stack dishes.
- Turn coffee cup handles facing the same way.
- Hang shirts together, buttoned and facing the same direction.
- Line up shoes.

**5. RENT A STORAGE UNIT.**

Almost every home shows better with less furniture. Remove pieces of furniture that block or hamper paths and walkways and put them in storage. Since your bookcases are now empty, store them. Remove extra leaves from your dining room table to make the room appear larger. Leave just enough furniture in each room to showcase the room's purpose and plenty of room to move around. You don't want buyers scratching their heads

and saying, "What is this room used for?"

**6. REMOVE/REPLACE FAVORITE ITEMS.**

If you want to take window coverings, built-in appliances or fixtures with you, remove them now. If the chandelier in the dining room once belonged to your great grandmother, take it down. If a buyer never sees it, she won't want it. Once you tell a buyer she can't have an item, she will covet it, and it could blow your deal. Pack those items and replace them, if necessary.

**7. MAKE MINOR REPAIRS.**

Replace cracked floor or counter tiles. Patch holes in walls. Fix leaky faucets. Fix doors that don't close properly and kitchen drawers that jam.

Consider painting your walls neutral colors, especially if you have grown accustomed to purple or pink walls. (Don't give buyers any reason to remember your home as "the house with the orange bathroom.")

Replace burned-out light bulbs.

If you've considered replacing a worn bedspread, do so now!

# Mackinac Bridge painting project wins second award

The Mackinac Bridge tower painting project, now entering its fourth and final year, has won a second national award. Representatives of Seaway Painting of Livonia, the contractor performing the work on the bridge, accepted the E. Crone Knoy Award this week from the Society for Protective Coatings, an industry group focused on protecting and preserving concrete, steel, and other industrial and marine structures.

The E. Crone Knoy Award "recognizes an outstanding achievement in industrial or commercial coatings work that demonstrates innovation, excellence in craftsmanship, or the use of state-of-the-art techniques or products to creatively solve problems or provide long-term service."

"Anyone who is familiar with the scale and size of the Mackinac Bridge can understand the planning and effort required to clean and repaint the towers," said Mackinac Bridge Authority Executive Secretary Kim Nowack. "The awards our contractors have won are a testament to the excellent work that is being done to preserve the bridge."

Last summer at the Structural Engineers Association of Illinois 2019 Excellence in Structural Engineering Annual Awards, Ruby+Associates took home the Best Neighboring State Project Award for the bridge painting platforms used in the painting project. The movable scaffold system was designed by Ruby+Associates of Bingham Farms, fabricated by Moran Iron Works of Onaway, and used by Seaway Painting.

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



The Mackinac Bridge tower painting project, now entering its fourth and final year, has won a second national award. Photo courtesy of MDOT

during the overnight and early morning hours on several occasions.

The original paint is lead-

based and Seaway is required to contain 100 percent of the paint as it is removed and ship it to an appropriate land-

fill facility. The new paint, which is zinc-based, is expected to last at least 35 years, with periodic maintenance.

## BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPT. INCIDENT REPORT

**MONDAY JANUARY 27, 2020**

- 0447 911 hang up call from the 100 block of E. Cedar St.
- 1038 Report of possible scam originating in Georgia
- 1200 Motorist assist at Fall Park and Boyne Av.
- 1041 Disturbance in the 400 block of N Lake St.
- 1331 Threats Complaint in the 900 block of Wilson St.
- 1348 911 hang up check from the 100 block of E. Main St.
- 1410 911 hang up check from the 1000 block of Boyne Av
- 1630 Served no trespass notice to subject on Jersey St
- 1639 Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of S Lake St
- 1630 Civil Complaint in the 700 block of Wenonah St.
- 1726 Natural death on Grove St

**Tuesday, January 28, 2020**

- 0717 Assist EMS in the 300 block of N Lake St.
- 0832 Illegal dumping complaint in the 300 block of N Lake St.

- 0910 Report of attempted grandchild scam on Jersey St
- 1048 Vehicle unlock in the 100 block of S Park St
- 1220 911 Hang up from the 1000 block of Boyne Av
- 1343 Juvenile complaint in the 900 block of Brockway
- 1915 Fraud complaint in the 300 block of E. Division St.

**Wednesday, January 29, 2020**

- 1029 Vehicle unlock in the 1100 block of Boyne Av
- 1031 CSC complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
- 1854 Car deer crash at Boyne Ave and Fall Park
- 2046 Assist Sheriff Dept. at Boyne Mtn.
- 2120 Juvenile complaint on Water St.

**THURSDAY JANUARY 30, 2020**

- 0629 Driving complaint on Lakeshore Dr.
- 1211 Vehicle unlock on Ray St
- 1346 Car deer crash report taken for crash the night before at State and Call
- 1440 Attempted fraud com-

- 1545 Property damage crash in the 1300 block of Boyne Ave.
- 1630 Civil complaint on Earl St

**FRIDAY JANUARY 31, 2020**

- 1339 Stalking complaint in the 800 block of S Park St
- 1415 Report of social media harassment complaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av
- 1044 Assist EMS on Pine Pointe Trail.
- 1754 Assault in the 700 block of Wenonah St.
- 1836 Assisted Sheriff Dept. with a car that ran off Lakeshore Rd onto the lake.
- 2303 Disturbance on W Main St.

**Saturday, February 1, 2020**

- 0109 OWI at M-75 S and Magnet Dr.
- 0250 Noise complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
- 0318 Suspicious subject on M-75 S near Moll Dr.
- 1052 Vehicle unlock on

- Alice St.
- 1213 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Advance Rd N
- 2154 Assist EMS in the 100 block of W Pine St.
- 2200 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Advance Rd N.
- 2128 Civil complaint on Robinson St.

**Sunday, February 2, 2020**

- 0115 Assist Sheriff Dept. at Boyne Mt.
- 0144 Assist Sheriff Dept. at Boyne Mt.
- 0210 Assist Sheriff Dept. at Boyne Mt.
- 0237 Suspicious vehicle in the 1300 block Boyne Av
- 1001 Property damage crash at State St and N East St.
- 1327 Alarm on Moll Dr.
- 1414 Citation issued for speed on Front St. near Pleasant Ave.
- 1751 Abandoned Vehicle left.
- 1857 Assist Sheriff Dept. in Boyne Falls.
- 2010 Intoxicated subject on State St.

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<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2016 GMC SIERRA 3500HD REG. CAB W/T 6.0L V8 #G0090A <b>\$31,600</b> OR <b>\$495/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2008 CHEVY AVEO LT 5 SPD. MANUAL #G9675A <b>NOW ONLY \$2,345</b></p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2014 GMC TERRAIN SLE AWD #G0128 <b>\$10,000</b> OR <b>\$189/MO</b> 60 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2014 BUICK ENCORE AWD LEATHER GROUP #G9969 <b>\$14,323</b> OR <b>\$225/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2014 GMC SIERRA 1500 DBL CAB SLE 5.3L V8 #G9952 <b>\$24,000</b> OR <b>\$376/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>
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<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2012 RAM 1500 CREW CAB LARAMIE LONG HORN NAV, SUNROOF #G9865 <b>\$19,834</b> OR <b>\$375/MO</b> 60 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2014 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 CREW CAB LT 5.3L V8 #G9759 <b>\$24,500</b> OR <b>\$384/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2015 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 DBL CAB LT 5.3L V8 #G9780 <b>\$23,000</b> OR <b>\$360/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2014 GMC ACADIA SLE FWD #G8908B <b>\$14,250</b> OR <b>\$223/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2012 SUBARU OUTBACK 2.5i PREMIUM, SUNROOF #G9994 <b>\$11,000</b> OR <b>\$208/MO</b> 60 MOS.**</p>
<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2015 FORD EXPEDITION EL LIMITED, NAV, SUNROOF #G9981 <b>\$24,000</b> OR <b>\$376/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2014 GMC SIERRA 1500 CREW CAB SLE ALL-TERRAIN 5.3L V8 #G9828 <b>\$27,000</b> OR <b>\$423/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2016 CHEVY COLORADO EXT. CAB W/T #G9978 <b>\$15,500</b> OR <b>\$243/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2016 CHEVY EQUINOX AWD LT #G0039A <b>\$15,700</b> OR <b>\$246/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2015 DODGE RAM 1500 SPORT CREW CAB NAV, HEMI #G9630 <b>\$19,000</b> OR <b>\$298/MO</b> 60 MOS.**</p>
<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2013 FORD F150 SUPERCREW XLT 3.5L V6 #G9664 <b>\$15,500</b> OR <b>\$293/MO</b> 60 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2017 GMC TERRAIN AWD SLE #G0202 <b>\$18,400</b> OR <b>\$288/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2010 DODGE RAM 1500 QUAD CAB SLE HEMI #G9667 <b>\$16,475</b> OR <b>\$311/MO</b> 60 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2017 CHEVY EQUINOX AWD LT #G0201 <b>\$18,900</b> OR <b>\$296/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>	<p><b>CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED</b> 2017 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 CREW CAB LT Z71 5.3L V8 #G0233 <b>\$30,000</b> OR <b>\$470/MO</b> 72 MOS.**</p>
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