

## Charlevoix County News 🛞 **YOUR SOURCE FOR LOCAL NEWS & SPORTS** MARCH 26, 2020

BOYNE CITY, CHARLEVOIX, EAST JORDAN, ELLSWORTH AND SURROUNDING AREAS

#### **2017 CHEVY SILVERADO LT**

4WD, Double cab, bed liner, newer tires, High topper. 62K. Lease is up.

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## Temporary requirement to suspend activities that are not necessary to sustain or protect life

To combat the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan, Governor Whitmer signed the "Stav Home, Stav Safe" executive order. For at least the next three weeks, all Michigan businesses and operations must temporarily suspend in-person operations that are not necessary to sustain or protect life, and all Michiganders must stay in their homes unless they're a part of that critical infrastructure workforce, engaged in an outdoor activity, or performing tasks necessary to the health and safety of themselves or their family, like going to

the hospital or grocery store.

#### YOU CAN:

- Go to the grocery store or pick up take-out food. - Go to the pharmacy to

pick up a needed prescription.

- Engage in outdoor activities like walking, hiking, running, biking.

- Go to the hospital or secure any care necessary to address a medical emergency or to preserve your health or the health of a loved one.

- Fill your car with gas. - Return to Michigan to a home or place of residence from outside the State. - Leave the State for a

home or residence elsewhere

- Walk your pets and take them to the veterinarian for needed medical care.

#### YOU MAY NOT:

- Leave the home to work unless your employer designates you as a critical infrastructure worker.

- Participate in any public gatherings. - Visit someone in the hos-

pital, nursing home, or

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To combat the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan, Governor Whitmer signed the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order. State of Michigan website photo.

## **Restaurant and Retail services** and hours during Coronavirus shutdown in Charlevoix County

Faced with a state-ordered moratorium on dine-in service, many local restaurants and food providers are offering enhanced take-out, curbside pickup and delivery options. Also, many retail businesses have limited hours and services This list was complied from area businesses and chamber of commerces.

Curb Happy Hour" from 3-5 p.m. featuring \$5 shrimp cocktail, \$5 meatballs, \$5 pan pizza, \$5 Bavarian Pretzel, and 1/2 off beer and wine to go. Updated hours are 3 to 9 p.m. 231-582-8800.

BARREL BACK - Open 7

wraps, salads, appetizers, burritos, quesadillas and desserts. Menu. 231-582-2288

BOYNE CITY BAKERY -Take-out available. Call about curbside service or delivery options if you cannot leave home, specials for school-aged children, call about bulk orders for freezing at home. The back entrance to the bakery will be closed until further notice. 231.497.6060.

Wine Market & Deli are open for business as usual with normal operating hours. (The Wine Lounge is currently closed and the menu is not available for carry-out or delivery.) Announcing free home delivery to zip code 49712. Call in an order of \$50 or more

#### **Health Department** reports COVID-19 case from Charlevoix County

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting a presumptive positive case of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in a resident of Charlevoix County who has a history associated with international travel. The individual, an adult female, is isolated and recuperating at a residence.

The Health Department has been working with her to identify and contact anyone potentially exposed. Any additional information and guidance will be announced as soon as possible at nwhealth.org or at the Health Department's Facebook Page. Medical Director, Dr. Josh Meyerson shared, "We hope that this individual has a swift recovery. As we see additional cases, it's important to remember that everyone in our community has a role to play in slowing community spread.' We continue to encourage our community members to practice prevention strategies to reduce the spread of germs and protect everyone's health. There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. To prevent the spread of COVID-19, people should:

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#### **BOYNE CITY**

FAMILY FARE. Introducing reserved hours for older adults, pregnant women and immunocompromised store guests Effective Thursday, March 18, SpartanNash is setting aside time twice per week for store guests most at risk of contracting coronavirus (COVID-19), including older adults, pregnant women and immunocompromised individuals. Reserved hours will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

CAFE SANTE has rewritten their menu reducing prices. We are offering our new S-Car-Go curbside pick-up. Visit us online or please call your order in and we will be happy to deliver to your car upon arrival. "Kick it to the

days in Walloon Lake Village for curbside pick-up from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Prepaid curbside service is available. Please call ahead to place your order and call when you arrive. We are happy to bring your food out to you. Website with menu. 231-535-6000.

BC PIZZA has always had take-out, drive-through and delivery service - and that continues now that their dining room has closed. You can order by phone during their hours of 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday, and 12 to 10 p.m. on Sunday. Pickup service is available from their location at 1191 Highway M75 South. (The downtown location on North Lake Street is closed for now.) Their name says "pizza," but their menu also includes pasta, subs,

BOYNE CITY TAPROOM has a new Weekend Takeout Menu. Please place orders by 3pm on Friday or Saturday. Order pick-up is available between 5-6pm each day. Call (231) 675-3306 or message our Facebook Page to place your order. Dinner for 4 is only \$45 - choose one entrée per order, includes familystyle garden or Caesar Salad and four double chocolate chip cookies. \$10 Growler fills and \$15 bottles of wine

BOYNE COUNTRY PRO-VISIONS - All of our retail products and deli prepared food to go is available for normal retail purchase and carry-out. Both Provisions Wet Goods and Provisions

and we'll deliver it for free from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. There is a \$5 delivery charge for purchases below this amount. Delivery options include spirits, craft beer, wine, specialty foods, deli meals, etc. Customers purchasing age-restricted items will be required to show valid ID upon delivery. Chef Russell and our dedicated deli staff are working hard to ensure our "Grab & Go" food offerings are kept in stock. We will also begin offering Pepperoni & Cheese Take 'N Bake pizzas daily. Check Facebook for updates. 231-582-2151.

HOPPY HOUND Coffee and Dog Bakery - Now offering curbside service and opening at 7am to fill your coffee needs. \$2 20-oz. coffee all month long. We are open 7am-5pm. Medical staff and first respon-

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Wash their hands.

- Stay home when sick. - Avoid close contact with sick people.

- Avoid touching their face. - Disinfect commonly

touched surfaces.

- Avoid shaking hands. - Follow suggested guidelines for social distancing.

For social distancing, we recommend the following:

- Keep six feet between yourself and others when possible.

Avoid public places at their busiest times.

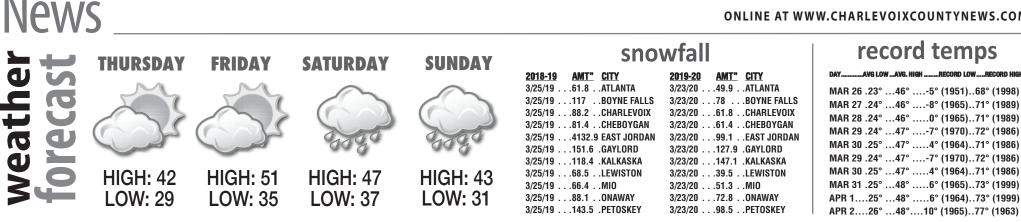
- Work from home when possible.

- Cancel gatherings of more than 50 people as required by

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**OBITUARIES** 

#### SANDRA J. CLARK, 76 (OCT. 16, 1943 - MARCH 17, 2020)



Sandra Jean Clark of East Jordan went to be with her Lord on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, in Petoskey, MI.

She was born on October 16, 1943, in St. Louis, Missouri, the daughter of Lloyd Franklin and Lois (Paxton) Hubbard. She grew up and attended high school in Salem, Missouri. She moved to Michigan in 1961. On November 3, 1961, in Flushing Township, Michigan, she married Edward Erwin Clark. They lived in Hillard, Ohio from 1963 to 1968, and then moved to Flushing, Michigan. In 1998, they permanently moved to East Jordan. MI after Edward's retirement. Sandra and Edward have been members of Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City, MI.

She is survived by her husband, Edward Clark of East

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Jordan; three children, Lois Christine (Reuben) Brewer of East Jordan, Lloyd Franklin (Gloria) Clark of Dallas, Georgia and Elizabeth Ann (Mike) Brooks of East Jordan; eleven grandchildren, Nathan (Christy) Hartman, Jordan (Megan) Hartman, Austin Eaton, Amanda Brewer, Melissa (Rory) Fitzgerald, Ryan (Autumn) Clark, Jonathan Clark, Calvin Cody, Emily (Mitchell) Cody, Katelynn Brooks and Jackson Brooks; eleven great grandchildren, Izabella Brewer, Benjamin Hartman, Thomas Hartman, Kaylee Hartman, Dunavan Fitzgerald, Finnlan Fitzgerald, Landon Clark, Brantley Clark, Hudson Clark, Greyson Mousseau, and Victor Mousseau; two sisters, Gail (James) Williams of East Jordan and Betty Pierce of Flushing Township; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother-inlaw, Dave Pierce.

Funeral services will be postponed and will be announced at a later date. The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Home, East Jordan

#### **ROBERTA LYNN HARRIS, 58**

(MAY 28, 1961 - MARCH 21, 2020) Roberta Lynn Harris of Boyne Falls passed away at

home on Saturday, March 21, 2020.

Arrangements for a memorial service at Calvary Baptist Church in Gaylord will be announced at a later date.

#### **MARY ANN HAMILTON, 93**

(AUG. 29, 1926 - MARCH 20, 2020)



Mary Ann Hamilton of Charlevoix passed away on March 20, 2020 at Munson Health Care. Charlevoix Hospital

Mary Ann was born on August 29, 1926 in Ionia, MI, the daughter of Alger and Florence (Holcomb) Dean.

Mary Ann worked for Bell Telephone and Hoskins Manufacturing for many years. She was a long time She enjoyed reading and

She is survived by two children, Linda (Bill) Purdy of Charlevoix, Larry (Shawn) Hamilton, 4 grandchildren, Christopher Demanaeus, Jonathan (Melissa) Purdy, Katherine (Ben) Henley, Steven Hamilton, and 6 greatgrandchildren, Westley

Purdy, Akira Purdy, Jaidyn Brooks, Jasmine Brooks, Quinn Henley and Ciara Demanaeus.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harvey Hamilton, two brothers and her parents.

Funeral Services were held Tuesday March 24th, 2020 at the Community Church of God in Charlevoix, Pastor Neil Turner officiated.

Burial will take place in Barnard Cemetery. Memorial contributions

may be made to the Community Church of God, 202 W Hurlbut St., Charlevoix, MI 49720.

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

Online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

#### **KELLY MICHAEL BALES, 53**

(APRIL 19, 1966 - MARCH 20, 2020)



Kelly Michael Bales, a.k.a. Zeke, Brotha, Son, Dad, Unc, and Bales, left us peacefully in his sleep early Friday, March 20th. You hear this

from time to time...but in this case it's true: HE WAS ONE OF A KIND!

Kelly was born on August 19, 1966 in Royal Oak, Michigan to Marion McKay and Michael Bales. The Bales family moved to Charlevoix in 1971, which laid the foundation for who Kelly became. Who he became was one of the kindest souls Charlevoix ever produced. He lived with a flare, and a life journey compass, truly unique to Kelly. Those that knew him as "Bales" were gifted with one crazy son-of-gun...doanything-for-anyone, FRIEND!

Kelly graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1984. He joined the Army but was discharged from basic training for medical reasons. March to your own drummer, Kelly mastered this talent. He was a jack of all trades and held countless jobs. Kelly did not allow himself to be tied to the norm. If he got tired of what he was doing, he moved on, and on, and on, and on! You get the point!

Kelly LOVED anything with an engine-preferably a FAST and LOUD engine! The family literally lost count of how many vehicles he owned and played with over the years - vehicles with names like: Sandman, Wild Rice (Subaru Brat), Ultimate Warrior (nitrous-burning Suzuki Samurai). Race? Anytime anywhere! Mt. McSauba Challenge, Shanty Creek Hill Climb, Silver Lake, NASCAR with friends and family and drag weekends with his dear friend Aaron and family. As for "crazy friend"...

jump on his FaceBook page and scroll through the many, kind, posts folks are sharing about their FRIEND "Bales". Should carry an "adult" view rating for some posts!

Family members that beat Kelly to Jesus include his grandparents William and Muriel Bales, Herman and Sylvia Graf and other extended family (Kelly would consider that a race). Those of us left here to race on include: mom - Marion (Bill) McKay, dad - Michael (Sally) Bales, son - Bailey Bales, daughter - Krystal (Johnathen) Brannon-Bales, grandsons Kody and Jace, brother -Keith (Barb) Bales, stepbrothers Patrick (Keiko) McKay and Geoff (Tina) Nelson, stepsisters Lynn (Jeff) Prepejchal and Barb Nelson. Nieces Kaeli (Paul) Stolt, Kelsi & Kiersten Bales, Lauren Prepejchal and nephews Kyran Bales, Josh & Nick Prepejchal, William & Vincent McKay, great nieces Kinley & Harper Stolt and other extended family. And... SPEED the wonder dog (Bailey's got him now).

If you are wondering what he is up to now, my guess is he is likely working in his ultimate shop building the baddest buggy you have ever seen! Betting he will name this new heavenly racer "Raising Hell". As for us...anyone with hair, you might consider running out and getting a Bales Mohawk! The family will be celebrat-

ing his life privately. Please sign his online

guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

#### **BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT**

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020 1233 Fraud complaint on W Main St 0924 Assist EMS on Robinson St. 1520 Dispatched one deer at 604 Boyne City Rd. 1751 Served Subpoena on E Main St. 1858 Fraud complaint on Forest Ave. 2156 private property damage crash on Silver St.

2335 Health and safety complaint in the 300 block 1625 Assist citizen in

and Grant. the 300 block of E Division St. 1641 Road rage incident near the schools. 1835 Civil complaint in the 500 block of W. Michigan Ave 0752 Citation issued for speed in school zone at Boyne Av and Brockway 0820 Citation issued for speed in school zone at Boyne Av and Brockway 0914 Report of internet scam from Marshall Rd. 1524 Citation issued for Speed at W. Lincoln St. and Douglas St. 1638 Report of a road rage incident on M-75 S. 2215 Assist motorist on

2230 Health and safety investigation on River St. 2313 Assist Sheriff Dept. at M 75 N and Old State.

Charlevoix resident where she was a member of the Community Church of God. crossword puzzles.

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#### TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020

0935 Civil complaint in the 300 block of N Lake St 1102 Vehicle unlock in the 200 block of E Water St Juvenile com-

1331 plaint in the 1000 block of Boyne Av. 1703 Assisted EMS in the 300 block of E Division St. 1759 Health & safety complaint in the 800 block of S Park St. 2041 Assist probation officer in the 800 block of S. Lake St.

OT E DIVISION ST

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020 0046 Domestic dispute in the 100 block of N Park

St. Burn permit is-0910 sued on Lewis Av 1237 Assist Fire Dept. on alarm on Elm St 1325 Found iPad dropped off at PD 1534 Suspicious situation on Brockway St 1604 Identity Theft on Alice St. 1636 False Alarm in the 300 block of Front St. 2023 Assist Sheriff Dept. on M75 S

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020 0512 Arrested subject for DWLS for and no insurance at State and **River Ridge** 1343 Driving complaint on Vogel. 1501 Assist EMS on Elm St. 1537 Citation issued for Expired Plate at E Main

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SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020 0233 Suspicious vehicle on N. Lake St. 2102 Report of a suspicious vehicle that backed in to a residence on Elm St.

M 75 S.

2215 Noise complaint on W Main St.

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

0804 Assist citizen in the 200 block of S. Lake St. 0905 Assist Sheriff Dept. and MSP on St. Louis Club Rd. 1504 Suspicious situation in the 200 block of Water St. 1512 Parking complaint at Arthur St. and Jefferson St. 1728 Civil complaint on Robinson St 1924 Alarm activation on W Water St 2040 Arrested subject for DWLS subsequent to a stop for running the red light at Lake and Water. 2108 Report of a possible PPO violation in the 300 block of E Division St

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 8888 Ance Rd., Charlevoix MI RERGMANN 2 miles north of the bridge Open ENTER Tues-Sat 231.547.9624 NC **Resale Shop** 

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### News ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM East Jordan Family Health Center helping protect our communities

Health Centers across the country are revising their "Infectious Disease Protocols" daily due to the pandemic of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The East Jordan Family Health Center, with locations in East Jordan and Bellaire, has been working with area hospitals, health departments, LabCorp and other health centers to combat the spread of the virus while protecting their patients and staff.

Some of the ways your

health providers are being proactive include, screening all visitors and patients upon arrival, rescheduling routine check-ups and promoting telephone-based visits. Medications are being filled promptly and patients are being advised to use the drive thru pharmacy locations in Bellaire and East Jordan. Over the counter medicines including cold, flu and vitamins are also available through the drive thru and the pharmacy provides a

mail order service for those unable to leave their home. Contact the pharmacy regarding any medication concerns.

All these protocols are based on CDC recommendations to help mitigate the spread of the Covid-19 virus. Prevention is KEY and the health center is continually cleaning and sanitizing exam rooms, lobbies and frequently touched surfaces.

If you believe you have symptoms related to the

Coronavirus, please call your health provider to determine the next steps. Symptoms include cough, shortness of breath, and fever. A person is at additional risk when they've been exposed to known COVID-19 persons. It is important to stav home to prevent further exposure to our community until directed otherwise by your provider.

Everyone can help prevent the spread of coronavirus and other infectious diseases by practicing everyday prevention including frequent hand washing for at least 20 seconds, staying home when sick, covering coughs and sneezes with the crock of the elbow, and not touching the eyes, mouth or the nose.

The East Jordan Family Health Center is working continuously to support our community during this time. If you have questions regarding the Coronavirus, visit our website at www.ejfhc.org for up to date information along with additional services pro-

vided at both the Bellaire and East Jordan locations. Working together, we can limit the impact of the virus on our community.

East Jordan Family Health Center - (231) 536-2206 Bellaire Family Health

Center - (231) 533-8649 Check out our website for information regarding Covid-19-www.ejfhc.org/2019novel-coronavirus/

#### **BC** Schools providing food for students on pick-up basis

BC SchoolsBovne City Public Schools have arranged for food to be provided to all students under the age of 18 during this extended school closure. The food that will be provided will be on a pick-up basis. There are no "eat-in" options due to the order of the governor to close schools to help minimize the spread of COVID-19. This week's dates for free meals will be Wednesday, March 18, and Friday, March 20, located in the back entrance of Boyne City High School near the bus garage from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. Other dates will be announced.

Manna Food Bags can be picked up on Fridays from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. for previously eligible students. This includes preschool children. Pick-up will be at the high school back entrance doors closest to the bus garage.

Questions can be directed to Food Service Director Layna Krell at 231-439-8148 or lkrell@boyne.k12.mi.us.

## **CHARLEVOIX COVID CASE**

FROM PG. 1A

Michigan law. However, it is recommended gatherings not exceed 10 people.

- Limit travel.

The Health Department is working to share updates and essential information through our website at nwhealth.org/covid19 or at the Health Department's Facebook Page.

## St. Michael Academy's Grace Broz places 3rd in regional spelling bee



Grace Broz, you make us P-R-O-U-D! St. Michael Academy, 7th grader, Grace Broz finished in 3rd place over the weekend in the Grand Traverse Regional Spelling Bee. Grace (far right) competed with 45 students from the 7-county area. Stiff competition.. It was first place winner, Cecilia Balog's second year to take first and 2nd place winner Autumn Reeves, won the Spelling Bee in 2018. Congratulations, Grace. Well done! Courtesy photo



### **MiCareerQuest** career exploration event for students canceled

We regret to inform that due to COVID-19 concerns, we have decided to cancel MiCareerQuest Northeast for 2020.

With the uncertainty of what the next weeks will bring, we feel this decision is in the best interests of the health of the community, the exhibitors, and the students. The event, scheduled for May 21, was to be held at the Industrial Arts Institute. Over 2,200 middle & high school students from over 24 schools in the region had registered to attend.

MiCareerQuest is a unique, hands-on career exploration event aimed at middle and high school students, where students can participate in interactive exhibits exploring careers in healthcare, technology, construction, and manufacturing. In 2019, over 1,000 northeast Michigan students participated. The purpose of the event is to inspire and direct young people to viable careers in high-demand occupations across the region and help address the need for future talent in these industries.

While it is unfortunate that we need to cancel the event this year, we know this is in the best interests of the community, as we continue to try to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the region. The 2021 MiCareerQuest Northeast is scheduled for Thursday, May 20, 2021.

### **ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED** FROM PG. 1A

other residential care facilities (with limited exceptions). - Go to the mall or to restaurants.

#### **BUSINESSES THAT REMAIN OPEN FOR IN-PERSON** WORK MUST TAKE **AGGRESSIVE STEPS TO MINIMIZE THE VIRUS'S SPREAD. THEY MUST:**

- Promote remote work to the fullest extent possible. - Restrict the number of workers present in-person on the job.

- Keep employees at least six feet from one another to the maximum extent possible and enabling social distancing for customers who are standing in line.

- Any other social distancing practices and mitigation measures recommended by the Centers for Disease Control.

Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at

Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus. For those who have questions about the state's actions to mitigate the spread of coronavirus, please call the COVID-19 Hotline at 1-888-535-6136 between 8AM - 5PM daily.

## NCMC moves to virtual learning and postpone commencement

"Our faculty and staff are committed to walking through this unprece-North Central Michigan College announced that its dented situation alongside our students and community, and I'm con-Petoskey campus and Cheboygan and Gaylord vinced that we will all emerge stronger and more resilient as a result." centers will be closed beginning March 20 through April 19. All classes, including online classes, labs and clinicals, at all campus locations (Petoskey, Gaylord and Cheboygan) will be delivered via remote instructional methods effective April 6 through the end of the semester.

Through May 8, all campus events are canceled. Commencement and Nurse Pinning, previously scheduled for May 8, are postponed. Students who fulfill degree requirements for the Winter 2020 semester will have the credential posted to their transcripts by May 22, which can be used as proof that a degree was earned. Diplomas will be distributed by mail at a date to be determined.

The Residence Hall will be closed through the end of winter semester. Individual appointments may be made for students to retrieve their belongings. Additional information will be sent to Residence Hall students regarding a credit on their account for the weeks they cannot return to their

rooms. These students will receive a detailed email within the next two weeks.

"These were not easy decisions to make, but we are taking every precaution to ensure the safety of our campus community," said Dr. David Roland Finley, president of North Central. "Although the college's physical locations will be closed, we will still be working to deliver the best possible educational experience to our students. Our faculty and staff are committed to walking through this unprecedented situation alongside our students and community, and I'm convinced that we will all emerge stronger and more resilient as a result."

Registration for summer and fall semesters is underway and will continue despite the campus closure. The Financial Aid department and academic advisors will communicate via phone and email to help students register for classes and apply for scholarships. "We are making plans for summer and fall semesters, and we encourage students to do the same," said Renee DeYoung, vice president of Student Affairs. "We want our students to prioritize their physical and mental health during this time, but we also want them to prioritize their educational goals to remain on track for completion."

A Student Emergency Fund is available to meet students' emergency needs. Students who are experiencing a financial hardship that is threatening the success of their education are encouraged to apply for this assistance. Students with questions should contact Renee DeYoung at rdeyoung@ncmich.edu.

The Campus Cupboard, the college's food pantry for current North Central students, will remain open as a resource for students who might be experiencing food insecurity, however order

pickup will be on Fridays from 2-4 p.m. only. Orders received throughout the week and by noon on Fridays will be available for pickup during the designated pickup time. Students with questions should call 231-348-6605. All calls will be returned.

Dr. David Roland Finley, president of North

North Central is continually monitoring and evaluating college operations based on the latest information and recommendations from local, state and national health experts and officials regarding mitigating the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19).

To streamline communications moving forward, the North Central website will be the vehicle for all Coronavirus (COVID-19) updates. The college will keep the public informed as this issue evolves, working to respond in ways that ensure the health, safety and well-being of our college community.

### **MSU Extension** offers online "Stress Less with Mindfulness"

Stress Less with Mindfulness introduces participants to the experience and practice of mindfulness, with a goal of reducing stress. Research has shown that practicing mindfulness is effective in reducing stress-related symptoms such as worry, depression and physical tension, and may be helpful in managing chronic conditions.

The program covers mindful breathing, mindful movement, mindful eating, physical processes in the brain and body, and mindful laughter. Registration is required for the online 5 session class and there are 2 classes being offered. The first one is March 30-April 3 from 9 -10am and the other one is March 30 -April 3 from 3 - 4pm. To register go to: https://events.anr.msu.e

du/stresslesswithmindfulnessonlinemarch23a/

#### Statement of Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof Regarding "Stay Home, Be Safe"

#### **BY ALLEN TELGENHOF**

In light of Governor Whitmer's "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order of this morning and the actions of Charlevoix County Administration to close the county building, I have directed my co-workers at the Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney's Office to stay home

until April 13.

As our office performs essential services such as issuing warrants on criminal complaints and attending court hearings involving incarcerated individuals, I will continue to work myself during this time frame. I can be reached at (231) 547-7207 or by e-mail at telgenhofa@charlevoixcounty.org.

Assistant prosecuting attorneys and our victim advocate will be also available on an asneeded basis to assist police officers and victims during this time. We stand together with law enforcement to keep our county safe during this difficult time.

I hope that all citizens of Charlevoix County will take this executive order very seriously during this critical period. By limiting our contact with others, we can flatten the curve and decrease the demand that will be placed on our health care system.

The best thing that we can do to fight this virus is to stay home and stay safe.



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## **News Briefs**

**BOYNE CITY** 

**GRUB CLUB LUNCHEON** POSTPONED. Originally scheduled for March 26.

**BOYNE CITY** 

#### **COMMUNITY EGG HUNT** CANCELLED. Originally scheduled for April 4.

EAST JORDAN

#### CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

CANCELLED. Originally scheduled for April 8.

#### EAST JORDAN

#### LIONS CLUB EASTER FUN & GAMES

CANCELLED. Originally scheduled for April 11.

#### **CHARLEVOIX**

#### EASTER EGG HUNT

MAY BE CANCELLED, PLEASE CHECK FOR UP-DATES ON CHAMBER WEB SITE LISTED BELOW. April 11, 2pm, East Park. Face painting, Twister Joe balloon artist, Easter Bunny and more. Easter Bunny Luncheon at Stafford's Weathervane from 11am-1:30pm. Easter crafts from 11am-1:30pm at Charlevoix Circle of Arts. Details at www.charlevoix.org

#### HARBOR SPRINGS

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT** CANCELLED. Originally

scheduled for April 11.

#### CHARLEVOIX, EMMET & ANTRIM COUNTIES

#### **PROJECT CONNECT** EVENT POSTPONED, Originally scheduled for April 15. Info at projectconnect123.com.

#### PETOSKEY

#### LUNCHEON LECTURE: BEETHOVEN AND THE ODE TO JOY CANCELLED. Originally scheduled for April 17

#### EAST JORDAN

#### MISS EAST JORDAN SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT

April 18, 7pm, Community Auditorium. Tickets will go on sale soon and can be purchased from any contestant or at the door if there are any left.

#### PETOSKEY NORTHERN LAKE ECONOMIC

Pavilion work makes progress

#### SUBMITTED BY BOYNE CITY MANAGER MICHAEL CAIN

While lots of people have been saying recently, 'Doesn't that just top it all?' construction in Boyne City actually does. Work on the Boyne City's Veterans Park Pavilion's expansion and conversion into a year round community facility reached a new high point with the installation of cupolas on the Pavilion's new covered picnic shelters.

The Kroondyk Construction crew topped it all on March 19 by raising and putting finishing touches on twin cupolas. The cupolas are graced with copper roofs to tie into the copper roof elements located on top of the nearby lighthouse at the Boyne City Municipal Marina.

Like most of the Pavilion project the cupolas and their roofing were created by local craftsmen. Dan Adkison who created the lighthouse's copper roof back in the 1990's was recruited to build the new cupola roofs and their ornamentation. The result, when completed, will be a blending of the best of the design of the nearby lighthouse and recently constructed City Facilities building.

The next major change for the Pavilion project will be the unwrapping of the rest of the picnic shelters structures which have been enclosed over the

whole Constitution and government on? What is the cornerstone to the Constitu-Where in tion? the Constitution do you find your rights? If you don't know the answer to even just one of these questions, you need to take this class. Cost; \$25 per person, \$5 for each additional family member. Alumni can take the class again for just a \$5 donation. The first 10 students who register will attend for free. Includes lunch and three books: The Handbook For We the People, The Federalist Papers, and The Citizen's Rule Book, plus everyone gets a binder with the presentation in it.

winter months to allow the contractors to set the brickwork, siding and other materials out of the elements. In addition to the picnic shelters, the Pavilion, set for completion in April, will sport new glass overhead doors to enclose the main gathering space, a heating system to keep it warm and usable all year round, a new commercial kitchen, a new exterior accessible restroom (for a total of five restrooms), new storage areas, a fire suppression system and more.

The work is being financed by local contributions, the Boyne City Farmers Market, the Boyne City Main Street program, the City of Boyne City, a grant from the USDA-RB for kitchen equipment and through a grant of up to \$408,415 from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

When completed the Pavilion will be open for use by the public or portions of it will be able to be reserved for special events. Starting with the fall 2020 season the Pavilion will also be the future winter home of the successful Boyne City Farmer's Market Indoor Market.

For more information regarding the Boyne City Pavilion project people can contact Boyne City City Manager Michael Cain at 231.582.0377 or online at mcain@boynecity.com.



The Kroondyk Construction crew puts finishing touches on the pavilion cuppulas on March 19. Courtesy photo



The result, when completed, will be a blending of the best of the design of the nearby lighthouse and recently constructed City Facilities building. Courtesy photo

May 3, 7pm, East Jordan High School. 30th Annual Spring Concert.

#### BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET CANCELLED THROUGH THE END OF MARCH. 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.com

cants will be notified of the selection decision by April 24, 2020. For more information, contact Renee DeYoung, vice president of Student Affairs, at 231-348-6618.

#### NORTHERN LOWER MICHIGAN

GLE PEOPLE FUND GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Great Lakes Energy People Fund is accepting grant applications from nonprofit organizations throughout its local service area for the spring grant cy-Applications should be cle submitted in person or by mail by 4:30pm on April 15. With the purpose of bettering local communities, the People Fund is supported solely by Great Lakes Energy members. Those who participate in the program allow their electric cooperative to round their monthly electric bill to the next whole dollar amount. Since 1999, more than \$3.7 million in grants have been awarded to charitable and community organizations throughout Great Lakes Energy's 26county service area, which stretches from Kalamazoo to the Mackinac Straits. The People Fund awarded \$228,481 in grants in 2019. Non-profit organizations can read program details and request a grant application online at www.gtlakes.com/peoplefund or by calling Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-485-2537, ext. 1313. Non-profit organizations that serve communities located in the Great Lakes Energy service area are eligible to apply. Applications are due by April 15. Another grant opportunity will be available in October.

#### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANTS AVAILABLE

Applications are now being accepted. This cycle will focus on requests from eligible nonprofit partners for county-wide projects, arts and culture, veterans, urgent needs, health and wellness, and substance abuse projects or programs. Applications are due by Friday, May 1, 2020. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for cose 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 Boyne 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 register or for more information.

#### ALLIANCE ANNUAL LUNCH

POSTPONED. Originally scheduled for April 24. NLEA home page; www.northernlakes.net.

#### EAST JORDAN

#### 14TH ANNUAL ROTARY CLUB VARIETY SHOW

CANCELLED. Originally scheduled for April 24 & 25.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

#### TASTE OF BOYNE/ RESTAURANT WEEK CANCELLED. Originally

scheduled for April 24th through May 3rd.

#### ELK RAPIDS

#### CONSTITUTION BOOT CAMP

April 25, 8:45am-3pm, Amvets Post 114, 410 Bridge St. Do you really know what the Constitution says? What basic principle did the Founding Fathers base the

#### BOYNE CITY

#### 10TH ANNUAL PAINT THE TOWN RED FUNDRAISER

May 2, Boyne Mountain Resort Civic Center. Your support of "Paint the Town Red" is vital to the success of our school programs. Proceeds from this community event will provide funding for programs and activities in the Arts, Athletics and Academics for the students Boyne City Public of Schools. Event tickets are \$60, available at Lynda's Real Estate Service, 27 S. Lake St., and State Farm Insurance. 219 S. Lake St.

#### EAST JORDAN

#### JORDAN VALLEY COMMUNITY BAND SPRING CONCERT

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#### NORTHERN LOWER MICHIGAN

#### NCMC OFFERS PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATING HOME SENIOR

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Submit ACT/SAT scores (below are the qualifying scores): ACT score of 18 or above in English and a Reading score of 21 or above; SAT (test prior to April 2016) score of 430 or above in English and a score of 450 or above in Reading;

SAT (test starting April 2016) two-digit score of 25 or above in both English and Reading; SAT (test starting April 2016) three-digit score of 500 or above in English/Reading/Writing (ERW). All documentation must be received no later than April 13, 2020. Appli-

#### CHARLEVOIX/EMMET COUNTIES HESTIA WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE GRANTS

The Hestia Women's Giving Circle is welcoming applications for its annual grant cycle. Application deadline is May 1, 2020. Grants will be announced by May 31 and awarded in mid-June. The Giving Circle is a donor-advised fund of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation (c3f). Organizations applying for grants must have 501(c)3 non-profit status, be a school or government agency, or have a fiscal agent with nonprofit status. Potential applicants should go to www.hestiacircle.org, then the Grants page where they can access the online application.

grants anytime at 231-536-2440.

#### 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 monthold-child. Christ Lutheran Church is located at 1250

Boyne Avenue in Boyne City. For more information, call 231-582-9301.

#### CHARLEVOIX

#### WELLNESS WORKSHOPS

Held at Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Wellness Workshop, 411 Bridge Street. Call (231) 437-3482 for more information.

- Hatha Yoga, every Monday 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.

- Wellness Wednesday, every Wednesday from 8am-11am. Health screens include: Total Cholesterol, HDL, TC/HDL Ratio, Glu-

#### 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.boynelibrary.org.

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#### **Charlevoix and Emmet County** Courts implement emergency measures

The four courts serving Charlevoix and Emmet Counties have undertaken emergency operation measures in an effort to combat the spread of the COVID-19 virus and reduce the risk posed to the public, court staff, and others.

On March 18, the 90th District Court for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, the 7th Probate District Court for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties, and the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County entered Local Administrative Orders closing the courts from March 19 hrough April 10 The 57th Circuit Court for Emmet County is closed through March 27. The court closures and reduction in services will be closely monitored and extended if public health concerns warrant further restrictions.

All courts will process emergency matters and conduct emergency hearings. To the extent possible, court filings and hearings will be accomplished using electronic communications.

For information regarding how to seek emergency relief, please visit the courts' websites, all of which are accessible through the website for the county in which the court is located. You may also contact the courts via telephone or email, as the courts will continue to be staffed. Court forms are available on the State Court Administrative Office's website. https://courts.michigan.go v/administration/scao/for ms/pages/search-for-aform.aspx.

The courts may be reached as follows:

90th District Court - Charlevoix County: (231) 547-7227 - Emmet County: (231)

## County Transit eliminates fares and adds delivery service



In these times of unprecedented uncertainty, Charlevoix County Transit continues to work hard to provide necessary services for the county residents. On Thursday, they announced that in addition to eliminating passenger fares, Transit will be adding additional services to assist our county residents who need assistance getting food and other essential supplies. Delivery of groceries, food pantry,

and meals ordered from the senior centers will begin immediately

To arrange for delivery, please call at least one day in advance to allow for scheduling; same-day requests for delivery will be scheduled based on appointment availability. For grocery and meals that require payment, the items must be paid for before Transit will pick up and deliver.

In an effort to continue to

promote COVID-19 mitigation practices, Charlevoix County Transit encourages all riders to consider using public transit for essential travel only (medical, grocery shopping, work). We have increased our cleaning and disinfecting of vehicles to provide as safe of an environment as possible.

For additional information, contact the dispatch office at 231.582.6900.

# Mackinac Bridge Authority not accepting cash at toll booths

In accordance with Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' recommendations designed to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) will not accept cash transactions. The policy began on March 21.

Until further notice, Mackinac Bridge customers will need to pay with a credit or debit card, or use a Mac-Pass card or windshield sticker. The MBA and toll staff will be encouraging transition to non-cash payments for the next few days until cash is no longer accepted.

'We realize this change may be an inconvenience for many of our customers, but eliminating the handling of cash between drivers and our employees is one more way we can help slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus," said MBA Executive Secretary Kim Nowack. "We'll reevaluate this policy as the situation evolves."

If drivers wish to pay with credit or debit cards, the toll collector will hold the credit card device out to the driver so they can insert their card Drivers will not need to hand their cards to the toll collector.

points that are unnecessary staff. In accordance with as we work to practice social Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations, customers are also encouraged to inmaking payment at a bridge crease their hand washing

not accept cash transactions. Photo by Jim Akans

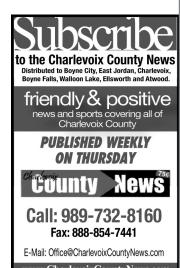
do not have a credit/debit card or MacPass? Toll collectors will provide instructions for payment for customers who only have cash available. The move to eliminate cash is a precautionary measure to reduce person-to-person contact and is not intended to completely eliminate travel, especially when deemed necessary. So far this month, about 64 percent of customers have paid the bridge tolls with cash, 7 percent with credit/debit cards, and 29 percent with MacPass cards or windshield stickers. Frequent users of the bridge may wish to open a MacPass account at https://Mac-Pass.MackinacBridge.org/L ogin.

nounced suspension of its driver assistance program and snowmobile, passenger and bicyclist transportation programs as part of its response to the COVID-19 pan-

7th Probate District Court - Charlevoix County: (231) 547-7214 - Emmet County: (231) 348-1764

33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County: (231) 547-7243

57th Circuit Court for Emmet County: (231) 348-1741



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#### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

- Why is the Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) temporarily halting cash payments amid the COVID-19 outbreak? This temporary measure to stop the exchange of cash may help to protect MBA toll staff as well as the customers they service. Paying with cash and requiring change being handed back to a customer creates additional contact

crossing? Customers are being encouraged to reduce their contact with toll staff by paying with credit/debit cards or a MacPass device. If drivers wish to pay with credit or debit cards, the toll collector will hold the credit card device out to the driver so they can insert their card. Drivers will not need to hand their cards to the toll collector.

- What can customers do

to reduce their risk while

distancing.

While paying with a credit/debit card does not create a touchless payment, it does reduce the contagion potentially exchanged during payment between both the customer and the toll

and avoid touching their eyes, nose, and mouth.

In accordance with Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' recommendations

designed to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Mackinac Bridge Authority (MBA) will

- Is there an option to eliminate any contact between the customer and the toll staff? The MBA offers a prepaid toll account called Mac-Pass that uses a windshield-mounted sticker

that is scanned when passing through the toll booths at the bridge, requiring no contact with toll staff. More information on the MacPass, and how to open an account, is available at https://Mac-Pass.MackinacBridge.org/L ogin.

- What can customers do if they reach the toll booth and

The MBA previously an-

demic. The state is taking proactive steps to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in reducing the coronavirus risk.

Customer questions can be directed to the MBA at 906-643-7600 or visit the MBA website at www.MackinacBridge.org.

For current and up-to-date information regarding the coronavirus, visit http://www.Michigan.gov/C oronavirus or http://www.CDC.gov/Coronavirus.

## **Consumers Energy Foundation grant to support** most vulnerable affected by COVID-19

The Consumers Energy Foundation is supporting two statewide organizations with a \$500,000 contribution to help enhance critical services for Michigan children, vulnerable seniors and those who may need assistance in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"For many, the coronavirus pandemic is more than just a disruption to daily life. Families with kids who are food insecure, the elderly and those who live paycheck to paycheck are especially vulnerable. With schools and businesses closed and many grocery store shelves left bare, local nonprofits are playing a critical role in helping those in need. Consumers Energy is privileged to provide additional support to these key organizations that will support numerous vital services to help those most affected," said Brandon Hofmeister, president of the Consumers Energy Foundation.

The Food Bank Council of Michigan and the Michigan Association of United Ways will each receive \$250,000, Hofmeister said.

The Food Bank Council of Michigan will distribute its \$250,000 contribution to its regional food bank network to fill gaps where schools are unable to provide food for children, vulnerable seniors and the anticipated growing need that will surface as more people cannot work due to COVID-19 but still need food for their families.

"Nothing of significance ever happens alone. Times like these mean we not only should but must come together," said Phil Knight, executive director of the Food Bank Council of Michigan. "A friend is someone who walks in when the rest of the world walks out. Consumers Energy walked in big time."

The Michigan Association of United Ways (MAUW) will share the funding with United Way organizations lo-

cated in Consumers Energy service areas that have set up or are deploying emergency response activities in local communities. Many United Ways are partnering with community foundations and other local funding sources to address needs related to COVID-19, including support for the 2-1-1 system, ensuring the needs of vulnerable populations are met, and helping provide sustainability to nonprofits so the organizations can continue addressing basic needs.

"Michigan families know that in times of crisis and uncertainty, United Way will be there to support them, and this crisis is no different. United Ways across Michigan are mobilizing financial and human capital, leveraging public-private partnerships, and working in unison with Michigan 2-1-1 to provide vital information and resources to support ALICE families - those who are working, but struggling to

make ends meet, and protect the most vulnerable in our communities. Now and always, United Ways are doing what we do best - coordinating community partners, responding to emerging needs, and adapting our role to best serve all Michigan residents," said Michael Larson, president and CEO of Michigan Association of United Ways.

Consumers Energy has also enhanced its Matching Gifts Program focusing on matching employee contributions to food banks/pantries, homeless shelters, community foundations and the United Way. Through May 31, 2020, donations from CMS and Consumers Energy employees will be matched without restriction.

Earlier this week, Consumers Energy also announced the suspension of shut-offs for non-pay for lowincome and senior customers through April 5, 2020, with the possibility of adjusting that timeframe depending on the spread and severity of COVID-19. Senior citizens and qualified low-income customers already enrolled in the Winter Protection Program have extended end dates through May 3, 2020.

The Consumers Energy Foundation is the charitable arm of Consumers Energy, Michigan's largest energy provider. The foundation enables communities to thrive and grow by investing in what's most important to Michigan — its people, our planet and Michigan's prosperity. In 2019, the Consumers Energy Foundation, Consumers Energy, its emplovees and retirees contributed more than \$11.5 million to Michigan nonprofits. For more information about the Consumers Energy Foundation, visit www.ConsumersEnergy.com /foundation.

## News

## Petoskey Plastics to manufacture isolation gowns for McLaren

Over the past five days, Petoskey Plastics, a northerm Michigan manufacturing company, has worked with McLaren Health Care to develop and approve a prototype for a hospital isolation gown. On Friday, March 20, Petoskey Plastics received design approval and will begin manufacturing 10,000 gowns per day at their Petoskey plant to supply McLaren Health Care hospitals across the state of Michigan.

Petoskey Plastics has a long history of supporting McLaren Northern Michigan patients and has generously supported the Building the Future of Health Care Campaign.

"This urgent, proactive action by Petoskey Plastics will help maintain the safety of thousands of patients and staff across the state of Michigan," said Todd Burch, Chief Executive Officer, McLaren Northern Michigan. "Petoskey Plastics is setting an example for what Michigan manufacturers can do to support health care institutions during this crisis."

Isolation gowns are used to protect health care workers' arms and exposed body areas and prevent contamination of clothing with blood, body fluids, and other potentially infectious material. The gowns are critical to mitigating the spread of COVID-19. Like hospitals across the country, McLaren Northern Michigan anticipates a signif-



Melissa Perry, RN, BSN, Karen Gardener, RN, Stacey Forbes, RN, BSN, ONC, wearing the Petoskey Plastic made isolation gown. Courtesy photo

icant disruption in supply chain and a shortage of supplies including isolation gowns in the coming weeks.

"We are very appreciative of Todd and the McLaren team for proactively reaching out to us and discussing potential solutions for several needs in short supply," stated Jason Keiswetter, Petoskey Plastics President. "Once we identified the apron as a potential fit, we immediately came together as a company. I'm very proud of our engineers, plant associates, and sales team for quickly identifying a workable solution. In less than 5 days, we've gone through conceptual designs, samples, re-tooling of equipment, and now we are ramping up for production to support our medical friends in need."

Petoskey Plastics currently produces blood and viral barrier protective films (ASTM F1671), Autoclave and Biohazard bags for large national accounts and distributors. They are modifying their current equipment normally used to produce protective automotive seat covers to be able to produce these isolation gowns using similar materials and technology.

"We are grateful to Petoskey Plastics for this partnership that started in northern Michigan and will serve patients across the state. We anticipate that this production of isolation gowns will meet our future needs before our supply is depleted," said Burch.

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In addition, McLaren Northern Michigan is in communication with several other local manufacturers and has products in development that may serve as alternatives to normal supplies. Each of these alternative products are being vetted by the McLaren Health Care infection control team to ensure they will adequately protect staff as they are caring for the community.

"We look forward to sharing these collaborations with the community in the coming days and are grateful for the support of Petoskey Plastics and our local manufacturers during these extraordinary times," said Burch. "This is a time for all of us to share our collective wisdom and innovative solutions to help our patients and staff."

McLaren Northern Michigan urges the community to take proactive steps to protect your family, wash your hands, avoid highly touched areas, and practice social distancing by staying home unless it is absolutely critical. The community's actions now will determine how severely COVID-19 impacts the northern Michigan community.

Learn more at www.petoskeyplastics.com.

### SERVICES

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INDOCHINA GARDENS is open for take-out during their regular hours - 11 to 8 Mon-Fri, 12-8 Saturday. These hours may change as the restaurant adjusts to the closing of their dining room, so you may want to call to check. 231-582-4099.

LAKE STREET MARKET is offering curbside pickup for call-in orders. They are open their usual hours - Tuesday through Saturday from 11 to 7, and "we are doing everything we can to keep the store a safe place. Meanwhile, if you would like to call orders in and have us bring them out to your car, let us know!" Menu. 231-582-4450.

#### Menu . (231) 582-0049.

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SUNNYSIDE Breakfast, Lunch & Catering is open Wednesday through Sunday, 8am-2pm, for take-out and delivery. We will also be continuing our sack lunches and pancake mix for those families who need it. You can pay over the phone or in cash. We are happy to continue to serve you during this time. Menu . (231) 497-5050. Thistle 231.437.3966, inbox@thistlestyle.com

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CHARLEVOIX Restaurants Offering Take-Out/Delivery/Curbside Service: Smoke on the Water: carryout, curb-side service, and delivery, 231-237-9604

Andy's Party Store: carry-out 231-547-6761

THE ARGONNE HOUSE is offering takeout orders on Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 3:30 to 8 pm. Beer and wine are available. Meals will be available for pickup at our restaurant or delivered free to senior citizens in the City of Charlevoix. Senior Citizen delivery menu, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Special takeout menu, 5:30 to 8 p.m. Call 231-547-9331

#### EAST JORDAN

FAMILY FARE. Introducing reserved hours for older adults, pregnant women and immunocompromised store guests Effective Thursday, March 18, SpartanNash is setting aside time twice per week for store guests most at risk of contracting coronavirus (COVID-19), including older adults, pregnant women and immunocompromised individuals. Reserved hours will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.



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LAKE STREET PUB would like to thank our community for continuing to support local businesses during these tough times. We are extending a 20% discount for all curbside pickup orders. This discount is good toward our full menu, bottled beer, and bottles of wine. Just give us a call with your name, make, model & color of your car as well as your credit card information. One of our friendly staff members would be happy to run your meal out to your car when you pull in. We also offer our full menu, bottled beer, and bottles of wine for delivery orders of \$25 or more within a 5-mile radius. (You must be 21+ to purchase alcohol, we will ID.) Add a to-go 24 ounce Coca-Cola product, iced tea, or lemonade for \$1.50 more. We are offering Lake Street Pub gift cards for 10% off. Use now or stock up for the summer. We would be happy to drop them in the mail to you free of charge. Hours: 7 days a week, 11am-8pm, (hours may be extended based on demand). www.lakestreetpuboyne.com, 231.497.6031.

RED MESA GRILL is now offering curbside pickup for meals between the hours of 11am and 8pm Sunday thru Thursday, 11a m-9pm Friday and Saturday. Delivery will be available between those hours as well. All curbside pickups will be extended a 20% discount on orders over \$20. Delivery will have a minimum order of \$25. Beer and wine will be offered for both pickup and delivery. When you call in your order, just let us know the make, model, and color of your vehicle. We will run your order out to you when you pull up on Water Street. Take-out service is available 7 days a week.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY TRANSIT eliminates fares, adds food delivery service Charlevoix County Transit has announced that in addition to eliminating passenger fares, they will be adding additional services to assist our county residents who need assistance getting food and other essential supplies. Delivery of groceries, food pantry, and meals ordered from the senior centers will begin immediately. For additional information or reservations, call 231.582.6900.

BOYNE CITY HARDWARE open 8-5:30 every day and 9:30-2:00 Sundays. We are offering curbside pick-up and HOME DELIVERY within the limits of Boyne City and Boyne Falls. Call the store for additional details, 231.582.6532. We're encouraging the first hour of shopping to be dedicated to seniors and others at high-risk.

#### CHARLEVOIX

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Curbside pickup, shipping, delivery, and virtual shopping options:

Charlevoix Harbor Wear 231.547.4359, ragmerchant@charter.net

The Lake House 231.437.3425, thelakehousecharlevoix@gm ail.com

The Clothing Company 231.547.6361, info@mycloth-ingco.com

PIZZA HUT, 1303 Bridge St. Charlevoix, 231-547-5321. Pizzahut.com Hours: Sunday – Thursday: 3pm - 8pm. Fri & Sat: 3pm – 9pm. Offering curbside carryout.

Terry's: carry-out & delivery everyday 5-8pm 231-547-6925

Scovie's: carry-out & delivery Monday - Thursday 11am-4pm, Friday 11am-7pm, Saturday 11am-7pm 231-237-7827

Villager Pub: carry-out and delivery within the city limits, 11 am to 8 pm every day. 231-547-6925

That French Place: All the usual available for carryout/curbside and adding days for dinner availability (place order by 2pm). Will try to deliver to immune-compromised when possible. 231-437-6037

Pigs Eatin' Ribs: drive-thru, delivery, and call ahead carry-out 11am-8pm every day. 231-547-PIGS (7447)

Flap Jack: carry-out every day 8am-7pm 231-547-6466

Bridge Street Taproom: carry-out everyday 11am-6pm 231-437-3466

Charlevoix Pizza Company: carry-out 231-437-6300

BC Pizza: carry-out and delivery every day 231-547-9999

Pizza Hut: carry-out 231-547-5321

Friske's Farm Market: carryout Tuesday - Saturday 231-599-2604

Dairy Grille: (opening March 27) carry-out 231-547-9771

LT Tacos: Monday - Thursday & Sunday 11am-9pm, Friday - Saturday 10am-11pm 231-437-2024

Bier's Inwood Brewery: open Wednesday - Saturday from 4-6pm for growler filling and carry out pizza 231-675-6761

Harwood Gold: carry-out Monday - Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 8am-4pm 231-437-3900 LOCAL MEMBER RESTAU-RANTS – TAKE OUT & CURBSIDE

BC Pizza: carry-out and delivery every day 231-536-5555

Foundry Bar + Grill To Go. Curbside and Delivery hours: Monday-Sunday: 11am-8pm. You can view our full menu at foundrybg.com. 101 Main St. Ste B. 231-649-0006

Subway of East Jordan. 205 Main St. 231-536-9855.

Las Maracas, 115 Main Street, East Jordan. 231-222-2092. Open Friday and Saturday, 3pm - 8pm. Pick up only.

City of East Jordan - City Hall

East Jordan Family Health Center

Care & Share Food Pantry -Call ahead, 231-536-7423

Good Samaritan Food Pantry - Call ahead, 231-588-2208

East Jordan True Value

T & R Yamaha

EJ Laundry Station

Save-A-Lot

East Jordan Marathon

Korthase Flinn - Drop off or by phone

4Front Credit Union - Drive Thru

Charlevoix State Bank - Drive Thru

Huntington Bank - Drive Thru OLDER 5TH WHEEL IN FAIR CONDITION. REFER, AWNING, ROOF A/C, LARGE WALK THROUGH BATHROOM, DINETTE, LARGE CLOSET, FOLD OUT SOFA BED.

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