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Boyne Valley Garden Club wreath donation

The Boyne Valley Garden Club presented holiday wreaths to 80 businesses in the Boyne City community on Thursday, November 19th, 2020. This charitable gesture was a thank you to local businesses for purchasing wreaths previously from their 2019 holiday wreath fundraiser. Due to the pandemic, this annual fundraiser was cancelled. Instead of selling wreaths this year, the Boyne Valley Garden Club decided to show their appreciation for the services and support provided by the merchants during this difficult year. Courtesy photo

THANKSGIVING 1863 PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION

BY JIM AKANS

Growing up in America, the tale of the first Thanksgiving feast bringing together newly arrived Europeans immigrants and Native Americans in the early 1600's was well ingrained upon my young mind. The images of Deerskin wardrobes joining in a feast with those dressed in conservative dark clothing and tall hats seemed to epitomize the spirit of cooperation. graciousness and gratitude that remains at the root of the American character to this day. What isn't widely known is a legendary political figure, also associated with a tall black hat, is responsible for establishing the beginnings of Thanksgiving as a national holiday over 200 years after that first remarkable gathering. On October 3, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation declaring the last Thursday in November be designated as a national holiday of Thanksgiving. It was a proclamation Lincoln issued at the urging of Sarah J. Hale, editor for a popular magazine at the time, who had campaigned for many years to create a national observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Following are the closing words from President Lincoln's official proclamation.



can people. I do, therefore, invite my fellow-citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a Day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens."

Lights of Love honors loved ones, benefits Hospice

The Boyne Eta Nu Charities thirty-third annual "Lights of Love" tree dedication will take place Wednesday, December 2, at 6:30 p.m. on the Dilworth Hotel porch in Boyne City. This special event offers an opportunity for community members to honor and remember loved ones during the holidav season.

This year receipts will benefit Northwest Michigan Hospice Assist. NMHA is a nonprofit, non-medical organization that specializes in providing nominal grants for personal care items for those facing illness and loss. NMHA serves clients in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego Counties. In the past thirty-two years, Boyne Eta Nu has raised over \$110,000 for Hospice and Hospice Assist.

You can help decorate our "Lights of Love" tree by purchasing a green, blue, red or gold light ranging from \$5 to \$30. For a \$40 contribution, you will receive a personalized heart ornament inscribed with your loved one's name that will hang on the tree during the month of December. The personalized hearts ornaments will be distributed after the New Year. One hundred percent of the monies collected will go to the Hospice Assist program. You can make a donation through the end of December and is tax deductible.

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While President Lincoln is often remembered for issuing the Emancipation Proclamation in the autumn of 1862, Lincoln also issued (at the urging of magazine editor Sarah J. Hale), the Proclamation declaring Thanksgiving as a national holiday in the fall of 1863. Public domain painting by Francis Bicknell Carpen-



While often romanticized, such as in this "The First Thanksgiving" 1621 oil on canvas by Jean Leon Gerome Ferris, images of a first Thanksgiving much like this are firmly etched in the minds of most Americans. Public domain photo

And while Mr. Lincoln is referring to the Civil War that raged at that time, many of his carefully chosen words could apply to the sacrifices, courage and divisiveness we experience in our country

today: "It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole Ameri-

"And I recommend to them that, while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners, or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty hand to heal the wounds of the nation, and to restore it, as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes, to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility, and union."

Abraham Lincoln

Lincoln's words ring as true today as they did over 150 years ago. Wishes for a safe and joyous Thanksgiving!

Love" donation form at the Boyne City Chamber. Those wishing to make a direct contribution may do so via mail to Pati Scott, 4408 E. Fontenoy, Boyne City, MI 49712. Please

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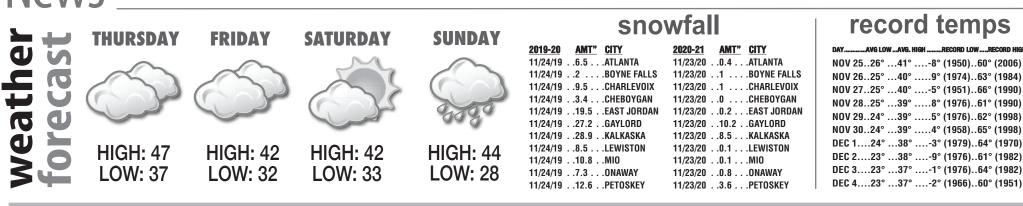
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Donald Paul Knapp, Sr., 80 (AUG. 8, 1940 - NOV. 17, 2020)



Donald Paul Knapp Sr., 80 of Charlevoix, formerly of Saginaw and Birch Run, Michigan passed away at his home surrounded by his loving wife and family on November 17, 2020.

Son of Bernard and Loretta (Wines) Knapp, Donald was born on August 8, 1940 in Saginaw, Michigan. He grew up in Saginaw and attended Saginaw High. He later attended Delta College.

On June 27, 1970 he married Gretchen Gase at Bridgeport Community Church and had the marriage blessed at St. Peter and Paul's in Saginaw, Michigan.

Church.

Donald is survived by his

wife Gretchen; children: Don-

ald Jr. (Koral) Knapp, Heidi

(Adam) Brege, and Michael

children: Gabrielle Sexton,

Loretta Brege, Alice Knapp

and Michael Jr. Knapp; his

siblings: Rosemary Knapp,

twin Dorothy Wilson, Daniel

(Gretchen) Knapp; his aunt

Donald is preceded in

brother-in-law Robert Wil-

son; his godson Bobby Wil-

son; and his nephew John

Szabo.

and Loretta Knapp; his

nieces and nephews.

Jean Schnautz; and his many

death by his parents Bernard

Sr. (Ronda) Knapp; his grand-

Donnie Knapp, Joseph Brege,

Donald served in the Army and was proud of his service. Donald worked at US

Graphite, and General Motors. He also owned his own painting company, was a bus driver and was a millwright by trade.

Donald loved anything outdoors especially hunting and fishing. He liked all sports and loved watching his children and grandchildren play all types of sports. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. Donald had a good sense of humor and was a great talker. Anyone that

knew him knew he was gen-A funeral mass for Donald officiated by Father Dennis erous and a hard worker. Donald was a member of Stilwell was held at St. Franthe Knights of Columbus in cis Xavier Catholic Church in Birch Run and a member of Petoskey, Michigan Novem-St. Francis Xavier Catholic ber 21, 2020. Burial at Greenwood Cemetery in Petoskey.

Inc.

Friends and family wishing to make a charitable donation in memory of Donald are asked to please consider Brother Dan's Food Pantry. Arrangements are in the care of Stone Funeral Home,

> Elaine J. (LaVanway) Hersha, 78

(JAN. 20, 1942 - NOV. 19, 2020) Elaine J. LaVanway Hersha of East Jordan passed away peacefully on November 19, 2020, in Petoskey.

She was born on January 20, 1942, the daughter of Edward and Della (Thomas) La-Vanway. She graduated from

Central Lake High School in 1960, and on September 17, 1960, in Central Lake, she married the love of her life, Hugh K. Hersha. He preceded her in death on March 7, 2017. They were married 57 years. Elaine had worked at Dura Automotive until they closed their operations in East Jordan.

She is survived by four sons, Hugh Jr, Frank (Julie), Mac, and Jim (Nancy); nine grandchildren, Nicolas, Brittney (Zach), Jesse, Kari, Kevin (Brandy), Kyle, Amber (Mark), Kiersten, Mariah; and six great-grandchildren, Calin, Marek, Kailer, Riyah, Macbeth, and Christopher. Elaine was also preceded in death by her son, Jeffrey, her grandson-in-law, Bryan, and

her parents. She will always be remembered for her sweet and kind nature. Her family was her life and she loved dearly each

child, grandchild, and great grandchild. She also enjoyed the many lasting relationships made with the hunting group she and Hugh were part of for many years. She will also be missed by her very favorite little fur baby, Lilly.

A celebration of life will be announced at a later date in 2021

Memorials may be directed to the Pleasant Valley Free Methodist Church, where Elaine attended, 3055 West Old State Road, East Jordan, MI 4972

Roger B. Kerr, 83

(JUNE 5, 1937 - NOV. 13, 2020) Roger B. Kerr of

Charlevoix died Friday, November 13, 2020, in Petoskey.

No services are scheduled at this time.



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10 Things Incredibly Likable People Never, Ever Do (and Why You Love Them for It)

What you do can make you extremely likable. So can what you choose not to do.

BY JEFF HADEN

Some people are incredibly likable because of the things they do. Some people are incredibly charismatic because of the things they do.

And some people are incredibly likable because of the things they don't do.

If you know someone who possesses the following qualities, share this with themand also tell them how much you appreciate the fact they are in your life.

more fun, and create better business and personal relationships.

And all of you will be happier.

3. THEY DON'T TRY TO IMPRESS.

No one likes you for your clothes, your car, your possessions, your title, or your accomplishments. Those are all "things." People may like your things, but that doesn't mean they like you.

Sure, superficially they might seem to, but superficial is also insubstantial, and a relationship that is not based on substance is not a real relationship. on Genuine relationships make you happier, and you'll form genuine relationships only when you stop trying to impress and start trying to

6. THEY DON'T WHINE.

Your words have power, especially over you. Whining about your problems makes you feel worse, not better.

If something is wrong, don't waste time complaining. Put that effort into making the situation better. Unless you want to whine about it forever, eventually you'll have to do that. So why waste time? Fix it now.

Don't talk about what's wrong. Talk about how you'll make things better, even if that conversation is only with yourself.

And do the same with your friends or colleagues. Don't be just the shoulder they cry

from the mistakes of others. Then let it go.

Easier said than done? (Even Troy Aikman struggles with this, but in a really good way.) It depends on your focus. When something bad happens to you, see that as a chance to learn something you didn't know. When another person makes a mistake, see that as an opportunity to be kind, forgiving, and understanding.

The past is just training; it doesn't define you. Think about what went wrong, but only in terms of how you will make sure that, next time, you and the people around you will know how to make sure it goes right.

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1. THEY DON'T BLAME.

Friends make mistakes. Employees don't meet your expectations. Vendors don't deliver on time.

So you blame them for your problems.

But you're also to blame. Maybe you didn't provide enough training. Maybe you didn't build in enough of a buffer. Maybe you asked too much, too soon. Maybe you weren't as good a friend as vou could have been.

Taking responsibility when things go wrong instead of blaming others isn't masochistic; it's empowering, because then you focus on doing things better or smarter next time.

And when you get better or smarter, you also get happier.

2. THEY DON'T CONTROL.

Yeah, you're the boss. Yeah, you're the titan of industry. Yeah, you're the small tail that wags a huge dog.

Still, the only thing you really control is you. If you find yourself trying hard to control other people, you've decided that you, your goals, your dreams, or even just vour opinions are more important than theirs.

Plus, control is short term at best, because it often requires force, or fear, or authority, or some form of pressure-none of those let you feel good about yourself.

Find people who want to go where you're going. They'll work harder, have

4. THEY DON'T CLING.

When you're afraid or insecure, you hold on tightly to what you know, even if what you know isn't particularly good for you.

just be yourself.

An absence of fear or insecurity isn't happiness; it's just an absence of fear or insecurity.

Holding on to what you think you need won't make you happier; letting go so you can reach for and try to earn what you want will.

Even if you don't succeed in earning what you want, the act of trying alone will make you feel better about vourself.

5. THEY DON'T INTERRUPT.

Interrupting isn't just rude. When you interrupt someone, what you're really saying is, "I'm not listening to you so I can understand what you're saying; I'm listening to you so I can decide what I want to say.'

Want people to like you? Listen to what they say. Focus on what they say. Ask questions to make sure you understand what they say.

They'll love you for it-and you'll love how that makes you feel.

Friends don't let friends whine. Friends help friends make their lives better.

7. THEY DON'T CRITICIZE.

Yeah, you're more educated. Yeah, you're more experienced. Yeah, you've been around more blocks and climbed more mountains and slaved more dragons.

That doesn't make you smarter, or better, or more insightful.

That just makes you you: unique, matchless, one of a kind—but in the end, just you

Just like everyone else. Everyone is different: not better, not worse, just different. Appreciate the differences instead of the shortcomings and you'll see people—and yourself—in a better light.

8. THEY DON'T PREACH.

The higher you rise and the more you accomplish, the more likely you are to think you know everything and to tell people everything you think you know.

When you speak with more finality than foundation, people may hear you but they don't listen.

And they don't want to be around you.

9. THEY DON'T LIVE IN THE PAST.

The past is valuable. Learn from your mistakes. Learn

10. THEY DON'T LET FEAR HOLD THEM BACK.

We're all afraid, of what might or might not happen, of what we can't change, or what we won't be able to do, or how other people might perceive us.

So it's easier to hesitate, to wait for the right moment, to decide we need to think a little longer or do some more research or explore a few more alternatives.

Meanwhile days, weeks. months, and even years pass us by.

And so do our dreams. Don't let your fears hold vou back. Whatever you've been planning, whatever you've imagined, whatever you've dreamed of, get started on it today.

If you want to start a business, take the first step. If you want to change careers, take the first step. If you want to expand or enter a new market or offer new products or services, take the first step.

Put your fears aside and get started. Do something. Do anything.

Otherwise, today is gone. Once tomorrow comes, today is lost forever.

Today is the most precious asset you own-and is the one thing you should truly fear ... wasting.

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News Diabetes Awareness Month

Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in the U.S. and Michigan, and to highlight the importance of preventing and managing diabetes, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has proclaimed November 2020 as Diabetes Awareness Month in Michigan.

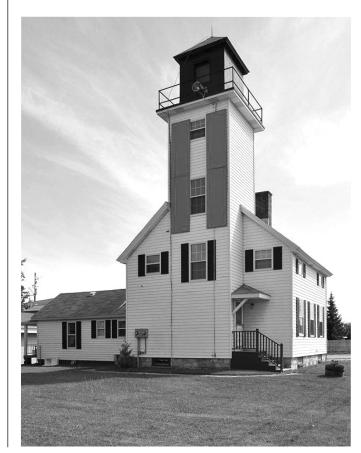
This month is dedicated to people across the state living with diabetes, prediabetes and people taking care of loved ones managing these conditions. Managing and preventing diabetes is more important than ever during the COVID-19 pandemic, since people living with diabetes are at a greater risk for COVID-19 complications.

"The COVID-19 pandemic, and how the virus has severely impacted those with underlying medical conditions, means it is even more important for people to be able to manage their diabetes well," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health. "People living with diabetes should work with their physician to manage their condition, which includes a healthy diet, exercise, and taking any medications as directed. We encourage people across Michigan living with diabetes to create a diabetes preparedness plan, including having extra medication and supplies on hand."

Approximately 870,000 Michigan adults have been diagnosed with diabetes and more than 2.7 million adults across the state are estimated to have prediabetes.

People of color, people living in poverty and people with a disability are at higher risk for type 2 diabetes, largely due to less access to health care and other programs and services. Specifically, non-Hispanic Black adults have 1.4 times the prevalence of diabetes when compared with non-Hispanic White adults Adults with a disability have two times the prevalence of diabetes when compared to those without a disability.

In addition to being at increased risk for illnesses such as COVID-19 and the flu, uncontrolled diabetes also puts people at risk for serious complications like cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney disease and dialysis and nerve damage and amputation. Michiganders are encouraged to learn more about managing and preventing diabetes at Michigan.gov/Diabetes.



Give the holiday gift of lighthouse history

Holiday shopping this year will be dramatically different than in the past. People are reluctant to travel any distance to experience unique shopping destinations. Jostling with strangers while shopping has become a memory. E-commerce sales are expected to grow by 25% to 35% during the 2020-2021 holiday season according to Deloitte's annual holiday retail forecast. 64% of consumers say they will spend more online this year, according to the PowerReviews Holiday Consumer Survey.

Keeping this in mind, look to creative gift giving. Consider giving gifts of membership in local organizations in the area. Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association (GLLKA) membership is a unique gift that comes with benefits of historic preserva-

The Cheboygan River Front Range Light. Courtesy photo

Reducing risk of getting or spreading COVID-19 and flu this season

As we continue into the holiday seasons, and our days and nights get colder, many of us will find ourselves spending more time indoors than outdoors. It is important that we continue to help keep ourselves, our families, and our communities safe and healthy. Let us do our part to help reduce the risk of getting or spreading both COVID-19 and flu this season.

"Across our area, we have seen COVID-19 numbers increase at schools and in our communities," said Denise Bryan, Health Officer for **District Health Department** No. 4. "We're asking everyone in NE Michigan to do their part to keep the spread of illness low. We know consistent use of face coverings, distancing, hand cleaning and full cooperation with health officials slows the spread of illness and prevents additional cases. With continued cooperation, we can continue doing things we love as safely as possible and keeping in mind that COVID19 continues to circulate in our communities. The time is now for collective micro-actions by all of us as we now are also experiencing an increase in hospitalizations.' Here is what you can do: Get Your Flu Vaccine Everyone six months and older needs a flu vaccine, especially this year. Widespread flu vaccination will reduce the spread of flu during the COVID pandemic and help prevent serious illness as much as possible. It also reduces the chances of people becoming infected with both flu and COVID-19 at the same time.

Wearing a face covering is one of the most effective ways to minimize the spread of COVID19, which may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms. The virus spreads easily between people through respiratory droplets when an infected person coughs, sneezes, talks, or yells.

Social Distance Social distancing, or staying at least 6 feet away from people you do not live with, is another effective strategy that will help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Being outdoors in an open space is safer, and the DHD4 recommends avoiding being in small rooms with poor airflow with non-household members. This means no indoor parties, sleepovers, or other social gettogethers with nonhousehold members where there is noor ventilation or closed windows. Practice Good Hygiene Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer if you do not have soap and water. Avoid touching your face and mouth, and cover your coughs and sneezes. Monitor Your Symptoms and Stay Home If You Feel Under the Weather People with COVID-19 may have many different symptoms that range in severity. Common symptoms include fever, cough (not attributed to allergies or asthma), shortness of breath, runny nose or sore throat, muscle aches, severe tiredness, chills, new loss of taste or smell, or diarrhea. If you or your child are experiencing any of these symptoms, even mild ones, stay home. Manage symp-

toms with fever-reducing medicine, stay hydrated and eat when you can, and stay away from people and pets in your household. Call your doctor if symptoms keep getting worse or call 9-1-1 if you have difficulty breathing, chest pain, or if you are feeling light-headed or unstable. Cooperate Fully with Case

Investigation and Contact Tracing Remember the virus that causes COVID-19 continues to circulate locally. Cases can and do occur. Cooperating with public health guidance is the best way for us to stop any additional spread once a case has been identified. This means responding promptly to school and health officials and answering questions honestly to protect everyone's health.

Please remember that not everyone infected with COVID-19 shows or fe

tion and the romance of lighthouses.

GLLKA is dedicated to restoring and preserving Great Lakes lighthouses and the stories of those who kept them. The group owns two Great Lakes lighthouses-St. Helena, just off the coast of Michigan's U.P., and the Front Range Light in Cheboygan. In addition, GLLKA also maintains Cheboygan's iconic Crib Light on the beach at Gordon Turner Park. During normal times, these structures are all open for tours to visitors. Sadly, this year, all were closed.

Memberships help maintain and restore the lighthouses. Besides maintaining the lighthouses, in a normal season, GLLKA offers lighthouse tours, through Sheplers, and overnight cruises that explore lighthouses throughout Michigan along the Great Lakes and Detroit River. Unfortunately, all

tours and excursions this year were cancelled. They are being planned now for summer 2021.

One bright spot has been the GLLKA Gift Shop, which was open last summer. It's closed for the season—but Holiday gifts with lighthouse themes and much more are available online at GLLKA.org.

The GLLKA website, GLLKA.org includes a membership form that can be filled out online, or downloaded and mailed. Also listed are videos and articles of interest to lighthouse devotees. For more info, see GLLKA.org or call 231-436-5580

Great Lakes Energy powers classroom technology

Great Lakes Energy recently helped 20 classrooms implement technologybased programs in their schools.

A total of \$25,608.43 in grants were awarded in November to schools that educate children of Great Lakes Energy (GLE) members. The grants help implement innovative projects up to a maximum of \$2,000 per school district. Projects submitted typically fall beyond the scope of school budgets.

A total of 50 applications arrived this year. They were evaluated according to published standards by a panel of volunteer employee judges from various departments at GLE. School names and districts were hidden during the evaluation process to allow for judging based on project merit and quality of the application submitted.

Grants awarded for the 2020-2021 school year bring the total to just over \$213,000 for 147 projects since GLE launched its

\$2,000 for iPads Concord Academy Boyne, Boyne City, \$300 for Student Created Podcasts and a Walking Outdoor Classroom

South Elementary School, Coopersville, \$1,269.67 for Sphero Robots

Grayling Elementary, Grayling, \$1,650 for Lego Robotics

Boyne Falls Public School, Boyne Falls, \$950 for Virtual Math Manipulative Platform

Oceana County Early Learning Center, Hart. \$2,000 for iPads

Boyne Falls Public School, Boyne Falls, \$239.90 for Drawing/Tracing Light Pads

St. Mary School, Charlevoix, \$1,000 for STEM kits and supplies

Allendale Christian School, Allendale, \$1,400 for Wi-Fi boosters and portable projectors

Newaygo Elementary, Newaygo, \$2,000 for Coding Critters

Pentwater Public chools. Pentwater, \$500 for

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make checks payable to Boyne Eta Nu Charities. The personalized hearts ornaments will be distributed after the New Year.

For additional information visit us on Face Book at Boyne Eta Nu Charities or contact Pati Scott at patiski13@gmail.com or call or text 231-758-2496.

Monday, November 9, 2020

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Wear Your Face Covering

symptoms, which is why getting a flu shot, wearing a face mask, social distancing, practicing good hygiene habits, cooperating with case investigation and contact tracing are all critical to keeping yourself, your loved ones, and those around you safe and healthy.

DHD4 would like to remind people that, right now, family gatherings are one of the major ways COVID-19 is being spread. Approximately 40% of COVID-19 cases appear to be asymptomatic. Asymptomatic cases are especially difficult because they are not sick and therefore not staying home. Individuals can spread virus prior to experiencing symptoms. For the latest COVID-19 information, visit our website at www.dhd4.org/covid19.

classroom grant program in 2012.

A Fremont Elementary School teacher whose project was selected for a grant states, "We are a Title One 3rd-5th grade school and are thrilled to have the potential to reach many atrisk students within our 475+ student population, as we move forward! I feel the program has been beneficial in giving equal opportunity for all student learning needs!'

These schools received classroom grants for the 2020-2021 school year:

Harbor Springs High School, Harbor Springs, \$1,895 for DJI Mavic Enterprise Dual with regular and IR Camera

Mason County Central High School, Scottville, \$1,500 for Headphones Johannesburg Elemen-

tary School, Johannesburg,

Heart Rate monitors

East Jordan Middle/High School, East Jordan, \$2,000 for Integration of a 20kW solar arrav

Boyne City Elementary School, Boyne City, \$500 for STEM materials

Hesperia High School, Hesperia, \$700 for iPad and Apple TV

Patricia St. Clair Elementary, Hesperia, \$1,300 for iPads

Otsego Christian School, Gaylord, \$1,975.86 for Document cameras

Beaver Island Community School, Beaver Island, \$500 for Flip cameras

St. Mary School, Big Rapids, \$1,928 for Robotics materials

Online applications for the 2021-2022 school year open in September 2021. To learn more, visit gtlakes.com.

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORT

Tuesday November 10, 2020 0805 Suspicious situation in the 300 block of E Division St

0951 Stalking complaint in the 700 block of Vogel. Trespass warning issued. 1402 Civil dispute in the 400 block of N East St. Parking complaint on 1425 Ray St. Report of lost wallet 1442 Vehicle unlock in the 1730 400 block of N Lake St 2101 Could hear yelling in Veterans Park.

2324 Car deer crash at State St and Rotary Park.

Thursday, November 12, 2020 0819 Citation issued for speed on Boyne Ave in front of the school. 1258 Arrested subject for retail fraud in the 400 block of N Lake St. 1349 Arrested subject for Driving while license revoked on N. Park near North St. Retail Fraud in the 100 1417 block of E Water St. Report of new phone 1504 fraud. Company claiming to be Boyne City Medical Alarms, offering to send free alarm

2052 Suspicious situation in the 500 block of Hannah St

Friday, November 13, 2020 0825 Citation issued for Speed at Brockway St. and Beardsley St. Report of missing 18 1146 year old 1206 Assist Sheriff Dept. in the 300 block of E division St. 1616 Investigation of previous domestic violence incident on Voice St Larceny of signs in the 1825 900 block of Wilson St. 2214 Report of intoxicated

subjects in the roadway at Boyne Ave and Lincoln. Located subjects

who had already made it home. 2250 Disturbance in the 300 block of E Division St 2319 Assist Sheriff Dept. on Cabin Dr.

Saturday, November 14, 2020 Report of dead deer on 0833 Cozv Nook Ln Welfare check re-0944 quested on E. Lincoln St 1243 Private property damage crash on North St Assist citizen at the 1300 football game Threats complaint in 1815 the 800 block of Thompson St. 1822 Civil dispute on Pleasant Av e

Intoxicated subject on W Main St. 2317 Arrested subject for OWI and resisting and obstructing at Lincoln and Alice St. Sunday, November 15, 2020

2246

1511 Vehicle unlock in the 400 block of N Lake St. 1635 Report of someone spitting on cars in the 300 block of E Division St. 1645 Tree down in the roadway at Jefferson and Collings 2111 Health and safety issue at the west end of North St. 2152 Attempt suicide in the 400 block of Vogel.



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Insurance on Boyne City Rd

Wednesday, November 11, 2020

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CHARLEVOIX 13TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER

November 26. Noon -2pm, St. Mary Catholic Church. The meal will be "take out" only with delivery available for those who are home bound and is provided at no charge.

BOYNE CITY 10TH ANNUAL KIWANIS OF BOYNE CITY TURKEY TROT

November 26. The Kiwanis Club of Boyne City & BCTT Committee is excited to announce the Tenth Annual Boyne City Turkey Trot on November 26, 2020! Turkeys will be flocking to the new Community Pavilion at 9am for a 5k and 1 Mile Fun Run. All proceeds from the event will go to the Kiwanis Club of Boyne City and 100% of the money raised from this event will stay in the Boyne City Area! COVID-19 guidelines will be in place, so please come prepared to wear your mask and social distance for the event. We will be capping the event at 250.Online Registration Link: https://www.givesignup.org/R ace/MI/BoyneCity/Kiwanis-BoyneCityTurkeyTrot

BOYNE CITY SANTA PARADE AND HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

CANCELED. Originally scheduled for November 27.

BOYNE CITY ETA NU LIGHTS OF LOVE HOSPICE BENEFIT

December 2, 6:30pm, Dilworth Hotel Porch. The Boyne Eta Nu Charities thirty-third annual "Lights of Love" tree dedication. This special event offers an opportunity for community members to honor and remember loved ones during the holiday season. This year receipts will benefit Northwest Michigan Hospice Assist. NMHA is a nonprofit, non-medical organization that specializes

in providing nominal grants for personal care items for those facing illness and loss. You can help decorate our "Lights of Love" tree by purchasing a green, blue, red or gold light ranging from \$5 to \$30. For a \$40 contribution, vou will receive a personalized heart ornament inscribed with your loved one's name that will hang on the tree during the month of December. Forms available at Boyne City Chamber. Those wishing to make a direct contribution may do so via mail to Pati Scott, 4408 E. Fontenoy, Boyne City, MI 49712. Please make checks payable to Boyne Eta Nu Charities. The personalized hearts ornaments will be distributed after the New Year. For additional information visit us on Face Book at Boyne Eta Nu Charities or contact Pati Scott at

patiski13@gmail.com or call or text 231-758-2496.

EAST JORDAN OPEN DOOR CHRISTIAN COFFEE HOUSE

December 5, 7pm, Lighthouse Church on Rogers Road. The Open Door Christian Coffee will host Jim Visser. Refreshments are available: free coffee and snacks with a small charge for pizza and water. We have lots of wonderful talent right here in northern Michigan. Great fellowship. Everyone is welcome. For questions contact (231) 675-4152.

BOYNE CITY INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

Saturdays, 9am - Noon, Pavilion, 207 N. Lake Street. Our indoor season home in the pavilion is ready for you all. We hope to have a great season and look forward to a lot of fun. Over 20 vendors with a variety of produce, baked goods, crafts, coffee and more. For more information on the market, visit the Boyne City Farmers Market Facebook page or email farmersmarket@boynecity.com

Health Department of N.W. Michigan COVID-19 Update

On November 23, The Health Department of Northwest Michigan reported 58 cases of COVID-19 on Saturday, November 21st in Antrim (15), Charlevoix (17), Emmet (11), and Otsego (15) counties, and 2 new COVID-19 associated deaths in Charlevoix (1) and Emmet (1) counties. On Sunday, November 22nd, we reported 48 cases of COVID-19 in Antrim (11), Charlevoix (12), Emmet (12), and Otsego (13) counties. Today we are reporting 19 new cases in Antrim (2), Charlevoix (6), Emmet (3), and Otsego (8) counties. Case investigation and contact tracing are in progress, and relevant information will be shared when it is available.

As of tomorrow, our reporting of COVID-19 cases to the public will be changing to minimize confusion and to better align with reporting on the MI Safe Start Dashboard where pandemic risk indicators are typically calculated using the combined number of confirmed and probable cases. With the wider use of a variety of testing methodologies, including rapid antigen testing, as well as the more frequent reporting of symptoms by close contacts, we are seeing more probable cases than ever before. A probable case is defined as either an individual who has been epidemiologically linked with a positive case and has developed symptoms, or someone who has received a positive antigen test result. Many of these probable cases are tested and become confirmed cases and it becomes difficult to represent this information clearly on our website.

For all of these reasons, tomorrow we will start reporting total COVID-19 cases which will include the total

of confirmed and probable cases rather than displaying these catewill align with the number of probaa total. Our team continues to work as quickly as possible to meet the case investigation demand that risdiction.

Today we released a local Public 19 once before, and we know that takhelp us to again slow and prevent fur-Health Officer. "We are constantly redata for the community to ensure it is as complete as possible while remainthese new changes, which align some communities."

tigation information for 68 COVID-19 cases. All 68 cases are being reported in our jurisdiction. The following information is from case investigations completed from November 19th. All 68 cases are primary residents

 $0-12 \ years - 1 \ case$ 13-19 years - 7 cases 20-29 years - 10 cases 30-39 years - 8 cases

gories separately. When compared to the MDHHS dashboard, this number ble and confirmed cases displayed as comes with increased cases in our ju-

Health Advisory to reiterate the importance of safety measures, most of which were outlined in the latest epidemic orders from MDHHS. We have already slowed the spread of COVIDing the appropriate steps now will ther spread," said Lisa Peacock, evaluating the presentation of our ing easy to understand. We hope that of the categories of data, will help everyone to better understand the overall impact of COVID-19 in our

Today we are reporting case inves-

 \cdot Age:

40-49 years -5 cases



(Save up to get out of the rust bucket)

lot of miles on it and a few me-

chanical issues. The money we've

put into the car to fix the issues is

about the same or more than the

months ago, and we've almost got a

beginner emergency fund saved up.

We also have very little consumer

debt to pay off. I'm afraid, though,

car is actually worth. We just

started your plan a couple of

Dear Dave,

I let my fiancée use my car to get back and forth to work, and it has a



if we get into a second \$1,000 to \$2,000 car, we'll just experience the same kinds of issues and it will turn into another money pit. I bring home about \$5,000 a month, and she works part-time and goes to school. How do you think we should handle things?

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- 60-69 years 13 cases 70-79 years – 3 cases
- 80-89 years 7 cases
- 90-99 years -2 cases

· Symptomatic: 60 cases; Asymptomatic: 7 cases; Unknown at the time of this report: 1 case

· 6 cases linked to travel either into or out of the area as reported during their case investigation

4 cases are currently or were hospitalized

· Over 165 total close contacts identified, notified, and instructed to quarantine

As of 4 pm on November 23, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting:

-Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 324, Charlevoix - 448, Emmet - 806, Otsego -602

- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 111, Charlevoix - 168, Emmet - 223, Otsego -214

· Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim-4, Charlevoix-6, Emmet-27, Otsego – 16

The State of Michigan is reporting 314.216 cases and 8.543 deaths; and as of November 20th, cumulative recovered cases: 152,267.

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. To track the risk levels of COVID-19 pandemic indicators, visit the MI Safe Start Map website.

money aside each month until spring and get something that's a big step up in the \$5,000 to \$6,000 range.

Listen, I don't want anyone driving around in a rust bucket longer than they have to. And it sounds like you really need to get up out of the junk. But if you do some research and buy wisely, you can get a good year or two out of a \$1,500 car. The car may not look like much, but you're not trying to catch a girl's eye. You've already got a fiancée. If you find an old Honda or Toyota that's still mechanically sound-and yes, they're out there—it'll get you by while you save up for something a lot better.

But remember, you and your fiancée don't need to own anything together until you're married. The kind of arrangement you have now can cause real problems. If you



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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE**

Have you experienced financial hardship due to the COVID-19 crisis? Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA) has funding from the federal CARES Act to assist with various needs (utility help, car repairs, housing costs, diapers, baby formula, phone bills, etc). You may be eligible for assistance if you meet income guidelines and live in NM-CAA's service area (Antrim. Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Missaukee, Roscommon, and Wexford Counties) To apply for help, please contact our CARES Intake Specialist at 800-632-7334.

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 parkThaddeus

Dear Thaddeus,

Well, if you're serious about following the plan, you don't really have a choice right now. But you're bringing home a nice paycheck, man. You ought to be able to buy a better \$1,500 to \$2,000 car with cash in a month or so, just to give you some relief. Then, stick some

ing 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: jracguest, password: jracguest, 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: jracguest and the password is: jracguest. Feel free to sit there and enjoy spring.

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

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 MICHI-GAN

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.

guys get married and combine your resources and dreams, it'll be better for everyone relationally and financially. You're playing house already, so you might as well go ahead and get married and combine your lives on every level.

It's time to paint or get off the ladder, dude!

—Dave

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The Mayflower landed first Cape Cod

There are 35 million Americans descended from the early pilgrims

The Mayflower, in which the Pilgrims crossed the Atlantic to settled in the New World in the fall of 1620, did not land first at Plymouth but on the tip of Cape Cod, in what is now known as Provincetown. The pilgrims were actually trying to reach the mouth of the Hudson River and fine fertile farmland in what is present day New York City. The weather did not cooperate, however, and the Mayflower, a merchant ship which was very difficult to steer on the ocean, actually dropped anchor off the coast of Cape Cod on Nov. 21, 1620. The pilgrims still wanted to try and reach the Hudson River but winter was approaching rapidly and they were low on supplies so they opted to cross Cape Cod Bay and settle at Plymouth instead.

There were 102 men, women and children who boarded the Mayflower as passengers on Sept. 16, 1620 in Plymouth, England and there were 30 crew members, including Captain Christopher Jones. The maximum capacity for the ship, which was only about 100 feet long and 25 feet wide, was 140 passengers so it was tight sailing for all on board.

The trip lasted 65 grueling days, much longer than antici-



The turkey has become standard fare for Thanksgiving celebrations in the U.S. But was the fowl on the menu for the first Thanksgiving in 1621?

pated because of poor weather, and two passengers were lost during the voyage, including one who fell overboard during a storm. The first winter in the New World was brutal, and only 53 of the passengers survived.

In time, though, the colony thrived, growing to about 3,000 residents by the year 1700. Today, it is estimated that about 35 million Americans are descended from the pilgrims who braved the Atlantic voyage in 1620 in order to establish a land where there would be religious freedom. There are six presidents who descended from the original pilgrims, including Franklin Roosevelt, and famous people from other fields ranging from actress Marilyn Monroe to astronaut Alan Shepard to actor/director Clint Eastwood to aviator Amelia Earhart to poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

When the pilgrims gathered with the neighboring

panoag Indians to celebrate first Thanksgiving in 1621, there was plenty of delicious fare on the feasting table. Lobster was probably part of that first feast along with chicken, rabbit, venison, cod, bass, squashes, beans, barley, chestnuts, hickory nuts, onions, leeks, dried fruits,

aple syrup and honey, Lauishes, cabbage, carrots, eggs, and goat cheese. It is not certain, however, if turkey was on the menu! Some historians say yes, since wild turkey did inhabit the area, and others say no.

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

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

Here are some other interesting Thanksgiving facts: * President Lincoln issued a

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

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

* While it's uncertain if turkey was part of the first Thanksgiving celebration, the popular fowl has become standard fare for the annual holiday celebration. In the U.S., about 280 million turkeys are sold each year for Thanksgiving. The average size of the bird is 15 pounds with about 70 percent white meat and 30 percent dark meat.

* There was one baby born on the Mayflower during the fateful voyage in the fall of 1620. A son was born to Stephen and Elizabeth Hopkins and they appropriately named him Oceanus Hopkins. The exact date of his birth is not known but he was born sometime before November 9.

* Columbus thought that the land he discovered was connected to India, where peacocks are found in considerable number. And he believed turkeys were a type of peacock (they're actually a type of pheasant). So he named them "tuka," which is "peacock" in the Tamil language of India.

-- Compiled by Mike Dunn

Tickets available for Petoskey Chamber **Breakfast for Champions**

Tickets are now available for the 29th Annual Breakfast for Champions, hosted by the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce. The event will take place on Tuesday, December 8 from 8:30am to 10am in a virtual format..

Breakfast for Champions is a heartwarming, community-focused event that honors Petoskey area businesses and individuals making an impact in our community. Tickets are \$80 for a table of eight or \$10 for an individual. They can be purchased at www.petoskeychamber.com.

"This is normally a sold-out event with over 500 business and community members in attendance. This will have a new look this year as we have shifted to Virtual on our new platform called Remo," said Event and Program Coordinator Emily Stuchell. "It was important to have this event this year in any capacity we could. Everyone has been working so hard this year and we wanted to celebrate those amazing businesses and individual that make Petoskey a great community.

Breakfast for Champions is supported by PMP Personnel Services as the Event Sponsor,

Citizens National Bank as the program sponsor and Rasmussen, Teller, O'Neil & Christman, PC, as the Supporting Sponsors.

A number of awards are presented throughout the ceremony including: Chairman's Award, Athena Award: Sponsored By: Dave Kring Chevrolet-Cadillac, Thriving Petoskey Award: Sponsored By: McLaren – Northern Michigan, The Harbor/Brenn Agencies, and First Community Bank. Service Excellence Award: Sponsored By: Stafford's Hospitality. Entrepreneur of the Year Award: Sponsored By: TCF Bank. Ambassador of the Year Award: Sponsored By: PNC Bank, Community Enthusiast: Sponsored By: Bill's Farm Market and The Home Depot, and the Architectural Awards: Sponsored By: Preston Feather Building Centers. Petoskey Strong Award: Sponsored By: Meijer

This year will look different with the event being virtual, but you can look forward to networking, great award-winning moments and more!!



Wild turkeys were nearly extinct in U.S.

Turkeys are doing well today and remain most popular hunted bird



In conjunction with Charlevoix Circle of Arts' Holiday mARkeT, free Take & Make Ornament Craft Kits are available for pick up from November 19 to December 31, while supplies last. Courtesy photo

Free "Take & Make" Craft Kits at Charlevoix Circle of Arts

In conjunction with Charlevoix Circle of Arts' Holiday mARkeT, free Take & Make Ornament Craft Kits are available for pick up from November 19 to December 31, while supplies last.

Starting November 19, drop by the Charlevoix Circle of Arts and pick up a free ornament craft kit to take home and enjoy. This is a great activity for kids of all ages, including the young at heart! Visitors are also encouraged to shop the Circle Holiday mARkeT when they stop in, which features over 30 local

artists and makers and a wonderful selection of unique gifts.

Charlevoix Circle of Arts' holiday craft kits are designed for children to take and make at home. Several styles of wooden ornament craft kits are available, and each kit contains instructions along with the items to create the craft. We encourage participants to share their creations with us by tagging our social media accounts @Charlevoix-Circle or emailing a photo to info@charlevoixcircle.org. CCA regularly provides free and low-cost creative opportunities for area youth as part of our mission to cultivate a more inspired and educated community through the arts. Charlevoix Circle of Arts is located at 109 Clinton Street, in downtown Charlevoix and is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Additionally, CCA will offer extended and evening hours throughout the holiday season, so please call or visit www.charlevoixcircle.org for updates and more information.

Did you know that wild turkeys were nearly extinct in North American in the 1930s? Over-hunting and deforestation had virtually eliminated the turkeys' habitat. Today, though, the wild turkey herd is strong throughout the country, with more than 7 million wild turkey roaming the land.

And that's a good thing because Americans love to consume turkey at Thanksgiving and also at Christmas. In fact, the average American eats about 18 pounds of turkey per year.

Here are some other interesting facts about turkeys:

--There are approximately 5,500 feathers on an adult wild turkey, including 18 tail feathers that make up the male's distinct fan.

--Wild turkeys have very powerful legs and can run at speeds up to 25 miles per hour. Their top speed in flight is 55 miles per hour. Domestic birds, on the other hand, are bred to be heavier so they provide more meat and therefore cannot fly.

--These birds are omnivorous and will try many different foods. Most of their diet is grass and grain, but wild turkeys have a varied diet and will also eat insects, berries and small reptiles.

--The average lifespan of a wild turkey is 3-5 years, and the oldest known wild turkey lived to be at least 13 years old. Domestic birds bred for food only live a few months.

--In the wild, turkeys range from 5-20 pounds. Domestic turkeys are specially bred to be heavier and could weigh twice as much

Wild turkeys were nearly extinct in the U.S. 80 years ago but they are thriving today with population of 7-plus million. (courtesy photo)

as their wild cousins.

--Because it is a native bird with a proud demeanor and protective instincts, the wild turkey was Benjamin Franklin's preference for the national bird, not the bald eagle that is more of a scavenger and will rob other birds and animals for prey.

--A wild turkey's gobble can be heard up to one mile away and is a primary means for a tom to communicate with his harem.

--Adult male turkeys are called toms and females are called hens. Very young birds are poults, while juvenile males are jakes and juvenile females are jennies. A group of turkeys is called a rafter or a flock.

--The wild turkey is one of only two birds native to North America that has been regularly domesticated, and domestic wild turkeys are raised all over the world. The other North American bird often bred for food is the Muscovy duck.

– Alaska and Hawaii are the only two states without extensive wild turkey populations.

--The wild turkey's bald head and fleshy facial wattles can change color in seconds with excitement or emotion. The birds' heads

can be red, pink, white or blue.

--Wild turkeys see in color and have excellent daytime vision that is three times better than a human's evesight and covers 270 degrees, but they have poor vision at night.

--Just hatched wild turkeys are precocial, which means they are born with feathers and can fend for themselves quickly, and they leave the nest within 24 hours to forage for food with their mothers. The male turkeys have very little to do with raising chicks.

--June is National Turkey Lovers' Month and promotes eating turkey at times other than major holidays, since turkey meat is low in fat and high in protein, making it healthier than many other meats. Because turkeys can be so large, they are also more affordable than many other available meats.

--The wild turkey is the official game bird of Alabama. Massachusetts and South Carolina. Though they may not be designated as official game birds in other states, wild turkeys are widely hunted - in fact, are the most hunted of all birds.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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The art and magic of being there Nothing can quite compare to experiencing the outdoors

BY JOHN PEPIN MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

When asked, hunters - like anglers, hikers, campers and others who enjoy the outdoors - often say the richness of their experiences in the woods is created merely by "just being out there."

This notion, while seemingly simple, is in fact quite profound.

It may be the best attempt to put into words the peacefulness of the forest when it snows or the sweet smells of the leaves and the trees, the talking songs of the birds and the river, the warm feeling of sunshine, cold winds drifting across your face or seeing your first black bear or moose up close.

Maybe what it's like to just sit still and listen to the woods?

Ever really try to explain to someone what the clear, starry night sky looks like, or what it feels like to see it?

What about the experience of hiking a trail under hemlocks and pines, or looking down from a rocky ledge to see the shimmering lake below on a sunny afternoon?

Maybe the sights and sounds of watching a campfire into the morning hours or the startling experience of flushing a grouse?

Those who try to talk or write about these things they've experienced will often admit their descriptions fall short, no matter how accurate they may be.

I am among them.

If a picture is worth a thousand words, it should also be said there are countless things a camera cannot capture, no matter how great the lenses, the lighting or the photo post-production tools are

To truly capture certain



A winding road beckons travelers to come to explore. (courtesy of DNR)

outdoor experiences or some of the most important intrinsic beauty of plants, animals, places and many kinds of natural phenomena, it certainly takes more than a thousand words, or one picture.

I think the elusive, missing ingredient in all the efforts to duplicate or convey these encounters is the human experience.

Whatever aspect of nature we are trying to photograph, write about or tell others about can often connect us so personally to nature, the world and the universe.

In many cases, these experiences are truly singular, personal and real - written indelibly on our souls. They will no doubt come to mind for years and years to come.

A storyteller, whether a writer, photographer or hunter, angler, skier, trapper or hiker, will never be able to truly convey the totality of those beautiful moments - no matter the medium.

I've found the best bet is to try to have as many of those incredible, personal outdoor experiences as I can, conceding I will never fully capture them in words or pictures.

I am reminded of very creative and capable people I've heard try hard to tell others about something that happened to them but eventually. they throw up their hands in futility saying, "I guess you had to be there.'

These days, even despite an uptick in participation attributed to the quarantined nature of the novel coronavirus pandemic, there are lots of people concerned about the increasing loss in the numbers of people having valuable outdoor experiences with nature.

There are consequences computers and digital technologies have created, especially when it comes to keeping many adults, and especially children, indoors or disengaged from personal and intimate experiences with the natural world.

On a recent trip to Crystal Falls in Iron County, I read a trailhead sign the Michigan Department of Natural Resources put up that I had never seen before. It's located not more than a few steps outside the department's field office there.

The author, whoever it was, understood this concern. The sign titled "Planet

Earth, Our Home" read: Our earth is a very forgiv-



A red fox walks along the edge of a graveled forest road. (courtesy of DNR)



A group of gulls lifts off the sand along the Lake Superior shoreline. (courtesy of DNR)

ing planet – to a point. Many of us know more about 'surf-

ing the net' than we do of the natural resources that sustain our lives, yet we go on pretending that technology will always quench our thirst, fill our bellies and run our cars, while retaining our quality of life. As you walk this trail use all your senses to see, hear. smell, taste and feel life, and think about in which direction you would like to see mankind travel. What can you do to make this happen? I once had a paddler friend who likened himself to the character in Michael Martin Murphy's song "Boy from the Country," from his 1972 album, "Geronimo's Cadillac.'

his mother They drove him out into the rain

- Some people even said the

Health Department of Northwest Michigan advisory to protect public health

On November 15, the Director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services signed **Emergency Order Under** MCL 333.2253 – Gatherings and Face Mask Order to contain the spread of COVID-19, as Michigan continues to see a surge in cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. The new emergency order enacts a three-week pause targeting indoor social gatherings and other group activities in an effort to curb rapidly rising COVID-19 infection rates.

Locally, we have experienced a near 10-fold increase in cases over the past 2 months. Our hospital systems are reporting they are reaching critical capacity limits for both beds and staffing. The deaths and hospitalizations due to COVID-19 in our region have reached the highest they have ever been and the COVID-19 risk level for all our counties is now considered highest risk, signifying widespread community transmission.

Therefore, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is issuing this Public Health Advisory to provide heightened guidance for our residents to best protect themselves and others. This Public Health Advisory will remain in effect until lifted and will replace all previously issued Public Health Advisories. The cooperation of all businesses and residents in following best practices and safety precautions is needed to prevent an unmanageable surge on our local healthcare systems, to protect the health and safety of citizens, as well as to prevent additional restrictions and closures. The Health Department of Northwest Michigan continues to urge everyone to wear a facial covering in public places, practice social distancing,

and exercise good hand hvgiene and to comply with the public health orders issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

Increased gathering with others, travel, and movement in and about local business establishments during the upcoming holiday celebrations presents additional risk to our hospitals, business, and community members. It is easy to 'let our guard down' in what has always been deemed our safe places, our homes and those of our good friends and relatives. Unfortunately, viral transmission is most common, and infection rates are increased, with prolonged exposure times indoors especially when in close proximity to others, which describes typical gatherings with family and close friends.

In order to protect our residents, visitors, and employees, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is advising that you abide by the following guidelines:

1. If you are sick, stay at home. Do not leave your residence and do not go to work.

2. If you have symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 seek testing as soon as possible and isolate at home until your test results come back. Contact your healthcare provider or local health department for assistance.

3. If you test positive for COVID-19 immediately isolate yourself and notify your close contacts to quarantine. Do not wait for instruction from the Health Department as there may be delays due to rapidly rising cases. See guidance: If you test positive for COVID-19

4. If you are a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19 self-quarantine for 14 days from your last

contact with them.

5. Residents are urged to answer all calls, texts, or emails from the State or Local Health Department.

6. All residents and visitors should adhere to the required safety precautions while in business establishments including face coverings, social distancing, and capacity limits posted at business entrances.

7. Maintain 6-feet of social distance with those outside your household, and avoid crowding on outdoor trails, parks, and recreational areas.

8. Comply with limits for social gatherings and events. See MDHHS social gathering limitations.

9. Choose a consistent "social bubble" or "social pod" and be comfortable with that group knowing that as the number increases so does risk of transmission. Keep your number under 10 and no more than one other household

10. Consider modified holiday celebrations that are small, local, and encourage wearing of masks, social distancing, and proper hygiene practices to help slow the spread of the virus. Stay within your small "social pod" and instead of larger indoor gatherings around a meal consider alternative activities such as meeting outdoors for walks or shorter visits where everyone can mask and maintain distance.

11. If you choose to travel to visit with friends or relatives keep the number low. Consider being very careful in the week or two before travel, and practice increased caution during the visit. Upon returning home for the week or two after travel you should monitor closely for any symptoms and stay home if you become sick. Consider getting tested 5-7 days after travel or

visiting and isolating until the results are back. This goes for those travelling and those who are having visitors, especially if anyone in these groups is higher risk.

12. If you must travel via public transportation protect yourself and others by wearing a mask, keeping as much distance from others as possible, and regularly washing or sanitizing your hands. Keep your hands away from your face as much as possible.

While indoor spaces present increased risk for coronavirus transmission, schools and businesses currently allowed to remain open should strictly adhere to state and local guidance to maintain lower risk environments. Customers are encouraged to continue to support local businesses but are advised to opt for pickup and delivery whenever possible. Time spent shopping or otherwise inside indoor public spaces should be minimized. Schools are encouraged to continue following their school board approved COVID-19 preparedness and response plans, in addition to utilizing state and local guidance as needed.

All residents and businesses are urged to follow all these safety precautions. Failure to do so will perpetuate the spread of COVID-19 and cause prolonged harm to people and businesses. By following these simple guidelines, the risk for spreading COVID-19 lowers significantly, protecting everyone who lives, works, and plays in beautiful northern Michigan.

Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego County residents who need resources can call 211 or utilize the Health Department's free Community Connections program by calling 1-800-432-4121.

This friend of mine looked like a mountain man. His blond hair was worn shaggy and dirty, and his flannel shirts and blue jeans were slept in.

He talked about the animals of the forest speaking to him, his isolation from much of society and his love for paddling his canoe over the rivers and lakes of this rugged region.

Murphy - who also wrote and sang the 1975 hit "Wildfire" – wrote:

Because he called the forest brother

Because he called the earth

boy from the country was insane

I think about my old friend every now and then, especially when I hear that song. I hope he's still out there somewhere paddling his canoe silently past a beaver lodge, over a school of spawning trout and under the skies cast red by the setting sun.

I hope he's found many more friends along his journey, people able to look beyond his gritty, disheveled exterior to glimpse the soul of nature and life in his heart.

When I picture him, I see him always paddling his canoe, heading somewhere around the river bend up ahead, looking for that next experience that will draw him even closer to nature.

In my own way, I'm traveling with him, looking for the purest experiences the natural world can offer, teaching me the truths concealed in the hearts of birds and animals, knowing all the while my greatest fulfillment will always come from "just being out there."



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MHSAA Announces Schedule To Resume H.S. Sports

BY GEOFF KIMMERLY SECOND HALF EDITOR

The Representative Council of the Michigan High School Athletic Association approved today an adjusted schedule to restart and conclude Fall Tournaments in football, girls volleyball and girls swimming & diving, and also to resume Winter sports after the three-week "pause" in activity ordered by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) scheduled to end Dec. 9.

The MDHHS announced Nov. 15 a three-week pause to various activities including school sports, effective Nov. 18, in hopes of halting the state's rising infections due to COVID-19.

The volleyball and swimming & diving tournaments have one week remaining, with MHSAA Finals for both previously scheduled for Nov. 21. The 11 and 8-Player Football Playoffs also are nearing their conclusions, with the 8-player postseason two games from completion and 11-player down to its final three rounds. Winter practices for all but boys basketball, bowling, skiing and wrestling had begun for high school teams.

If allowed by the MDHHS, practice would resume for all three Fall sports Dec. 9, with tournaments scheduled as follows:

· Volleyball: Quarterfinals in all four divisions would be played Tuesday, Dec. 15, with Semifinals played Dec. 17-18 and Finals on Saturday, Dec. 19. Those final two rounds would be played at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena, as previously scheduled. • Swimming & Diving: All three Lower Peninsula Finals would be conducted Tuesday, Dec. 22 (diving) and Wednesday, Dec. 23 (swimming) with three high schools each hosting one meet. This allows for a twoweek practice window for all participating swimmers who previously met and entered qualification times, and for divers who previously qualified at Regional meets. • Football: 11-Player Regional Finals and 8-Player Semifinals would be played Tuesday, Dec. 15, and Wednesday Dec. 16; 11-Player Semifinals and 8-Player Finals would be played Dec. 21-22, the 8player championship games at Midland Community Sta-

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dium; 11-Player Finals will be played Monday, Dec. 28, and Tuesday Dec. 29 at Ford Field.

For Winter sports, the Council approved resuming practices on Dec. 9 if allowed by the MDHHS, with competition to begin Jan. 4.

"We understand where COVID numbers were trending, and that's why we have been supportive of the order to pause," MHSAA Executive Director Mark Uyl said. "But these Fall sports deserve closure, and this strategy provides the best opportunities without further interruptions to a normal course of training and competition.

"A very small percentage of our teams remain active in our Fall tournaments, also limiting potential exposure to the virus across the state. Meanwhile, by waiting until January to begin Winter competition, the Council is allowing our teams to continue activity but also restricting the mixing of communities to further promote reducing COVID spread."

The Council meets again Dec. 4 for its annual Fall Meeting, and at that time will consider possible tournament adjustments necessary due to the shortened Winter competition season.

The Representative Council is the 19-member legislative body of the MHSAA. All but five are elected by member schools. Four

LAKE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE **2020 VOLLEYBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS**

ALL-CONFERENCE

GRACE DAWSON, BOYNE CITY MORGAN DEMING, BOYNE CITY ZOE BRODIN, CHARLEVOIX AVERY ZIPP, CHARLEVOIX **GRACE LENTZ, CHARLEVOIX** KYLIE SKROCKI, EAST JORDAN HALEY GIBSON, EAST JORDAN KATIE HENDERSON, ELK RAPIDS RYLEIGH YOCOM, ELK RAPIDS

ELLIE WAGNER, GRAYLING BRIANA GOLDSMITH, HARBOR SPRINGS

VIOLET PORTER, KALKASKA

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NORTHERN LAKES CONFERENCE 2020 VOLLEYBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

FIRST TEAM

MARLIE POSTULA MACKINAW CITY CHEYANNE SAYLES BOYNE FALLS MADISON SMITH MACKINAW CITY MAGGIE NELSON WOLVERINE ALEXIS DANFORTH ELLSWORTH DELANEY DURAN HARBOR LIGHT

SECOND TEAM

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LARISSA HUFFMAN MACKINAW CITY AUBRIE SPARKS BOYNE FALLS ALAINA ROUSH HARBOR LIGHT LILLIAN FENSKE BOYNE FALLS

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SUNYOUNG YOU HARBOR LIGHT DELANEY DURAN HARBOR LIGHT ZOE RUSSELL HARBOR LIGHT CLAIRE LEDINGHAM HARBOR LIGHT FIONA LEDINGHAM HARBOR LIGHT JENNA WIERTALLA MACKINAW CITY ELLA HOUSE MACKINAW CITY **CECELIA SCHEFFLER WOLVERINE** MAGGIE NELSON WOLVERINE

COLLEGE FOOTBALL TOP 25

members are appointed by the Council to facilitate representation of females and minorities, and the 19th position is occupied by the Superintendent of Public Instruction or designee.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by more than 1,500 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract more than 1.4 million spectators each year.

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NOTRE DAME	1,471	2	8-0	15	IOWA STATE	658	17	6-2
OHIO STATE	1,440	3	4-0	16	COASTAL CAROLINA	622	15	8-0
CLEMSON	1,358	4	7-1	17	MARSHALL	542	15	7-0
TEXAS A&M	1,249	5	5-1	18	WISCONSIN	540	10	2-1
FLORIDA	1,223	6	6-1	19	SOUTHERN CAL	461	20	3-0
CINCINNATI	1,201	7	8-0	20	TEXAS	321	22	5-2
BYU	1,109	8	9-0	21	OKLAHOMA STATE	289	14	5-2
OREGON	951	11	3-0	22	AUBURN	259	23	5-2
MIAMI (FLA.)	936	12	7-1	23	LOUISIANA	218	24	7-1
NORTHWESTERN	922	19	5-0	24	TULSA	164	25	5-1
INDIANA	899	9	4-1	25	NORTH CAROLINA	108	NR	6-2
GEORGIA	828	13	5-2					

NFL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26			SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29		
HOUSTON AT DETROIT	12:30PM	CBS	CAROLINA AT MINNESOTA	1:00PM	FOX
WASHINGTON AT DALLAS	4:30PM	FOX	ARIZONA AT NEW ENGLAND	1:00PM	FOX
BALTIMORE AT PITTSBURGH	8:20PM	NBC	MIAMI AT NY JETS	1:00PM	CBS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29			SAN FRANCISCO AT LA RAMS	4:05PM	FOX
LAS VEGAS AT ATLANTA	1:00PM	CBS	NEW ORLEANS AT DENVER	4:05PM	FOX
LAS VEGAS AT AT LANTA	1:00PM	CBS	KANSAS CITY AT TAMPA BAY	4:25PM	CBS
			CHICAGO AT GREEN BAY	8:20PM	NBC
NY GIANTS AT CINCINNATI	1:00PM	FOX	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30		
TENNESSEE AT INDIANAPOLIS	1:00PM	CBS			
CLEVELAND AT JACKSONVILLE	1:00PM	CBS	SEATTLE AT PHILADELPHIA	8:15PM	ESPN

NFL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE STANDINGS

AFC EAST 1). BILLS (7-3) 2). DOLPHINS (6-4) 3). PATRIOTS (4-6) 4). JETS (0-10)	AFC WEST 1). CHIEFS (9-1) 2). RAIDERS (6-4) 3). BRONCOS (4-6) 4). CHARGERS (3-7)	NFC SOUTH 1). SAINTS (8-2) 2). BUCCANEERS * (7-3) 3). PANTHERS (4-7) 4). FALCONS (3-7)
AFC NORTH 1). STEELERS(10-0) 2). BROWNS(7-3) 3). RAVENS(6-4) 4). BENGALS(2-7)	NFC EAST 1). EAGLES	NFC WEST 1). SEAHAWKS(7-3) 2). RAMS *(6-3) 3). CARDINALS(6-4) 4). 49ERS(4-6)
AFC SOUTH 1). COLTS	NFC NORTH 1). PACKERS	* STANDINGS DO NOT REFLECT THE RESULTS OF THE BUCCANEERS VS RAMS MONDAY NIGHT GAME.



Sports

Boys Soccer Players Named All-State

The Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association has released its 2020 boys soccer all-state teams.

Below are area student-athletes in our coverage area who earned all-state recognition.

DIVISION 2 FIRST TEAM

HUNTER HICKS, SR. FORWARD, PETOSKEY

HONORABLE MENTION

DYLAN ALDRIDGE, JR. MIDFIELD, PETOSKEY

JJ MARSHALL, JR. MIDFIELD, PETOSKEY

DIVISION 3 FIRST TEAM

KADIN PATTERSON, SR. DE-FENDER. ELK RAPIDS

MAHANEY VANDEKERKHOF, SR. MIDFIELD, ELK RAPIDS

SECOND TEAM

PRESTON BALL, SR. FOR-WARD, ELK RAPIDS

JACK SPENCER, JR. GOAL-**KEEPER, ELK RAPIDS**

MASON TRAVIS, JR. FOR-WARD, ELK RAPIDS

JACK JUAREZ, SR. FOR-WARD, OGEMAW HEIGHTS

THIRD TEAM

ELIOT BOIK, SR. MIDFIELD, GRAYLING

HONORABLE MENTION

DRAKE COLLINS, SR. DE-FENDER, ELK RAPIDS

TERRAN PETERSON, SR. MIDFIELD, ELK RAPIDS

ANTHONY HARRINGTON, SR. MIDFIELD, GRAYLING

JAKE BONUS, SR. GOAL-**KEEPER, OGEMAW HEIGHTS**

DIVISION 4 SECOND TEAM

MACARTHUR SCHULTZ, SR. MIDFIELD, ROSCOMMON

HONORABLE MENTION

JACKSON STRICKLER, SR. MIDFIELD, ROSCOMMON

ETHAN WINEGARDNER, SR. FORWARD, ROSCOMMON

HUNTING



FINN HOGAN, GLEN LAKE JUSTIN BONZELET, GLEN LAKE HONORABLE MENTION

LINEBACKERS

ALL-CONFERENCE

TRAVIS BLASKO, KALKASKA

LUKE SNYDER, CHARLEVOIX DIMITRII BELL-CHAVEZ, CHARLEVOIX JUSTIN ACKLER, MANCELONA JACOB PLEVA, GLEN LAKE

KICKER

ALL-CONFERENCE

JON POPP, GLEN LAKE HONORABLE MENTION ALLY HARRICK, BOYNE CITY

SPECIAL TEAMS ALL-CONFERENCE KADEN JEWETT, BOYNE CITY

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

ALL-CONFERENCE ZACK NICKEL, CHARLEVOIX BEAU HARRIGER, GLEN LAKE SAM KEYS, GLEN LAKE KADEN REYNOLDS, BOYNE CITY NOAH VANDRA, BOYNE CITY JAKE BEMIS. CHARLEVOIX HONORABLE MENTION **OWEN KINERY, ELK RAPIDS** MARSHALL MEYER, MANCELONA

RUNNING BACKS ALL-CONFERENCE BOBBY HOTH, BOYNE CITY AARON BESS, BOYNE CITY ADAM ACKLER, MANCELONA

QUARTERBACKS

ALL-CONFERENCE CONNOR CIOLEK, GLEN LAKE CALEB STUCK, CHARLEVOIX HONORABLE MENTION LANDEN HART, KALKASKA

WIDE RECEIVERS **ALL-CONFERENCE**

FINN HOGAN, GLEN LAKE PATRICK STERRETT, CHARLEVOIX EVAN SOLOMON, CHARLEVOIX

TIGHT END

ALL-CONFERENCE PHILLIP STERRETT, CHARLEVOIX

NMFL LEGACY DIVISION 2020 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

Johannesburg-Lewiston's Sheldon Huff was named the division's most valuable player while teammate Logan May was selected as the division's outstanding defensive player. Grand Richardson from Harbor Springs is the division's outstanding offensive player.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN ALL-CONFERENCE

CALEB BOYER, EAST JORDAN KEENAN O'NEILL, EAST JORDAN QUINTIN ALONZI, HARBOR SPRINGS

TOMMY RUNYAN, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

HAYDEN CLAEYS, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

HONORABLE MENTION DONOVAN SYLVAIN, HARBOR

SPRINGS TRISTEN MISNER, ST. IGNACE

LINEBACKERS

ALL-CONFERENCE

ZANDER JOHNECHECK, FAST JORDAN

ADAM MILLS, FRANKFORT

DEREK HEBNER, HARBOR SPRINGS TYLER BELLMER, HARBOR SPRINGS

ANDEN MINNICK, ST. IGNACE

DEFENSIVE BACKS

ALL-CONFERENCE JACK STEFANKSI, FRANKFORT

HENRY BAKER, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

GARRETT LEDINGHAM, HARBOR SPRINGS

LOGAN MAY, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

ALL-CONFERENCE ETHAN EVANS, FRANKFORT

TUCKER HUBBARD, FRANKFORT

JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

SHELDON HUFF, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON LOGAN MAY, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON CHRIS BIGGER, ST. IGNACE HONORABLE MENTION ADAM MILLS, FRANKFORT

WIDE RECEIVERS **ALL-CONFERENCE**

JARED COXE, FRANKFORT DEREK HEBNER,

HARBOR SPRINGS JASON RICHTER, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

HONORABLE MENTION

DANIEL NEWBOLD, FRANKFORT

TREY MCGREGOR. HARBOR SPRINGS

CARTER SHERMAN, EAST JORDAN

SPECIAL TEAMS

ALL-CONFERENCE PRESTON MARLATT, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

TIGHT ENDS/HALFBACKS

AIDEN WEBB, EAST JORDAN

GRANGER KITSON, EAST JORDAN

ALL-CONFERENCE

HONORABLE MENTION

HONORABLE MENTION

HAYDEN PECK, EAST JORDAN KICKER ALL-CONFERENCE

ETHAN SCHUMAKER, HARBOR SPRINGS

NMFL Leaders Division 2020 All-Conference Teams

Charlevoix's Luke Snyder was named the division's MVP while Glen Lake's Finn Hogan earned Offensive MVP honors. Boyne City's Bobby Hoth was named the Defensive MVP.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

ALL-CONFERENCE JAKE CLAFIN. CHARLEVOIX HENRY LERCHEN, GLEN LAKE MAX DILLEY, GLEN LAKE BRAYTON AGER, BOYNE CITY JACOB GREGWARE, BOYNE CITY CALEB MELTON, ELK RAPIDS HONORABLE MENTION

JACOB WATSON, MANCELONA

RICHIE CUNNINGHAM, CHARLEVOIX

MILTON GRUBAUGH. BOYNE CITY

DEFENSIVE BACKS

ALL-CONFERENCE ETHAN PUTMAN, CHARLEVOIX SEAN LITTLE, BOYNE CITY

With Michigan's firearm deer season underway, it's important for all hunters to always put safety first. (courtesy of DNR)

Safety is key to every successful hunt

With Michigan's firearm deer season underway, the DNR reminds new and veteran hunters to always put safety first.

Lt. Tom Wanless, who heads the DNR's recreational safety programs, said although some safety tips seem like common sense, it's critical for anyone hunting with firearms to understand safety basics.

"You're not successful unless you're safe," Lt. Wanless said. "We want everyone to return home to their families and friends. While many safety recommendations may seem obvious, hunters shouldn't take them for granted."

All hunters should: Treat every firearm as if it is loaded. Be aware of their

surroundings - know the target and what is beyond it.

Unload firearms when crossing obstacles and/or getting in or out of a tree stand

Obey "no trespassing" signs; they are there for a reason.

Obtain landowner permission to retrieve game if it wandered onto private property.

Wear as much hunter orange as possible to increase visibility to other hunters.

Get more hunting safety tips and resources at Michigan.gov/HuntingSafety. For season and regulation details, see the 2020 Hunting Digest.

JACK CICALA, HARBOR SPRINGS QUINTIN ALONZI, HARBOR SPRINGS SHELDON HUFF, LEVI KEELY, HARBOR SPRINGS

JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON SHAWN ZIOBRON,

JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

HONORABLE MENTION

WYATT THOMPSON, EAST JORDAN

ETHAN EVANS, FRANKFORT

TANNER ROY,

TOMMY RUNYAN,

GRIFFIN ANDERSON, FRANKFORT

RUNNING BACKS

ALL-CONFERENCE

QUARTERBACKS

ALL-CONFERENCE

GRANT RICHARDSON, HARBOR SPRINGS

HONORABLE MENTION

DAWSON OLSTROM, EAST JORDAN

JACK STEFANSKI, FRANKFORT

PRESTON MARLATT, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON **ALL-CONFERENCE**

PUNTER

JASON RICHTER, JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON

SPECIAL MENTION PLAYERS

COLBY FERGUSON, EAST JORDAN

ETHAN ANTAYA, EAST JORDAN

NMFL LEGENDS DIVISION 2020 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

Kingsley's Owen Graves was named the division's MVP while teammate Brady Harrand and Sault Ste. Marie's Daylan Lujan were named co-Defensive Players of the Year. Grayling's David Millikin took home Offensive Player of the Year honors.

ALL-CONFERENCE

QUARTERBACK

CHARLIE PETERSON, TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS

RUNNING BACKS

OWEN GRAVES, KINGSLEY KRIS PEARCE, SAULT STE. MARIE AIDAN SCHMUCKAL TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS SAM ROSS, BENZIE CENTRAL DAVID MILLIKIN, GRAYLING

WIDE RECEIVERS

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

HFIGHTS CASEY DONAHUE. TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS LUKAS BOGART, KINGSLEY JOE LEWIS, KINGSLEY DAYLAN LUJAN, SAULT STE. MARIE

KICKER BRYCE KEMPF, TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS

ZEA KARTES, OGEMAW HEIGHTS

RETURNER

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

DYLAN KNIGHT, KINGLSEY

TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS

BRADY HARRAND, KINGSLEY

DAYLAN LUJAN, SAULT STE.

DAVID MILLIKIN, GRAYLING

DEFENSIVE BACKS

JOHN ROBINSON,

SAULT STE. MARIE

WILL WHIMS, KINGSLEY

OWEN GRAVES, KINGSLEY

JOEY DONAHUE, TRAVERSE CITY

ZEA KARTES, OGEMAW HEIGHTS

CHRIS DUNLOP, BENZIE CENTRAL

GAVIN NICKODEMUS,

LINEBACKERS

MARIE

ST. FRANCIS

PUNTER

JAYDEN INTHISONE, KINGSLEY

HONORABLE MENTION

QUARTERBACKS JAKOB DAVIE, SAULT STE. MARIE HUNTER VENTLINE, GRAYLING

RUNNING BACKS

OWEN MUELLER. TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS HENRY STEMPKY, CHEBOYGAN

WIDE RECEIVER

COOPER TAYLOR, **BENZIE CENTRAL**

TIGHT ENDS/HALFBACKS

CALLAN CAMPBELL, SAULT STE. MARIE

DAVID HEYER, CHEBOYGAN

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

DYLAN KNIGHT, KINGSLEY BRADY HARRAND, KINGSLEY HUNTER NEUBECKER, OGEMAW HEIGHTS **REID CVITKOVICH, GRAYLING**

RETURNERS

AYDEN FERRIS,

TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS HENRY STEMPKY, CHEBOYGAN

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

JOHN BURKE, SAULT STE. MARIE JIMMY MUZLJAKOVICH, TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS GAGE GINOP, CHEBOYGAN CLINTON ORMSBEE, CHEBOYGAN MARSHALL DONAVAN, **OGEMAW HEIGHTS**

LINEBACKERS

JOSH GRAVES, TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS DAKOTA MABE, OGEMAW

HEIGHTS

MIKE COYNE, BENZIE CENTRAL

JORDAN WAKELEY, GRAYLING

DEFENSIVE BACK

BENNETTE SWANSON, SAULT STE. MARIE

SPECIAL MENTION

CALEB WILLIAMS, CHEBOYGAN JACK SWAN, SAULT STE. MARIE GRANT HACKBARTH, BENZIE CENTRAL BRANDON WEBER, KINGSLEY JAYDEN INTHISONE, KINGSLEY

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DIVISION 6 REGIONAL FINALS

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R2 CASS CITY (9-0) 36.333 AT ITHACA (9-0) 41.667 @ ITHACA **HIGH SCHOOL - STADIUM** (ITHACA COMMUNITY STA-DIUM)

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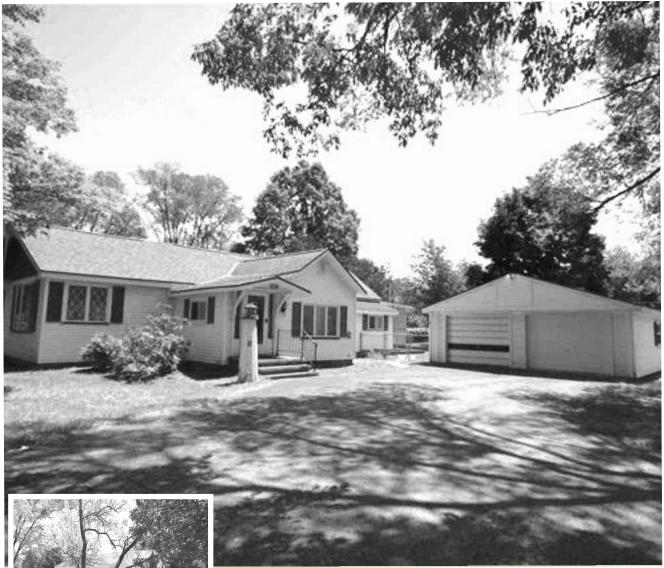
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HOW TO MAKE A HOUSE LOOK "BIGGER AND BETTER".

One sure way for you house to appear larger-and more appealing-is if clutter is eliminated and furniture and household goods are reorganized.

In fact, the time to have a garage sale is before you put your house on the market, not after it is sold! When vou decide to sell, start going through your closets and cupboards, eliminating items you don't want to keep.

Do the same in the garage and backvard.

Get rid of, or store, the odds and ends. It's interesting to note that the more someone lives in a home, the more used to the clutter they become.

Unfortunately, closets, cupboards and garages brimming with "old treasures" make a home look small and cramped to a prospective buyer. Sellers should also carefully examine

their furniture, and consign items that are not needed to the storage or the garage sale. Most homes occupied by the same owner for several years tend to be somewhat over-furnished. Erring on the side of space, not clutter, makes for a more marketable home.

Another "item" that adds to the clutter of a home are excess knickknacks. Scrutinize the kitchen for rarely used utensils/gadgets; miscellaneous items in closets and cupboards, even small furniture and throw rugs, that can be neatly stored.

Pack or give away clothing that will not be worn as well.

Rearrange and organize. Remove as many articles as possible from the kitchen and bathroom countertops to the cupboards below-they'll still be within handy reach in the newly created space. Organize closets. Clear off your night stands and bureaus.

Size up the arrangement of your furniture-any room for improvement there?

Examine the walls and windows. Do they need repainting or new window coverings?

For some expert, objective advice, have your real estate professional go through the home. Realtors know what enhances a property's appearance -- and what hinders it.

One last hint -- don't forget the outside. Sweep the garage and sidewalks, trim the lawn and bushes, wash all the windows, inside and out. It all helps to make your home look fresher, lighterand larger.







N.C. hunter found OK in Benzie County woods

BENZIE COUNTY - Rain, cool temperatures and 40 mph winds created challenges for emergency responders searching for a lost North Carolina man on opening day of the 2020 firearm deer season.

"Sunday night, Conservation Officer Amanda Mc-Curdy coordinated a successful multiagency search and rescue for a missing hunter," said Chief Gary Hagler, Michigan Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division. "First responders faced inclement weather conditions in already challenging terrain. McCurdy's response, with the assistance of seven other conservation officers and assisting agencies successfully resolved this search and rescue within six hours."

McCurdy, who has been a conservation officer since 2017, received a call from Benzie County Central Dispatch at 6:58 p.m. Sunday about a missing 75-year-old man from Candler, North Carolina, with a history of health com-

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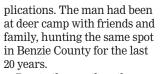
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Due to the weather, the group decided not to hunt Sunday and everyone reunited at the cabin. By Sunday afternoon, others at camp realized nobody had seen or heard from their missing friend since watching him leave the cabin that morning. Familiar with their friend's preferred hunting spots, the group searched and located the man's vehicle, but no sign of him.

While en route to the scene, located off of Boekeloo Road in the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, Mc-Curdy began requesting assistance from conservation officers patrolling the surrounding area.

McCurdy met two deputies from the Benzie County Sheriff's Office and the missing man's friends and family, who said the man likely would be at one of two hunting spots. McCurdy asked the group to lead her to the hunting spots so she could begin looking for clues to help officers locate the man.

"The terrain was very difficult, thick and damp – not even navigable," McCurdy said.

Knowing a ground search would be near impossible. McCurdy requested helicopter assistance from the U.S. Coast Guard.

During this time, McCurdy was joined by seven conservation officers, two Sleeping Bear Dunes National Park Service rangers, Benzie County Office of Emergency Management, Frankfort Fire Department, Michigan State Police K-9 Unit, Benzie County EMS and members of the Benzie County Sheriff's Office.

Everyone exited the woods so the helicopter search team would have a better chance isolating and identifying the missing man's heat signal. With officers stationed around the national park, Sgt. Dan Bigger, conservation officer supervisor in Benzie County, led the search from the air in the helicopter, communicating with the team on ground.

At 8:48 p.m., the helicopter crew saw what appeared to be a light in the woods. Directed by the helicopter crew, the MSP K-9 unit located the missing man, who was stuck in the mud. shining a flashlight at the helicopter.

Officers helped the man exit the woods, until a DNR off-road vehicle was able to navigate into the woods and transport the man the rest of the way. Benzie County EMS provided on-site care.

'This search was successful due to the overwhelming number of conservation officers and other agencies who were willing to help," Mc-Curdy said. "It was a team effort; everyone had an important role to play to ensure this hunter didn't spend a cold, wet and lonely night in the woods."

The scene was cleared before midnight. The hunter was not admitted to the hospital and as of Monday afternoon was expected to make a full recovery.



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