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Governor announces reopening plan for auto dealerships and retail businesses



Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed executive order 2020-96 to reopen retail businesses and auto dealerships by appointment statewide on Tuesday, May 26, as part of her MI Safe Start plan. Courtesy photo

Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed executive order 2020-96 to reopen retail businesses and auto dealerships by appointment statewide on Tuesday, May 26, as part of her MI Safe Start plan. The governor's executive order also lifts the requirement that health care providers delay some nonessential medical, dental, and veterinary procedures statewide beginning on Friday, May 29. And the order authorizes small gatherings of 10 people or less starting immediately, as long as participants practice social distancing.

"The data shows that Michigan is ready to phase in these sectors of our economy, but we must stay vigilant and ensure we're doing everything we can to protect ourselves and our families from the spread of COVID-19," said Governor Whitmer. "On behalf of our brave first responders on the front lines of this crisis, we must continue to all do our part by staying safer at home. We owe it to them to do what we can to stop the spread of this virus." "As businesses continue to reopen, it's crucial that they adopt strict safety measures

to protect their employees, customers, and their families," said MDHHS Chief Deputy for Health and Chief Medical Executive Dr. Joneigh Khaldun. "I know that as medical professionals begin offering nonessential procedures again, they will do everything in their power to protect patients and their families from COVID-19. I will continue to work with Governor Whitmer and our partners across Michigan to protect our families and lower the chance of a second

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HONORING AREA HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

BY JIM AKANS

Graduates of the Class of 2020 have certainly had a memorable year. It has been a year without traditional senior events, such as proms, graduation ceremonies and

celebrations...even senior skip day. All have been missing this year, or pursued by creative alternatives. The class of 2020, however, can take pride and celebrate their uniqueness, as they become the anchor of a new generation in our society

and world. This year, we are expanding our annual Valedictorian/Salutatorian editions of the Charlevoix County News to include the names of all of the graduating seniors in our readership area. This has been a two-part ar-

ticle, so if you do not see your school in this week's edition please check our 5/21 edition. Due to the shut down we may not have been able to make contact with your school. **Congratulations to the class of 2020!**

CONCORD ACADEMY BOYNE

Nathan Schmidt – Valedictorian, Anthony Quinn – Salutatorian, Leif Allum, Erinn Henigan, Lauren Henigan, Skyeler McCormick and Zachary Miller.

EAST JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL

Drue Daley - Co-Valedictorian, Aaron Nachazel - Co-Valedictorian, Judson Wise – Co-Valedictorian, Ethan Nachazel - Salutatorian, Hunter Adams, Logan Argetsinger, Lillii Armstrong, Jordan Barden, Chandler Bartig, Adam Bartlett Jr, Jacob Bascom, Thomas Brennan, Caleb Carson, Parker Cesaro, Amber Cetnarowski, Madilyn Cochran, Jack Cross, Madeline Diller, Jesse Eagle, Jordan Elmer, Kara Feury, Benjamin Hardy, Logan Johncheck, Kristin Jones, Cody King, Molly Kitson, Elizabeth Kooistra, Michael Kraemer, Emma Kretzmer, Daniel LaBute, David LaBute, Emily Lamb, Andrea Lasley, Auguste Legato, Connor Maxham, Danielle Milazzo, Jacob Moses, Kyle O'Neill, Levi Pepin, Alan Peters, Lauren Peterson, Gage Piechan, Allen Porter, Madison Priest, John Radtke, Jackson Raymond, Jonathan Richter, Nolan Roehrig, Haley Rowland, Alexander Schlueter, Austin Schwab, Marshall Scott, Jackson Sineway-Cartwright, Elizabeth Skrocki. Adam Skrocki, Jaelyn Snyder, Cooper Stevenson, Margaret Stevenson, Tegan Swanson, Hannah Thumser, Logan Valentine, Jayden Weber, Sharity Whitaker, Nicholas Wilson, Lili Wojan, Rebecca Wood, Trevor Zeeryp and Lillian Ziebarth.

ELLSWORTH HIGH SCHOOL

Sadie Esch-Laurent – Valedictorian, Ethan Tornga – Salutatorian, McKenzie Essenberg, Caleb Godwin, Jesse Hersha, Brianna Host, Kolby Krosnicki, Ivy MacNicol, Matthew Marcoux, Malcolm Marlatt, Todd Schultz II, William Stevens, Sarah VanderArk, Branden VanderSlik, Desiree VanderSlik and Robert Wise IV.



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Flywheeler's Board cancels '20 tractor show

With the utmost concern for the health and welfare of club members, vendors, and loyal visitors, the board of the Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers (NMAF) met on May 13 and unanimously voted to cancel all public events at the showgrounds for the 2020 season. This includes the annual show that is held the last full weekend in July as well as Student Harvest Days in mid-September. There is too much uncertainty surrounding the status of the pandemic to proceed with these events.

According to NMAF club President Bob DeVol, "These events require months of preparation and the work of hundreds of volunteers to be successful. We don't know if large gatherings will be allowed in the next few months and we certainly do not want to jeopardize the health of our club and community members."

Club members will resume working on projects as state guidelines allow in an effort to prepare for the return of events in 2021. Work can be done safely in many areas such as grounds maintenance, exhibit improvements, and building repairs.

The NMAF club is an educational nonprofit organization that uses demonstrations and displays to showcase "Life in the Past Lane," revisiting life in rural northern Michigan as it was in the early part of the last century. It annually holds a show the last full weekend in July and hosts Student Harvest Days, day-long field trips for more than one thousand area fourth graders over a four day period in September. The showgrounds are located between Boyne Falls and Walloon Lake.

Information on the organization can be found at www.walloonlakeflywheelers.com, on Facebook as Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers, or by calling club President Bob DeVol at 231-322-2760.

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Boyne City teacher Sandy Thomason announces her retirement

Sandy Thomason, a beloved first-grade teacher at Boyne City Elementary School (BCES) has announced her retirement after 25 years of teaching. Sandy Thomason began her teaching career in southwest Florida, where she taught kindergarten and first grade. In November 2003, she married Dale Thomason (former BCHS math teacher) and moved to Boyne City.

By 2004, Mrs. Thomason had been hired and began teaching first grade at BCES. Sandy Thomason has had great success as a teacher. Her love for children and their love for her is evident on any given day if you have ever visited Room I. Sandy always did whatever it took for each child to be successful. She believes that the foundation of a student's success

is by developing loving and respectful relationships with each student. She absolutely did that! Sandy is a master at her craft. She loves to collaborate and be a team player. She loves sharing ideas and learning new ones. Sandy has been a natural mentor to all those around her. She was the mentor teacher to 3 student teachers in the past five years. They all loved her

and left feeling inspired and grateful. Sandy has always shown great pride in being a Boyne City Rambler! Every Friday sporting Rambler gear and beaming with the love of her school and her Boyne City Community. She also loved to volunteer. She has been the Big Brothers Big Sisters of America Liaison for Boyne City Elementary School for the last 5 years and was a

"Big Sister" herself for three years. Her BCES Family loves her dearly and wishes her well on her retirement plans. Once retired, Sandy plans to camp and travel with her husband and spend more time with her 9 grandchildren. The District extends gratitude to Sandy Thomason for her years of dedicated service.



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wave." "This is great news for dealerships across the state," said Doug North, President of North Brothers Ford. "We appreciate the governor's leadership, and we welcome the opportunity to serve our customers in a way that helps keep everyone safe from the showroom floor to the open road." The governor also signed a separate order, Executive Order 2020-97, updating a prior rule on workplace safety. Per the amended order, reopened outpatient health-care facilities, including clinics, primary care physician offices, and dental offices, will have to adopt strict protocols to prevent infection. The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will issue guidance to aid those facilities in adopting appropriate safeguards. As before, businesses maintaining in-person activities must adopt social distancing practices and other mitigation measures to protect workers. They must, among other things, provide COVID-19 training to workers that covers, at a minimum, workplace infection-control practices, the proper use of PPE, steps workers must take to notify the business or operation of any symptoms of COVID-19 or a suspected or confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, and how to report unsafe working conditions. "With today's announcement, physicians and health care providers in Michigan are ready to resume taking care of patients," said Dr. Bobby Mukkamala, president of the Michigan State Medical Society. "It is time for patients to catch up on the care that has been deferred for the past two months. We encourage the citizens of Michigan to tend to their health and protect each other by following public health guidance to prevent spread of this virus." Consistent with the governor's previous Safer at Home orders, any individual able to medically tolerate a face covering must wear a covering over his or her nose and mouth—like a homemade mask, scarf, bandana, or handkerchief—when in any enclosed public space. Michiganders who are not working as critical infrastructure workers or at a business that has been authorized to reopen should stay home to protect themselves and their families from the spread of COVID-19.

Boyne Eta Nu makes Food Pantry donation

Boyne Eta Nu Charities is pleased to present a \$500 donation to the Good Neighbors Food Pantry in Boyne City. It is our collective agreement that during these uncertain times and food insecurity endured by our Boyne community the Eta Nu women voted to donate the Charities miscellaneous account which comes from the yearly dues collected from members every fall. On behalf of the Eta Nu membership, Co-Presidents Mary Gergel and Kimberly O'Connell would like to express our sincere gratitude to all the volunteers of the Good Neighbors Food Pantry. Your service to our community during these uncertain times is truly remarkable. We are in this together! We will always remember how the kindnesses shown and the burdens shared helped us survive and thrive as a community. Many Thanks To All Who Serve! Stay Safe



Barbara Ellwanger, treasurer of Eta Nu Charities presents the check to food pantry board member Fran Solomon. Courtesy photo
For further information about Boyne Eta Nu Charities, please contact Kimberly O'Connell, kimberly-louise2000@yahoo.com
For Good Neighbors Food Pantry please contact Fran Solomon, fosolomon@gmail.com

Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 update-May 22

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan wants to remind residents that in this preliminary phase of re-opening it is still important for any individual with mild symptoms of COVID-19 contact their doctor to get tested. Individuals who are reporting to work in-person, with or without symptoms, can also get tested. If you are unable to speak to a doctor for any reason, please call 1-800-432-4121 for assistance. "As we visit public settings again, we must remain vigilant as COVID-19 remains present in our communities. We are happy to see businesses re-open their doors and take the extra steps necessary to protect their employees and customers," shared Josh Meyerson, Medical Director. "The actions of our



HEALTH DEPARTMENT of Northwest Michigan

community members now will determine how ready we are to continue phasing back in additional industries. We are hopeful that our communities take this time to prove that we can continue moving forward with caution." While enjoying the re-opening of some local businesses during the holiday weekend and moving forward, everyone should continue taking all necessary precautions to protect themselves and reduce the spread of COVID-19. Keep in mind the follow tips for safer gatherings:
1. Keep it small. Gatherings of up to 10 people are permitted.
2. Meet outside.
3. Stay at least 6-ft apart.

- 4. Wash or sanitize hands often.
- 5. Wear masks if possible.
- 6. Do not share food, drinks, or other items. Have everyone bring their own snacks or serve food with single-use serving utensils. As of 4:00pm, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting: Positive COVID-19 cases

in the following counties: Antrim – 11, Charlevoix – 14, Emmet – 21, Otsego – 100
Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 9, Charlevoix – 12, Emmet – 19, Otsego – 78
Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 1, Emmet – 2, Otsego – 10.
The State of Michigan has reported 53,913 cases and 5,158 deaths.
Stay up to date on the latest information in the Health Department jurisdiction by liking and following our Facebook page and visiting our COVID-19 Data Dashboard. To locate a testing facility, visit the Michigan COVID-19 Test Finder website.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT

MONDAY MAY 11, 2020
0918 Report of attempted B&E on Lake Park Dr
1132 Driving complaint from S Lake St
1207 Driving complaint on Vogel St.
1530 Report of attempted Facebook scam
1546 Driving complaint on Water St.
1905 Vehicle unlock in the 300 block of N Lake St
2235 Assist to EJPD.

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2020
1511 Threats complaint

1240 Fraud complaint reported from the 600 block of S. Park St.
2047 Assist EMS assist on Riverridge Ln
2112 Assist EMS in the 500 block of Groveland St
2147 Assist EMS in Walloon

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020
0910 Parking complaint on Addis St
1250 Reports of cell phone lying in the road on Pleasant just off of Front St.
Gone on arrival.
1411 Fraud complaint re-

ported from Elm St
1520 Harassment complaint from the 300 block of E Division St.
1730 Diesel fuel spill near the marina
1738 Driving violation on Division St.
1758 Report of subject in the road by Court St.
2043 Alarm in the 1100 block of Marshall Rd.
2326 Assist Sheriff Dept. in Clarion

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020
1434 Suspicious situation

in the 100 block of E Main St.
1521 Harassment complaint in the 300 block of E Division St
1929 Arrested subject for domestic violence on West St.

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2020
0815 Report of lost purse
0918 Alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St.
1434 Suspicious situation in the 100 block of E Main St.
1458 Assault reported in the 600 block of N East St
1501 Driving complaint on Vogel St.

1532 Retail fraud complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
1545 Report of MDOP in the 500 block of N Lake St
2027 Found credit card turned in to PD
2134 Welfare check on Robinson St
2235 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Springvale Rd.

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2020
934 Water leak in the 500 block of W. Michigan
1227 Assisted EMS in the 200 block of S Lake St

1723 Assisted Sheriff Dept. on Deer Lake Road
1821 Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of N Lake St

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020
1220 Assist Sheriff Dept in Boyne Falls.
1256 Report of a dog running at large in the area of Boyne Ave. and R St.
1357 Report of domestic violence in the 100 block of W. Division St. Subject arrested
1409 Civil complaint in the 500 N. Lake St.

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East Jordan State of the Community Luncheon

By Tina Sundelius

EAST JORDAN—East Jordan is heading in the right direction and its future is bright was the message members of the community walked away with after hearing four keynote speakers discuss the status of the city, schools, and DDA at East Jordan's State of the Community Luncheon Tuesday, November 11. An air of optimism filled the Harvest Barn hall as 26 East Jordan High School seniors and other members of the community listened intently to Mayor Russell Peck whose speech focused on the challenges and infrastructure im-

provements that still lie ahead for the city. "All in all things are looking up, we're heading in the right direction. Together we will position our community for a resilient and sustainable future. Indeed, East Jordan's future is bright," he concluded. Peck not only talked about all that the city has accomplished but emphasized the infrastructure improvements needed to accommodate new growth. "We are very optimistic about the future of our community and that optimism comes from the exciting new direction we have been heading," he said. He cited the city's sewer system that is already operating at 98%

capacity, sidewalks, and sea-pilings to be installed at the southwest side of the harbor next to the bridge intended to stop silt from filling the harbor (construction to begin in December) as projects that will further enable the city to grow. He mentioned the new well house (already up and running), the now open 24/7 recycling center and the \$12,000 Kayak facility in the park which he stated presently "looks like an art project." "We are developing the kind of community we have envisioned for future generations. There is a positive up beat energy," he said.



DDA Chairman Tom Teske, Entrepreneur Director with the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance Tom Erhart, Chamber of Commerce Director Mary Fac-Stevenson addressed an audience of community leaders at the third annual State of the Community Address Tuesday, November 11. "East Jordan's future is bright," said Peck.

See State of the Community—11A

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Boyne City's Luke Sage (2) follows an opening for another big gain. Sage finished with 63 yards on nine carries and a touchdown. Full Story in Sports. (PHOTO BY CINDA SHUMAKER)

Boyne Area Community Christmas

"That no child in the Boyne area be without a Christmas"
Over the last 60 years your generous donations ensured thousands of Boyne area children had a merrier Christmas. With the holiday season approaching we, the volunteers of Boyne Area Community Christmas, are asking for your support. All of your donations are greatly appreciated and can be in the form of non-perishable food items, new unwrapped toys, games or books. If you would like to donate monetarily, please make checks payable to Boyne Area Community Christmas and send them c/o Eleanor West, Treasurer at 915 Robinson Street #15, Boyne City, MI 49712. All donations can be dropped off at the Boyne City Education Center by using the Pine Street entrance. We will be accepting donations from November 19 until December 19, 9am to 4pm. If you need any additional information, please contact Ruth Witek at (231) 582-3152 or (231) 758-2787. If you would like to submit the name of a child in need, please contact Nancy Hosmer at (231) 582-7246.

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NCCMH celebrates Mental Health Month

May is Mental Health Month has been celebrated in the US for 49 years and mental health is more important than ever this year. Just weeks ago, we had no idea that our world was going to be turned upside down by COVID-19.

While the annual North Country Community Mental Health (NCCMH) May is Mental Health Month Color Run/Walk and other annual events are postponed until fall this year, the agency is encouraging the community through placement of signs celebrating mental health. The sign series are located at:

- Plaza Drive Petoskey - along Anderson Road near the corner of Anderson and Plaza Drive
- Petoskey Club - in front of the Clubhouse along US-31
- Kalkaska - In front of the courthouse - 625 Courthouse Drive (Birch Street) Kalkaska
- Cheboygan - 825 Huron St. in front of the county building
- Otsego Co. - M-32 in front of the county building (May move in a week to closer to NCCMH location)
- Rapid City - 7167 Rapid City Road - in front of the New Horizons Clubhouse
- Bellaire - 203 E. Cayuga St. - in front of the county building
- Charlevoix - 6250 M-66 in front of the NCCMH building

COVID-19 is impacting the mental health of literally every American. While many people with mental health and intellectual/developmental disabilities regularly experience social isolation and loneliness, many others are impacted this year too.

Stroll through a PhotoVoice exhibit to view poignant photographs and interpretive captions created from personal experiences. PhotoVoice is a series of group conversations about life experiences and ways of



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coping with mental health issues to bring greater awareness to the community. See NCCMH's PhotoVoice virtual exhibit on www.norcoomh.org. The exhibit is also virtually hosted by libraries in Alden, Charlevoix and Petoskey in celebration of May is Mental Health Month.

Stress, anxiety and depression are higher this year for most people.

The theme of May is Mental Health Month 2020 is "Tools 2 Thrive," with practi-

cal tools that everyone can use to improve their mental health and increase resiliency. We can all benefit by boosting our resiliency. NCCMH is sharing five "Tools 2 Thrive" on its newly launched website at www.norcoomh.org— creating healthy routines, finding the positive, owning your feelings, supporting others, and eliminating toxic relationships.

Dr. Stacey Chipman, NCCMH Chief Clinical Officer, advises people to reach

out through the NCCMH Warm Help Line or Crisis Line if they are having difficulty. It is important to act early as a preventative before feelings become an overwhelming emergency.

Increased stress and anxiety related to the current COVID-19 outbreak is normal and expected. While we are hard-wired to like certainty and protect ourselves when things feel threatening, we can feel anxious when we can't control what is going on around us. You may notice

that you are more frustrated with others or have trouble focusing. You may feel more on edge than usual, angry, helpless, or sad. Coping skills for dealing with uncertainty will be important. The movement back to pre-COVID will be tenuous and will not occur in a straight line.

There are several things people can do to support themselves and keep coronavirus fears from affecting their mental health. Remember that we can always choose our response. If you

feel stressed, challenge yourself to stay in the present. When you find yourself worrying about something that hasn't happened, gently bring yourself back to the present moment. Notice the sights, sounds, tastes and other sensory experiences in your immediate moment and name them. Separate what is in your control from what is not. Focus on what you can do. Do what helps you to be calm. It's different for everyone.

NCCMH's Warm Help Line for anyone in the community - act early, reach out to talk and prevent a mental health crisis. 1-877-470-7130.

NCCMH's 24/7 Crisis Line for anyone - 877-470-4668

Christine Gebhard, NCCMH Chief Executive Officer, describes NCCMH's response to COVID-19:

- Services and supports have continued throughout the pandemic although the manner has changed from primarily face-to-face, office-based contacts to telehealth and telephone, and community-based as needed.
- 100% of staff are working remotely.
- Grateful for special billing codes to allow for telehealth, hope they will be continued permanently in order to increase access to service, especially in rural areas.

- Programs which had to close have continued support - Clubhouses in Petoskey and Rapid City have continued outreach by phone, Facebook, and other technology; staff also regularly deliver food.
- Reopening of the offices-Strategy is being developed to align with Governor's reopening stages, will vary by program and type of service.

Real Estate Feature Property

DELIGHTFUL, MOVE-IN READY HOME IN EAST JORDAN



BY JIM AKANS

This week's feature listing is a wonderful, move-in ready ranch style home situated in East Jordan.

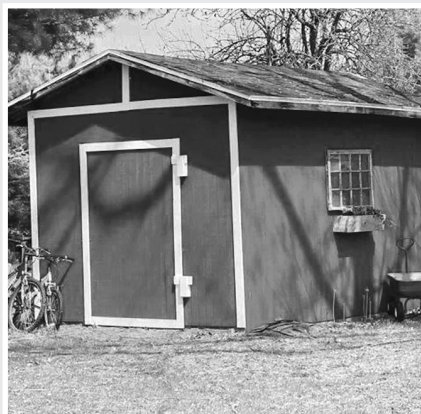
This three bedroom home has approximately 1,056 square feet of nicely appointed space on the main level, plus it has a full basement.

ideal for families and for entertaining. The basement even includes a "bonus" 22x22 foot family room. Among the latest improvements are a newer roof, furnace and septic, and the flooring and appliances have also been updated.

The spacious back yard is ready for gardening projects and has lots of open space for outdoor games. There is a very sharp looking shed

on the property, perfect for storing outdoor tools and toys.

This delightful, move-ready home is located at 804 Huron Street in East Jordan and it is listed at \$154,900. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call Jennifer Burr, Realtor, at Coldwell Banker Schmidt, 231 Water Street in Boyne City, at 231-582-6554 or email at jennifer.burr@cbgreatlakes.com.



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When seeking out new areas, check them out, live and in person. If you have a vacation coming up, pick a region, rent a car, and drive around to take a look. Spend some time in the area and ask yourselves these questions.

DO PEOPLE HAVE HOME PRIDE?

Houses that aren't kept up can either signal an area full of renters or a town on the decline. But if people are clearly investing in their properties, it's a great sign that they're staying put because they like the town and believe that their homes are good investments.

WHO'S HANGING OUT?

Do people spend time outside? And are they the right kind of people? Do you feel comfortable saying hi to anyone? Are firefighters present at the local firehouse? Do packs of teenagers hang out on the corner? Depending on your observations, that town may or may not be a good fit.

WHAT'S THE DOWNTOWN VIBE?

Walk through the downtown area. Visit and shop at the locally owned businesses.

WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE AT NIGHT?

A cute neighborhood can look a lot different at night. You should walk or drive

around town when the sun goes down.

WHO ARE MY FUTURE NEIGHBORS?

Make sure that your trip takes place during a weekend because that's when people are more likely going to be out and about. If there's a local coffee shop, get a cup and sit and listen because, chances are, some of these people will be your neighbors. Don't be afraid to ask them some questions.

IS THE POLICE REPORT POSITIVE?

Ask the police department to give you a crime log. You'll see exactly what's going on, and where.

WHAT'S RUSH HOUR LIKE?

Take the route to work when traffic is at its heaviest to find out what both of your commutes would be like during the morning and evening rush hours. Even if your dream neighborhood is 10 miles away from work, it could take much longer in traffic, and that doesn't make any homecoming welcoming.

CAN WE RENT BEFORE WE BUY?

If you're still not sure and need to move ASAP, consider renting. This lets you really get to know the neighborhood before forking over a down payment.

News Briefs

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BOYNE CITY

YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS

Through May 29. This service occurs each Monday and Friday and will continue for four (4) weeks through Friday, May 29. After these dates, Boyne City property owners will be responsible for bringing their leaves to the North Boyne Compost Site on Robinson Street, or mulching the leaves on their property. Please place your bagged leaves at the curbside in clearly marked biodegradable paper yard waste bags. Do not place brush or other yard waste at the curbside. Boyne City property owners may bring their brush to the North Boyne Compost Site. If you feel your pick-up was missed during this service period, please contact the Boyne City City Hall at 582-6579.

ELLSWORTH

ANNUAL PIG ROAST CANCELLED

It is with much regret that the Pig Roast Committee has chosen to cancel the 2020 Pig Roast due to Covid 19. Plans are underway celebrate the 40th anniversary on June 18th and 19th, 2021.

EAST JORDAN

MISS EAST JORDAN SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT

June 26, 2pm. Originally scheduled for April 18. Community Auditorium. Tickets will go on sale soon and can be purchased from any contestant or at the door if there are any left.

BOYNE CITY

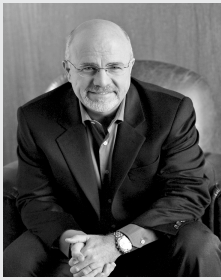
BOYNE CITY 4TH OF JULY CANCELLED

After careful (and painful) consideration, the Boyne City 4th of July board has decided to cancel 2020's in-person festival events including fireworks. With that being said, we have been working on an exciting virtual experience with more details to follow. If you would like to be involved in the first ever Boyne City 4th of July virtual parade, this is your opportunity! Round up your photos and videos of parades past and we will let you know where to send them.

EAST JORDAN

The East Jordan Rotary Club has made the very difficult decision to cancel the Brew Fest Beer Tent, scheduled for July 11, 2020. We look forward to holding the event in 2021.

DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

(IS IT AN EMERGENCY?)

Dear Dave,

My husband and I just completed Baby Step 3, and we have six months of expenses saved for an emergency fund. How should we determine when something is actually an emergency?

Riley

Dear Riley, Congratulations on doing the work, being disciplined, and saving like crazy! Now you've got peace of mind, and a pile of cash, that will help turn an emergency into nothing more than an inconvenience.

There's no shame in using your emergency fund if you really need to. That's what it's there for. Just remember to ask yourself a few questions anytime something pops up to make sure you've got a real reason to use it.

Is the expense really unexpected? Christmas happens on December 25th every single year. You know your semi-annual car insurance payment is coming, too. Make sure things like this are part of your regular, monthly budgets. Some examples of

unexpected expenses might be a job loss or pay cut. Emergency medical expenses and car accident repairs might fall into this category, as well.

Is it absolutely necessary? Most people say they know the difference between a want and a need, but that's not always the case. Replacing your only mode of transportation would be a need. Upgrading to a newer, fancier car is not. If your car goes down for the count, you need transportation. Use your emergency fund to buy something affordable and reliable you can pay cash for. But don't dip into it just to upgrade your decent car for one with a million bells and whistles.

Is it urgent? Practice the art of patience whenever possible. If your home's air conditioning unit goes out in the middle of summer, that's probably an urgent fix. But hearing about the "sale of the century" at your favorite retail store? Grabbing the newest, hottest cell phone when yours works just fine? Nope!

Your emergency fund is all about long-term security, not instant gratification. Don't blow it impulsively, but don't be afraid to use it when it's really needed. Be wise, and

ask those three questions. Check yourself so you don't wreck yourself—or your budget!

—Dave

(TEACHABLE MOMENTS ARE VALUABLE AT ANY AGE)

Dear Dave,

A good friend of mine passed away recently. In his will, he left me a couple of items and some money, and I'd like to share the money with my son. He is 25, and a good kid, but he is still impulsive with his finances. Do you have any advice for handling this in a way that will do him the most good?

Frank

Dear Frank,

It's tough enough losing a close friend without having to worry about a grown son with money issues. I'm sorry you're going through all this.

To be honest, I don't like the idea of just handing him money when you already know he's impulsive. I learned a long time ago that handing money to someone who's financially irresponsible is not a good idea. Lots of people think other folks would be fine, and all their problems would be solved, if they just had more money. That's not generally the case. You need to ask yourself if giving this young man a bunch of cash would really, truly help him. More than likely, the answer is no.

You obviously love this

kid, and you've got a generous heart. But under the circumstances, it might be a good idea to attach a few strings to any cash. Don't make him jump through a bunch of hoops for no reason, though. I'm talking about teachable moment-type things that will help train and educate him to handle his finances in a more responsible and productive way.

There are lots of paths you could take. You might require that he start living on a written, monthly budget, that the two of you go over together for the first few months. Sitting down with a good financial coach—one with the heart of a teacher—is something you might consider throwing out there, as well.

In my mind, this approach is fair to everyone involved. It allows you to help him help himself, instead of just handing him something that may or may not be a blessing.

—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including *The Total Money Makeover*. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).

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.

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.

BOYNE CITY
Evenings at the Gazebo
The Boyne Area Chamber will postpone its start date until July 15 this year, due to concerns for the health and safety of the community. Evenings at the Gazebo updated schedule will be available soon, and we are excited to offer an extended season with 10 concerts this summer. The 2020 series is presented by Black Diamond Broadcasting with concerts held in Old City Park on Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:30 p.m.

BOYNE CITY

STROLL THE STREETS

Boyne City Main Street's

17th Annual Stroll the Streets event series will postpone its start date until July 17 this year, due to concerns for the health and safety of the community. Stroll the Streets takes place each Friday evening mid-June through Labor Day weekend from 6-9 p.m. in downtown Boyne City. Stroll the Streets is a one of Boyne City Main Street's signature events. Each Friday evening, local bands, of all musical varieties, are placed on the sidewalks throughout downtown for folks to enjoy while they shop, eat, stroll and enjoy beautiful Northern Michigan summer evenings. Safety guidelines and group gathering protocols will be carefully monitored as July draws closer.

BOYNE CITY

FARMERS MARKET

Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8am - Noon through mid-October. With the days becoming warmer, we know that means more veggies, fruit, and all the BC Market goods you have come to love. We kindly ask that you think of it as an outdoor grocery store and ask that you help us by shopping responsibly and cooperating with the guidelines that are in place. Here's how: 1. Wear your mask. 2. Stay by your vehicle if lines are long. 3. One shopper per family. 4. Find your vendor. 5. Make your selection. 6. Head home and enjoy. We do ask that if you are able to please place orders with our vendors ahead of time. For more information on the market, visit the Boyne City Farmers Market Facebook page or email farmersmarket@boynecity.com

CHARLEVOIX

FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays, 8am-1pm, East Park. Many varieties of tables line the Bridge Street sidewalk downtown Charlevoix in full view of the sun rising over Round Lake at East Park. The Market is full of life, flavors, happy people, activity - and the view is staggering. Shop local. Eat fresh.

EAST JORDAN

FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays 9am-1pm, Memorial Park. Locally organically grown herbs, fruits and vegetables. Baked goods, jewelry, jams, jellies, maple syrup, farm fresh eggs and more.

EAST JORDAN

WIFI LOCATIONS

In an effort to help our local students that need to access the internet for their school lessons, we are starting a list of places where wifi is available for them to use from outside. If you are a business owner and have wifi that is accessible from your parking lot and you are willing to let students use it please let us know. info@ejchamber.org

Wifi Locations: East Jordan DDA - First two blocks of Main Street, Downtown East Jordan - Harbor/Marina Parking Lot, City of East Jordan - East Jordan Tourist Park near the log building, EJ Laundry Station - 128 S. Lake Street, Jordan River Arts Council - Outside - username: jragquest, password: jragquest, East Jordan Public Schools - High School & Elementary School parking lots, JRAC To fulfill a request from the East Jordan Schools the Jordan River Art Center has made it's patio a free WI-FI hotspot. Anyone can sit on the patio and access the internet. The username is: jragquest and the password is: jragquest. Feel free to sit there and enjoy spring.

CHARLEVOIX

Charlevoix Public Schools Kindergarten Registration Experience Charlevoix Elementary. If your child turns 5 on or before Sept. 1, 2020, call (231) 547-3215 or email cesinfo@rayder.net with the following information: student name, date of birth, parent(s) name, mailing address, phone number, previous preschool attended. You will be contacted with further information. To view the full flyer visit www.rayder.net

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 June 1 (extended from original due date - May 1). The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for 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 month-old-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, Glucose Level, Body Mass Index Score, Muscle and Fat Percentages, and a Blood Pressure Reading. No fasting is required. However, if you are fasting and LDL and Triglyceride reading can also be obtained. Cost for the service is \$15. Hemoglobin A1C Levels can also be done for known or borderline diabetics for an additional \$10. Participants will receive all test results at the time of the screening and a "Know Your Numbers" log to track progress. A Registered



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ON-LINE AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

During this time of sheltering at home, many churches are broadcasting their service on-line.

Following is list of area churches that are broadcasting their service video or audio.

BOYNE CITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

Meets on Facebook Live at 10am each Sunday
The connecting link is: www.facebook.com/EpiscopalBoyne

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Meets on Facebook Live at 11am each Sunday
www.facebook.com/firstbaptistboyne

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Here is a link to our YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/channel/UCNWU82TtGL9G0P-PjLX5Y5A
and Here is a link to our website sermons section: www.clcboyme.org/sermons

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

The pastor sends out a link weekly to anyone that would like to be included, we meet on ZOOM. Send me an email to bcsda228@gmail.com to receive the weekly link.

CHARLEVOIX COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday Service via Facebook Live at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday.
Prayer meeting at 11:00 a.m. each Wednesday.
Links to these can be found here: <http://communityreformed.net/>

CENTER POINT ASSEMBLY

Meets on Facebook Live at 10:30am each Sunday
www.facebook.com/centerpointassembly
We also post all of our sermons on-line in an audio format on our church website, www.centerpointassembly.com/on-line-sermons

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Watch our live stream on-line at <http://bbcmministry.com/>

ST MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

<https://stmarycharlevoix.com/live-stream-schedule/>

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Our church uploads our weekly service early Sunday morning to <http://chxucc.org/category/sermons>

EAST JORDAN EAST JORDAN

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

We will be posting sermons and videos on this site to encourage people while we traverse this time together.
www.bbcej.org

LIGHTHOUSE MISSIONARY CHURCH

Service Times: 10AM Sunday Mornings
Links to access services include:
<https://www.youtube.com/user/LighthouseMC>
<https://www.facebook.com/EJlighthousemc/>
<https://www.lighthousemc.org/>

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

www.ejpresbyterian.com
Then click on the "worship" tab

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

FACEBOOK LIVE on our Facebook page (St. Joseph Catholic Church) at 9am on Sundays

If your church is in Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Charlevoix, East Jordan or Ellsworth and has an on-line service and is not listed here, please email information to Office@Charlevoix-CountyNews.com

Include town, name of church, time of service and website, facebook or YouTube address where to find the broadcast.

There is no cost for this listing.

Boyne City Public Schools has 4 board seats up for election



COURTESY PHOTO

Top left to right: Alison Mellon, Ross McLane, Zareena Koch
Bottom left to right: Nathan Minnaar, Kristine Brehm, Jeff Mercer, Ken Schrader

The Boyne City Public School Board of Education will be presented with a resolution at its regular meeting on June 8, 2020, for a regular school election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. There will be three members elected to the Board of Education for full terms of 6 years ending in 2026 and one member for a partial 4-year term ending in 2024. Only one member, Jeff Mercer, has announced he will run again for another 6-year term.

Superintendent Pat Little states, "Having a strong Board of Education is the cornerstone of any successful school system. I encourage citizens to consider serving the Boyne community by running for the Board. Primarily, the Board's function is to provide high-level guidance to the Superintendent, who in turn leads and manages the district with the support of the administrative team, and all staff. Members are also two-way communicators: communicating to the district leadership team and to the community when appropriate. The Board finalizes the budget each year, reviews and approves policies, and evaluates the Superintendent when required to do so." The following Board members who have seats up for election are:

President Ken Schrader (6-year term) will not seek reelection after 19 years serving the community on the Board of Education.

Treasurer Ross McLane (6-year term) will not seek reelection after 15 years serving the community on the Board of Education.

Vice President Jeff Mercer

(6-year term) will seek reelection after 10 years of service.

Appointed Board Member Nathan Minnaar (4-year term) will not seek reelection after 2 years of service.

Guidelines to become a Board member:
A school board member must be, on the date of the election, a U.S. citizen; at least 18 years of age; a resident of Michigan for at least 30 days; a resident of the school district on or before the 30th day prior to the date of the election and a registered voter in the school district where he or she is a candidate.

There are three forms to fill out in order to run for school board:

Nominating Petition (candidates have the option of paying a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100),

Statement of Organization,

and Affidavit of Identity

All forms must be filed by the deadline of July 21, 2020, no later than 4:00 p.m. at the Charlevoix County Clerk's Office.

You can find the filing form links at <https://www.boyne.k12.mi.us/District/Portal/board-of-education>.

You may pick up packets from the Charlevoix County Clerk's Office.

If you would like any further information about becoming a Board member, please call our office at 231.439.8190. Interested citizens are highly encouraged to contact Superintendent Pat Little for a brief orientation regarding expectations of Board members, roles, and responsibilities. Past Board members have found these sessions to be helpful in de-

terminating if they would like to serve the community in this capacity.

Prospective candidates are also encouraged to visit the Michigan Association of School Boards website at <https://masb.org/your-local-school-board.aspx> for more information on being a school board member.

Boyne City School District would like to extend our gratitude to Ken Schrader and Ross McLane who have committed many years as President and Treasurer respectively. Nathan Minnaar was appointed by the Board to fill Chris Marlin's seat for a few years until the next election and has done a stellar job jumping into this unpredictable role. We thank them all for their dedicated service to our staff, students, and community.

DNR seeks hunter input on deer regulations

A new package of deer hunting regulations designed to simplify rules and remove barriers to participation was introduced to the Michigan Natural Resources Commission Thursday at the commission's regular monthly meeting, which was conducted in an online and conference call format due to COVID-19 public health and safety concerns. The regulations, proposed for the 2020 deer hunting season, are scheduled for an NRC vote in June.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources deer program experts say the regulations, if approved, will provide additional opportunities and cost savings for hunters and offer flexibility in how hunters pursue deer. The DNR uses existing and projected data to gauge the impact of proposed regulations. The data shows that the projected changes will not have a significant negative effect on the deer herd or the quality of deer hunting.

"These recommendations are aimed at making it easier for hunters of all ages and experience levels to enjoy a Michigan outdoor tradition, while at the same time facing the present and future challenges of managing the state's deer population," said Chad Stewart, the DNR's deer, elk and moose program leader. "We hope that hunters across the state will take the opportunity to review the regulations and share their opinions, because their feedback is critical in shaping the future of deer hunting."

Proposed regulation changes include:
Statewide
• Change Liberty and Independence hunt qualifications to include deaf people.
• Allow mentored youths (age 9 and younger), junior license holders (age 10-16) and apprentice license holders to be exempt from antler point restrictions in all seasons, in all deer management units (DMUs) and under all licenses.
• Require a 60% support threshold from a survey



The DNR is seeking input from hunters regarding proposed deer regulations. (photo courtesy of DNR)

to prompt the DNR to recommend antler point restrictions (APRs) to the NRC, as decided by the 2019 APR work group. This replaces the 66% support threshold recommended by previous APR work groups. Additionally, failed APR initiatives would face a 10-year moratorium before another initiative would be considered.

- Change the statewide limit for antlerless license purchase to 10 per hunter. This limit offers maximum opportunity for those who wish to manage abundant deer on their property.
- Require hunter orange to be visible on occupied ground blinds.
- Standardize baiting practices (eliminate the requirement to use single-bite baits in select counties) during the Liberty and Independence hunts for hunters with disabilities.
- Upper Peninsula
 - Allow Upper Peninsula archers to resume pursuing antlerless deer in all DMUs with their deer/deer combination license.
 - Remove remnant APRs on the deer license in parts of DMU 122. Lower Peninsula

- In addition to the archery season, allow antlerless deer to be taken on the deer/deer combination license during the firearm and muzzleloader seasons in all Lower Peninsula DMUs.
- Open early and late antlerless seasons in all Lower Peninsula mainland DMUs.
- Allow antlerless deer to be taken on a deer/deer combination license during both the early and late antlerless seasons in the Lower Peninsula.
- Change antlerless quotas in select DMUs.
- Shorten muzzleloader season in the southern Lower Peninsula to 10 days and extend the late antlerless season to provide consistency between all regions of the state.
- Allow legal firearms to be used during the muzzleloader season in the southern Lower Peninsula.
- Scale carcass movement restrictions to areas most affected by chronic wasting disease. This eases some of the movement restrictions in parts of the state with a lower risk of harvesting a CWD-positive animal while still applying those re-

strictions to areas with the highest risk.

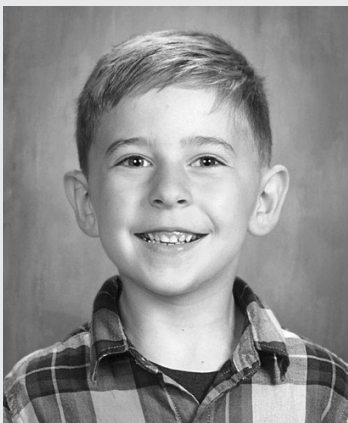
- Resume four-point restriction on combination license in select DMUs in the Lower Peninsula.
- Continue the expanded archery season through Jan. 31 for one more year in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Read the full NRC proposal memo or the justifications behind the 2020 proposed regulation changes at Michigan.gov/Deer.

Hunters are encouraged to review the proposed regulations and share their feedback either through an anonymous survey or by email to NRC@Michigan.gov. All comments must be received by June 5 and will be shared with members of the Michigan Natural Resources Commission.



Boyne Falls Public Schools STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Grayson Blackwell

Grade: Kindergarten

Parent's Name(s): Erika and Josh Blackwell

What do you want to be when you grow up?: A Police Officer

Favorite Book: Grayson enjoys the Catbug Series

Hobbies and Interests: Grayson enjoys jump roping, playing on his trampoline and hiding painted rocks.

School Activities: Grayson enjoys recess and gym because he loves playing with his friends.

Staff Comments: Grayson is a kind and helpful child and I was so happy to have him in my kindergarten class. He always worked so hard in class and followed the Logger Agreement. During this remote learning time Grayson has never given up. He has continued to use his stamina and work hard and participate with all the Kindergarten remote learning activities. I will miss Grayson next year but I know he will do a wonderful job in First Grade and I know he will continue to always follow the Logger Agreement and always use his stamina!

Submitted By: Mrs. R

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News

ONLINE AT WWW.CHARLEVOIXCOUNTYNEWS.COM

Firefighters fight back large blaze near Grayling

CRAWFORD COUNTY – A total of about 70 homes near Grayling were evacuated last Thursday, May 21, as firefighters battled a fire in privately owned jack pine stands in Crawford County.

The M-72 Fire, estimated at about 105 acres, was reported at approximately 5 p.m. along M-72 between Stephan Bridge Road and S. Horseshoe Trail, about 8 miles east of Grayling. The fire, which burned a swath about 1 mile long and 0.2 miles wide, was contained around 8:30 p.m. Evacuated residents were able to return to their homes shortly after 9 p.m. Two out-buildings were destroyed.

Despite recent rain in the

northern Lower Peninsula, after a few days of dry conditions, sunny skies and warmer temperatures, the fire danger in Grayling was high Thursday. Jack pine is one of the most prevalent tree species in the Grayling area and its seeds are released by fire, making it very fire-prone. It was this combination of weather and fuels that led to the M-72 Fire.

Multiple agencies cooperated to contain the fire:

- The U.S. Forest Service provided critical air and ground support to DNR personnel. Air operations included four U.S. Forest Service Fire Bosses (single-engine air tankers), one U.S.

Forest Service fixed-wing "Air Attack" aircraft, two U.S. Forest Service helicopters and a DNR spotter (detection) plane.

- Ground operations consisted of 20 DNR firefighters, U.S. Forest Service firefighters and Grayling, South Branch, Beaver Creek and Frederic township fire departments.

- Law enforcement also assisted, including the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, Grayling City Police, Michigan State Police, U.S. Forest Service law enforcement and DNR conservation officers. Fire crews will continue fire suppression and mop-up efforts

throughout the day today.

The cause of the fire is unknown and is currently under investigation.

TAKE PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE

The DNR reminds everyone to take precautions while doing yard work and engaging in outdoor activities this spring.

- Get a burn permit at Michigan.gov/BurnPermit and check local weather and fire danger before burning debris.
- Burn debris in barrels with metal screens, if possible.



Several planes, including this U.S. Forest Service Fire Boss, were used to dump water on the approximately 105-acre fire that broke out in a privately owned jack pine forest near Grayling Thursday. (courtesy of DNR)

- Clear any vegetation around your burn area.
- Make sure to have a source of water nearby

- whenever you burn.
- Stay with a fire until it is completely extinguished.

FAMILY FARE.

Starts Thursday at 6am!

ANNUAL TRUCKLOAD BEDDING

PLANT sale

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

HANGING BASKET
10-inch

\$8⁹⁹

with yes



Premium 12-inch
HANGING BASKET OR PLANTER
each

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with yes



ANNUALS OR ASSORTED VEGETABLE PLANTS
each

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with yes



OR Sold as a Flat
\$8.99
with yes



PATIO TOMATO PLANT
3-gallon

\$8⁹⁹

with yes



GERANIUM
4-inch, each

\$1⁴⁹

with yes



OR Sold as a Tray
\$21.99
with yes



ANNUAL OR GERANIUM PLANTER
10-inch

\$14⁹⁹

with yes



SHOCKWAVE PETUNIA
6 ct. tray

\$5⁹⁹

with yes



ASSORTED VEGETABLE PLANTS
6-inch

\$2⁴⁹

with yes



ACCENT PLANTS
4-inch

3/\$5

with yes



Thursday, May 28 to Saturday, May 30