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Local Government Talks About US Capitol Storming

BY: DOM SANTINA

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY - Everyone, no matter what side you reside on had at least an eye on the situation in Washington D.C. last week. Some might have tuned in after chaos occurred, some watched from the beginning and some joined somewhere in-between.

Some of our local government officials have shared their opinions on the whole situation. Boyne City Mayor Tom Neidhamer wanted to assure everyone to have confidence in their local govern-



TOM NEIDHAMER
Boyne City Mayor

ment. Mayor Neidhamer said, "After last week's events in Washington DC, I was asked if I would like to reflect on

those events from a local government perspective. As discouraged and saddened as I am with national politics and the events of last week and observe that national politics is currently quite unsettling, I would like to offer an encouraging perspective that "local politics" is a non-partisan avenue where we can find common ground within our community. At the local level politics is quite simple. We are tasked with the delivery of services and amenities in the most efficient and transparent way possible.

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munity Police, Fire, and EMS services in an efficient and professional manner: Other than grant money, these services are basically locally funded.

* Our streets, buildings, sidewalks, parks, marina, airport, and cemetery are maintained, improved, and mostly funded locally in the most prudent manner possible.

* Our local water and sewer department delivers clean water and sewage disposal in state-of-the-art facilities, funded by user fees.

* Our Administration oversees approximately 35

employees and a 15-million-dollar budget. Short term and long-term security and stability is critical to the sustainability of our city.

* We are also in partnership with local businesses and industries through our support, infrastructure, policies and goals.

* The expansion of Jervis B. Webb, Great Lakes Energy, Van Dam Marina, Industrial Magnetics Inc. and the construction of Northern Michigan Surgical Suites, LLC are examples of companies having confidence in

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MDHHS Guidance for schools to safely offer in-person

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) announced new guidance for schools to keep students, staff and communities safe during the COVID-19 pandemic while providing the in-person instruction that is crucial to learning and development.

The state's goal is to have all Michigan school districts offer an in-person learning option for students no later than March 1, and earlier if possible.

Guidance emphasizes use of scientifically proven methods of reducing the risk of COVID-19 spread, include wearing masks, ventilation improvements, frequent hand washing and social distancing.

Vaccination of teachers and other school staff will begin by Jan. 11 due to educators' roles as essential frontline workers.

"MDHHS will continue to do what it takes to save lives and limit the spread of COVID-19," said Director Robert Gordon. "At the same time, in-person instruction is critical for the current and the future well-being of children, especially young learners and students who are disadvantaged. We encourage schools to reopen as soon as they can do so with proven protections for staff and students."

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- Governor Whitmer



Dr. Joneigh S. Khaldun, Chief Medical Executive and Chief Deputy Director for Health for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, at the recent press conference announcing new guidance for schools to keep students, staff and communities safe. Courtesy photo

"Over the last 10 months, medical experts and epidemiologists have closely followed the data and have learned that schools can establish a low risk of transmission by ensuring that everyone wears a mask and adopting careful infection prevention protocols. I also announced this week that educators and support staff will be eligible for the next phase of COVID vaccinations beginning Jan. 11 to help protect them and their families as they return to work. I strongly encourage

districts to provide as much face-to-face learning as possible, and my administration will work closely with them to get it done."

Guidance is for grades pre-kindergarten through 12 and includes early childhood education, such as Head Start and Great Start Readiness Program.

Drawing on evidence from Michigan, the United States, and countries around the world, the guidance document outlines specific infection control measures that have worked in schools dur-

ing the pandemic.

Wearing masks is especially important for controlling COVID-19 transmission and masks should be worn inside schools by all staff and students, except during meals and in other limited circumstances. Face masks may be made of cloth or may be disposable surgical-style masks.

Other infection control measures in the new MDHHS guidance include:

- When feasible, assigning children to cohort groups and limiting their interactions to their cohorts to reduce the number of contacts.
- Keeping children 6 feet apart from one another to the extent feasible, making creative use of school spaces to facilitate distancing.
- Providing adequate hand sanitizing supplies and reinforcing proper handwashing techniques.
- Improving air ventilation.
- Having staff and students conduct self-screenings for symptoms at home every day before going to school.
- Ensuring school plans are in place in coordination with their local health department if there are any positive COVID-19 tests.
- Having staff and students who either test positive or are close contacts of those who test positive follow the guidance issued by MDHHS as well as local health departments. Anyone who is considered a close contact of someone who tests positive but

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NCMC named "Top Nursing Program in Michigan"

Graduates of North Central Michigan College's nursing program are among the best in the state — and in the top tier of RN graduates nationwide — according to a ranking released by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. The No. 1 ranking measures North Central's May 2020 nursing graduates against all other RN graduates in Michigan, including those from four-year universities.

The ranking is based on the percentage of North Central's Class of 2020 nurses who passed the NCLEX-RN® examinations administered between April and September 2020. NCLEX-RN® is the test that qualifies graduates to practice as registered nurses. North Central's first-time pass rate was 100 percent.

North Central President David Roland Finley said the ranking is a testament to the college's value proposition: an exceptional education, close to home, for a fraction of the cost of attending an in-state university.

"North Central's faculty is among the best in their field, our technology is state-of-the-art, yet we're small enough to know our students personally," Finley said. "Those personal relationships make this already outstanding achievement even sweeter."

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| 1/12/20 | ..62.7 | ..EAST JORDAN | 1/11/21 | ..18.1 | ..EAST JORDAN |
| 1/12/20 | ..80 | ..GAYLORD | 1/11/21 | ..41.6 | ..GAYLORD |
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| JAN 23 | ..11° | ..29° | ..20° | (2005) | ..50° | (1969) |

OBITUARIES

Gordon Wayne Robinson, 81

(AUG. 14, 1939 - JAN. 7, 2021)



Gordon W. Robinson of Horton Bay went to be with the Lord on Thursday, January 7, 2021. Gordon was born August 14, 1939 to Charles A. and Myrtle B. (Hunt) Robinson also of Horton Bay. Gordon was a lifelong resident of Bay Township, Michigan.

Gordon graduated from Boyne City High School in 1958. He attended Central Michigan University where he earned a B.A. in Education in 1964. He met the first love of his life (Doris Anne Hoffman) at a community dance in Horton Bay. They were married August 25, 1962. They raised 3 sons (Gordon, Charles, Galen) on their dairy farm on West Rd.

Gordon was a lifelong educator that taught English at Charlevoix Public School until retirement in 1994. After retirement from teaching, Gordon worked with draft horses giving free wagon and sleigh rides. He enjoyed sharing what God had provided with others. His motto was 'Enjoy God's creation at the fast pace of horse power.'

Gordon loved the Lord and served in the Horton Bay United Methodist Church for many years and later attended the Walloon Lake Community Church. He also loved and supported the Northern Michigan Holiness Camp. His earthly interests included hunting, fishing, canoeing, camping, farming,

making maple syrup, and working with his draft horses. Many of these interests were passed down to his sons, their wives, and grandchildren.

Gordon loved to travel. He toured the Canadian provinces, Alaska, and the western U.S. One favorite spot was in the Boundary Waters Canoe Wilderness in northern Minnesota where Gordon eventually introduced the bounties of this amazing experience with his sons and their families. He was the patriarchal pioneer that stimulated this family recreational tradition. Gordon's greatest life journey though remains with Jesus and walking closer to Him.

Gordon is survived by his wife Theresa M. Robinson; three sons, Gordon II (MiSuk) of Greenville, Michigan, Charles D. (Cheryl) of Horton Bay, Michigan, and Galen E. (Barbara) of Boyne City, Michigan; grandchildren, Heather (William) Vandenhuevel, Mikayla Robinson, Steven (Nikki) Robinson, Megan (Dave) Grabowski, Hannah (Brendan) Baic, Cameron (Anna) Robinson, Dylan Robinson, Jacob Robinson, Joshua Robinson; great grandchildren, Abigail, Doris, Madelyn; also one brother C. Allyn (Josephine) Robinson of Petoskey, Michigan; as well as several nieces and nephews. Gordon was preceded in death by his father and mother, and loving wife of 48 years Doris A. Robinson.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, January 15th, 2021, at Walloon Lake Community Church with a visitation from 9:00-11:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Pastor Jeff Ellis will be officiating. Burial will take place at North Bay Cemetery. Live streaming of the service will be available on Facebook via Barbara Robinson's page. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made in memory of Gordon to Northern Michigan Holiness Camp, 8 Robert Fales, 1565 Meadow

Way, Petoskey, MI 49712. Family and friends wishing to share a thought or memory of Gordon are encouraged to do so online at www.stonefuneralhomeinc.com. The Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City is serving the family.

Darleen Dhaseleer, 93

(JUNE 3, 1927 - JAN. 10, 2021)



Darleen June (Dimick) Dhaseleer passed away peacefully on January 10th at age 93, of natural causes. Clyde and Stella Dimick, Darleen's parents lived in Charlevoix on a farm off Barnard Road. Just across the road was the farm of John and Josephine Dhaseleer where she met her son and the love of her life Charles Dhaseleer. They were just kids at the time but Charles fancied her and kept track of her after the Dimick family moved to Levering, MI. Darleen took a job as a nurses aid in Petoskey and she started dating Charles.

Darleen graduated from Mercy Central Nursing School in Grand Rapids.

She and Charles married on June 19, 1948 and they purchased the Dhaseleer Family farm from John and Josephine who moved into town to enjoy retirement. After working as a nurse for a short time, Darleen opted to become a full time mother and she and Charles raised 12 children on the farm. After 20 years of motherhood, Darleen took a nurses refresher course at NCMC, learned to drive and went back to work as a Registered Nurse. Over the years she worked at Little Traverse Hospital (now McLaren) Lockwood McDonald and Charlevoix Hospital. After 18 years she retired from nursing, she and Charles sold their farm to their son Carl and moved to town where they enjoyed retirement.

Darleen and Charles were devoted members of St. Mary's Catholic Church and Barnard Grange. Darleen loved the activities at the grange, especially square dancing, card parties and potlucks. She also took up quilting and made beautiful quilts for her children, grandchildren and church raffles. She quilted many years for charities and had wonderful cherished friends from quilting and the Grange. Darleen had a knack for growing flowers and was a member of the altar society for many years. Over the years the family grew to add 26 grandchildren and 29 great grandchildren with more on the way. Darleen's beloved Charles passed away Dec 6th, 2019 after 71 years of marriage and she moved in with her daughter Beth (Kirk) Weaver where they and siblings Mary and Sue cared for her until her passing. She loved to sing old songs adding

her own special twists to the standard verses and loved to play cards. Darleen is cherished by her family for her laugh, love, care and example of a well lived life, she will forever live on in our hearts.

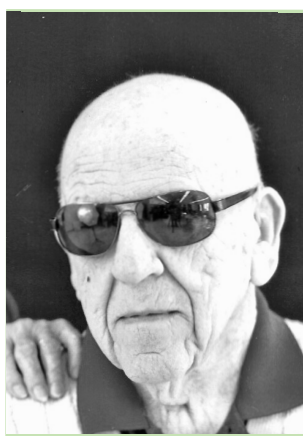
Darleen is survived by all of her children: John (Connie) Dhaseleer, Susan (David) Babcock, Mary (Carl) Romanik, Allan (Leslie) Dhaseleer, Elaine (John) Scharenbroch, Esther Moore, Beth (Kirk) Weaver. Les (Linda) Dhaseleer, David (Heather) Dhaseleer, Carol (Norbert) Scharenbroch, Carl (Cornelia) Dhaseleer, Laura Dhaseleer and all of her grand and great grandchildren. Also survived by her half-brother Chuck (Ruth) Hiar and her sister in law Sally Hiar.

Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. A funeral mass will take place in June 2021 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlevoix with interment to follow at St. Mary Catholic Cemetery. Details will be announced at a later date.

Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

John Tornga, 94

(NOV. 21, 1926 - JAN. 9, 2021)



John Albert Tornga of Ellsworth passed away on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility in Bellaire. He was born on November 21, 1926 in Banks Township, MI, the son of Nicholas and Alyda (Meyer) Tornga.

John was a lifelong resident of Ellsworth. He served in the United States Navy from 1945 to 1946. On March 26, 1945, he married the love of his life, Grace McElroy, in Ellsworth. Together, they raised their family, and he worked as a finish carpenter. He took great pride in his work and he was well respected for his attention to detail. He and Grace tended their large vegetable garden, camped all around Northern Michigan, and enjoyed bus trips later in life. John cherished every chance he got to hold any of his grandbabies.

John is survived by his loving wife of 75 years, Grace Tornga; his daughter, Judy Jaratz of Central Lake; four grandchildren, Laray (Jim) Barraw of Ellsworth, Shelly (Peter) Jenkins of Caledonia, Kelly (Dawson) Matter of Charlevoix, and Steven (Rhonda) Tornga of Ellsworth; twelve great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Nicholas and Alyda Tornga; his son, Steve Tornga; two brothers,

Clarence Tornga and Jake Tornga; and two sisters, Jeanette Groot and Helen Henderson.

Interment will take place at Ellsworth Cemetery in the Spring of 2021.

Arrangements are in the care of the Ellsworth Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Michael R. Epping Sr., 65

(OCT. 10, 1955 - JAN. 8, 2021)

Michael R. Epping Sr. of Charlevoix and Hatteras, NC, passed away suddenly in Charlevoix on January 8, 2021 at his home.

No services are planned at this time. A full obituary will be posted in the near future.

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

Gail Burlingame Wiemer, 86

(MAY 13, 1934 - JAN. 1, 2021)



Gail Burlingame Wiemer passed away peacefully on January 1, 2021 in Sarasota, Florida surrounded by her family. She was born on May 13, 1934 to Alice Wessels Burlingame and William Holten Burlingame. Gail spent her early years in Shaker Heights, OH, East Lansing, MI, and then attended high school in Birmingham, MI.

In 1952, Gail attended The University of Michigan where she participated in all that campus life had to offer. Being the elegant beauty that she was, she had many potential suitors, but in keeping with her rebellious inclinations, she broke with expectation and allowed a foreign student with little more than a dream and a unique perspective on life to sweep her off her feet. Gail joked that she and Hans had to get married quickly because she was written up for being late from their dates so many times, she was in jeopardy of being expelled.

Gail earned a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in Education. While living in Ann Arbor, she started her career teaching students in an in-patient psychiatric program at the U of M Hospital.

While designing homes in northern Michigan, Hans discovered Charlevoix. Hans and Gail quickly fell in love with the town and were determined to raise their daughters, Lisa and Ingrid, there. Gail secured a job which lasted 25 years with Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District as a professional development coordinator, grant writer, teacher for students who were homebound or hospitalized, and developed programs

and services for underserved populations. As a teacher of students who were terminally ill, her care and support for them went above and beyond the scope of her role. Also, she ensured that pregnant teens remained on the pathway to graduation and college by tutoring them at home. She often rocked their babies while they took final exams.

Everyone was welcome in Gail's home. She befriended people from all walks of life with love and compassion. Many people, like Dennis who lived with the family when he was young, considered her a second mother. She enjoyed sitting at the kitchen table catching up on people's lives, listening attentively, doling out advice, lending a helping hand, or slipping someone money to help them get over a rough patch.

Gail loved her family above all else but she also loved a good bargain at Macy's, peanut butter on a spoon, hunks of chocolate fudge, raw cookie dough, her father's farmland in Ann Arbor, and restaurant food over her own home cooking. She also enjoyed her girlfriends, most of which she had known for fifty or more years.

She had only fleeting encounters with vegetables, thought a lady shouldn't sweat, felt swimming ruins a perfectly good hairdo, that sports are something you watch other people do, and said you don't really know someone until you understand their backstory.

Gail was kind, gentle, and sweet, unless she was hot on the trail of righting a social injustice, then she became a fierce advocate for those who needed her. She taught her daughters that it's not enough that their family is o.k., others need to be o.k. too. She marched, attended rallies, met with leaders, volunteered, and often used her trusted red felt tip pen to write her representatives. Like her mother, she sought to make the world a better place for all humanity.

Gail and Hans were married 65 years and balanced each other out perfectly: she the realist and financial watchdog, he the idealist and believer that anything is possible. Together they traveled the world, raised their girls, and spoiled their grandsons, Austin (son of Ingrid Wiemer) and Tahoe and Dakota (sons of Lisa and Mads Lillelund).

Gail's daughters will miss her dearly, especially the twinkle in her sparkling blue eyes, quick wit, weather updates, daily phone calls, unwavering love and support, and her correcting details of their Dad's stories mid-stream.

She is reunited in heaven with her parents, her older brother, and her mother and father in-law.

A celebration of a life well lived, will take place in Charlevoix, MI. in July 2021. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Charlevoix Venetian Festival (venetianfestival.com) or a charity of your choice.

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Michigan ranks 11th in the nation for COVID-19 vaccine first doses

Michigan hospitals, local health departments and Federally Qualified Health Centers are quickly increasing the pace of vaccinations in the state, administering three times the vaccine last week compared to the number of doses administered the first week.

According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) tracker data, Michigan is 11th in the nation for the number of first doses administered to date (124,689) behind Texas, California, Florida, New York,

Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee, New Jersey and North Carolina. Michigan's COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard currently shows 152,511 doses administered due to a lag between when CDC posts data and the state updates its information.

"The more people that are vaccinated, the less spread we will have, the fewer deaths and the quicker we can get back to a sense of normalcy," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at the Michigan De-

partment of Health and Human Services. "With a new variant of the virus in the United States, one that may be easier to spread than the current variant, there is more urgency than ever to vaccinate as many people as possible, as quickly as possible, with the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine."

In an effort to increase the pace and make vaccine available to those who have the highest level of risk, because of where they work or their age, Michigan today announced it would begin offer-

ing vaccine to Michiganders age 65 and older; frontline essential workers including police officers, first responders, frontline state and federal workers and jail and prison staff; and preK-12 teachers and childcare providers.

Additional data information based on CDC tracker data:

Michigan is ranked 10th in the nation for number of doses distributed (480,750) (behind California, Texas, Florida, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia).

Michigan is ranked 29th in the number of first doses administered per 100,000 population (4,814) (Tennessee, New York, Missouri, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Texas are just below Michigan).

Michigan ranks 40th in the number of first doses administered per 100,000 population (1,249) with California, Nevada, Louisiana, Idaho, South Carolina, Kansas, Arizona, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi ranking lower. Using Michigan's dashboard number this would increase to 1,525 per 100,000.

"Although we have made progress, there is still a lot of work to do," Khaldun said. "We have to all continue to do our part to end this pandemic. Wear your mask, wash your hands, continue social distancing and when it is your turn, sign up for an appointment to get the vaccine."

Information around the COVID-19 outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus.



BCHS Graduating Class of 2020 has begun the 'Olivia Toorman BC Band Scholarship Fund' in memory of their classmate, Olivia, who was killed in a tragic automobile accident in December. Courtesy photo

BCHS class of 2020 starts 'Olivia Toorman BC Band Scholarship Fund'

BCHS Graduating Class of 2020 has begun the 'Olivia Toorman BC Band Scholarship Fund' in memory of their classmate, Olivia, who was killed in a tragic automobile accident in December.

The BCBS Class of 2020 has donated \$2020 of their class funds to begin a fund at BCPS for band students who would need assistance with instrument rentals, repairs, camps, etc. Olivia's family helped with the vision of this fund, when

asked by the class how \$2020 would help support their family and/or keep Olivia's memory alive.

Additional donations to this scholarship fund can be made to Boyne City High School (notation Toorman Band Fund), 1035 Boyne Ave., Boyne City, MI 49712. Boyne City Bands and Boyne City High School want to thank both the Class of 2020 and the Olivia Toorman family for supporting the band program in memory of Olivia.

Road Commission denies request to not plow shoulders of roads for snowmobiles

BY KAREN WALKER

The Charlevoix County Road Commission held their last meeting of 2020 this past Thursday, December 31 via Zoom. The meeting was open to the public. Road Commission manager Pat Harmon presented the Board an email from a part-time area resident who requested the Road Commission reduce plowing on 3 to 4 feet of road shoulders on most Charlevoix County roads so that snowmobiles could more easily access trails from various roads. The three member Board and manager carefully considered the request and after discussion unanimously agreed to deny the request.

The Board pointed out shoulders need to be plowed to provide access for a pull-off area for disabled cars and to ensure the safety of a disabled car as well as those vehicles approaching from behind. Plowed shoulders also provide a storage area

for drifting snow which otherwise would creep out into the driving lanes. Both of these reasons directly affect roadway safety, which is part of Michigan law to provide "safe and convenient" roadways. The Road Commission currently allows snowmobiles to use the far right of the right-of-way, which typically extends 33 feet from the roadway centerline.

In other business, the Road Commission clerk presented the 2021 fiscal year budget, which the Board adopted by unanimous vote. The budget is balanced, with a projected surplus of \$49,000. The budget includes nearly \$7 million for all maintenance work throughout the year, including pavement patching, grading, shoulder maintenance, tree trimming, centerline painting, and snow plowing; as well as performing similar work under contract on the State trunklines within the county. Another \$1 million is earmarked for equipment

replacement.

Additionally, the budget provides for debt service to repay the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners who advanced money to finance completion of the Marion Center Road reconstruction project in 2020. The 2021 repayment will be \$450,000, which leaves a balance owing of \$650,000, to be completely paid off within the next two years. The advanced money accelerated the County-wide road millage program that so far has provided more than 56 miles of Charlevoix County Roads being rebuilt that would not have been done without the millage.

As part of the manager's report, Mr. Harmon explained that to date, the mild winter has reduced road salt usage to the point that storing the unused material is becoming a problem. To take advantage of pricing and availability, the Road Commission orders salt in the fall, based on previous years experience. This

year, the order was for 6,000 tons at \$81 a ton. The purchase contract requires the Road Commission purchase a minimum of 80 percent of the contracted amount. Although the salt is delivered periodically over several months, current storage is nearing capacity. The State requires road salt be stored on a hard surface and be covered. Although some of the salt will be applied to County roads and the 75 miles of State trunkline in the County, the winter sports enthusiasts and the Road Commission may both be happy with a little more winter weather.

The Board briefly discussed the feasibility of holding their annual meetings with township officials, but decided to wait until the current virus level is improved before committing to a schedule.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2021 at 9 a.m. via Zoom.

Drug Dealers Sentenced to Prison in Charlevoix County

Friday morning in the 33rd Circuit Court, Judge Roy C. Hayes III sentenced two convicted drug dealers to prison. Christopher Devasio Adams, 30, Flint was sentenced to 30 to 240 months in prison and Devon Tyler Eberhart, 25, Charlevoix, was sentenced to 72 to 240 months.

Adams was convicted of conspiracy to deliver cocaine, carrying a concealed weapon and being a felon in possession of a firearm.

According to a police affidavit filed in the matter, Adams and another man drove to Boyne Falls from Flint and sold four ounces of cocaine for \$2,100 to a confidential informant.

Following the sale, police stopped the vehicle and arrested both men and located a handgun under Adams' seat in the car. Adams was on parole, having served time in prison previously for assaultive, weapons and home invasion charges.

Adams was sentenced to the 30 to 240 months on the delivery charge and 24 to 60 months on both the concealed weapon and felon in



Christopher Adams (left) and Devon Eberhart (right) were both sentenced to up to 20 years for two separate drug dealing incidents in Charlevoix County. (Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office)

possession charges. Those sentences will return concurrent to each other, but consecutive to time that Adams will serve on his parole violation as a result of these convictions, which could be up to 15 years in prison.

Eberhart was convicted of possession with the intent to deliver methamphetamine.

According to an affidavit filed in his case, police searched Eberhart's residence in Charlevoix Township pursuant to a search warrant on March 26, 2020

and found evidence of drug sales, including methamphetamine in plastic baggies, digital scales, syringes, a notebook with drug information, cash and a CO2 pistol.

Eberhart admitted to police that he was planning to sell the methamphetamine seized and that he sold around an ounce of methamphetamine each week and that he sold to 10 to 15 different area individuals.

Both convictions were possible entirely due to the

work of Charlevoix County's drug team, JOLT (Joint Operational Law Enforcement Team).

"We are so fortunate in Charlevoix County to have our own drug enforcement team," Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof said. "We have a very real methamphetamine problem in this community and with these two cases, we have taken two more dealers off the street. One who brought drugs up into this community from downstate and another who, by his own admission, was a regular dealer right here in Charlevoix."

"I thank and commend Sheriff Chuck Vondra and his team for their work on these cases," Telgenhof said. "Hopefully the message gets out that Charlevoix County is not the place to buy and sell methamphetamine."

Submitted by Allen Telgenhof, Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney

Mt. McSauba and AmericInn Robber Pleads Guilty



Christopher Adams (left) and Devon Eberhart (right) were both sentenced to up to 20 years for two separate drug dealing incidents in Charlevoix County. (Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office)

Johnny Ray Rossman, 37, Mancelona, pleaded guilty Friday morning in the 33rd Circuit Court in Charlevoix County to two counts of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny and one count of larceny in a building.

The breaking and entering charges carry a maximum penalty of ten years in prison and the larceny in a building charge maximum is four years.

Rossman admitted that on July 19, 2020, he broke into both the City of Charlevoix's Mount McSauba Ski Lodge and the AmericInn Lodge and Suites with the intent to steal and that he in fact, did steal

from both locations.

According to police reports, Rossman stole an ATV, two computers, a cash register and other miscellaneous items. He entered the ski lodge through a window that was unlocked.

Reports indicate that Rossman left Mount McSauba riding the ATV, traveling across US 31 headed north where he lost control and witnesses observed the crash. Some of the items stolen were located later at the crash site.

The AmericInn, located just north of the crash site, reported that someone had broken into one of their hotel rooms that same night, cutting a window

screen to gain access and that money had been stolen from the washer and dryer in the guest laundry room.

When police investigated, they found items stolen from Mount McSauba had been left in the room broken into at the AmericInn, tying the two crimes together. The ATV was later located which led to the arrest of Rossman.

Sentencing on these matters is scheduled for Feb. 19, 2021 before Judge Roy C. Hayes III.

Submitted Allen Telgenhof, Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney

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Jordan Art Walk- Call to Artists

You are invited to submit a sculpture for placement in a new sculpture walk exhibit in East Jordan Michigan. Our goal is to integrate works of art into our city's natural environment that will engage and resonate with our citizens and visitors. This is a collaborative project of the City of East Jordan, the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, the Friends of the Jordan and the Jordan River Arts Council

Project Description and Theme:

The exhibit theme is our relationship to our abundant natural resource of water. This may include but is not limited to water activities, cycles, quality, wildlife, cultural concepts.

Sculptures will be located along a route connecting the east and west sides of East Jordan. An attractive new municipal project, "Joining Jordan" now being completed joins the two parts of the city where the Jordan River empties into Lake Charlevoix. This project has added access to pedestrian, bicycle and motorized vehicle traffic. Sculptures will be placed on city property along this pathway and into the downtown area. We feel the two projects will only serve to complement each other.

Budget Description:
The sculptures will be in place for 3 years and will be for sale by the artist with a 20% commission to the committee. If

sold, the work of art will remain in place until the end of the exhibit (or be replaced with another sculpture by the artist with approval of the committee) There is a stipend of \$500 for the artists selected for the exhibit. Concrete pads will be provided to fit the works of art. Security and liability will be under the auspices of the city. Artists will be responsible for transporting, installing and de-installing the art work.

Timeline:
Please submit up to 3 entries digitally by March 31st to the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce for jurying (info@ejchamber.org). Multiple views of each sculpture may be submitted. Artists will be notified of acceptance by April 15th and installations will take place by June 1st.

Requirements:
A jurying committee of local artists and citizens will make selections based on the following criteria:
(1) Artistic merit of the original work.
(2) Art work must be of a safe design, construction, and have the ability to be safely secured.
(3) Art work must be durable for outside display year-round.
(4) Art must be compatible with the unique setting of the East Jordan environs.
(5) A completed Information sheet shall accompany photographs of each piece submitted

MDHHS COVID-19 Vaccination Timeline and Information

Last week, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) updated the COVID-19 vaccine eligibility and timeline for receiving the vaccine for the state of Michigan as local vaccine supply allows. As a result of this change, we have experienced a high call volume and received numerous questions from our residents that we want to address.

Unlike flu clinics, which thousands of residents have attended over the years, the health department's COVID-19 clinics will look quite different due to the specific requirements of the vaccine, and the necessary safety measures for administration during the continued pandemic response.

Here are some frequent questions asked by the community:

HOW DO I GET AN APPOINTMENT TO RECEIVE MY VACCINE?

Those interested in receiving a COVID-19 vaccination should complete the Pre-Registration Vaccine Information Form. Seniors who are not able to complete the form should call the Senior Vaccination Hotline at 231-715-5557. Please complete either the form or call the hotline; it is not necessary to do both.

HOW DO I KNOW WHEN IT'S MY TURN TO GET THE VACCINE?

Once you've completed the Pre-Registration Vaccine Information Form or called the

Senior Vaccination Hotline, your name and contact information is part of a database and used to schedule upcoming clinics.

WHAT HAPPENS IF SOMEONE DOES NOT SHOW UP TO GET THEIR SHOT?

All clinics require patients to be registered and given an appointment. If someone is not able to attend their scheduled appointment, a standby list is activated.

HOW ARE THE VACCINES STORED?

Each vaccine manufacturer requires different storage and handling requirements. The Moderna COVID-19 vaccine can be stored at a "normal" freezer temperature and all local health departments have those storage capabilities. The Pfizer vaccine has the deep freeze storage requirements and only two local health departments in northern Michigan have the capability to safely store the Pfizer vaccine. Both of these health departments serve as hub facilities to store and then safely distribute the Pfizer vaccine to other area health departments. This process takes up a lot of planning and coordination among the health departments.

DOES THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECEIVE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF VACCINE EACH DAY?

The health departments re-

quest vaccines on a weekly basis from MDHHS. The state determines the number of vaccines received locally. Once the vaccines are received by the local health departments, they are logged, stored, and appointments are scheduled for those doses or in some cases, doses may be transferred to other enrolled providers in the region to increase the number of access points available.

WHY CAN'T I GET AN APPOINTMENT NOW THAT I AM ELIGIBLE, AND WHY DOES IT SEEM TO TAKE SO LONG TO GET AN APPOINTMENT?

We understand there may be frustration, but due to the demand for the vaccine and our weekly allocations of the COVID-19 vaccine, it will take time to get all residents in Phase 1B vaccinated. We are excited to have received more than 9,000 requests to receive the COVID-19 vaccine and are trying to match these requests with our supply. We ask for patience as we work to vaccinate everyone quickly and safely.

WHY DO I NEED AN APPOINTMENT TO GET THE COVID-19 VACCINE?

We must continue to protect our staff/volunteers and anyone receiving the vaccine, we must schedule appointments for vaccination to maintain safety of all in attendance including maintaining social distance recommendations, cleaning

procedures, and PPE needs. Another main reason we need to schedule appointments is to ensure all doses available for that clinic are utilized, we do not overbook the clinic, and we follow the required storage and handling for the vaccine.

"We want to set the realistic expectations of what the general public can expect as they get ready to receive their vaccine," said Dr. Joshua Meyerson, Medical Director. "This process is not going to happen immediately, and we need residents to be patient as we continue to vaccinate those in the first priority groups. Phase 1B will begin shortly and we will start with those at the top of our list. First and foremost, our goal is to safely administer this critical vaccine to our community residents. We thank you for your patience as we plan through all of the complexities of changing guidance and limited vaccine allocations."

Currently, the health department is working to complete vaccination clinics for those in the Phase 1A group, which includes healthcare workers and medical first responders. Next, as directed by the MDHHS, are those in Phase 1B and individuals aged 65 and older. In northern Michigan, this represents thousands of eligible individuals. Vaccine appointments depend on both vaccine supply and staffing capacity to host the clinics.

News Briefs

ONLINE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION NORTH CENTRAL REGION DIVISION 2 ZOOM MEETING

Jan 16, 10am-1pm. Are you looking for a new Hobby? Were you a Model Railroader in the past? Join our Monthly "Zoom" Meeting. This is a General Meeting and will include a presentation on Model Railroad and a Show and Tell. For login and password contact: superintendent.nmra.ncr.div2@gmail.com

NORTHERN MICHIGAN NCMC LUNCHEON LECTURE; VETERANS' COURT

January 22, noon-1pm, online. Each winter, the U.S. Coast Guard launches Operation Taconite, the nation's largest icebreaking operation based in Sault Ste. Marie, to keep portions of the Great Lakes open to commercial shipping traffic as the lakes and St. Mary's River freeze. Mark Gill leads Operation Taconite, and he will talk about his mission, his strategies, the cutters and the people who battle the ice. Register at www.ncm-clifelonglearning.com/events

NORTHERN MICHIGAN NCMC LUNCHEON LECTURE; BREAKING THE ICE

February 5, noon-1pm, online. 90th District Court Judge Angela Lasher, elected to office by the voters of Emmet and Charlevoix counties in November, is developing a special court to address the special needs of veterans with legal problems. She is building on the proven success of a sobriety court for defendants facing sec-

ond convictions for drunk driving. Judge Lasher will explain how these programs offer productive alternatives to incarceration. Register at www.ncmclifelonglearning.com/events

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

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 NMCAA'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 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: jrագuest, password: jrագuest, 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: jrագuest and the password is: jrագuest. 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 MICHIGAN

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan provides counseling and support services at no cost to survivors of domestic abuse, sexual assault, child abuse, child sexual assault and adults molested when they were children. Support services include crisis counseling, individual counseling, support groups, trauma therapy (EMDR), play therapy for children, safety planning, advocacy and resources/referrals. If you or someone you care about has been a victim of crime, contact the WRCNM's main office at (231) 347-0067.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan offers free playgroups for children 0-60 months and their preschool-age siblings. Playgroups help you learn about your child's developmental stages, learn new children's games/activities and share parenting concerns/experiences with other parents and the playgroup facilitator. Playgroups are held in various northern Michigan communities. For current playgroup locations/times, visit www.wrcnm.org or call (231) 347-0067.

BOYNE CITY

BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Toddler Tales & Tunes every Monday at 10am and Preschool Storytime every Tuesday at 10am. Check website for any date changes. No registration is required.

- Yoga with Reb Andrews 9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week

- Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am advanced class, cost is \$5 per session

- The Boyne District Library Book Club meets at 7pm. Information at www.boynelibrary.org

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COVID-19 Vaccination Hotline

The Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan and United Way of Northwest Michigan announce a hotline for Seniors seeking COVID-19 Vaccination. Anyone over the age of 65 in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee and Wexford Counties is encouraged to call 231-715-5557 to be placed on a list for further information and eventual scheduling of COVID-19 vaccine administration. When administration of the vaccine is scheduled for their area, individuals will receive notification to sign up for a time or will be contacted to schedule their visit.

"As our state moves from phase 1A to 1B, it is an exciting time for all in our region as we work diligently to get everyone who seeks a vaccination to get one," said Heidi Gustine, Executive Director for Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan. "We ask patience of everyone as we begin moving into phase 1B and we are doing everything that we can to ensure our seniors are being helped."

Callers will be asked for their name, age, email address if available, phone number, address, county and if they have access to transportation to get to a vaccination site within 30 miles. Those without transportation or who are homebound are strongly encouraged to call 231-715-5557 so we can mobilize community strategies to ensure these individuals have access to the vaccine too.

"All of us are excited to begin the process of moving to phase 1B and what that means for our region," said Seth Johnson, President of United Way of Northwest Michigan. "This hotline is only made possible because of our 211 call center and we are proud that no matter what, no matter when, 211 is continuing to be here to help our region. We are all excited for this vaccination to continue to be rolled out but we do ask for continued patience from everyone as we begin this transition to phase 1B."

If you are seeking further information on the COVID 19 vaccination please visit www.michigan.gov/coronavirus or call the Michigan COVID 19 Hotline at 888-535-6136.

Phase 1B and senior citizens to be scheduled for COVID-19 clinics

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is currently scheduling appointments for healthcare workers who have not yet received their COVID-19 vaccination and announcing steps for individuals in Phase 1B and seniors aged 65 and older to be next in line for the vaccine.

Healthcare staff who have not been vaccinated, but want to, should complete the COVID-19 Vaccination Pre-Registration Form on the health department's website (nwhealth.org) to schedule an appointment.

"We are currently working

to complete the vaccinations for individuals in Phase 1A, which includes healthcare workers, while we begin planning vaccination clinics for individuals in Phase 1B and seniors 65 and older," said Health Officer Lisa Peacock. "All clinics have been and will continue to be scheduled by appointment only. Using our online pre-registration form allows us to contact you as soon as appointments are available."

The first step to request an appointment when vaccinations are available for Phase 1B and adults 65 and older involves completing the

COVID-19 Vaccination Pre-Registration Form. Completing this form does not schedule you for an appointment but notifies the health department of your interest in receiving the vaccine as soon as possible. Seniors who do not have access to the internet or have other barriers to receiving the COVID-19 vaccine should call the Area Agency on Aging at 231-715-5557 for assistance.

Information about the Phases and the health department's local timeline for vaccinations can be found by visiting nwhealth.org and selecting COVID-19 immuniza-

tion. Additional key information and answers to common questions regarding vaccination appointments and scheduling include:

As of today, the health department is not currently scheduling appointments for Phase 1B or those 65 and older. Individuals in Phase 1A, Phase 1B, and those 65 and older should complete the health department's COVID-19 Vaccination Information Form to notify us of your interest in receiving a vaccine. The health department will then schedule appointments, by Phase, using this information. Residents

should not call the health department to schedule an appointment for a COVID-19 vaccine.

Businesses or organizations with employees in Phase 1A, Phase 1B, or who are 65 and older should complete and submit one form on behalf of their staff. The health department will contact the business when ready to schedule appointments for your staff.

Any individual under quarantine or isolation cannot be vaccinated until their quarantine or isolation period ends.

CAPITOL FROM PG. 1

our local government and economy and their investments will increase quality job opportunities.

* The expansion of Lakeview Village, the new construction of Lofts on Lake Street, and the development of Fox Run Manufactured Home Community are testimonials to growth and future housing opportunities.

* The purchase of The Open Space and the Theater, the completion of the Pavilion and the development of new trails at Avalanche and city property on Old Horton Bay Road, and the non-motorized Boyne Valley Trailway are examples of creating awesome recreational and economic opportunities for our community.

* Our city received Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, providing our taxpayers with another level of financial transparency.

* Our Main Street program was recognized after receiving the Great American Main Street Award, one of only 3 cities in the country to receive such recognition.

* Our boards and volunteers, service clubs, churches, schools, Chamber of Commerce, Main Street and City Government will continue to work together to make Boyne City a great place to live, work, and play.

The above reasons are

why I have confidence in "local politics". Our job at the local level is to provide efficiency in our services that will hopefully provide building blocks for State and Federal government to build upon. My job, along with my fellow commissioners will be to continue to provide decisions and vision and leadership to make "local politics" a success. All "politics" start local. Our job is to never be satisfied and continue to improve our delivery, communication and transparency."

Neidhamer went on to comment, "I, as well as all of you, am looking forward to the day when we are vaccinated and safe from COVID 19 and can reunite with our family and friends and enjoy our community events that Boyne City is so well known for."

Chairperson of the Charlevoix County Democratic Party Richard Spring had the following to say:

It is very difficult, and I think premature, to provide a positive or optimistic response at this time. We have not had adequate time to process all that has taken place. We have not had briefings by the Capitol Police, the Department of Homeland Security, or the Department of Defense.

That being said, there have been some bipartisan calls for Donald Trump to resign, requests submitted to Vice President Mike Pence to convene the Cabinet to implement the 25th Amendment to immediately remove him from office, and Articles of Impeachment drafted. All



RICHARD SPRING
Charlevoix County Democratic Party Chair

of these with the purpose of protecting us from further actions by a person who has proven himself unfit for office, who fomented hate by repeatedly spreading lies and disinformation about the results of the last election, and then deliberately instigated a riot. His behaviors and those of his cohorts in Congress have endangered our Republic, put the lives of every member of the House and Senate and the Vice President in peril, and resulted in the deaths of at least six people including two Capitol Hill Police (one murdered by the mob and the other by suicide this weekend).

I would have felt optimism if Trump would have re-

signed immediately, or if the 25th Amendment was implemented following the events of last Wednesday, but Trump repeatedly demonstrates how little he cares about what is best for the country as a whole. So I am looking to courageous Republican members of the House and Senate who have publicly stated their support for resignation, removal by the 25th Amendment, or Impeachment.

Wednesday night several statements on the House and Senate floor gave me hope for our country. The one I felt most powerful was by Mitt Romney. During his remarks, he said "The best way to show respect to the voters who were upset is by telling

them the truth! That's the burden, that's the duty of leadership." He received a sustained round of applause, and my hope is that many of those applauding were also Republicans".

On the basis of what Democratic Chair Spring had to say, Senator Gary Peters has backed the effort to invoke the 25 amendment. This is in line with all of his Democratic counterparts from Michigan.

The Republicans have been very quiet on the situation, not really providing their stance on the issue or if they will vote for impeachment or not.

The last four years have been nothing but divisiveness between the two government powers and it looks like it is going to continue, down to the very last day.

SCHOOLS FROM PG. 1

does not have symptoms should quarantine for 10

days under CDC guidance.

Additional recommendations can be found in the State of Michigan

Guidelines for Operating Schools Safely on Michigan's Schools COVID Testing web-

site.

In November, MDHHS paused in-person learning in high schools as part of an order to limit indoor gatherings to address an alarming increase in COVID-19 cases and deaths and in hospital

occupancy rates.

After case numbers decreased, high schools were permitted to resume in-person classes effective Dec. 21.

The guidance is subject to change. Information around this outbreak is changing

rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus.

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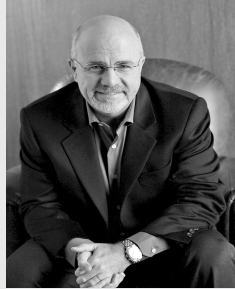


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Remember, buying a house with cash is always the best way to own a home. But I don't beat people up over having a mortgage, as long as it's on a 15-year, fixed rate note.

Do your very best to save up for a down payment of at least 20 percent, too. That way, you'll avoid the added expense of PMI (private mortgage insurance).

Great question, Jillian!
— Dave

(First, define long term)

Dear Dave,

What is your advice when it comes to investing a one-time, lump sum of \$4,000 for a long period of time? I recently received an inheritance from an uncle who passed away, and I want to make the money work for me. I'm 33 and my home is paid for, plus I have no debt and an emergency fund of six months of expenses. I am also maxing out my 401(k) at work. Thank you for your advice.

Pat

Dear Pat,
I'm sorry to hear about your uncle, but I'm sure he was proud of the responsible

young man you've become. You've made some very mature decisions where your finances are concerned, and as a result you're at a great spot in life.

When it comes to investing, I consider a "long period of time" to be 10 years or more. If this is the case with you, I'd suggest a good mutual fund with a solid track record of between 15 and 20 years.

I know some folks like to take chances and play single stocks on a one-time investment like this, but I don't think that's a good idea. Single stocks just don't consistently generate the kinds of returns a good mutual fund will over time.

— Dave

* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

Bergman Statement on Electoral College Certification Process and Lawlessness at Capitol

Washington - Rep. Jack Bergman released the following statement:

In times of tension and turmoil, leaders stand up and do what is right. I made it very clear this week that I intended to stand for my belief that irregularities, discrepancies, and usurpation of state election laws demanded an investigation into the 2020 election. After all, this is a duty that Congress has been given and a lawful way to challenge concerns with state electors. As prescribed by the 12th Amendment, a joint session of Congress is to meet to, "Ascertain the electoral votes, and make a final determination on the 2020 Presidential Election. The Electoral Count Act of 1887 gives Congress the opportunity to object to any state where any member believes votes were either, "Unlawfully certified," or, "Not regularly given." That is what I did today, and what many before me have done - including in recent elections.

Make no mistake, no one-person or chamber has unilateral power to over-

turn election results, "Not Congress, not the Vice-President, and not the President. I said before, the decision we have before us was not binary - it was not founded in overturning an election, but grounded in securing free and fair elections and protecting election integrity. Congress and state legislatures have an obligation to provide restored confidence to the tens of millions of Americans who have lost faith in our election process.

The actions of the mob that participated in storming the Capitol, fighting Capitol Police, and harming civilians and property is un-American and a disgrace to our republic. Those who broke the law and participated in this effort should receive maximum punishment. These actions undermine our very foundation, "I didn't fight for our country for forty years to see us devolve into settling political disputes by violence and intimidation.

We are a nation of law and order and must remain so if we are to maintain our republic.

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#10 - Well, like normal I picked 2 photos for #10 because I can and its my Top Ten lol. The football photo is from a Semi-Pro game between Petoskey and Traverse City. It is so different than high school football. Very colorful language and you are able to capture touchdown celebrations which were new to me. I only captured 2 baseball games this year.....just like the focus of this Petoskey Riptide player on fielding a ground ball.



BY DAVE BARAGREY

Local sports photographer, Rob DeForge of RD Sports Photo, has released his top ten photos of 2020. This is a project DeForge does annually on his Facebook page, facebook.com/rdsportsphoto.

For more than 10 years Rob has traveled all around Northern Michigan to sporting events to shoot photos of athletes of all ages. Based in Gaylord, he has won numerous awards for his sports photography. DeForge commented on this

year's selection a photo and this it.....not that g pick these more or something th course of the ye an awesome sn



#10A - This photo is from a Semi-Pro game between Petoskey and Traverse City. It is so different than high school football. Very colorful language and you are able to capture touchdown celebrations which were new to me. I only captured 2 baseball games this year.....just like the focus of this Petoskey Riptide player on fielding a ground ball.



#9 - This photo just represents the sportsmanship that goes along with a Gaylord/Petoskey football game. These 2 schools have become the main rivals in football based on size of schools and their proximity. This photos was from the frosh game at Gaylord High School as a Petoskey player congratulates the Gaylord team after the game.



#8 - At times photographing basketball games become monotonous.....same angles, same style photos etc, that you can miss something out on the court. Sometime in the 3rd Quarter of this Saints vs Goodrich jr girls basketball game, I realized this St Ignace player was playing without a left hand. As I took a photo and looked at it in my camera, I noticed it. The great thing about it, this girl is such a good player, that it did not hinder her game. She is a very good player. Very fluid with the basketball. It was awesome to me that I did not notice for so long.....because frankly there was nothing to notice except for her play on the court. I had a number of photos to choose from, but this was one of my favorites of her from that game.



#7 - This look from a Johannesburg-Lewistown varsity volleyball player in a match at St Mary. This was the first match after the new mandate came down that players had to wear their masks during play. There was a lot of getting used to it, and alot of players kind of wearing the masks...it was a learning process how to play and wear them. When I looked at this photo, it almost looked to me like she was giving me the 'why are you taking my picture' look. It just made me smile when I was going through them after the match



#2 - GAME TIME! This is the Gaylord Blue Devil varsity They are facing the other team, but this little 'ole photo the start of the match. 2 items would have made this jug laying on the turf...oh well.....hard to get one perfe

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and the others just because it tells a story, or something that impacted me in 2020." You can see many of the photos Rob has taken on his website, www.RDSportsPhoto.com



#5 - This Gaylord 7th grade Middle School football player is small in stature.....but so big on the field of play. Here he gives a salute after making a big tackle on a TC East player you see in the background. He takes on bigger players with no fear.....and wins those battles more times than not. He made a hit on a player that made you just go WOW. It was funny, because the sideline official I was talking with later in the game brought that play up, and it made an impression on him. This young player is someone to watch over the next few years as he makes his way towards high school



#6 - It happens every year, the realization that you have played your last high school game. This photo was of the St Mary Snowbirds in their District Final loss to Belleaire just before the sports shutdown in March. The player in the center is a senior who is heading to the bench in her final moments on the high school court as she is comforted by 2 of her teammates. You see this every year, just in different forms



#4 - This photo is about a passion for the game. Dorene Ingalls is at the top of her class in coaching girls high school basketball as the coach at St Ignace. I have had a few opportunities to capture that passion over the years that she has for her players and the game. In 2020 I took a photo that for me best exhibits that passion.



#3 - This one is a bit harder to categorize. If you have been taking photos as long as I have, something new always seems to present itself. This young manager for the Gaylord frosh football team has a unique way of carrying the kicking tee and football around. I would like to see her run it out to the field like this...now that would be something. Her outstanding ability has landed her at #3 on the Top Ten .



...occer team as they waited on the sideline before the start of the game. ...rapher got in between them to take this photo of their intensity before ...better, 1 if the goalie was looking directly my way, and that dang water ...ct with so many moving parts.



#1 - Well this photo was a recent one, and is so representative of what we have gone through in 2020 in regards to the athletic world. The varsity football Johannesburg-Lewiston Cardinals in their district championship win over Beal City, were without their Head Coach Joe Smokevitch on the sidelines due to having to quarantine because of COVID issues within his family. After their big win, he was brought out on a tablet to join the team photo. This one just came together with the JL logo on the coat, a players with Cardinals across the chest wearing a mask, and Joe and his son on the tablet screen flashing a #1 sign. What a perfect way to showcase what so many have been going through in athletics in the year 2020.



MHSAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JAN 16, 2021

DIVISION 2 - 2 PM

DIVISION 1 - 40 MIN AFTER GAME 1 (APPROX 5:30)

DIVISION 6 - SEMIFINALS

GRAYLING (7-3) AT MONTAGUE (10-0)

TOWNSEND ATHLETIC COMPLEX - MONTAGUE. JAN. 16. 1PM

CONSTANTINE (9-1) AT CLINTON (9-1)

CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL (STADIUM). JAN. 16. 1PM

DIVISION 8 - SEMIFINALS

UBLY (8-2) AT JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON (10-0)

THIRLBY FIELD, TRAVERSE CITY. JAN. 16. 1PM

SATURDAY, JAN 16, 2021

CENTREVILLE (9-0) AT CLARKSTON EVEREST COLLEGIATE (10-0)

LEGACY CENTER - BRIGHTON. JAN. 15. 6PM

11-PLAYER FINALS - FORD FIELD JAN. 22-23, 2021

FRIDAY, JAN. 22

DIVISION 8 - 10 AM

DIVISION 2 - 1 PM

DIVISION 6 - 4:30 PM

DIVISION 4 - 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, JAN. 23

DIVISION 7 - 10 AM

DIVISION 1 - 1 PM

DIVISION 5 - 4:30 PM

DIVISION 3 - 7:30 PM

8-PLAYER FINALS - LEGACY CENTER, BRIGHTON

2020 MHSFCA ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

THE MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION HAS RELEASED THE NAMES OF 2020 ACADEMIC ALL-STATE ATHELETES.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL TOP 25

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| 1 | GONZAGA (63) | 12-0 | 1,599 | 1 | 13 | WEST VIRGINIA | 9-4 | .701 | .14 | 25 | UCONN | 6-1 | .181 | NR |
| 2 | BAYLOR (1) | 11-0 | 1,536 | 2 | 14 | ILLINOIS | 9-4 | .694 | .12 | | | | | |
| 3 | VILLANOVA | 8-1 | 1,436 | 3 | 15 | TEXAS TECH | 10-3 | .689 | .18 | | | | | |
| 4 | TEXAS | 10-1 | 1,422 | 4 | 16 | LOUISVILLE | 8-1 | .464 | NR | | | | | |
| 5 | IOWA | 11-2 | 1,322 | 5 | 17 | MISSOURI | 7-2 | .436 | .13 | | | | | |
| 6 | KANSAS | 10-2 | 1,220 | 6 | 18 | VIRGINIA | 7-2 | .403 | .22 | | | | | |
| 7 | MICHIGAN | 10-0 | 1,161 | 7 | 19 | DUKE | 5-2 | .397 | .21 | | | | | |
| 8 | CREIGHTON | 10-2 | 1,151 | 8 | 20 | VIRGINIA TECH | 9-2 | .286 | .19 | | | | | |
| 9 | WISCONSIN | 10-2 | 1,110 | 9 | 21 | OHIO STATE | 9-3 | .280 | NR | | | | | |
| 10 | TENNESSEE | 9-1 | 1,093 | 10 | 22 | OREGON | 9-2 | .264 | .17 | | | | | |
| 11 | HOUSTON | 10-1 | .993 | 11 | 23 | MINNESOTA | 10-4 | .233 | .16 | | | | | |
| 12 | CLEMSON | 9-1 | .747 | 12 | 24 | SAINT LOUIS | 7-1 | .220 | .23 | | | | | |

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NFL PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JAN 16, 2021

NFC DIVISIONAL ROUND

LOS ANGELES RAMS AT GREEN BAY PACKERS

LAMBEAU FIELD, GREEN BAY, WI 4:35PM

AFC DIVISIONAL ROUND

BALTIMORE RAVENS AT BUFFALO BILLS

BILLS STADIUM, ORCHARD PARK, NY 8:15PM

SUNDAY, JAN 17, 2021

AFC DIVISIONAL ROUND

CLEVELAND BROWNS AT KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

ARROWHEAD STADIUM. KANSAS CITY, MO 3:05PM

NFC DIVISIONAL ROUND

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS AT NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

MERCEDES-BENZ SUPERDOME, NEW ORLEANS, LA 6:40PM



Plenty of small game hunting opportunities can keep hunters busy all winter long! Here, a mentored youth hunting duo walk the woods at Flat River State Game Area in Montcalm County, Michigan. (courtesy of DNR)

Enjoy small game hunting in winter woods

Looking for an excuse to get out in the winter woods? Take advantage of small game hunting seasons – including cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, fox and gray squirrel – continuing through March 31.

"Small game opportunities throughout the state give hunters the chance to experience some of the best of what Michigan's winter has to offer," said Adam Bump, DNR small game specialist. Bump also suggested that anyone looking for a new

destination for small game hunting should check out Michigan GEMS – the 19 grouse enhanced management sites serving as premier hunting locations throughout the northern Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula. Explore these resources at Michigan.gov/GEMS. To get started:

- Find more information on hunting opportunities at Michigan.gov/SmallGame. Check the 2020 Hunting Di-

gest, available at Michigan.gov/DNRDigests, for season dates, bag limits and other regulations.

- Discover new hunting lands at Michigan.gov/MIHunt. MIHUNT is an interactive map showing lands open to public hunting, ground cover details, nearby recreation facilities and more.

- Get your 2020 base license through Feb. 28 at Michigan.gov/DNRLicenses or anywhere DNR licenses are sold.

December elk hunters enjoy good success

Hunt Period 2 of the elk season has concluded, and 88% of elk hunters found success in the northeastern woods.

During this hunt period, 131 state hunters harvested elk (46 bulls, 72 cows and 13 calves), and one Pure Michigan Hunt winner harvested a bull.

While the early elk season is designed to target elk outside of their traditional range, the late elk season is used to manage overall elk numbers, including those in the core elk management area. In total, hunters in hunt periods 1 and 2 harvested 214 elk, and all three Pure Michigan Hunt winners harvested bulls.

The weather during the nine-day December season was nearly ideal for hunters afield. The temperatures were consistently below freezing with multiple fresh, light snowfalls. The snow cover remained throughout the entire hunt, providing excellent tracking conditions.

Recalling his hunt, successful elk hunter Brent Tackett said, "This was truly the experience of a lifetime, plus, I was blessed that I shot my elk successfully."



Brent Tackett with the cow elk he took during the December 2020 elk hunting season. (courtesy of DNR)

Tackett noted about the photo accompanying this article, "You will see the woods in back of the picture, that is the type of woods I shot through, over 120-yards up on a hill where the elk was momentarily standing. I really didn't know Michigan had so many steep hills and that I would have to track elk over hundreds of them."

"The prize was getting my elk in a successful hunt, it was an amazing experience that I will remember for the rest of my life," Tackett added.

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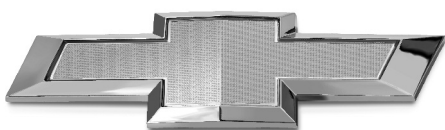
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CITY OF EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION, DDA AND PLANNING JOINT MEETING

The City Commission, DDA and Planning Commission will hold an electronic meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 5:30 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/citymeetings

The Public wishing to participate during the public hearings or public comment section of the meeting or view the meeting electronically, may call the toll-free call-in number: 888 475 4499 or use ZOOM and use Meeting ID: 829 4400 9353 and use passcode 881560.

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.

CITY OF EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The City Commission will hold an electronic meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 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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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SYNOPSIS ~ JANUARY 4, 2021

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met via Zoom.com on January 4, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. Six Commissioners were present. Resolution #21-001, Establishing Term of the Chairperson of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners was not acted on. The chairman position will remain a 2-year term. Motion approved to appoint Chris Christensen as Chairman. Motion approved to appoint Bob Draves as Vice-Chairman. Board appointed their Liaisons.

Approved Meeting Schedule

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| Audit Committee: | 2nd Wed. prior to the day Board meeting 8:30 a.m. 4th Wed. prior to the night Board meeting, 5:00 p.m. |
| Board of Commissioners: | Second Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m. Fourth Wed., monthly 6:00 p.m. |
| Committee of the Whole: | As necessary (no set schedule) |
| Personnel/Internal Government Committee: | Third Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m. |
| Public Safety/Judicial/Building: And Grounds Committee | First Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m. |

Motion approved Resolution #21-002, Adopt 2021-2022 Rules of Procedures of the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners.

Motion approved Resolution #21-003, Depository Resolution.

Motion approved Resolution #21-004, Publication of Board Minutes.

The meeting was adjourned to the call of the Chair at 9:57 a.m.

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BY JIM AKANS

Situated on the outskirts of Mancelona, this charming ranch style home features a huge list of updates and extras.

This two bedroom, two bath home has approximately 1,144 square feet of beautiful space on the main floor, plus a full, block basement with a finished family room area and lots of storage area. Updates include a spacious kitchen with large center island and walk-in pantry, which adjoins the dining area and living room beyond. This is a great layout for family living and entertaining. There is an attached two car garage to keep vehicles out of the elements. The home is heated with natural gas and has city water, but it is on its own septic system.

The yard has many gorgeous landscape updates as well. The back yard is fenced to keep pets at home, and the convenience of downtown Mancelona is just a short distance away.

This charming, updated ranch home is located at 404 Hillview in Mancelona and it is listed at \$149,900. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call Jennifer Burr, Realtor, at Coldwell Banker Schmidt, 231 Water Street in Boyne City, at 231-582-6554 or email at jennifer.burr@cb-greatlakes.com.

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- A well-manicured lawn, neatly trimmed shrubs and a clutter-free porch welcome prospects. So does a freshly painted or freshly scrubbed front door. If it's autumn, rake the leaves. If it's winter, shovel the walkways. The fewer obstacles between prospects and the true appeal of your home, the better.
- Clean up the living room, the bathroom, and the kitchen. If your woodwork is scuffed or the paint is fading, consider some minor redecoration. Fresh wallpaper adds

- charm and value to your property. If you're worried about time, hire professional cleaners or painters to get your house ready. Remember, prospects would rather see how great your home really looks than hear how great it could look "with a little work."
- Dripping water rattles the nerves, discolors sinks, and suggests faulty or worn-out plumbing. Burned out bulbs or faulty wiring leave prospects in the dark. Don't let little problems detract from what's right with your home.

- If cabinets or closet doors stick in your home, you can be sure they will also stick in a prospect's mind.
- Homeowners learn to live with all kinds of self-set booby traps: roller skates on the stairs, extension cords, slippery throw rugs and low hanging overhead lights. Make your residence as non-perilous as possible for visitors.
- Organize and clean out your closets and storage space. It helps them appear open and large. This is a good time to rent a mini-warehouse space to store things you don't need for a while.
- Bathrooms sell homes. Check and repair damaged or unsightly caulking in the tubs and showers. For added allure, display your best towels, mats, and shower curtains.
- For a spacious look in the bedrooms, get rid of excess furniture. Colorful bedspreads and fresh curtains are a must.
- Turn on all your lights - both inside and outside - when showing your home in the evening.
- When a showing is scheduled have a minimum amount of people in the home. Plan to be away from your home if your real estate agent is showing the home.
- Watch Your Pets. Keep them out of sight when showing your home

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NURSING FROM PG. 1

Provost Pete Olson said the graduates' performance on the NCLEX exam is illustrative of a campus-wide commitment to academic excellence, even amid the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, which forced classes online in March and strained clinical sites for the second half of the semester.

"A commendable achievement under normal circumstances becomes extraordinary when you understand the adversity our students and faculty faced, and how they persisted, undeterred," he said.

The Class of 2020 was assisted by a generous gift from the Borra Family Foundation, which helped launch North Central's NCLEX Success Program. The program covers the cost of a live NCLEX training session and provides financial support for students to take the exam and secure their nursing licenses if they follow a prescribed path to complete the NCLEX shortly after graduation.

"We appreciate the support of the Borra Family Foundation in launching this important initiative, as well as the many donors whose gifts continue to strengthen our nursing program," said Chelsea Platte, executive director of the NCMC Foundation. "I can't imagine a more critical time for such talented, committed nurses to enter the healthcare field."

North Central's nursing program is an accelerated, two-year program with a competitive application process. A regional nursing shortage coupled with popular demand prompted the college to expand its nursing cohort from 46 to 64 students in 2019, the first increase since 2006.

North Central Michigan College is an open-door community college based in Petoskey, with additional locations offering classes and services in Cheboygan and Gaylord. North Central's mission is to provide exceptional, accessible, relevant higher education of and for the community. North Central is an Achieving the Dream Leader College with a designation of Veteran Friendly Silver by the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency.

BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, JANUARY 12, 2021

Kennedy Appointed as City Clerk

BY: DOM SANTINA

BOYNE CITY - The Commission started their meeting for the year by receiving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. The commission received electronic correspondence for their 2019 comprehensive annual financial report. The city was awarded a medallion to add to their plaque. This is the third straight year that the city has received this award.

The Commission would then have a second reading and unanimously approve the amendment to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 38, Article II "Parks and Recreation Commission," Section 38-19. Which allows a non-voting student member to the Commission, effective January 27, 2021.

Repairs to Old City Park Gazebo and Rivermouth Bathrooms

The Commission unani-

mously approved a recommendation to authorize the City Manager Michael Cain to negotiate a Guaranteed Maximum Price contract to Kroondyk Construction. The contract would allow Kroondyk Construction to repair the Old City Park Gazebo project and the River Mouth Rest Rooms project. The Commission approved the recommendation after hearing from Bob Kroondyk, owner of Kroondyk Construction who emphasized that the repairs need to be done soon as the Gazebo is a hazard to the public. Asuka Barden, owner of Barden Lumber in Boyne City, addressed the need to move forward with the project as the cost of lumber continues to increase with the demand. The community was not completely on board with the idea. As city member Sandra Pritchard questioned the Commission about the way they were

moving forward with the project and suggested that the fact they are not rebidding out the project is not the best method.

KENNEDY APPOINTED AS CITY CLERK

The Commission would then unanimously approve the recommendation of City Manager Michael Cain to confirm Caroline Kennedy as City Clerk / City Treasurer. Kennedy has experience working with local government as the Assistant Village Manager in Elk Rapids. She also has previously provided local government training to members of the City Commission, during her tenure with Michigan Municipal League. Kennedy has been working with the current City Clerk / Treasurer Cindy Grice getting trained on her new responsibilities. Kennedy



CAROLINE KENNEDY

will be sworn in on January 15 at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

COUNTYWIDE AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

The Commission approved a recommendation to have City Manager Michael Cain and EMS Director John Lamont, to continue to attend the meetings and township meetings as they continue the discussion of a countywide ambulance authority. The authority would employ roughly 41 staff and utilize the existing stations and current equipment. The next steps of the process are to reach out to all 21 entities and see which ones are willing to participate.

At the end of the meeting, they presented Grice with a Certificate of Recognition for her service to the City of Boyne City.

The next meeting of the City Commission will be on Tuesday, January 25 at noon.

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