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Outdoor Dining Igloos approved by Charlevoix City Commission

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CHARLEVOIX - The City Commission met again on Monday via Zoom to discuss a few things, including a budget review before the end of the year. The two biggest issues for discussion were dealing with snow removal and what their ideas for that will look like going forward and the option for outdoor dining during the winter

months.

Any changes to the snow clearing have been pushed off till after the new year. However, the city commission approved a policy to allow temporary winter dining accommodations. At this time the igloo type of outdoor dining structures has been deemed as a good alternative by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. There has already been interested in the igloos from

some businesses in town. It was stated in the meeting that a business would have to reapply for a winter outdoor dining permit. If a business already is approved for summer outdoor dining, they can not use this for winter as well.

There are a few standards that are already in place. The first is that there must be a required four feet of pedestrian space around each structure. It was also dis-

cussed in the meeting that a space heater for the igloos may not be in that four feet area. However, cords may run through there as long as they are tapped and precautions are taken to make sure it is not a trip hazard. They can be placed on the sidewalk, non-street parking areas, or park areas. The igloos may not be across Bridge street from the restaurant. These standards were based on the already

approved Outdoor Dining Policy Council adopted a few years ago.

The DDA has already applied for a grant to help businesses with the purchase of igloos or related structures.

NORTHSIDE TRAIL EASEMENT

The commission would also approve an easement

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Boyne City Teen loses life in weekend car accident.

On Sunday, December 6, 2020 at approximately 9:28 p.m., the Charlevoix County Sheriffs Office responded to a one-vehicle roll-over accident on Camp Daggett Road near Reycraft Rd. in Bay Township.

The driver, 18-year-old Austin Michael Payne from Traverse City, was driving a 2004 Subaru on Camp Daggett Road at a high rate of speed when he lost control and the vehicle rolled several times. The passenger, 18-year-old Olivia Marie Toorman from Boyne City, was injured in the accident and pronounced dead on scene. Payne was taken by ambulance to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital for treatment of his iniuries.

The Charlevoix County Sher-

BY JIM AKANS

The sights and sounds of Christmas are part of what makes the holiday season special. This year many of the traditional holiday festivities have been put on hold. Yet there is a still a way to experience those gatherings of family, friends and even strangers joining together in your own home through the magic classic holiday movies. The Internet Movie Database (IMDb) is among the many website to rate the top Christmas movies of all time. While we all have our personal favorites, here is how the top ten stacked up for IMDb a few years ago: 1 - National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (1989) Rated PG-13. The Griswold family host a Christmas gathering at their home that is over the top satirical yet manages to capture a glimpse of the holidays nearly anyone can relate to when the nuclear family meets extended family during the holidays. Stars Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid and a long list of memorable characters. 2 – A Christmas Story (1983) Rated PG. Hard to resist smiling all the way through this look at a family Christmas during

at the North Pole who

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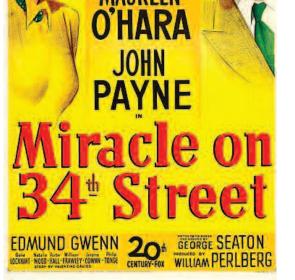
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Much like the spirit of the holidays, a good movie can pull us into an alternative place, where life's complications seem to melt away. Theatrical release poster for the 1947 film Miracle on 34th Street. Wikipedia public domain image.

the 1940's. The tale is told through the eyes of young "Ralphie," whose gift wish is a Red Ryder B.B. gun though his parents warn he will "shoot his eye out" much to his dismay. Stars Peter

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Billingsley, Darren Mc-Gavin and Melinda Dillon.

3-Elf (2003) Rated PG. Yes it is silly, inane and a bit sappy, but somehow this crazy tale about a human raised by elves

R. Directed by John Hughes during is movie making heyday, the film follows two previously unacquainted gentlemen of very different temperaments who are forced to use various modes of transportation in their attempt to get home in time for Thanksgiving. Starring John Candy and Steve Martin, the result is frustratingly hilarious and at times deeply moving. One of my personal all-time favorites.

embarks on a trip to New

York to meet his natural

father pokes at the funny

heart. Star-studded cast

Newhart, Ed Asner, Mary

Steenburgen and Zooey

4 – Planes, Trains &

Automobiles (1987) Rated

bone and tugs at the

includes Will Ferrell,

James Caan, Bob

Deschanel.

5 - Nothing Like the Holidays (2008) Rated PG-13. The film brings members the Rodriguez family home to their parents in Chicago and life experiences mingle in both comedic and dramatic fashion. A kind of film that can ease the regret of missing large family gatherings this year. Stars Freddie Rodriquez, Debra Messing and John

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While speed is a factor in this crash, it is not believed that alcohol or drugs are contributing factors. This accident is still under investigation.



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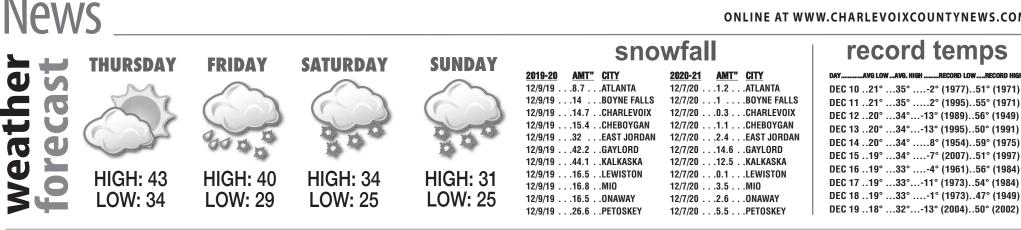
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Wesley Patrick Bernier, 64

(NOV. 15, 1956 - DEC. 3, 2020) Wesley Patrick Bernier of

Boyne City passed away suddenly, December 3, 2020. He was born November 15, 1956 in Detroit the son



of Frederick and Sandra (Burke) Bernier.

Wes was a kind, compassionate, life loving man. He was funny and a friend to everyone he met. He enjoyed being outside, hunting, fishing, camping, and cutting wood. He loved to ride dirt bikes and snowmobiles, sharing his love of those things with his children and grandchildren, as long as they could start their own machine! He built and remodeled several family homes and took pride in his finish work, especially the cabinets that were tall enough and deep enough to make his bride happy.

Wes was a mechanical genius. He retired young at 54 after many dedicated years of working for Dan's excavating. He was a water main specialist and was the supervisor on many large projects including the Tiger Stadium, Detroit Metro Airport and the City of Indianapolis.

Family and the Lord was of upmost importance to Wes. He went to church every Sunday, no matter where he was working, traveling, or living. He recited the Divine Mercy and Rosary daily.

On April 16, 1979 in Romeo, he married the love of his life Diane Frances Pytleski who survives. Also surviving are his parents Frederick and Sandra Bernier of Palm Coast, FL, his children Bradley Bernier of Shelby Twp, Joshua (Jun) Bernier of Pontiac Julie (Travis) Chellis Catholic Church with Fr. Peter Wigton officiating. The family will receive friends Tuesday, December 8, from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with a Divine Mercy at 3 p.m. and a Vigil service at 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be directed to St. Joseph Catholic Church, PO BOX 379, East Jordan, MI 49727.

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

Jessie Cunningham, 98

(OCT. 3, 1922 - DEC. 2, 2020) Jessie Marie Cunningham

(Potter) of Charlevoix passed away surrounded by her family on December 2, 2020. Jessie



tober 3, 1922, in South Barnard, Charlevoix.

She was the daughter of John and Jennie Potter (Klooster), who immigrated to the United States from the Netherlands. She attended the Barnard and Charlevoix Schools, graduating in 1941. She went on to attend a cosmetology academy in Detroit.

Jessie grew up in the Barnard community, where she forged strong friendships with neighbors and family that would last throughout her life. In her household, her parents scratched out a living as farmers, and they spoke Dutch. In September 1943 she married Ray Cunningham of Charlevoix.

Ray and Jessie lived in Detroit after they were married, where she worked as a beautician. She and Ray loved to play music together, and even performed on a radio show with Jessie playing her mandolin and singing with Ray on guitar. Ray and Jessie moved back to Barnard after a couple of years of big-city life, where they raised their three sons, Ben, Stuart, and Bruce. Jessie was a sweet and caring member of her community. She spent most of her working years as the adult workshop supervisor at the Bergmann Center, where she helped lay much of the foundation for what has become an indispensable service in Charlevoix. She was a life-long member

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of the Community Reformed Church, where she taught Sunday school. She was also an active member of the Barnard Grange and the Charlevoix Senior Center, where she spent countless hours working on outreach to the less fortunate - she often put her world-class crafting skills to work to sew and quilt blankets to be sent to those in need.

Jessie was a loving and proud wife, mother, aunt, grandmother, and greatgrandmother. She kept up with everything her kids/grandkids/nieces/neph ews (including several 'adopted' grandkids) were doing and couldn't wait to share the latest news from her family. She was the connection that tied dozens upon dozens of family members together. Her grandkids cherish their memories of summer days at Grandma's house - tea parties, paper sack races, and mud buggy rides. Her Thanksgiving dinners were legendary for fitting an impossible number of people into her living room, and all were welcomed.

Jessie lived on her own after her husband Ray passed in 1987, but she was rarely alone. Her neighbors were regular visitors and kept her well-supplied in fish. Many of those same friends she made growing up in Barnard still gathered for Monday morning coffee, which Jessie loved to host well into her nineties.

Jessie was sweeter than any of the tastiest treats she could whip up in her kitchen, but that is only one side of her story. She was also one of the toughest and sharpest women ever to come out of Barnard. Jessie never stopped moving - hard work was a part of her DNA. She kept herself supplied with food year-round from her massive and impeccably kept garden. She was an avid cross-country skier. She was a dead-eye shot with a rifle, who could open her back door and pick off a rat she spied sneaking into the chicken coop across the yard. She didn't flinch when her son Ben asked her to tow him home on his motorcycle with her car, and then let the towrope teach Ben an important lesson! When she was in her eighties, she painted the inside of her house, and then in her nineties, she painted her garage as high as she could reach. When she finally did take a break, she loved to best her son Stuart in a game of golf--which she did last when she was 89. Jessie also loved to sing, or just take a long walk. She loved learning about the world and read history books on any subject she could get her hands on. Two years ago Jessie moved in with her son Ben and daughter-in-law Leslie in order to "make the best of things," as she put it. She joined Leslie's weekly guitar group and helped with the sing-a-longs the group did at American House before the COVID-19 pandemic arrived. She continued singing with the group each week throughout this autumn. Jessie is survived by her sons Ben (Leslie) Cunningham of Charlevoix and Stuart (Gloria) Cunningham of Petoskey, her daughter-inlaw Terri Cunningham of Traverse City, her 10 grandchildren: Crissy, Matt, Mike, Tom, Andrea, Todd, Paul, Amy, Bethany, and Marc.

Jessie had 15 great grandchildren and about a gazillion nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband Ray, her youngest son Bruce, her sister Margaret (Guy) Davis, and her brother Bill (Janice)

Potter. The family would like to thank Jessie's many neighbors that looked in on her over her later years, especially the Herb. Nate, and Scott Boss families, the Randy Cebulski family, and the Bill Stevens family.

The Mortensen Funeral Home, Winchester Chapel in Charlevoix is handling arrangements and tributes can be added at www.mortensenfuneralhomes com A Celebration of Life gathering will be held at a later date.

The family suggests in lieu of flowers that memorial gifts may be made to the Bergmann Center or the Safe Haven Ministries of Community Reformed Church of Charlevoix

Andrew Kadish, 41

(NOV. 14, 1979 - DEC. 2, 2020) Andrew Huppé Kadish

away suddenly as a result of a car accident on Wednesday, December 2, 2020

Charlevoix. The shock of his passing echoed through his friends and family members. To be fair, Andrew had been shocking everyone since his birth at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City on November 14, 1979. Such a large baby, he broke his collarbone as he came into the world. "Another boy," his sister Kimberley told her three brothers, Christopher, Matthew, and Alex. As the final child coming into an already funny family, Andrew kept up from the moment he started talking. His parents, Charles Kadish and Anne Huppé, were regularly doubled over with laughter as Andrew cracked jokes about the world as he saw it. Andrew lived life on his own terms and though he said he wished life could have been easier at times, he stood his ground regardless. This made his time at Cape Elizabeth High School and in the Johnson & Wales Culinary Program difficult, but not impossible. Every person he met said that Andrew was one in a billion, and no one doubted it. He was kind, generous, joyful, and brilliant. He was a notably talented chef who made everything he touched taste better. He worked long tireless hours in restaurants across the country and cooked for people he loved, though he mostly made frozen Chicken Cordon Bleu for himself. He lived in most parts of the country from New York City to Cape Elizabeth ME and on to Binghamton NY, Rochester NY, Beverly Hills CA, Charleston SC, and finally landing in Charlevoix MI where he met the love of his life, Rani Smith. Together they built a life that he regularly said he adored. Andrew leaves behind scores of people who thought he was first rate: Rani, his partner, who says he was her best friend. His father. Charles Kadish, who would

rather be fishing with An-

drew than most anything

Huppe, who adored him be-

to listen and not judge him

when he needed to talk. His

siblings who worked hard to

give Andrew what they each

brother Christopher Gorelik

(fiancée Jennifer), brother

thought he needed. His

Matthew Gorelik (wife

Krista), sister Kimberley

brother Alex Kadish (wife

knowing him to be one of the

they'd ever known. His Aunts

and Uncles who've all spent

many an evening enjoying

Andrew's food and good will.

His nine nieces and nephews,

whom he loved and wanted to

be happy, will miss his quick

wit and funny presents. "I'll

wrapped up a head of broc-

nephew, Felix. Some people

walk into a market and walk

out with some milk or bread,

but Andrew would come out

planned and ready for a per-

fect execution, along with

three new friends, a phone

number, and a pack of Marl-

boro lights. His friends here

on earth will miss him and

hope is that Andrew is now

reunited with those he truly

loved best, his cats, Julia and

Chance who've been waiting

A private family service

will be held in the Summer of

2021 at the family plot in Cas-

tine Maine. Andrew would

want you to stay home and

spent with him--as long as

they're happy stories that

winds and following seas,

dear Andrew.

cast him in a good light. Fair

Arrangements have been

handled by the Central Lake

invite friends over for dinner

to tell stories about times you

a while to hang with him.

think of him fondly. The

Mr. Man, and his dog,

with a five course meal

coli for my birthday," said his

never forget when he

Moran (husband Dick),

Alexa) all loved Andrew

kindest, most gentle men

yond measure and was there

else. His mother, Anne

cluding South Korea, the middle east, and Asia with 10 years of that in Kuwait.

Also, along his journey he worked on heavy equipment ships (floating fortresses) stationed at sea, ready for deployment. Oh, the stories he could tell! He lived life fully and with no regrets. Tuesday Child is full of Grace and Grace he was, what an awesome man.

He is survived by his siblings Cathy Balogh, David Balogh, and Julie Haman; and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his father, Frank; mother Gladys; niece Christine Gibbs; and brother-inlaw, Gary Smuda.

There will be a visitation at Stone Funeral Home on Thursday, December 10, 2020 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. We ask that anyone attended wear a face mask and practice social distancing while inside the building. A graveside service will be held at Lakeview Cemetery in Harbor Springs on Friday, December 11th at 11:00 a.m.

Stone Funeral Home is caring for his arrangements.

Thomas Joseph Danowski Sr., 66

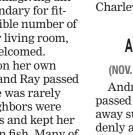
(JULY 19, 1954 - DEC. 6, 2020) Thomas Joseph Danowski

Sr. of Charlevoix passed away December 6, 2020 at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey. Thomas was born July 19,



1954 on the Hamilton Air Force base in California, to Thomas R. Danowski and Dora M. (Bills) Danowski.

Tom was a Tool and Die maker for Ford Motor Company for over 30 years. He worked on Mustangs for the last 10 years of his career. He loved his career, and belonged to the Union of Automotive Workers for his entire employment. Tom loved cars, including watching NASCAR, sports, and enjoyed photography. On July 6, 1984 in New Boston, MI at St. Stephen Catholic Church, Thomas married Margaret (Weimert) Danowski who survives, along with two children, Thomas Jr. (Joanna) Danowski of Farmington and Frank John Danowski of Charlevoix. Also surviving Tom are two brothers, Timothy Danowski of Alexandria, VA, and Theodore (Dr. Rod Greaves) Danowski of Palm Springs, CA, as well as three sisters. Helene Stokes and Margaret L. Danowski, both of East Lansing, MI, and Anne Elizabeth (Kathy Kult) Danowski of Rancho Mirage, CA. No services are planned. Memorial contributions in Tom's memory may be made to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society 614 Beardsley St., Boyne City, MI 49712 or Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, Gift Processing Administrator, 18251 Quantico Gateway Dr., Triangle, VA 22172. Arrangements are in the care of the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com



in

of Ellsworth, Thomas (Lauren) Bernier of Macomb. Tracey (Jonas) Worden of Interlochen, brothers Keith (Elle) Bernier, Jeff (Sandra) Bernier, Gregg (Debbie) Bernier, sister Dawn (Collin) Zuccarelli, grandchildren Evan, Gavin, Jamey, William, Ryder, Kate, nieces and nephews Delainey, Deven, Hunter, Benjamin, and Cooper. He was preceded in death by his grandparents William and Helen Burke and Grace Bassett and his in laws Thomas and Dolores Pytleski.

A Funeral Mass will be held Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 1 p.m. at St. Mary

Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Frank Balogh, Jr., 64

(FEB. 7. 1956 - DEC. 6. 2020) Frank Balogh, Jr. went



by family on December 6, 2020.

Frank was born in Wayne County, Michigan on February 7, 1956, the son of Frank and Gladys (Deaver) Balogh. Frank was a wonderful,

kind and generous man, always helping and giving of his time and skills and resources to anyone who needed it without judgement, hesitation or reservation.

Frank never met a stranger but a new friend and many were dragged off into parts unknown for adventure where memories were made.

He was a hard-working guy who worked on oil rigs in the Gulf, worked as a heavy-duty equipment mechanic for the military working on tanks, MRAPs, personal vehicles and everything that moves across the battlefield. He has spent 30 years overseas on several different countries in-



EARLY DEADLINE

Deadline for advertising and editorial for the 12/24 issue of the Weekly **Choice & Charlevoix County News will** be Saturday, December 19.

Deadline for advertising and editorial for the 12/31 issue of the Weekly **Choice & Charlevoix County News will** be Saturday, December 26.

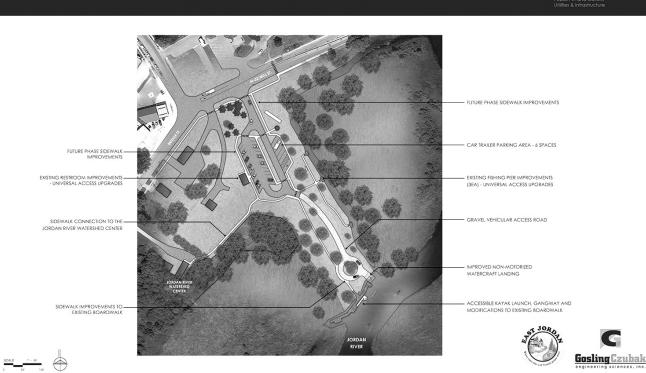
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East Jordan's Sportsman's Park Awarded DNR Trust Fund Grant

design program

CITY OF EAST JORDAN - SPORTSMAN'S PARK IMPROVEMENTS CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN



BY: DOM SANTINA

East Jordan - The City of East Jordan's Sportsman's Park is going to be getting some upgrades. The city park was given a \$300,000 grant by the Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund.

According to City Manager, Tom Cannon, the planning for improvements and access site for the park began a few years ago with the Park and Recreation Plan and the East Jordan city plan.

The money will be put towards a variety of different improvements for the park. These improvements will include improving the fishing pier, an improved nonmotorized watercraft landing area and a kayak launch. The money will also be used to help improve existing restroom facilities, sidewalk connection to the Jordan River Watershed Center and sidewalk improvements to the boardwalk and future sidewalk improvements throughout the park. Finally, the money will be used to create six-car trailer parking spots and a gravel vehicular access road to the launch from the parking lot.

"The idea of creating proper access near the mouth of the Jordan River has been a priority for years. The location is ideal as it brings river enthusiasts right into the hub of East Jordan. This provides a safer access site than sharing a launch with powerboats for kayaks that want to utilize Lake Charlevoix, " said Cannon.

The city plans on beginning renovations next summer.

Small Business Administration relief for eligible businesses impacted by cold weather

Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced that the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is making Economic Injury Disaster Loans of up to \$2 million available to eligible small businesses, agricultural cooperatives, and nonprofits impacted by frost and freeze that occurred in May of this year. SBA extended the loans following the Secretarial Disaster Declaration obtained by Governor Whitmer from U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Sonny Perdue in September.

These loans are available in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Crawford, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Kalkaska, Manistee, Missaukee, Otsego and Wexford counties.

"This is good news for our small businesses and farmers who have routinely faced extreme weather conditions in our state," said Governor Whitmer. "I'm glad the federal government has recognized the need for this support, and I am eager to continue working with them to further assist Michigan businesses." Last

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June, Governor Whitmer r equested a USDA Secretarial Disaster Designation to provide relief to Michigan fruit growers and farmers who incurred damage and losses to their crops caused by a hard freeze in the spring. USDA ultimately designated more than 10 Michigan counties as primary disaster areas beginning in September 2020. When the Secretary of Agriculture issues a disaster declaration to help farmers recover from damages and losses to crops, SBA issues a declaration to eligible entities, affected by the same disaster.

Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at

https://disasterloan.sba.gov . Applicants should apply under SBA declaration #16760. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information.

MOVIES FROM PG. 1

Leguizamo.

6 – Home for the Holidays (1995). Another journey home during the holidays that celebrated family dysfunction. This one centers around a Thanksgiving dinner and once again teeters between comedy and drama (as do many real life holiday gatherings). The late Roger Ebert noted "...here is a film that understands the reality expressed by Robert Frost when he wrote, "Home is the place where, when you have to go there, they have to take you in." Directed by Jodi Foster, this one stars Holly Hunter, Claire Danes, Anne Bancroft and Charles Durning.

7 – Jingle All the Way (1996) Rated PG. Send Arnold Schwarzenegger on a shopping excursion to find THE TOY for his son this Christmas and it isn't hard to imagine things will get interesting. It didn't rate well with Rotten Tomatoes critical review and consensus rating, but sometimes it's fun to watch a movie to laugh at it as well as with it. And as with most holiday movie journeys, there is a reward in seeing the characters discover the meaning of the Christmas season when all is said and done. Also stars Sinbad, the late Phil Hartman, Rita Wilson and Martin Mull. 8 - How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000) Rated PG. -The original Dr. Seuss animated television show continues to be a holiday favorite for young and old alike. Ron Howard's big screen version, starring Jim Carrey as the Grinch, retained the spirit of that 1966 classic and took it to a new, hilarious level. The Grinch is miserly as Scrooge, mean as the Winter Warlock, yet wears his heart on his sleeve. Somehow it's easy to root for this green, misunderstood creature throughout the film. 9-The Polar Express (2004) Rated G. A holiday favorite of many, The Polar Express celebrates the magic in the Christmas season as a young lad takes an adventure



The front of the house where the movie A Christmas Story was filmed in Cuyahoga County in Ohio. Wikipedia photo

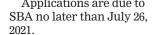
to the North Pole on a very special train. Along the way, lessons are learned and the Christmas spirit prevails. Nominated for several Oscars as well as a Golden Globe. Directed by Robert Zemeckis (Forrest Gump and Cast Away), it is a computer animated format with voices provided by Tom Hanks. Peter Scolari, Nona Gaye and Michael Jeter. 10 – Miracle on 34th Street (1947) Not Rated. A film responsible for making true believers in Santa Clause for over seventy years. Edmund Gwenn may actually be Santa for all I know; he certainly looks and acts the part. Despite the best efforts of all the doubters...we still believe.

Rated PG. Tim Allen plays the title role, though unwittingly at first, when he accidentally startles Santa into a major mishap and then becomes jolly St. Nick himself. The transformation, in both appearance and attitude is the place, and a walloping cat and mouse, save the evening nail-biter ensues. For those who like action films with a touch or Christmas spirit...this one's for you.

Home Alone (1990) Rated PG. Where's Kevin? While mom, dad and the rest of the family head off for a holiday in Paris, young Kevin McCallister (played by Macauly Culkin) wakes up to discover he been left home alone. At first he enjoys his freedom around the house, but a few bumbling burglars zone in on robbing the McCallister home. Filled with zany "Three Stooges" vaudeville type comedy, this film keeps you on the edge of your seat to see how young Kevin will foil the crooks plans.

A Christmas Carol (1951) The Charles Dickens literary classic has been adapted to film many, many times, but Alastair Sim's portrayal of the indomitable Scrooge in this version is an all-out classic performance. He is just so darn mean and miserly, and seems so genuinely transformed by the end of the movie...even Santa would love him.

It's a Wonderful Life (1946) Rated PG. Surprisingly, this holiday favorite didn't get off









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Phone: 989-732-8160 Office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com • www.CharlevoixCountyNews.com A couple of other films that are on IMDb's Top Lists, depending which list pops up during a search:

Scrooged (1988) Rated PG-13. The crusty old miser as only Bill Murray could portray. Classic tale set in a more current setting, spiced with humor and retaining the timeless moral; love for family, friends and yourself offers more value than all the money one can attempt to hold. Also stars Karen Allen and John Forsythe.

The Santa Clause (1994)

fun to watch, and this original movie in what would become a series of sequels, still reigns supreme.

It's a Wonderful Life (1946) Rated PG. Surprisingly, this holiday favorite didn't get off to a very good start. It is based on a story, "The Greatest Gift," by Philip Van Doren Stern who couldn't get published after writing it in 1939. It stars James Stewart and Donna Reed in the lead roles, with Lionel Barrymore as despicable banker Henry Potter, but it flopped at the box office. Over the years it has gained a well-deserved reputation as the most beloved celluloid incarnations of the Christmas spirit, a celebration of the triumph of family, friends, goodness and love.

Die Hard (1988) Rated R. Starring Bruce Willis as NYPD officer John McClane, this might not appear to be a holiday movie. The action does, however, take place during a Christmas party in a high rise. The bad guys figure this is a great time to rob

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And there are many, many more Christmas movie classics to sit back with a bowl of popcorn and some loved ones at home and enjoy. Much like the spirit of the holidays, a good film can pull us into an alternative place, where life's complications seem to melt away.

Now that's something we can all use as 2020 draws to an end.

Wooden flag presented to American Legion

Pastor Tony Duty presented this wooden American Flag to the Boyne City American Legion Post 228 on behalf of their church.

As he presented this flag to our post he said, "It was my distinct honor, as Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Boyne City, to present this wooden American Flag to the Boyne City Legion Post 228 on behalf of our church as a small token of our gratitude for the service and sacrifice of all Veterans."

He also referenced the Biblical importance of the presentation pointing to Romans 13:7 and 2 Samuel 23:17.

The flag was made by one of the First Baptist Church members, Wayne Floyd, of



The Floyd's Rustic Woodworking Shop. Receiving the flag for the post was Vice Commander Dick Steufert.

Submitted by Rick Bristol, chaplain with the Boyne City American Legion Post

News Briefs

CHARLEVOIX SPAGHETTI DINNER TO GO

December 11, 5pm. St. Mary School is having a spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Take out style. \$10 per person. Enjoy homemade meat or vegetarian spaghetti, garlic bread and cole slaw from Pigs Eatin' Ribs. Info at stmaryschoolcharlevoix.com

CHARLEVOIX BUILDING RESILIENCY IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY

December 14, 11am. We are all facing unprecedented change in the workplace and in our personal lives. This presentation by Kathy Grinsteiner, Provider Engagement Manager for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, will provide tips and techniques on how to develop and strengthen resilience, enabling you to weather the storm of uncertainty. Register at https://business.charlevoix.org/events

CHARLEVOIX DOWNTOWN CHARLEVOIX MEN'S NIGHT

December 16, all day. Specials, Wish Lists, Gift Wrapping. Plus you could win \$500 in downtown dollars.

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

BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, DECEMBER 8, 2020 Boyne City police office awarded Medal of Valor by State

BY DOM SANTINA

BOYNE CITY - The Boyne City Commission started their meeting with an announcement about recognition for a Boyne City police officer. The state awarded eight different Medal of Valor awards this year. The Medal of Valor was presented to Officer Joel Novak for his handling of the situation earlier in the year in Walloon involving a shootout.

An act of valor is considered to be above and beyond the call of duty; and exhibiting exceptional courage, extraordinary decisiveness, and presence of mind along with unusual swiftness of action, regardless of his or her personal safety, in an attempt to save or protect human life.

COVID RESPONSE

The City Commission was discussing the agenda item and the recommendations to extend the authorization of the City Manager to take steps he deems necessary and prudent to work with local businesses and help support their businesses. After some discussion, they open up the topic to public comment. This is when a Boyne

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 Benzie, (Antrim, 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

City business owner very loudly

nesses to the best of their ability.

felt were bad timing and not the

best move for the city during the

pandemic. The business owner

was guaranteed ten minutes to

While citing a few other things he

has not helped the small busi-

voiced his opinion on how the city

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: jracguest, password: iracguest. 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.

call Hospice at 231-547-7659 to register or for more information.

voice his point. The Commission

business owner that they would be

willing to work with him and talk

with him more in-depth outside of

the council meeting. The Commis-

sion would discuss ideas that busi-

ness could pursue or opportunities

IGLOOS

that would approve access

to create an off-road trail to

help connect the Wheelway

to downtown. The easement

Road, Taylor Road, and Gib-

bons Drive. In the meeting,

it was also announced the

third phase of the Boyne

third phase.

City- Charlevoix bike path

had received funding for the

Purchased Skid Steer for

The city has found that

need to access different peo-

Electric Department

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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.

while and seemed to come to somewhat or peacemaking with the business owner. The Commission decided that they would continue to look all possibilities going forward on what opportunities would be available for small businesses. 2021 Meeting Schedule

The Commission approved the recommendation to set the meeting schedule for the 2021 year. The recommendation would keep the meeting schedule the same, as the first meeting would be the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. Then the second meeting would be the fourth Tuesday of every month at noon. The meeting will be held either at City Hall or electronically on Zoom depending on the Pandemic situation.

FIRE TRUCK MAINTENANCE

The City Commission approved a recommendation to pay for necessary repairs to a 2015 Pumper Truck to bring it back to full operating service. The repairs will not exceed \$5,583.66 according to a December 3, 2020 service order.

The City Commission will not meet for the rest of the month and will return with meetings in 2021.

> under the \$55,000 budget allocated for the Skid Steer.

PURCHASE OF 3 RECLOSERS FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK

The Commission also approved a purchase of three replacement reclosers from Eaton Cooper Power Systems. The three reclosers came to a cost of \$42,832.08, which is \$14,277.36 apiece. There are four reclosers in Industrial Park, one of them has been replaced recently. Then two of them were in need of replacement, however, the final one had a squirrel get into the substation and do a heavy amount of damage. This purchase will replace the two that needed to be

December 10, 2020





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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

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.

scaped areas to work on electrical equipment. In the past, the city bough a small trencher to help eliminate destroying people's property to do work. However, it was found they needed a bigger machine to help lift and transport transformers and bigger electrical equipment. The Commission approved the purchase of a Skid Steer from Ditch Whitch with a bucket and pallet forks, which will be used for the stock room. The cost of the Skid Steer was \$51,245.70. This is well

replaced and replace the one damaged by the squirrel. The Industrial park had been running on only three reclosers and this purchase, it will help get the Industrial Park up and running at full strength. The cost of these purchases was not specifically budgeted for but the Electrical budget can handle the cost. The City Commission

The City Commission will meet again on December 21 at 6 pm on Zoom.



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Youth Grants Awarded in New Focus Areas

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation responded to requests from nonprofit partners in November. Thanks to donors who look to the Community Foundation to make a difference close to home, grants have been awarded primarily to nonprofits who will focus in the areas of youth mental health and academic stress. In all, over \$29,000 was awarded during the Youth Needs grant cycle.

Every three years, the YAC performs a Youth Needs Assessment, asking 8th through 12th graders in Charlevoix County about the top issues concerning them. Earlier this year, the YAC met to discuss the results of the most recent Youth Needs Assessment and made the decision to focus their grantmaking dollars on prioritizing the top two issues identified by their peers – youth mental health and academic stress.

"Mental health and academic stress have long been areas of need for Charlevoix County youth, and both have worsened due to the effects of COVID-19," said Nathan Newman, a senior at East Jordan High School and Treasurer of the YAC. "So, for this grant cycle, we wanted our resources to go toward programs that will support the mental health and relieve the academic stress of Charlevoix County youth."

The YAC made this goal a reality when they awarded 80% of their available funding in this cycle to organizations who are directly addressing youth mental health and/or academic stress. By prioritizing these focus areas the YAC hopes to make a bigger impact in the areas that Charlevoix County youth themselves have identified as most important.

Specific grants were awarded to five area nonprofits. Northern Michigan Equine Therapy will receive funding to expand their mental health professional services, which currently has a waiting list. East Jordan Public Schools will use funding to support learning loss among students due to interruptions in the school year caused by the coronavirus pandemic. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwestern Michigan will expand their programs to middle school students in Charlevoix. Northern Family Intervention Services will use their grant to create mental health coping kits for youth, as a way to encourage progress. Finally, the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan will use their grant to set up a protocol for

Charlevoix County at their Child Advocacy Center, a necessary component that will allow them to steadily provide services to area youth. All of these projects or programs directly address the areas of youth mental health and/or academic stress.

While the primary focus of this cycle was on the two priority areas, two other grants were also awarded to Good Samaritan Family Services for the Sammy's Shoes program, and to Planned Parenthood of Michigan for their Smart & Healthy Youth programming in Charlevoix County. Additionally, earlier in the year, the YAC held a special meeting and awarded \$32,000 to the school nurse program in Charlevoix County schools, which was in danger of being discontinued. The YAC teamed up with the Health Department of

Northwest Michigan, the C3F, and other donors, to continue the program for another year, to help schools cope with implications of the pandemic.

"We're excited about all of the grants we recommended during the Youth Needs cycle this year," commented Aubrie Sparks, a senior at Boyne Falls High School and President of the YAC. "And we are super confident our allocations will benefit the priority areas we identified."

A charitable organization dedicated to improving and enriching life in the area, the Charlevoix County Community Foundation accepts gifts from individuals, families, businesses and civic groups and manages them as permanent endowments. While a portion of the funds are utilized to support grantmaking, the principal of the endowment continues to grow, providing ongoing charitable capital to benefit Charlevoix County's residents—now and in the future.

The next grant cycle will focus on Environment, Land Use, and Recreation projects. Applications will become available in mid-December and will be due by Monday, February 1, 2021. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for grants anytime by emailing Ashley Cousens at acousens@c3f.org. More information about each grant cycle can be found at c3f.org on the "Apply for a Grant" page. Additionally, scholarship applications are now available at c3f.org on the "Apply for a Scholarship" page or interested students can contact their high school counselor or Mishelle Shooks at mshooks@c3f.org for more information.

DNR offers Zoom meeting outdoor backgrounds

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Michigan.gov/DNRPress-Room in the Photos and Videos section.

In addition to their visual appeal, virtual backgrounds



Winter scenes like this, found in the in the DNR's virtual background gallery, let you enjoy the wonders of winter while remaining cozy indoors – or get inspired to go out and try a new winter activity like snowshoeing, winter hiking or fat-tire biking. (courtesy of DNR)

serve a practical purpose. When you're meeting online with people outside your immediate contacts, security experts recommend using virtual backgrounds to obscure details of your home and surroundings. Steps to enable and upload backgrounds in a Zoom account are available on the Zoom virtual background support page. The high-resolution images should be compatible with other virtual meeting platforms, too, and can be used as computer backgrounds.



Boyne Falls Public Schools **STUDENT OF THE WEEK**



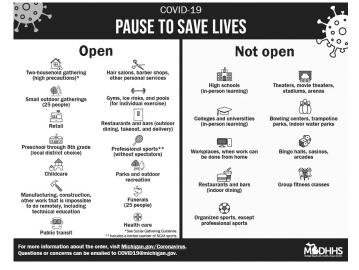
News

MDHHS extends epidemic order until December 20

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has extended by 12 days the epidemic order that restricts indoor social gatherings and other group activities. The additional 12 days will allow the department to determine the full impact of the Thanksgiving holiday on the spread of COVID-19 across Michigan.

Under the order, MDHHS continues to urge families to avoid indoor gatherings, and only two households may gather inside, with strict protocols recommended. Individuals should wear masks consistently whenever they are inside with individuals not in their household and are recommended to pick only a small group to see regularly. Bars and restaurants must remain closed for dinein service, but can remain open for outdoor dining, carry-out and delivery. Gyms are open for individual exercise with mandatory masking and additional strict safety measures. Casinos, movie theaters and group exercise classes remain closed. Professional and college sports meeting extraordinary standards for risk mitigation may continue without spectators. Colleges, universities and high schools will continue with remote learning, with no in-person classes.

"Hope is on the horizon, but we need an additional 12 days to determine the full impact of the Thanksgiving holiday on our efforts to mitigate the spread of the virus," said Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. "This is all about protecting our families and frontline workers until we eradicate this virus once and for all. With recent daily case counts averaging well above 6,000, the daily death toll at alarming levels and the risk of hospitals becoming overwhelmed, we must work together as Michiganders and listen to our health experts. This may be the most



The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has extended by 12 days the epidemic order that restricts indoor social gatherings and other group activities. Courtesy image

difficult time yet in our struggle with COVID-19, but there is light at the end of the tunnel."

The order will keep existing measures in place through Dec. 20 and does not include a blanket stay-home action. Employees who work in jobs that cannot be performed from home can continue to go to work, including those in manufacturing, construction and health occupations. Outdoor gatherings, outdoor dining and parks remain open. Individualized activities with distancing and face masks are still allowed: retail shopping; public transit; restaurant takeout; personal-care services such as haircuts, by appointment; and individualized exercise at a gym, with extra spacing between machines.

"We each have a personal responsibility to wear a mask consistently and minimize indoor gatherings, so we can protect our frontline heroes and loved ones," said MDHHS Director Robert Gordon. "If we don't, the disease will continue to spread and people will continue to get sick and die."

"While we have seen early signs of progress in our case

rates and hospitalizations, unfortunately our rates are still alarmingly high and we need more time to understand the impact that Thanksgiving travel may have had on the spread of COVID-19 in Michigan," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at MDHHS. "I am hopeful because vaccines will be available soon, potentially later this month. However, it will take time for the vaccine to be widely available to the general public, and it is important that we continue to do what we can to contain this virus.'

MDHHS also identified three key metrics that will be utilized in determining whether to slowly reopen at the end of the 12 days. Specifically, the department will be looking closely at the percentage of hospital beds with COVID patients, the number of COVID-19 cases and the positivity rate. With improvements in those numbers in context, MDHHS will carefully reopen, with in-person learning at high schools first. Next in line will be entertainment venues where people can maintain consistent masking, such as casinos,

theaters and bowling, with concessions closed.

"The last few weeks have been critical to slowing the spread, particularly across the Upper Peninsula given the geography between hospitals and the available resources," said Karen Cheeseman, President and **CEO of Mackinac Straits** Health System in St. Ignace. "We won't see continued improvement without your help. We are asking you to heed the advice of public health experts by washing your hands, wearing your mask, and avoiding crowds." Just before Thanksgiving,

Gov. Whitmer sent a letter to the Michigan Legislature seeking their support and asking them to pass a COVID relief package to help families and businesses across the state, which included a permanent extension of unemployment benefits. She has also called for the Legislature to pass bills to require masks in public, which has received bipartisan support, and would serve to greatly improve compliance, assist law enforcement and help slow the spread of COVID-19.

Just last week, the State Budget Office sent the Appropriations Chairs in the Legislature an additional request to provide supplemental funding in the current budget for additional COVID response needs for testing, contact tracing, PPE, hospital staffing, support for nursing homes and veterans homes and funding to quickly begin distributing vaccines to our highest risk residents as soon as the vaccine becomes available.

Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus. The COVID-19 vaccine is coming soon, learn more at Michigan.gov/COVIDVaccine.

Clayton Putnam

Grade: Kindergarten

Parent's Name(s): Christopher and Emily Putnam

What do you want to be when you grow up?: When Clayton grows up, he wants to be a Fireman like his dad.

Favorite Book: Clayton favorite book series is "How do Dinosaurs?"

Hobbies and Interests: Clayton's hobbies and interests are playing on his tablet at home, playing with his brother and sister, and playing outside.

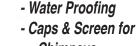
School Activities: At school, Clayton enjoys working in ABC Mouse, playing outside on the swings and slides, and gym class with Mr. W.

Staff Comments: Clayton is a very cheerful, courteous, and respectful young boy. He enjoys learning and playing with his friends at school. Clayton has had a great start this week with online learning at home. He is doing a wonderful job of completing his work and attending Zoom classes. Keep up the good work!

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CITY OF EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The City Commission will hold an electronic meeting on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via zoom due to the current Covid-19 situation and consistent with the State Legislation. The agenda packet can be found on our website at www.eastjordancity.org/resources/city-meetings

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Any questions or comments regarding agenda items can be directed to City Hall prior to the meeting to info@eastjordancity.org or 231-536-3381. If you would like to speak to a Commissioner directly, their contact information can be found at the City's website at https://eastjordancity.org/about/city-officials/

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met December 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.; Mayor Penzien presiding with all members and all Board meeting minutes were

approved as well as the Paid Bills in the amount of \$147,533.66.

Further Commission Action: Acknowledged Receipt of the September Cash on Hand Report; Acknowledged Receipt of the Monthly Public Safety Repot for Fire, October 2020; Authorized the City Administrator and the City Parks Director to continue to work with the American Legion on the proposed project for GAR Park; approved the Personnel Manual Revision; approved Resolution 116-2020; approved the MERS Defined Benefit Plan Adoption Agreement Addendum; approved the 2021 Poverty Exemption Policy and Guidelines; accepted the Introduction of Ordinances 143-W, 143-X and 143-Y.

Copies of the minutes of the above meeting are posted in City Hall for review during normal office hours.

> Cheltzi M. Wilson, CMC City Clerk

WILSON TOWNSHIP, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

The Wilson Township Board of Review will meet on **Tuesday, December 15, 2020** at 5:00 PM at the Wilson Township hall, 02530 Fall Park Road, Boyne City, to correct qualified errors; or to consider appeals related to Principal Residence Exemptions, Qualified Agricultural Exemptions, and Poverty Exemptions. Send written requests to the Wilson Township Assessor, 03060 Fall Park Rd., Boyne City, MI 49712. Written requests must be received by 4:00 PM Tuesday, December 15, 2020.

Marilyn L. Beebe Wilson Township Clerk November 30, 2020 Weekly Online Auctions - Firearms, Sporting Goods, Tools, Lawn & Garden, Antiques & Collectibles. Go to: SherwoodAuctionServiceLLC.com for details. Contact Auctioneer Joe Sherwood for your Live on-site Auction Needs. 989-763-7157.

AUTOMOBILES

1995 Corvette Convertible. Only 89 K miles, runs and drives. Project car. Sale price \$6,588 cash. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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2005 Chrysler 300. Leather. Sale Price \$7,995. As low as \$275 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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SUV

2006 Mercury Mariner Premier. 6 cyl, 184 K miles, Looks and runs nice. \$3,500. Gaylord. 989-350-9235

2008 Toyota 4 Runner SR5. 4 wheel drive. Sale Price \$3,995. As low as \$149 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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2017 FORD EDGE AWD SEL LEATHER, NAV. \$21,522 or \$337/MO 72 MOS. Jim Wernig Chevrolet. 2401 Old 27 South, Gaylord. 989-732-5161. www.ChevyCentral.com

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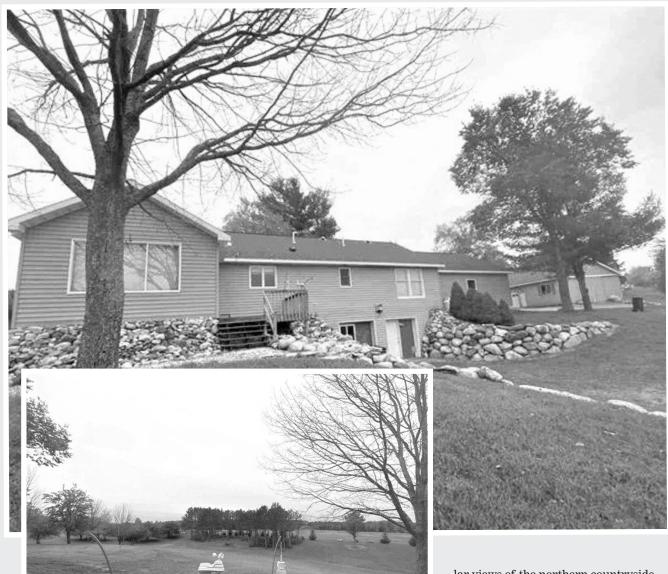
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Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update

On December 8, The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting 47 new cases in Antrim (15), Charlevoix (15), Emmet (9), and Otsego (8) counties, and 3 COVID-19 associated deaths in Antrim (2) and Emmet (1) counties. Case investigation and contact tracing are in progress, and relevant information will be shared when it is available.

On December 7 the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) identified three key metrics that will be utilized in determining



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whether to slowly reopen at the end of the 12-day extension to the current pause. The first metric is percent of inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients which measures the impact of the virus on hospitals. COVID-19 case rate is the second metric, and this is reported as the cases per million residents and measures spread of COVID-19 within a specified area. area. The final metric is percent of COVID-19 tests conducted that are positive, which indicates whether we are missing cases in the community and often pre-

cedes increases in hospitalization. MDHHS and the Governor have stated they will be monitoring for improvement in these trends to determine future release of restrictions.

"We send our deepest condolences to the families and friends of those who have been lost to this virus. We must continue to remain vigilant in observing the precautions intended to protect us all. The current restrictions put into place through the Epidemic Orders of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) are based upon data about

what is driving increased risk," shared Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. "These key metrics are major indicators which will allow us to monitor whether risk is decreasing. We continue to ask residents to follow the MDHHS guidelines and always maintain social distance, wash your hands, and wear a mask.'

As of 4 pm on December 8, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is

reporting: -Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 516, Charlevoix – 740, Emmet - 1092, Otsego -867

-Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 240, Charlevoix - 307, Emmet -548, Otsego - 444

-Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim -7, Charlevoix - 7, Emmet -28, Otsego - 19

The State of Michigan is reporting 410,295 cases and 10,138 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. To track the risk levels of COVID-19 pandemic indicators, visit the MI Safe Start Map website.



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