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# Boyne Area Free Clinic offers free health care services during pandemic

Free medical care for uninsured or under-insured patients in northern Michigan during the COVID-19 pandemic is available every Friday at the Boyne Area Free Clinic in Boyne City. The free clinic, located at 624 State Street, is open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. It is a walk-in clinic; no appointments are

required. The free clinic provides routine and preventive primary care including annual physicals, well-woman exams, management of chronic conditions and minor urgent care services. Some

lab, non-diagnostic X-ray, and EKG services are available on-site. The clinic also helps patients obtain medications at reduced cost.

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The clinic serves patients from all over the northern Lower Peninsula and the eastern Upper Peninsula. They include many seasonal workers and those who lost their health insurance for any reason. The free clinic is also available to under-insured patients who cannot afford to pay the out-of-pocket expenses not covered by their

The clinic has remained

open through the COVID-19 pandemic. It follows guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to ensure that patients have a safe place to receive medical care. All patients go through non-laboratory screening for symptoms of COVID-19 prior to entry into the clinic. All staff and patients are required to wear a mask and seating in the waiting room is spread out to allow social distancing. Exam rooms are sanitized between patients.

Established in 2007, the free clinic is staffed by volun-

teer doctors, nurses and clinic support staff. The medical providers include long-time Boyne City doctor, Richard Mansfield, D.O., Michael Bacon, D.O., and James Applegate, M.D.

"There are people in our area who are suffering needlessly from untreated medical conditions during these uncertain times," said Dr. Mansfield, who leads the clinic staff. "We are here to help them."

For more information call 231-582-4605



Charlevoix man pleads to

meth charge on eve of trial

Nicolas Kerr

With a

jury trial looming on

Monday,

Nicolas Jef-

fery Kerr, 33,

Charlevoix,

ternoon in

the 33rd Cir-

offender, 4th.

cuit Court to possession of

methamphetamine, as a habitual

Kerr was originally charged

with owning or possessing a

ment used to manufacture

chemical or laboratory equip-

methamphetamine. In his plea

under oath that chemicals and

equipment found in a duffle bag

behind a local store in the City of

According to a police affidavit

called to the location on March 1,

filed in the matter, police were

2019, and discovered a bag con-

ponents including lithium

batteries, a battery cutter,

belonged to Kerr and in a

make methamphetamine.

chemicals.

buprenorphine (Sudafed) and

Police were told that the bag

recorded interview with police,

Kerr discussed the items in the

bag and how he utilized them to

taining methamphetamine com-

hearing, Kerr acknowledged

Charlevoix belonged to him.

pleaded guilty this af-

# Safety measures stressed as school age COVID-19 cases increase

Over the past few weeks, several COVID-19 outbreaks have been reported to the Health Department of Northwest Michigan in the school population, largely due to sporting events and gatherings outside of school.

We need the cooperation of students, parents, coaches, and school staff to ensure that anyone who has COVID-19 is able to be promptly tested and isolated if positive as well as close contacts identified and quarantined," said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. "This entire process is imperative in protecting those who remain unvaccinated in our communities - including nearly half of people over 65 and many people with underlying conditions who are at risk for severe disease," Peacock

Isolation is for people who are COVID-19 positive. It separates people who are infected with the virus from people who are not infected.

10 Keep the child who may have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others. This will help prevent the spread that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected without feeling MONITOR FOR SYMPTOMS Seek testing if the child exposed starts to expe symptoms, or once 4-5 days

level, and testing early could result in a false negative The individual must isola away from all other sehold contacts. They positive, what activities 10 days afte

**SOLD WHOLE IN BAG** 

WEAR A MASK If you must be in the same room as the COVID-19 positive individual, wear a mask and try to maintain 6-ft

It usually lasts 10 days.

Quarantine is for people

who are well but are ex-

posed to someone who

nave passed since their exposure. It takes time for the virus to build to a detectible



ISOLATE

might have been infected. It

keeps someone who might

have be infected with the

virus away from others. It

POULTRY

CHICKEN

NUGGETS

**FAMILY SIZE** 

### ndividuals <u>do not</u> need to 4-5 days have passed since quarantine. Only those with direct contact with a COVID-19 positive arantine early. You should continue may develop up to 14 days

#### Quarantine

- · For close contacts of a lab confirmed COVID-19 case Staying home, separating from others, monitoring health, and
- following directions from state or local health department.
- Quarantine typically lasts 10 days that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are

## Isolation

- · For people infected with the virus, with or without sympto not infected.
- People who are in isolation (usually for 10 days) must stay home until it's safe for them to be





See **Safety** – Page 6

These four graphics illustrate quarantine and isolation practices for school-aged students and educators.

lasts 14 days since the last

possible exposure. While

**ORANGES** 

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"We had a number of jurors summoned for a trial that was to begin on Monday," Charlevoix

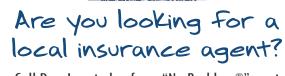
**County Prosecuting Attorney** Allen Telgenhof said. "Though these folks are not now required to appear, it is only through their willingness to sit as jurors that the defendant was willing to take responsibility for his actions." "I want to thank the officers

from the City of Charlevoix Police and Fire Departments as well as the Michigan State Police 7th District Clandestine Lab Response Team, who responded to the dangerous scene," Telgenhof said. "The manufacture of methamphetamine is very dangerous and these officers defused a potentially hazardous situation.

As part of the plea agreement, both Kerr and the prosecution agreed to a sentencing recommendation of 46 to 120 months in prison. Kerr's sentencing will occur on April 23 before Judge Roy C. Hayes III.

The case was investigated by the Charlevoix City Police Department with assistance from the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office.

Submitted by Allen Telgenhof, Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney



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### **THURSDAY**



#### **FRIDAY**



**HIGH: 35** LOW: 21

#### **SATURDAY SUNDAY**



**HIGH: 36** LOW: 21

**OBITUARIES** 

#### **MONDAY**



**HIGH: 40** LOW: 25

#### **TUESDAY**



**HIGH: 40** LOW: 25

#### record temps

MAR 18 .20° ....42° ....-7° (1967)..69° (1966) MAR 20 .21° ...43° ....-7° (1986)..60° (1976) MAR 21 .21° ...43°...-11° (1989)..58° (1949) MAR 22 .22° ...44°...-11° (1989)..63° (1987) MAR 23 .22° ...44° .....5° (1960)..67° (2000) MAR 24 .22° ...45° .....0° (1965)..70° (1987) MAR 25 .23° ...45° ....-6° (1965)..70° (1987) MAR 26 .23° ...46° ....-5° (1951)..68° (1998) MAR 27 .24° ...46° ....-8° (1965)..71° (1989) MAR 28 .24° ...46° .....0° (1965)..71° (1989)

#### Caitlin Marie Boyle, 29

APRIL 7, 1991 - MARCH 12, 2021)



Caitlin Marie Boyle passed away at her home on Beaver Island on March 12, 2021, in the loving arms of her parents, Neal and Connie Boyle. Caitlin holds a special place in the hearts of her godparents Daniel Morris (Uncle Mo) Boyle and Aunt Debbie Slack, all her many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Caitlin is proceeded in death by her grandparents Jack and Bea (O'Donnell) Boyle and Guy (Ted) and Mary Ann Bendewald, Aunts Sharon, Grace, Kathy and Uncles Neil, John, Ray and Pat.

Caitlin was born April 7, 1991 and grew up on Beaver Island. She attended Beaver Island Community School and was a volleyball player, horse

woman and lover of all animals. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Animal Sciences at Michigan State University. While at MSU Caitlin was a member of the MSU Ballroom Dance Team, Rodeo Club, Russian Club and more. Caitlin went on to work in the Michigan State Senate and House of Representatives in Constituent Relations and as a Legislative Aide. She was very happy for the chance to work on legislation that helped protect animals. After leaving the House, Caitlin went back to MSU and started studying for a second degree to become a Veterinary Technician, while working full time as a Veterinary Assistant at Lane Animal Clinic in Chelsea, MI.

Caitlin cared about others more than herself. After her diagnosis, she started a fundraising program to help find a cure for Pediatric brain cancer. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Build a Cure for Brain Cancer and sent to P.O. Box 242, Beaver Island, MI 49782 (For more information on the program see Facebook)

In an effort to keep all of Caitlin's many family, friends and community members safe from Covid and allow for travel to Beaver Island, there will be a service and celebration of her life later in the summer.

Arrangements are in the care of Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Please sign her online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

**HIGH: 40** 

LOW: 23

The family kindly asks that all donations only be made to the Build a Cure for Brain Cancer at Box 242, Beaver Island, MI 49782. We need to try to save the next person's child.

#### **Michael Clinton** Holmes, 80

(JUNE 10, 1940 - MARCH 11, 2021)



Michael Clinton Holmes of Charlevoix passed away Thursday, March 11, 2021 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan. He was born June 10, 1940 in Detroit, MI, the son of Clinton Wallace and Nellie Marie (Vunt) Holmes.

Michael attended Cass Tech (Detroit) and then Lake Shore High School (St. Clair Shores) graduating in 1958. He obtained an Associate Degree from Macomb Community College. Michael served in the US Army at Fort Knox from 1963 till July 1965. Upon discharge he returned to Detroit and his job with the US Army Corps of Engineers, Lake Survey Unit. He spent several years charting the Great Lakes.

Michael married Barbara Jean Klenk on July 18, 1968 in Royal Oak, MI. In 1974, Michael and Barbara moved to Bayfield, WI, one of Michael's favorite spots on the Great Lakes and started their own businesses, The Appletree and The Candy Dock. In 1977, they decided to move to another of his favorite places on the Great Lakes, Charlevoix, MI. Here, they settled for the rest of their lives, raising their three children and owning The Appletree gift shop until Michael's retirement in 2006. Michael was a long time member of the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce and was instrumental in helping found the annual fall Apple Festival. In later life, he was a Friend of the Library and enjoyed helping his wife with activities for the library. Most especially he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

Michael is survived by his wife, Barbara, his daughter, Kristin (Salvatore) LaMendola, his son, Ryan (Pamela) Holmes, his son, Gregg (Jessica) Holmes, his sister, Judy Reynolds, nine grandchildren,

Tyler, Riley, Hannah, Ella, Lauren and Nathan LaMendola, Hayden and Hattie Holmes and Layne Holmes, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Suzanne Sopfe.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or St. Jude Children's Hospital. Visitation was Tuesday, March 16, 2021 with Father Peter Wigton leading a funeral service and burial immediately following at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

#### Adeline Jansen, 82

(NOV. 15, 1938 - MARCH 11, 2021)



Adeline Joyce Huntley Jansen died peacefully at home with her family by her side. Addie was born November 15, 1938, to Haskell and Violet Huntley in Gagetown, Michi-

If one were to look up the definition of selfless love, they would read, one who is more concerned of others needs then they are of their own needs. This definition is a glimpse of our Mother. The magic of her everyday life inciuded gardening, cooking, and spending time with family. Her doors were always open, and she loved feeding friends and family. She enjoyed crocheting, playing bingo, and walks on the boardwalk in Vero Beach.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Jansen, and by siblings: Bill Huntley, Anna Mae Waddell. Alzina Whiting, Junior Huntley, Genevieve Rickard and Dick Huntley. She is survived by sisters: Caroline Brewer and by husband Ance, Collie McIntyre and husband Bud, and Danielle Granger; and by her six children: Joe McCurdy, his wife Maryann, children Tiffanie and Joseph Jr.; Jannet Provost and husband Pat, children Robert and Sara; Ann Marie Vincent, significant other Dave, children Stephanie and Shannon; Ben McCurdy, significant other Holly, and daughter Brandy; Patti Berry and husband Craig, children

Jill, Laikin and Braidon; Ginny Henson and children Elizabeth, Eric and Sean. She had 13 great grandchildren and an immense love for all babies.

There was a private service for immediate family and friends at Mortensen's Funeral Home in Ellsworth on March 13th at 4pm.

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

#### **John Dorsey** McKown II, 80

(JULY 31, 1940 - MARCH 11, 2021)



John Dorsey McKown II, passed away March 11, 2021 at Hiland Cottage in Petoskey.

He was born July 31, 1940 in San Francisco, California to John and Ruth (Pellegrin) McKown.

John attended Lincoln High School and then attended both San Francisco City College and San Francisco State University. From 1960-1966 John was a reserve in the Marine Core. He got his start in hotel management at the Clift Hotel in San Francisco, then went on to work at various hotels as a Managing Director At the Ambassador Hotel in Chicago, John met the love of his life. Vera H. Schaub. John retired in 1988 to Charlevoix, where he and Vera bought the Bridge Street Inn. He loved travelling, playing both tennis and golf, spending time with his dogs, and enjoying all of the beauty that Northern Michigan had to offer, especially in Charlevoix. John was a member of the Lions Club, and on the board of the Convention and Visitors Bureau. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister. John is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, three stepsons Chris, Mike, and Bob, and his grandchildren Mike Jr., Kelsea, Kelly, Easton, and Ellis.

A Memorial Service will take place in the summer, and that information will be made public once available. Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

#### Peggy Lee Givens, 70

(JULY 13, 1950 - MARCH 9, 2021)



On the morning of Tuesday, March 9th Peggy Givens (Mousseau) was called home to be with the Lord. She is now at peace in heaven with her soulmate, Jodie of 51 years. Peggy and Jodie met when they were 14 and were married at Ironton Church on March 30th, 1968. Through the years, they built a beautiful, loving family. Peggy dedicated her life to her family, raising two children Missy (Gary) Loper & Bobby (Lori)

Peggy was the most kind  $\,$ and genuine person you could ever meet. She would open her home to anyone in need, greeting them with a cup of coffee and a place to stay. Those of us who knew and loved her will never forget the card games, music and laughs around the table. If you stopped over you would either find her out in her garden, knitting or playing with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Peggy was preceded in death by her husband, Jodie, her parents Bob and Shirley Mousseau, her sister-in-law Bobette Givens and her brothers-in-law Bryant Clark and Jimmy. She is survived by her children, Missy (Gary) Loper, Bobby (Lori) Givens, her grandchildren, Josh (Wendy) Givens-Hahn, Corey Hahn, Brie Ann Stilwell, Neila Loper, Gavin Loper, Thomas LaVanway, Haley (Grayson) Clark, Karissa Givens, Christopher Givens, Alexa Lewis, Graci Givens and her great-grandchildren, Isaiah Givens-Hahn, Isabella Givens-Hahn, Jeremiah Wiltenburg, Olivia Corp and Addison Clark, her sisters Patty Mousseau and Jane (Walt) Holm, a brother-in-law Edward Givens and sister-inlaw Ann Clark as well as many loved nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation took place on Saturday, March 13th at Mortensen Funeral Home in Charlevoix. Directly after, a celebration of life for family and close friends was held.

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Sherri Brilev



**Donna Hammond** 



Mandy Dailey





awards were presented to

Jennifer Pewinski and Vicki Holloway of Gaylord; Deb

Claycomb of Rapid City, and

Barb Woodhams of Kalkaska.

Twenty-five year service

awards were presented to Jeff Helferich or Rapid City,

Linda Kleiber of Gaylord,

Amy Christie of Petoskey, and Gail Dibble of Gaylord

Dr. Andrew Sahara of

Alpine Workshop.

# **North Country Community Mental Health** staff recognized for exemplary service

Petoskev - Employees of North Country Community Mental Health (NCCMH) who were nominated by their peers for exemplary service were recognized at an annual event held virtually this year.

Christine Gebhard, NCCMH Chief Executive Officer, said, "Our staff is our agency's greatest asset and it is important to recognize what they do every day to assist people with mental ill-

intellectual/developmental disability to live a full life especially this year with the multiple challenges presented by COVID-19 and the additional stress experienced by our community members. I admire our staff for their tremendous resilience, good humor, generosity of spirit, passion for social justice, and genuine vocation to serve others – some for 10 years, 20 years, 30 years or more."

To be considered for an award, individuals nominated must exhibit a sense of personal integrity; demonstrate an understanding of the special skills required and demands inherent in the field of human services; and possess ethical leadership qualities that may not be n essarily demonstrated through a formal leadership position.

The highest Individual Achievement Award for extraordinary performance was presented to Debra Erber, RN, Director of Health Services, based in the Petoskey office. Deb played a vital role during the COVID-19 pandemic, reviewing and distilling a vast number of documents from the Governor's Executive Orders. Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Epidemic Orders, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) and three local health depart-

According to Christine Gebhard, Stacey Chipman, Cab Behan Harvey, Dianne Forster, and Mandy Dailey, who all nominated her, "This has been a challenging and unprecedented time in our agency, and Deb met the challenge with determination and courage. When the virus hit, Deb went on an extensive



COVID-19 Response Team: L-R Joe Balberde, Stacey Chipman, Kevin Hartley, Christine Gebhard, Brian Babbitt, Amy Christie, Deb Erber

search for Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), engaging with factories, dentist offices, and even China for sanitizer, face shields and gowns. She spent long nights at home separating the thin plastic gowns out of the rolls so that they could be used. In the midst of a nursing shortage, at one point down a quarter of NCCMH nursing workforce, Deb led the nurses in restructuring tasks so that needs would be met as we worked to hire more nurses."

In addition to her key role in meeting the challenges COVID-19 in keeping staff and clients safe, Deb has led the development of the new state Behavioral Health Home initiative, which integrates physical and mental healthcare; she has been integral in forging partnerships with rural and federally qualified health centers and health departments and leads NCCMH's efforts to improve workflows and clinical pathways. She has been with NCCMH for almost 30 years.

Certificates of Merit for excellent performance were presented to Alison Reed and Sherri Briley from Gaylord; Donna Hammond from North Central Enrichment Center (NCEC) in Boyne City; Mandy Dailey and Tim Stapp from Petoskey; and Michelle Marsh from Kalka-

Twenty-eight individuals received Recognition Awards: Julie Kosloskey, Katie Somers, and Rachel Jaroneski of Bellaire; Angela Balberde, Chelsea Martin, Deb Nuttall, Dominique Cook, Emily Stevens, and Sarah Saxton of Charlevoix; Jennifer Houghland, Linda Kleiber, Lindsay Gaertner, and Mary Curran of Gaylord; Brooke Hawley, Lorie Minidis and Rachel Hoppe of Kalkaska; Amanda Herscher, Anna Holeman, Brooke Kleinert, Christine Gebhard, Janelle Kassien, John Thorp, and Lorraine Manary of Petoskey; Deb Halleck and Joni Simon of Gentle Harbor Transition Home in Petoskey; Kim Langerman, Mary Berge, and Wendi Noeske of NCEC in Boyne

The COVID-19 Response Team received the Team Achievement Award, This team was nominated several times for its excellent response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The group was challenged to take on the responsibility of leading this focused effort, including collecting and processing an inordinate amount of information form federal, state. and local authorities, including exposure data, bulletins, laws, rules, regulations, guid-

ance, and executive and epidemic orders. At times the volume of information was overwhelming and occasionally in conflict. The team created a Risk Assessment Plan for the board on how decisions would be made and a Response Plan for staff to know how to perform job duties -largely from home- and for clients and the community on what they could expect in services. These seven executives each took on an incredible number of extra responsibilities in the face of the crisis and provided extremely effective leadership, communications, management, as well as telehealth technology support that allowed for an immediate pivot to remote service in order to keep supporting clients. Weekly virtual briefings were held to keep staff informed. The multiple staff who nominated this team for the Achievement Award all conveyed deep thanks to the dedicated group for going above and beyond to keep all staff, providers and clients safe.

Team Recognition Awards were presented to the New Horizons Clubhouse in Rapid City; the Kalkaska Office staff; Charlevoix Clerical staff; and three teams which serve people across the six counties in NCCMH service area: Clinical and CommuPetoskey and Chris Cornell of Gentle Harbor Transition Home were recognized for thirty years of service.

nity Nursing Team, Informa-

tion Technology Team, and

Children's Crisis Mobile

Team (a new team estab-

making sure that clients

ported, and well cared for

during the pandemic.

lished in October 2020). All

played a significant part in

served were protected, sup-

Ten-year service awards

were presented to Kim Liver-

ance of Kalkaska and Kim

Rappleyea of Petoskey.

Twenty-year service

Edith Soper of Gaylord was recognized for thirty-five years of service.

The North Country Personnel/Staff Development committee is responsible for reviewing the nominations and selecting the award recipients.

North Country Community Mental Health provides services to residents of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Kalkaska and Otsego Counties experiencing a serious mental illness, severe emotional problem, or intellectual/developmental disability, including individuals with co-occurring substance use disorder Person wishing to know more about the agency are encouraged to visit www.norcocmh.org or to access services call 877-470-



Individual Achievement Award winner Deb Erber.

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#### The Ellsworth Community **Housing Solutions Committee** invites you to share your purpose of this survey is to

thoughts about your current and future housing needs. The provide the Committee with a clear assessment of the housing needs for single adults, families and seniors living, or wishing to live in Ellsworth. The information gathered will be used to plan for housing options in our community. If you have questions about this survey contact the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351. Surveys are available at the Front Porch Cafe and Good Samaritan Family Serv-

Ellsworth Community Housing Survey Ellsworth, PO Box 265, Ellsworth, MI 49729 or drop it in the drop box at the Banks Township Hall by March 31, 2021. We greatly appreciate your participation in this study and look forward to receiving your completed sur-

vey. Thank you! This survey is anonymous. The answers to these questions will be used to help determine size, price range, type and number of units needed.

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https://forms.gle/iwhTLFEy W95QapFi8

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**CHARLEVOIX** 

# SPOTLIGHT ON INNOVATION STUDENT ART SHOW

Our regional high school student art exhibit showcases 11th & 12th grade student artwork. Scholarships awarded by Kendall College of Art & Design of Ferris State University, and Charlevoix Circle of Arts awards sponsored by Blick Art Materials. Our juror this year is Nancy Carev. local artist and Jordan River Arts Council (JRAC) Board Member. Open to the Public March 12 - April 10, 2021. Pick up free Take & Make art projects for kids while supplies last!

#### **CHARLEVOIX**

# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If your child turns 5 on or before Sept. 1, 2021, call to register to attend one of our 2021 sessions: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 | 3:30pm or 5pm; Thursday, April 22, 2021 | 3:30pm or 5pm. Masks will be required. 108 E Garfield Ave, Charlevoix. (231) 547-3215.

#### ELLSWORTH

# COMMUNITY HOUSING SURVEY

The Ellsworth Community Housing Solutions Committee invites you to share your thoughts about your current and future housing needs. The information gathered will be used to plan for housing options in our community. Surveys are available at

- Masonry Repair

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- Chimney Repair and

the Front Porch Cafe and Good Samaritan Family Services. Please return the completed survey by mail to Village of Ellsworth, PO Box 265, Ellsworth, MI 49729 or drop it in the drop box at the Banks Township Hall by March 31, 2021.

#### **CHARLEVOIX**

#### FISH FRY FRIDAY.

March 19, 5-7pm. St. Mary School is having a Fish Fry Take Out Dinner on March 19th from 5-7PM. The dinner includes baked or fried fish, baked potato or French fries, coleslaw, roll and dessert. The cost is \$13 per person. All are welcome! No need to call ahead - come between 5-7pm.

#### **ELLSWORTH**

# COMMUNITY HOUSING SURVEY

The Ellsworth Community Housing Solutions Committee invites you to share your thoughts about your current and future housing needs. The purpose of this survey is to provide the Committee with a clear assessment of the housing needs for single adults, families and seniors living, or wishing to live in Ellsworth. The information gathered will be used to plan for housing options in our community. Surveys are available at Front Porch Café and Good Samaritan Family Services. The answers to these questions will be used to help determine size, price range, type and number of units needed.

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#### **CHARLEVOIX COUNTY**

### CHX COUNTY COA MEALS UPDATE

We are providing Hot Home Delivered Meals to our home bound clients by \$3 donation. We are providing weekly Disaster Meals delivered by reservation to any Charlevoix County resident 60 years old or older so that our most vulnerable do not need to leave their homes as often. This is a once a week delivery of a Hot Meal and 6 frozen meals. This need to be ordered through the COA office 231-237-0103 on the Thursday before the week you want it and is a \$3 donation per meal.

We are continuing to provide Hot Curbside Pick-up meals at each of our Senior

Centers five days a week by \$3 donation – No reservations needed!

#### EAST JORDAN

### EASTER BUNNY AND TREATS

The East Jordan Lion's Club will be handing out Easter treats in the East Jordan Sportsman's Park on Saturday, April 3 from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM (while supplies last). The Easter Bunny will also be on hand to help the Lion's Club hand out the treats.

#### **BOYNE CITY**

# PROGRAM

Calling all parents of Preschool-aged kids. The Early Learners Program is enrolling for the Summer and next Fall session. Each family should fill out this form if your student will be 3 or 4-years-old next year. For more information please see the Early Web-page Learners athttps://www.boyne.k12. mi.us/District/Department/4-Early-Learners-Program or email, Laurel Jewett, if you have ques-

Jewett, if you have questions at ljewett@boyne.k12.mi.us. By filling out this form parents are starting the enrollment process. https://docs.google.com/.../1F50lCHLNghoSw.../edit (link to sign up)

#### **PETOSKEY**

# FULL-TUITION SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATING HOME SCHOOL SENIOR

North Central Michigan College will again provide a full-tuition scholarship to one graduating senior from a home school within its service area. Presidential Scholarships are offered for full tuition (up to 20 contact hours per semester) and mandatory fees for four consecutive semesters (fall and winter only). Field study fees are not included. Scholarship recipients

must register for the fall semester immediately following their spring high school graduation. Documentation must be received by April 9, 2021. Applicants will be notified of the selection decision by May 1. For more information, visit www.ncmich.edu/presidential, or contact Renee DeYoung, vice president of Student Affairs, at rdeyoung@ncmich.edu or

#### BOYNE CITY

231-348-6618. ncmich.edu

# INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

Saturdays, 9am – Noon, Pavilion, 207 N. Lake Street. Our indoor season home in the pavilion is ready for you all. 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

#### GYM WALKING

Gym Walking will be available again for our Charlevoix County Aging Adults.

Charlevoix Walking Location: Charlevoix County Building Northside, 13513 Division

Street, Charlevoix. With the county's purchase of the old elementary school, and the Gym being part of the Senior Center, we are excited to make it available for walking again through the winter and spring by reservation only. We will have 10 spots per hours available for those who are interested. You must maintain 6 foot social distancing and wear a mask for the time you are in the building. You must wear shoes & use walking assistance (canes, walkers, etc.) specific for indoor use only to protect the gym floor. Walking will be available on the mornings that the gym is available. To reserve your Sheri at (231) 237-0103

#### **BOYNE CITY**

# NATIONAL MOREL MUSHROOM FESTIVAL

The dates for the 2021 National Morel festival will be May 14-15-16, 2021. To prevent the spread of covid-19 the festival has been downscaled for everyone's safety. May 14, 15 & 16 Events include: Annual arts and crafts in Veteran's park (hours will be posted on our website, bcmorelfestival.com). The Wine and Dine which is hosted by the Boyne Area Chamber and held at the Deerlake Beach House (to register, visit the chamber of commerce website

website at https://www.boynechamber.com/). Reservations required, limited availability. Due to the current pandemic, these popular event will not be possible this year: Music under the Tent, The Taste of Morels, The Guided Hunt, and The National Morel Festival Competitive Hunt. New events and activities will be updated on our website and on our Facebook page.

#### EAST JORDAN

#### GYM WALKING

Gym Walking will be

available again for our Charlevoix County Aging Adults.

East Jordan Walking Location: East Jordan Senior Center, 951 Mill Street, East Jordan. The EJ School Gym use is being made part of the Senior Center again this year, and we are excited to make it available for walking through the winter and spring by reservation only. We will have 10 spots per hours available for those who are interested. You must maintain 6 foot social distancing and wear a mask for the time you are in the building. You must wear shoes & use walking assistance (canes, walkers, etc.) specific for indoor use only to protect the Gym floor. Walking will be available to seniors from 10:30am - 11:30am only Monday through Friday. To reserve your time slot please contact Brenda at: (231) 536-7831. These dates and times are subject to change depending upon the current Pandemic situation and/or the needs of the Community to utilize this space to fight the Pandemic. By making a reservation you will be called if there are any changes to your dates or times. Thank you for your patience.

#### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

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

#### 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 COUNTY

# SENIOR AND EMERGENCY GROCERY SERVICE:

Charlevoix County Transit & the COA has a Senior and Emergency grocery ordering delivery service as part of the services offered by the County's Transit. While delivery of items such as food pantry boxes, prescriptions and senior meals was well received, the grocery delivery was not widely used during the early months of the pandemic. One of the drawbacks that transit officials noticed was that for curbside pickup available for groceries an individual needed to place their order

via a smartphone or webbased application.

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The expansion of the Transit's delivery program will provide assistance to those needing help with ordering their groceries. County residents who would like to use the Grocery Ordering/Delivery Program can call Program Coordinator at 231-497-1430 on designated shopping days to place their grocery order. The program coordinator will then input the order with the caller, take information payment (credit/debit card) and then place the order as well as scheduling the grocery delivery in transit's scheduling system. This program is currently limited to in-county grocery stores utilizing the store shopping app.

Designated days/times for orders to be placed: Monday 1:30-3:00pm; Tuesday 9:00-

10:00am and 1:30-3:00pm; Wednesday 1:30-3:00pm; Thursday 9:00-10:00am and 1:30-2:30pm

While this program initially focused on helping our county's aging population, with a surge in COVID cases and the flu season upon us, transit officials felt this was a worthwhile community service that should be offered to anyone who is in need of help or worried about going into stores. Charlevoix County's Commission on Aging will assist the Charlevoix County Transit with getting information about this program out to the county's aging population as well as continue to assist those over 60 years old with transit fares for incounty rides as well as outof-county medical appoint-For ments. more information about Transit rides or the free delivery services offered, please call 231-582-6900 between 7:30am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

#### BOYNE CITY

#### FEED A FRIEND

Stiggs Brewery has a program called Stiggs Feed-a-Friend and it allows needy individuals to call in takeout orders every Sunday with a no questions asked policy. Order anything from our regular dinner menu. Order what you need. Order what you want. We understand that many of our family and friends have fallen on hard times. We are here to help. This program is a 501C3 Non-Profit and is made possible by our amazing community sponsors, donations and our hard-working staff. Learn more and/or donate at stiggsbrewingcompany.com/feed afriend

#### EAST JORDAN

# RAVEN HILL DISCOVERY CENTER ACTIVITIES

We have lots of exciting

events planned for this spring & summer! Below is a sample of what is coming. First, Raven Hill is hosting a Zoom session on Climate Change on Monday, April 5th at 7pm. The presentation is called, 'Must we, Can we, Will we change?" Robin Gleason was trained by former Vice President Al Gore and will a speaker for the Climate Reality Leadership Corps, an organization whose purpose is to educate the public and inspire action on climate change. This engaging presentation is for audiences of all types, so people everywhere, including Northern Michigan, can join together in working for solutions. The presentation will last about an hour, and everyone will have the opportunity to ask questions. Sign up to attend by calling or texting Cheri at 231-675-6025.

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# Petoskey Club Receives Grant From Charlevoix Community Foundation Hestia Woman's Giving Circle fund

Members of the Petoskey Club were able to take part in clubhouse activities during the COVID-19 pandemic thanks to a \$1,023.00 grant from the Charlevoix Community Foundation's Hestia Woman's Giving Circle Fund which allowed Petoskey Club to purchase smart phones and data plans for members who would otherwise be disenfranchised.

According to Jama Moffett, Petoskey Clubhouse Director, Petoskey Club needed to close temporarily due to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic as of March 13, 2020.

Moffett explains that
Petoskey Club serves persons
with serious mental illness as
a program of North Country
Community Mental Health:
Clubhouse program members (clients) come to
Petoskey Club from
Charlevoix, Cheboygan and
Emmet Counties. Normally
the clubhouse is open five
days per week to parallel normal business hours, as a

place where members take part in running the program in a collegial capacity with hired staff. Members are engaged with staff side-by-side to complete tasks and take on responsibilities that invariably build their skills and confidence. Petoskey Club also provides support in various areas of integrated community living, with an emphasis on seeking and retaining employment in the broader community.

During program closure, Petoskey Club staff initiated a broad range of outreach initiatives to provide support and connectedness for members, many of whom would otherwise be quite isolated. with most not having their own transportation. In addition to meal and grocery delivery, phone calls throughout the day and individualized mailings helped members to retain their sense of belonging. Members had lost the structure of the clubhouse work-ordered day



Kandyce A with new phone

as well as social-recreational opportunities provided by the clubhouse.

Petoskey Club began daily zoom meetings to facilitate different types of interactive activities each workday. Unfortunately, some members were not able to participate in the zoom interventions because they did not have a smart device. The Hestia

Woman's Giving Circle grant enabled Petoksey Club to purchase smart phones and data plans for members who would otherwise be excluded. Clubhouse staff delivered the devices and provided instruction.

The support provided by the Hestia Woman's Giving Circle, through the Charlevoix Community Foundation, resulted in recipients remaining connected with their clubhouse "intentional community" and lessened the consequences of isolation which often accompanies mental illness. Through this challenging time, with the compassionate spirit of Hestia women, emotional stability and quality of life were enhanced for persons who would otherwise be left out of the valuable interactions described previously.

According to Moffett, Petoskey Club colleagues are very appreciative of the Hestia grant.

Catherine, one of the mem-

bers, said, "I am so thankful to have this phone to stay connected to the clubhouse. I zoom with the club at least twice a week. Thank you!"

The Hestia Woman's Giving Circle is a donor-advised fund of the Charlevoix Community Foundation formed in 2005 with a mission to promote the economic self-sufficiency and wellbeing of women and girls in Emmet and Charlevoix counties. The Circle is named for the Greek Goddess Hestia, who expressed her love and concern for others through thoughtful acts. The Woman's Giving Circle provides an opportunity for women to pool their donations to make a significant impact locally, and to educate themselves about issues facing women and girls in our community.

Petoskey Club is a membership organization dedicated to advancing and enhancing the lives of adults who have psychiatric disabilities. A program of North Country Community Mental Health, the Petoskey Club is holder of the highest level of certification from Clubhouse International (CI.org) and has maintained that level of vitality since inception in

North Country Community Mental Health provides services to residents of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Kalkaska and Otsego Counties experiencing a serious mental illness, severe emotional problem, or intellectual/developmental disabilities, including individuals with co-occurring substance use disorders. Persons wishing to know more about the agency are encouraged to visit www.norcocmh.org or to access services call 800-834-3393.



Boyne Falls Public Schools

# STUDENT OF THE WEEK



#### **Drizzt Lee**

Grade: 6th

Parent's Name(s): Katy Lee, Matt Witcher

What do you want to be when you grow up?: A musician and a game developer

Favorite Book: Minecraft Woodsword Chronicles

**Hobbies and Interests:** Music, art, and making a game called "Forgotten Eclipse".

**School Activities:** Art and music

Staff Comments: Drizzt is a talented artist with an eye for drawing and an ear for music. He has displayed a wonderful creativity, good humor, and strong work ethic in art class this year. When Drizzt begins a project, he works diligently until he finishes his vision, and the end result is always something unique to behold. I look forward to seeing all of the excellent artwork that Drizzt will create and share with us in the future!

Submitted By: Mr. Warstler

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# **WWII Vet Gus Schmidt Honored with 97th Birthday Proclamation**

Gus Schmidt (left) receiving a Proclamation that was introduced by Sen Wayne Schmidt and passed by the Sen and House and signed by Lt. Gov. and Gov. for his 97th birthday on March 2nd and for his service in WWII. Gus is a member of the Charlevoix VFW Post 1153 and an assessor on Beaver Island. Ray Browe (middle) commander of Charlevoix VFW and John Fiedorek (right) Exalted Ruler of the Charlevoix Elks Lodge 2856



Pictured are: Superintendent of Schools, Matt Stevenson, District Custodian, Beth Knebl, Director of Operations, Tim Drenth and Rotary member, Carol Timmer.

# **East Jordan Rotary donation to purchase sanitizing machine**

East Jordan Public Schools would like to thank the Rotary Club of East Jordan for their generous donation for the purchase of a Clorox 360 machine. The sanitizing machine has been used to disinfect our classrooms and buildings during the pandemic.



CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 15, 2021

# Raised Deck gets approval to be built on Pine River Channel

**BY: DOM SANTINA** 

CHARLEVOIX - The City Council would start the meeting with a presentation funded by Michigan Municipal Electric Association through a Rural Business Grant. The presentation was on a project that explored the opportunity to provide broadband services over a fiber-to-the-premises network. This was for six cities in Michigan that are a member of the MMEA. Power System Engineering created a highlevel evaluation of the potential for the City of Charlevoix Electric Department to enter the broadband business, as well as a magnitude cost estimate of implementing and op-

The next topic on the agenda would be discussing a proposed deck that is located at 101 bridge street. The owners of the property David Levy and Chuck Schilling are looking for permission to occupy a portion of the vacant space located just north of 101 Bridge Street. Levy and Schilling are looking to build a raised deck to be used for outdoor dining. The property is owned by the Michigan Department of Transportation. With the recommendation of the Council, MDOT is likely to allow a license to be executed for the construction within their right of way. Which allows them to

use the deck as outdoor dining rules long permitted by the City and in accordance with MDOT. The City really does not have control over the land or to the expectation to build the deck. However, it was presented by City Manager Mark Heydlauff and Zoning Administrator Jonathan Scheel as a chance for MDOT. City Council and the owners to work together and cooperate with each other. It was mentioned that the City has worked with other restaurants to expand serving areas in different City Parks. After some discussion and resident input from both sides of the issue. The Council would discuss options with Levy and Schilling about the idea that the Deck being able to be used by the public when the restaurant is not open. They both agreed that as long as it was not against insurance issues, they would be willing to work on it with the City. With the Council's approval, it will now go to MDOT for approval of the right of way.

The Council would go through quite a few more things throughout the night. Starting with accepting planter boxes donated by Todd and Pam Wyatt that are movable, concrete planters for the City to use on crosswalks. The Council decided to accept three larger planter boxes. There was a little bit of discussion on where to use planter boxes. It

was suggested to use them at the former crosswalk on the northside of Clinton Street at Bridge Street. However, they will check with MDOT for approval before placing them.

The Council would then approve a request to host a new promotion to increase foot traffic downtown during January -May. The promotion called First Fridays was created by the Main Street Promotions Committee after considering feedback during the most recent "Pause to Save Lives". The promotion will feature a chance to win giveaways of products or experiences donated by businesses. There will be music provided by a DJ to add a lively atmosphere, but not in an area to promote gathering. There would also be passive recreation activities such as corn hole games set up in the alleys and sledding in East Park when the weather would permit. The businesses would have specials and extended hours. The event will be a trial run for the months of April and May to see how it is received. It would be considered similar to the Chamber Open House events but on a monthly

The Council would then approve a motion for Heydlauff to sign necessary agreements between the City of Charlevoix and Beckett and Reader for the completion of a new City of Charlevoix 5 year Recreation

Master Plan. This is required if the City wants to be eligible for Passport Grants, Waterways Grants and many other Grants out there. The current five-year plan for the City is expiring at the end of 2021.

The Council would then approve the motion to designate the area between Carpenter Street Ball Fields and Airport as "City of Charlevoix Dog Park". The land is a 1.5-acre parcel of open space and has 90 percent of the fencing needed for infrastructure. After approval, the Dog Park Committee will move forward with fencing off to create a secure dog park. The Committee will also create rules and user guidelines for the park. Once those things are done, the park can open to the public.

The Council would approve a motion to approve a resolution to authorize the Grant Application with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Waterways Commission and to modify the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan for an estimated cost of \$33,375 of the total \$74,750 of improvements to the Ferry Beach Boat Launch. As the skid piers need to all be replaced after they have reached the end of the life expectancy. There are currently four skid piers at Ferry Beach. All skid piers would be fitted with new legs and meet MDNR design criteria and included painted frames, longitudinal tubes and installation.

The Council would then also approve a quote from EZ Dock to construct and install the EZ Dock Kayak Launch at Ferry Beach for the amount not to exceed \$50,784. The project has been improved to include a 24-foot long gangway. Which will allow accessibility during the high water and normal water levels. The dock will also be ADA compliant. There was \$25,000 raised by Leadership Charlevoix for the project and the rest will be paid for by the City.

The Council would then go on to approve the proposal from OHM Advisors for the engineering of the Northside Trail in the amount of \$65,000. The Council had previously approved a plan for a non-motorized trail from the northside of town to connect to the Little Traverse Wheelway at Waller Road to Division Street. Almost all of the easements have been secured for the land at no cost to the City. This agreement with OHM Advisors will help with the final engineering design and prepare the project for grant funding and con-

struction bidding.

The Council would then reappoint Jennifer Muladore to the Planning Commission with a term expiring in April of 2024. Also, Mary Millington would be reappointed to the Planning Commission with the term expiring in April of 2024.

Finally, Lillian Left would be reappointed to the Housing Commission with a term expiring in 2006

The meeting would conclude with a City Manager report by Heydlauff. He announced that due to improvements to the City Golf Course, water usage at the course has nearly half of what it had been in the past. In 2020, the course used 6.5 million gallons of water, while five years ago it used 12 million gallons. The Spring and Fall cleanup dates have been set for 2021, as they will be May 10 and September 13. The CIty will be publishing the dates and sending out postcards to the property owners that are eligible. The City will be receiving a \$72,000 payment from MDOT for the City performing maintenance on state trunk lines. This allowed the City to apply for a portion of the cost for the construction of the new salt storage barn. The amount was not factored into the financing which will result in a net decrease in expenses.

The Council held their first in-person meeting in a long time. They still had a virtual option for the people not comfortable with attending or for more than the 25 people allowed. They will meet again on April 4 at six o'clock in person with a virtual option available as well.

# Celebrating Women's History Month at the Charlevoix Public Library

Everyone is invited to join the Charlevoix Public Library and Friends of the Library's Michigan Room Committee in celebrating Women's History Month by learning about the amazing accomplishments of eight iconic Charlevoix women, currently exhibited in the library's Michigan Room Display Cases.

Observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987 and in conjunction with International Women's Day on March 8th, Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture, and society. "We are so excited to share the impact and diversity of ways that women from Charlevoix have contributed to history" stated Michigan Room Committee member Cynthia Postmus.

The Friends of the Library Michigan Room Committee, which includes Cynthia Postmus, Kay Heise, Marilyn Novak, and Mary Ann Chew, spent months researching a multitude of women that have shaped Charlevoix, Michigan, the United States, and the world. "We discovered so many more important stories to tell that we intend to continue this display in subsequent years" emphasized Postmus.

Both the committee members' excitement and indepth research is apparent in their informative display that includes biographies, photos, and artifacts. "We not only researched here at the library but had help from the families of these women as well as the Charlevoix Historical Society" explained committee member Kay Heise. Take in this important

history display at the library through the month of May.

The eight "MEMORABLE WOMEN OF CHARLEVOIX" featured are:

- Susan Fisher Greensky, 1834-1923
- Rosa Saunders Nettleton, 1868-1959
- Irene Harsha Young, 1889-1978
- Frances Bacon Hooper, 1915-1998
- Ethel W. Coeling, 1918-
- Lillian Dean Bergmann, 1919-1999
- Mary C. Feindt, 1919-2020Isabelle Dohm Seidel,

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#### CITY OF BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING, MARCH 9, 2021

# City Hall denied reopening by commission

#### **BY: DOM SANTINA**

BOYNE CITY - The meeting started with a report from City Manager Michael Cain. He informed everyone that holiday lighting and decorations are coming down. While the water is being turned off to the ice pole and the skating rink at Avalanche is gone for the season. A majority of the staff at City Hall were able to get their first shot for the vaccine. The vaccine would be fully effective after April 19, which is two weeks after receiving the second shot. This is when Cain said that City Hall can look at taking steps and consider starting to reopening City Hall.

The wiring for the Electric Vehicle Charging Station on River Street at Old City Park. Consumers Energy is expected to turn the power on this week. The River Mouth restroom preparation is underway, the building permit application has been submitted for review to the Charlevoix County Building Department.

The next big-ticket item was the idea of reopening City Hall by appointment only. A motion was made by Commissioner Hugh Conklin to have Manager Cain begin the process to reopen City

Hall. This would have taken effect by Monday, March 15, with all City employees return by the 15th. Then City Hall would have been opened by March 16. There was a stipulation that the decision on when to completely reopen would be evaluated every week by Cain and biweekly by City Commission. While City Commission would allow approval if Cain felt it was suitable to reopen in between meetings. After initially moving to second the motion, Commissioner Dean Solomon was not confident in the ability to access Covid-19 data. That would give Solomon hesitation on reopening by a certain date. Conklin would suggest that it is based on other county governments being open by appointment only. It would then be Commissioner Ron Grunch who would jump in and say that he believes this is a decision left up to the City Manager. The motion would be denied, as the only one to vote in favor would be Conklin, who made the initial motion. The Commission would

The Commission would then go on to approve a recommendation by Cain to approve the Brownfield Redevelopment Agreement between the City and Lofts on Lake Street, LLC. The grant is worth \$750,000 and

obtained through the Michigan Department of Environment Great Lakes and Energy. As was outlined in the grant, the project will consist of three buildings being demolished and clearing up the contamination in order to prepare the site for redevelopment. The agreement makes certain that the developers are responsible for all activities and protects the City from any actions or liabilities. The Commission would

approve engine repairs to one of the City's plow trucks. While also approving a recommendation to pass a reso lution supporting local decision-making and control over expenditures directly related to 911. There have been issues in other states with funds being diverted because they do not have the same type of regulations as in Michigan. The State of Michigan highly regulates on how 911 funds are spent and conducts audits on those funds. The Commission would wrap up the meeting with a presentation by Cain on the 2021/2022 fiscal

The Commission will meet again on March 23 at noon.

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• The individual does not develop any symptoms or clinical evidence of COVID-19 infection during daily symptom monitoring for the 10 days after the last exposure; and

• Daily symptom monitoring continues through day 14 after the last exposure.

For explanations of several scenarios with illustrations of how to calculate the days, see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance on when to quarantine.. If you develop symptoms, call the health department at 800-432-4121 or use the Michigan COVID-19 Test Finder website to schedule a test.

"Deaths and complicated illness have occurred in young people in our area," Peacock said, adding, "It is impossible to predict who might be affected next. Unfortunately, the process of case

investigation and contact tracing is entirely dependent on the information shared with us by those we interview. Please know this process is focused on protecting those involved and the community from further spread and associated restrictions and we are depending on full cooperation."

In the last 14 days, from February 26-March 12, the health department reported 277 cases of COVID-19. Information related to these cases includes:

- 30.4% of the cases were 13-19 years old.
- 93.2% of all cases were symptomatic.
- 24.5% of all cases reported unknown sources of infection.

Although progress has been made in reduction of hospitalizations, everyone should continue to do important things like wearing a mask, washing hands, avoiding large gatherings and getting one of the three safe and effective vaccines when it becomes available to you, Peacock said.

Today, March 12, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting 25 new cases: Antrim (2), Charlevoix (3), Emmet (4), and Otsego (16) counties. As of 4 p.m. today, the health department is reporting:

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (1,003), Charlevoix (1,082), Emmet (1,575), and Otsego (1,288).
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (873), Charlevoix (976), Emmet (1,355), and Otsego (1,018).
- Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim (20), Charlevoix (13), Emmet (38), and Otsego (27).

The State of Michigan is reporting 605,778 cases and 15,736 deaths.

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information in the Health Department of Northwest Michigan 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. For more information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, visit the MDHHS vaccine website or the CDC

vaccine website.

# Michigan expanding access to safe, effective COVID-19 vaccine

### Michiganders Ages 16 and Older with Medical Conditions, **Disabilities** Starting March 22

All Michiganders age 16 and up to become eligible on

To continue progress toward state's goal of vaccinating 70% of Michiganders over age 16 and bringing a quicker end to the COVID-19 pandemic in Michigan, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) officials today announced the state is expanding vaccination eligibility for Michiganders ages 16 and older with disabilities or medical conditions that put them at high risk of negative COVID-19 outcome beginning Monday, March 22. The state is also announcing that beginning Monday, April 5, all Michiganders age 16 and up who were not previously eligible will be eligible to receive a vaccine.

With the expanded vaccine eligibility, providers are still encouraged to schedule appointments and allocate vaccinations to residents based on highest risk, including older residents, essential workers, and frontline workers. The most recent vaccine prioritization guidelines can be found on Michigan's COVID-19 website.

"The safe COVID-19 vaccine is the most effective way to protect you, your family and others from the virus," said Governor Whitmer. "It will help the country get back to normal and help the economy. Nearly one million Michiganders of all races have already been safely vaccinated. I urge all eligible Michiganders to get one of the three COVID-19 vaccines. It is essential to getting our country back to normal, so that we can all hug our families, get back to work, go to restaurants, send our kids to school, play sports and get together again. And as always: mask up, practice safe social distancing and avoid large indoor gatherings where COVID-19 can easily spread from person to person. We will eliminate this virus together."

"Over 2.7 million doses of the safe and effective COVID vaccines have been administered in Michigan, and we are well on our way to vaccinating 70% of Michiganders age 16 and up," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at MDHHS. "We are pleased to lay out our plan for when every Michigander age 16 and up will be able to get a vaccine. We will continue to focus our efforts on removing barriers to access for our most vulnerable to exposure and those at highest risk of severe illness due to COVID-19. These vaccines are the way we are going to end this pandemic and I urge Michiganders to make a plan to get your vaccine when you are eligible.'

This is in addition to a recent announcement that MDHHS was moving forward with vaccination of Michiganders age 50 and older with medical conditions or

disabilities and caregiver family members and guardians who care for children with special health care needs as of Monday, March 8. Also beginning Monday, March 22, vaccine eligibility is expanding to include all

Michiganders 50 and older. "This important step will allow individuals who are more vulnerable to COVID-19, including people with disabilities, to get the vaccine," said Annie Urasky, director of the Division on Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing within the Michigan Department of Civil Rights. "We thank the Governor and MDHHS for this life-saving expansion of eligibility and will work with them to communicate the news to Michiganders with disabilities."

"The Governor's action to expand eligibility has the potential to protect over a million Michiganders with disabilities. We couldn't be more appreciative," said Dessa Cosma, Executive Director of Detroit Disability Power. "This would not have been possible without the actions of dozens of disability rights organizations across the state and we are ready as a resource for accessible implementation and delivery.'

"This is welcome news," said Michelle Roberts, Executive Director of Disability Rights Michigan. "Since the vaccine roll out in Michigan started, we have pushed for all people with disabilities to be higher up on the vaccine priority list. It really can be a matter of life or death.'

"On behalf of The Arc Michigan, our many disability partners, our local chapters and people with disabilities across Michigan, I want to express our gratitude and thanks to Governor Whitmer and her administration for expanding vaccine access to Michiganders with disabilities, effective March 22, 2021," said Sherri Boyd, Executive Director of The Arc Michigan.

All vaccine providers may begin vaccinating the new priority group of 16-49 with medical conditions or disabilities by Monday, March 22. MDHHS is accelerating vaccination of these individuals due to concern around disparity in life expectancy and in an effort to remove barriers to vaccine access. Based on the anticipated amount of vaccines becoming available to the state and President Biden's directive that all adults should be eligible by May 1, Michigan has decided to move forward with allowing all Michiganders who were not previously eligible to begin receiving vaccine on Monday, April 5. As providers are scheduling appointments. they should consider an individual's risk of exposure due to their employment and their vulnerability to severe disease in determining how to schedule appointments. It is anticipated that it may still take several weeks beyond April 5 for everyone who wishes to receive a vaccine to have an appointment.

Medical conditions that place individuals at increased risk for severe illness from the virus that causes COVID-19 are eligible for vaccination and include: cancer; chronic kidney disease; COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease); Down syndrome; heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathies:

immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant; obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 kg/m2 or higher but < 40 kg/m2); severe obesity (BMI  $\geq$  40 kg/m2); pregnancy; sickle cell disease;

smoking; and Type 2 dia-Why not get the **Charlevoix County News** delivered to your home

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The following medical conditions might place an individual at an increased risk for severe illness from the virus that causes COVID-19, and are therefore also eligible for vaccination: asthma (moderate-to-severe); cerebrovascular disease (affects blood vessels and blood supply to the brain); cystic fibrosis; hypertension or high blood pressure; immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from blood or bone marrow transplant; immune deficiencies; HIV; use of corticosteroids or use of other immune weakening medicines: neurologic conditions, such as dementia; liver disease; overweight (BMI > 25 kg/m2, but < 30 kg/m2); pulmonary fibrosis (having

damaged or scarred lung tissues); thalassemia (a type of blood disorder); and Type 1 diabetes mellitus.

Those eligible to receive a vaccine should:

Check the website of the local health department or hospital to find out their process or for registration forms; or

Check additional vaccination sites, such as local pharmacies like Meijer, Rite Aid or Cardinal Health (U.P. residents); or

Residents who don't have access to the internet or who need assistance navigating the vaccine scheduling process can call the COVID-19 Hotline at 888-535-6136 (press 1), Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m.

to 1 p.m. or can call 2-1-1.

It is important to note that, while supplies are increasing, there remains a limited amount of vaccine available, so there may be a waitlist for available appointments. As more vaccine becomes available, the state will continue to move more quickly through the priority groups.

MDHHS follows the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations for prioritization of distribution and administration of COVID-19 vaccines. CDC

recommendations are based on input from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, the federal advisory committee made up of medical and public health experts who develop recommendations on the use of vaccines in the United States.

Even with the increase of COVID-19 vaccinations, Khaldun urges everyone to continue to practice preventative measures such as properly wearing masks, social distancing and frequent handwashing to reduce the spread of the virus until the vast majority of people have been vaccinated.

Michigan residents seeking more information about the COVID-19 vaccine can visit Michigan.gov/COVIDvaccine. Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/Coronavirus

#### **Real Estate Feature Property**

# **CHARMING, UPDATED COTTAGE ON LAKE CHARLEVOIX NEAR EAST JORDAN**



#### BY JIM AKANS

Situated on nearly 100 feet of frontage on gorgeous Lake Charlevoix, this charming cottage features many beautiful updates both inside and out.

This three-bedroom cottage has approximately 1,685 square feet of nicely designed and appointed space. Interior highlights include elegant flooring in the open kitchen and dining area, handy peninsula snack bar in the kitchen, a gas

fireplace in the living area and stunning lake views from most of the rooms. Updates include carpet, door wall in the living room, water softener, sump pump and the home has recently been connected to the city sewer system.

Outdoors, a large open deck overlooks the lakeshore. The breakwall at the lakefront has been updated as well. Lake Charlevoix is nationally renowned for its beauty, achieving runner-up status as America's Favorite Lake by USA Today newspaper. Fishing, boating,

swimming or simply sunset gazing are all just a few steps away from the back of

This charming, updated cottage on Lake Charlevoix is located at 02268 South M-66 Road, a few miles north of East Jordan, and it is listed at \$399,000. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call Jennifer Burr, Realtor, at Coldwell Banker Schmidt, 231 Water Street in Boyne City, at 231-582-6554 or email at jennifer.burr@cbgreatlakes.com.







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lending to people who had credit scores in the mid 500s just a short while ago. minimum credit score, yes the minito high 600s, you may still be required to put down a hefty down payment. A score of 720 or higher is considered

scores can become less than perfect. Maybe you have had a bad event in your life such as a medical emergency or a divorce. These events may be unavoidable, but wreak havoc on a credit score. Maybe you pay your bills on time, but you have had to run up the balances on some credit cards so the bank runs its formula and tells you

Just recently it was announced that the mum for a FHA backed mortgage is 640. But, even if you have a score in the mid good credit, and is what's required for a low-down payment loan today. There are many reasons that credit

that your debt to income ratio is too

# athletes of week



# JAEGER GRISWOLD ELLSWORTH LANCERS

Jaeger Griswold put on a show last week in the one-point 67-66 win over Mackinaw City. In the closing minute Griswold attack the lane, spin and convert the layup while drawing a foul. Griswold would knock down the free throw giving the Lancers a one point lead. Griswold finished the game with 28 points.

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# JUDY VELDBOOM ELLSWORTH LANCERS

Despite having to leave the game in the second quarter with an ankle injury, Ellsworth senior Judy Veldboom would return in the third quarter and lead the Lancers with 30 points in a 54-27 victory over Wolverine. Veldboom finished the contest with 30 points, 8 steals, 5 assists, and 4 rebounds.

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**BOYS BASKETBALL** 

# Ramblers roll over Kalkaska

# Drop rivalry game to Charlevoix

#### **BY: DOM SANTINA**

The Boyne City Boys Basketball came into the fifth week of the season with a 6-6 record. The Ramblers would start the game with a matchup with the Kalkaska Blazers at home on Tuesday, March 9.

#### BOYNE CITY 67, KALKASKA 39

The Ramblers would start the game off with a lead and hold at the end of the first quarter 19-12. In the second quarter, the Ramblers de fense would dig deep and hold the Blazers in check. While they would continue to pull away from the Blazers. The Ramblers would lead at the break 35-19. The third quarter would be very similar to the second quarter. As the Ramblers would hold the Blazers to ten points while putting up 21 points for themselves. The Ramblers would lead 56-29 after three quarters. The fourth quarter would be a closer point differential, as the Ramblers would only outscore the Blazers by one. However, the Ramblers were able to go very deep into their bench for playing time, especially when the game was well in hand. The Ramblers would win by a final score of 67-39. The team was led by Sophomore Jack Neer with 14 points and Junior Kolton Stadt would add 11 points. Even with the big victory the Ramblers still would turn the basketball over 17 times, a problem the Ramblers have dealt with all season long. The win moves the team to 7-6 on the season while moving to 7-4 in the Lake Michigan Conference.

#### BOYNE CITY 51, CHARLEVOIX 54

The Ramblers would finish the week off with a hard-fought battle with Charlevoix. The Rayders would get off to a better start, as they would jump out to a 15-7 lead after the first quarter. However, the Ramblers were able to close back in during the second quarter.



Jack Gaffney (22) of Charlevoix, tips a loose ball as Boyne's Aiden Brehm (12) also tries to gain control. Photo by Chris Fiel.



3-18-21CC -- Jack Neer (2) of Boyne City launches a triple against Charlevoix. Photo by Chris Fiel.

The Ramblers would tie the game with about 1:30 left in the quarter after Sophomore Jack Neer and Junior Nicolas Santina hit back-to-back threes. The Rayders would be able to pull back ahead before the break, as they would lead 25-20 at the break. In the third quarter, the Rayders would be able to pull ahead even more from the Ramblers. As they would lead by a score of 42-29. The Ramblers once again would mount a comeback in the fourth quarter to try to take over the lead. However, the Rayders would do what they need to pull off a close 54-51 victory over the Ramblers. A big

thing that continues to plague the Ramblers, especially in close games like this is turnovers. The Ramblers would have 10 turnovers for the game. The team would be led by Neer with 22 points and Sophomore Alex Calcaterra with 12 points. The loss moved the Ramblers to 7-7 on the season and to 7-5 in the LMC.

The team will be back in action on Tuesday, March 16, when they will travel to Grayling to play the Vikings. Then they will wrap up the regular season with a rivalry matchup against East Jordan at home on Friday, March 19.



Boyne City's Aidan Brehm has encountered multiple defenses this season as Charlevoix's Caleb Stuck (center) and Jacob Mueller (24) double him. Photo by Chris Fiel



3-18-21CC -- Charlevoix's Max Olstrum (10) looks to make an entry pass as teammate Jacob Mueller posts up. Photo by Chris Fiel.



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(L-R). Aidan Towne, Lizzi McHugh, Brett Tonser, Sarah Sterling, Kaden Jewett, Eden Vondran, Avery Peplinski, Lily Brya, Will Brown, Rachel Clausen, Trevor Bernthal, Alexa Meier, Andrew Stadt, Sawyer Cadarette, Maddox Rykse and Lucy Uy. (Courtey Photo)



Duchess - Sarah Sterling, Duke - Aidan Towne. Courtesy Photo

# ocations and times set for State Championships for Michigan High School Winter Sports

The MHSAA has confirmed sites for its indoor winter sports championship rounds, including an adjustment for the Individual Wrestling Finals that will allow more fans to attend that event after an increase in spectator limits was put into effect March 5 by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

The Individual Wrestling Finals previously were announced to be competed in full at Wings Event Center in Kalamazoo. However, a change moving two divisions to Van Andel Arena in Grand Rapids will allow for more fans, primarily immediate family, to attend. Previously, wrestlers were to be limited to one spectator per participant. With multiple sites, wrestlers will be allowed multiple spectators each

Similarly, Van Andel and the Breslin Center in East Lansing will host additional events to allow more fans to attend championship rounds in competitive cheer and girls and boys basketball. Both facilities have capacities of more than 10,000 spectators and may host up to 750, per MDHHS guidelines.

The Competitive Cheer Finals will move to Breslin Center to allow more fans to attend, compared to other venues that were being considered. Semifinals in girls and boys basketball will be split by divisions between Breslin

Center and Van Andel Arena, in part to provide for greater attendance and also to keep those rounds scheduled to just two locations instead of spreading games across a number of others.

The following are sites and schedules for Finals weekends for the remaining MHSAA Tournaments this winter, with further updates to be posted to the MHSAA Website (https://www.mhsaa.com):

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Where: Division 1 and 3 Semifinals at Breslin Center in East Lansing. Division 2 and 4 Semifinals at Van Andel Arena in Grand Rapids. All four Finals will be played at Breslin Center.

When: Semifinals are April 7, with Divisions 3 and 4 beginning at 10 a.m. at their respective sites, followed by Divisions 1 and 2 at 3:30 p.m. Finals on April 9 will be played at 10 a.m. (D4), 12:30 p.m. (D1), 3 p.m. (D3) and 5:30 p.m. (D2).

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

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Where: Division 1 and 3 Semifinals at Breslin Center in East Lansing. Division 2 and 4 Semifinals at Van Andel Arena in Grand Rapids. All four Finals will be played at Breslin Center.

When: Semifinals are April 8, with Divisions 3 and 4 beginning at 10 a.m. at their respective sites, followed by Divisions 1 and 2 at 3:30 p.m. Finals on April 10 will be played at 10 a.m. (D4), 12:30 p.m. (D1), 3 p.m. (D3) and 5:30 p.m. (D2).

#### **GIRLS & BOYS BOWLING**

Where: Division 1 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, Division 2 at Century Bowl in Waterford, Division 3 at Jax 60 in Jackson and Division 4 at Super Bowl in Canton.

When: Team Finals are Friday, March 26, and Singles Finals are March 27. Both events begin at 8

#### **COMPETITIVE CHEER**

Where: Breslin Center, East Lansing

When: Friday, March 26 - Division 3 at 10 a.m., Division 1 at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 27 - Division 2 at 10 a.m., Division 4 at 3 p.m.

#### **ICE HOCKEY**

Where: USA Hockey Arena When: Semifinals on Thursday, March 25, for Division 2 beginning at 4:30 p.m., and March 26 for Divisions 1 and 3 with first games for those divisions beginning at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., respectively. All three Finals will be played March 27, at 11 a.m. (D2), 3 p.m. (D3) and 7 p.m. (D1).

#### **BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING -LOWER PENINSULA**

Where: Division 1 at Hudsonville High School, Division 2 at Jenison High School, Division 3 at Hamilton High School (diving) and Holland Aquatic Center (swimming).

When: Diving on Friday, March 26, and all swimming Finals are March 27. Start times are being determined.

#### **WRESTLING – TEAM**

Where: Wings Event Center in Kalamazoo, Divisions 2 and 4 in the Arena and Divisions 1 and 3 in the Valley for pre-Finals rounds. All Finals in the Arena.

When: March 30. Quarterfinals will be followed by Semifinals and Finals, with start times to be determined.

#### WRESTLING - INDIVIDUAL

Where: Divisions 1 and 3 at Wings Event Center in Kalamazoo. Divisions 2 and 4 at Van Andel Arena in Grand Rapids.

When: Divisions 2 and 3 on Friday, April 2. Divisions 1 and 4 on Saturday, April 3. Starts times are being determined.

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### **BOYS** STANDINGS

#### **BIG NORTH CONFERENCE**

Team	Conf	Ovr
TC Central	8-0	9-2
Petoskey	7-2	10-2
TC West	4-4	4-4
Cadillac	3-5	6-6
Alpena	1-6	3-8
Gaylord	0-6	0-7

#### **LAKE MICHIGAN** CONFERENCE

Team	Conf	Ovr
Charlevoix	11-1	12-1
Elk Rapids	10-2	12-2
St Francis	9-3	9-5
Boyne City	7-5	7-7
East Jordan	4-8	5-9
Grayling	3-9	3-9
Kalkaska	2-10	2-10
Harbor Springs	2-10	2-11
<b>STRAITS AREA CONFERENCE</b>		

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SKI VALLEY CONFERENCE			
Team	Conf	Ovr	
Mancelona	7-1	9-3	
Gaylord St Mary	7-1	10-4	
Onaway	6-2	11-3	
Joburg-Lewiston	5-3	6-4	
Forest Area	5-3	6-7	
Inland Lakes	3-5	6-8	
Pellston	2-6	4-9	

#### **NORTH STAR LEAGUE-LITTLE DIPPER**

Central Lake

Team Hale Posen Hillman Au Gres-Sims	Conf 8-1 8-1 6-3 3-7 2-7	Ovr 8-1 9-3 8-7 5-9
Au Gres-Sims Atlanta	3-7 2-7	5-9 3-8
Fairview	1-9	1-10

#### **NORTHERN LAKES** CONFERENCE

Team	Conf	Ovr
Ellsworth	10-0	11-1
Mackinaw City	8-2	10-4
Alanson	6-4	10-6
Boyne Falls	5-4	6-4
Wolverine	4-5	4-5
Alba	1-10	2-10
Harbor Lt Chr	1-10	1-11

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL** STANDINGS

#### **BIG NORTH CONFERENCE**

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#### **LAKE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE**

Team	Conf	Ovr
Elk Rapids	12-0	13-1
St Francis	10-2	11-3
Boyne City	8-4	8-5
Charlevoix	7-5	7-6
East Jordan	6-6	6-7
Kalkaska	3-9	3-9
Grayling	1-11	1-11
Harbor Springs	1-11	1-11

# **STRAITS AREA CONFERENCE**

eam	Conf	Ovr
ault	6-0	11-1
t Ignace	3-2	10-3
ludyard	2-4	8-4
heboygan	2-4	4-4
lewberry	1-4	6-6

#### **SKI VALLEY CONFERENCE**

Team	Conf	Ovr
Bellaire	7-1	12-2
Gaylord St Mary	7-1	9-3
Joburg-Lewiston	6-1	8-1
Inland Lakes	5-3	6-6
Onaway	4-4	5-8
Central Lake	2-5	2-5
Mancelona	2-6	5-7
Forest Area	2-6	2-9
Pellston	0-8	0-11

#### **NORTH STAR LEAGUE-**LITTLE DIDDED

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Team	Conf	Ovr
Posen	9-0	10-1
Hillman	7-2	9-5
Fairview	6-4	6-5
Hale	4-5	5-6
Atlanta	1-8	2-8
Au Gres-Sims	1-9	1-13

#### **NORTHERN LAKES CONFERENCE**

Team	Conf	Ovr
Mackinaw City	9-0	14-1
Ellsworth	6-1	7-2
Harbor Lt Chr	5-3	5-3
Wolverine	3-6	4-6
Alanson	2-6	3-6
Alba	0-9	0-10

#### **NORTH STAR LEAGUE-BIG DIPPER**

Team	Conf	Ovr
Oscoda	7-0	15-1
Alcona	6-2	10-3
Rogers City	4-4	5-9
Лio	2-6	5-7
N-P	0-7	2-8

#### **HOCKEY CONFERENCE STANDINGS**

#### **BIG NORTH CONFERENCE**

Team	Conf	Ovr
TC Central	8-0	11-2
Gaylord	3-2-1	4-3-2
Petoskey	3-3	8-6
TC West	3-4-2	7-5-2
Alpena	3-6-1	3-11-1
Cadillac	1-6	3-8

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# Rambler Girls beat Rayders

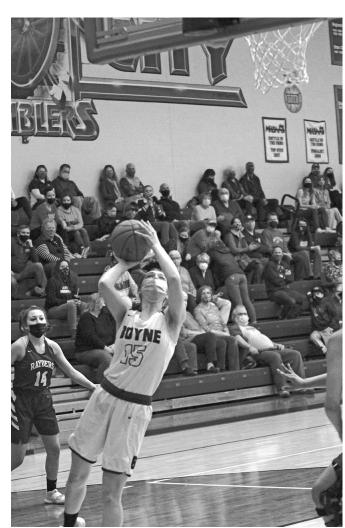
# Have won 7 out of last 8 games

By: Dom Santina

The Boyne City Girls Basketball team came into the fifth week of the season with a record of 6-5. After starting season 1-4, the team has caught fire winning five out of their last six games. The team would start the week with a trip down to Kalkaska to play the Blazers.

#### BOYNE CITY 46, KALKASKA 40

The Ramblers would start the game out strong and hold the lead after the first quarter, 15-11. The Blazers would be able to bring the game to a one-point differential at halftime, as the Ramblers led 25-24. In the third quarter, the Ramblers were able to slightly pull away to a threepoint advantage, 35-32. In the fourth quarter, the Ramblers would be able to pull away just a little bit more, allowing them to lock up the win. The Ramblers would win by a final score of 46-40. The team was led by Junior Grace Dawson with 13 points. The win moves the Ramblers to 7-5 on the year and 7-4 in the Lake



Boyne City's Grace Dawson (15) gets an open look at a shot against Charlevoix. Photo by Chris Fiel.

Michigan Conference.

### **BOYNE CITY 26, CHARLEVOIX 23**

The team would then host Charlevoix on Friday, March 12. The game would be a lowscoring affair, as the Ramblers would jump out to a 7-2 advantage after the first quarter. The Ramblers would be able to continue to grow the lead as they would head to halftime. The Ramblers would lead by eight at the half, 18-10. They would be able to pull out to a 24-12 lead at the end of the third quarter. However, the Ramblers would have to hold on in the fourth quarter, as the Rayders would make a run. The Rayders would cut it to a three-point game. In the end,



Bayani Collins (12) of Charleovix finds a trio of Rambler defenders as she drives baseline. Photo by Chris Fiel.

that is the closest the Rayders would get, as the Ramblers would win the game by a final score of 26-23. The team would be led by Senior Ally Herrick with eight points. The win moves the team to 8-5 on the season and 8-4 in the LMC.

The Girls have now won seven out of their last eight games. They will end the regular season with a home game against Grayling on Tuesday, March 16. They will finish the week with a home game against East Jordan on Friday, March 19.



Kari Day (3) of Boyne City pushes the fastbreak as Charlevoix's Taylor Petrosky (24) closes in. Photo by Chris Fiel.

# Ellsworth sends seniors out with victory over Wolverine

#### BY: DOM SANTINA

The Ellsworth Girls Basketball has been putting good basketball together at the right time. The Lancers have won the last four games and have improved their record to 6-2. They would start the week off with a home game against Wolverine on Wednesday, March 17. Which would also be senior night.

#### ELLSWORTH 54, WOLVERINE 27

The Lancers would have five girls honored on the night. They would be the ones to help the Lancers take control early. As they would jump out to a 20 – 4 lead at the end of the first quarter. In the second quarter, the Lancers experienced a scary moment when senior Judy Veldboom went down with an ankle injury and the Wildcats would use that to their advantage. Which made the game much more competitive closing the gap to 30 - 14 at halftime. Veldboom would return in the third quarter and the Lancers would take command and take a 44-21 lead. The Lancers would end up taking the win by a final score of 54 – 27. The Lancers were led by their seniors. As Veldboom would have 30 points, 8 steals, 5 assists, and 4 rebounds. Then Alexis Danforth would add 10 points, 7 rebounds and 6 assists. The win moved the Lancers record to 7-2 on the year and

6-1 in the Northern Lakes Conference.

The team was scheduled to play Mancelona on Thursday, March 11. With COVID-19 concerns in the Mancelona High School, the game would be canceled.

"We were disappointed, the girls really want to play and going forward we probably cannot add any more games before the tournament. We have three away games this week. If we can somehow win out we can share the conference title. We know that beating Mackinaw City is going to be very, very tough, but you never know. That is why you play the game. We have been working very hard on how to beat them. Some of those changes are why we were able to beat Lake Leelanau St. Mary's the second time we played them. They beat us by 30 on Feb. 19 (77 -47) and we were able to beat the March 6 (50 – 43). We lost to Mackinaw City on February 11 in our second game (57-20), but in that game, Veldboom had a uniform issue just as we were going to start the game and had to go to the locker room. We couldn't get her back in until we were already down 0 - 13 and Veldboom had to get everyone calmed down. Then before you know it we were down 26 -2 at the end of the first quarter. We played them pretty even after that first quarter disaster and Mackinaw City did not take their foot off the gas that much," Said Lee Veldboom on the game being canceled against Mancelona and going for-



Senior Judy Veldboom draws a foul on a layup attempt in the second quarter of their matchup against Wolverine. Photo by Dom Santina

ward this season.

The Lancers Girls team will be back in action on Wednesday, March 17 when they will travel to play Alanson. Then on Thursday, March 18 they will travel to Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian. While finishing out the regular season with a game on Saturday, March 20 at Mackinaw City.





Senior Alexis Danforth looks for a teammate to pass to as she is surrounded by three Wildcat defenders. Photo by Dom

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#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**



Sophomore Jacob Genuwine looks to make a pass during a closely contested matchup against Mackinaw City. Photo by Ben Murphy



Senior Jaeger Griswold goes up for an uncontested layup, adding to his teamhigh 28 points in their win over the Comets. Photo by Ben Murphy



Junior Jamal Cebulski looks to set up the offense late against Mackinaw City on Saturday. Photo by Ben Murphy

# Lancers lock up share of Northern Lakes Conference with win over Mackinaw City

#### **BY: DOM SANTINA**

The Ellsworth Basketball team has had a firm grip on their conference and Division 4. The team came into the week with a 9-1 record on the season. They would host Wolverine on Wednesday, March 10.

### ELLSWORTH 77, WOLVERINE 22

The Lancers would continue to have a good start, as they have most of the season. They would jump out to a 20-4 lead at the end of the first quarter. In the second quarter, the offense would remain hot, as they would expand their lead to 35 points. As they would lead 48-13 at half-time. In the third quarter, the

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Wildcats were able to stick with the Lancers a little more. The Lancers would still be able to pull away a little bit, as they would lead 62-24. In the fourth quarter, the Lancers defense would pick up where they left off the first quarter. As they would only allow five points in the fourth quarter. They would continue to stretch their lead as they would secure a 77-22 win over the Wildcats. The win moved the Lancers to 10-1 on the season and 9-0 in the conference. The team would have four players in double figures, as Junior Brayden Steenwyk would lead the way with 22 points. Then the Lancers would have Sophomore Kelan Pletcher with 18 points, Senior Jaeger Griswold with 13 points and Freshman Patrick Puroll with 10 points.

"We got another confer-

ence win tonight. It was a good team effort getting things started on the defensive end, which leads to a quick offense. I am happy with how the guys started the game taking control for a quick 10-0 lead.," said Head Coach Jarod Steenwyk.

#### **MANCELONA**

The team was supposed to play Mancelona on Friday, March 12. However, due to COVID-19 issues at Mancelona High School, the game was canceled.

#### ELLSWORTH 67, MACKINAW CITY 66

The Lancers would travel up to Mackinaw City for a battle for the Northern Lakes Conference top spot. The Lancers would jump out to a 13-9 lead over the Comets at the end of the first quarter. In the second quarter, the Lancers would be able to stretch the lead and hold a 34-23 lead. In the third quarter, the Comets would be able to draw back in on the Lancers, as they would close the lead to just three points, 44-41. However, Steenwyk would knock down a three to put the Lancers back up 47-41. Then Griswold would make a put back for the Lancers to grow their lead to 51-43. The Comets would be able to answer with a three to cut the lead to 51-46 at the end of the third quarter. In the fourth quarter, the game would remain close, with the lead going to two points twice before Puroll would hit a three stretching the lead to 60-55. With 1:55 left, the Comets

would take a 65-63 lead over the Lancers. Griswold would then attack the lane, spin and convert the layup while drawing a foul. Griswold would knock down the free throw putting the Lancers back up 66-65. The Comets would hold for the last shot, however, the Lancers would never let them get it off. The Lancers would win the game by a final score of 67-66. The team would have three players in double figures. As Griswold would lead with 28 points, then Sophomore Isaiah Gerard would add 14 points and Steenwyk with 12 points. The win moved the Lancers to 11-1 overall on the season. With the win, the Lancers clinch at least a share of the Northern Lakes Conference with a perfect 10-0 record.

"It was a hard-fought win tonight. As we get another game of separation from Mackinaw City tonight for the conference. A couple of big threes from (Patrick) Puroll to get us started on offense tonight. In the second half, Mackinaw came after it and they seemed to hit almost every shot they took. We were lucky we had a couple of big shots to match them at the right points in the game," said Coach Steenwyk.

The team will be back in action on Wednesday, March 17 when they travel to Alanson. They can lock up the Conference championship outright with a win. They will finish up the regular season with a trip to Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian on Thursday, March 18.

#### 2021 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

# Red Devils survive against Grayling, fall to Elks

#### BY: DOM SANTINA

The East Jordan Boys Basketball team came into the fifth week of the season with a record of 4-8 overall and 3-7 in the Lake Michigan Conference. The team would start the week off with a home game against the Vikings from Grayling on Tuesday, March 16.

#### **EAST JORDAN 59, GRAYLING 54**

The game was set up to be a good one after a game earlier in the season in Grayling. That game was a closer matchup than the 13 point differential it ended up being. The Red Devils would be able to pull a three-point lead after the first quarter, 12-9. In the second quarter, the Red Devils would be able to expand the lead before the break, as it would be 26-20. In the third quarter, the Red Devils would be able to pull away even more on the Vikings. The Red Devils would lead heading into the fourth quarter, 44-30. In the fourth quarter, the momentum would totally turn towards the Vikings. As the Vikings would put up 20 points in the quarter and were able to hold the Red Devils to only six points. This would let the Vikings tie the game and force it to overtime. In overtime, the Red Devils would be able to outscore the Vikings 9-4 and take a 59-54 victory. The team would have three players in double figures, as freshman Preston Malpass would score 19 points. While Junior Mason Malpass would contribute 12 points and Junior Carter Sherman would also have 12 points. The win moved the team's record to 5-8 on the season and 4-7 in the Lake

Michigan Conference. "We did a really good job in the first three quarters of dictating the pace and controlling the game, which allowed us to get a decent lead. We did a really good job of and forcing them contested shots. In the fourth quarter, we turned the ball over as their pressure and intensity increased. Mason (Malpass) did a good job of making free throws at the end of regulation and in OT to get us a win. Carter (Sherman) played his best game of the year by far on both ends. A great win because in the past we have not recovered from a bad quarter and in this game we did," said Head Coach Nate Dzwik.

#### **EAST JORDAN 38, ELK RAPIDS 73**

The Red Devils would then wrap up the week by hosting Elk Rapids on Saturday, March 13. The Red Devils would be in trouble from the start of the game. The Elks would start the game off very strong, as they would hold a 30-7 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Red Devils would have a little bit better of a quarter but would still lose ground to the Elks in the second. At halftime, the Elks would lead 46-17. In the third quarter, the Elks would have another strong quarter against the Red Devils, as the Elks would lead 66-29. In the fourth quarter, the quarter would be low scoring and the Red Devils would actually outscore the Elks. However, it was way too late and not nearly enough to get close to the Elks. The Elks would beat the Red Devils 73-38. The loss moved the Red Devils to 5-9 on the season and 4-8 in the



Senior Phillip Nemecek tries to tip in a rebound over a Vikings defender in the first half of their game on Tuesday. Photo by Dom Santina

LMC. The team would once again be led by freshman Preston Malpass with 12

"We have to give credit to

Elk Rapids as they just played way more aggressively than we did. We didn't do much right and really struggled with how physical

and fast they played," said Coach Dzwik.

The Red Devils will finish off the regular season with a home game against Traverse

City St. Francis on Tuesday, March 16. Then they will finish with a trip to Boyne City on Friday, March 19.



East Jordan Junior Carter Sherman pulls up for a jump shot against Grayling on Tuesday, March 9. **Photo by Dom Santina** 



Junior Mason Malpass launches a three from the corner in their win over Grayling in overtime by a final of 59-54. Photo by Dom Santina

# Rayders cap off big week with two close wins

#### **BY: DOM SANTINA**

The Charlevoix Boys Basketball team has been very successful this season. After a massive win over Elk Rapids, that put them in first place in the conference. The team would start the fifth week of the season by traveling to Traverse City St. Francis. It would be another big matchup on Tuesday, March 9.

#### **CHARLEVOIX 48, TRAVERSE** CITY ST. FRANCIS 46

The team would be able to hold on for another big-time win. The Rayders would hold on for a 48-46 victory. The team would be led by Junior Evan Solomon with 17 points and 8 rebounds. The team would also have Senior Jacob Mueller with 10 points and 11 rebounds. The win moves the team to 10-1 overall on the season and 9-1 in the Lake Michigan Conference.

"It was a solid team effort," said Head Coach Matt Stuck.

#### **CHARLEVOIX 54, BOYNE CITY 51**

The Rayders would travel

on the road on Friday, March 12 to play rival Boyne City. The Rayders would jump out to a 15-7 lead after the first quarter. The Rayders would continue to have success on the offensive end but the Ramblers were able to tie the game with under two minutes left before halftime. However, the Rayders would be able to pull back away and hold a 25-20 lead at halftime. In the third quarter, the Rayders would have a strong quarter as they would lead 42-29 heading into the fourth. The Ramblers would put up a strong fight and make it a close game. The Rayders would be tested and have to fight to pull out a 54-51 win over the Ramblers. The team would be led by Junior Caleb Stuck with 20 points and Solomon with 17 points. The win moves the Rayders to 11-1 overall on the season and

10-1 in the conference. The Rayders will be back in action on Monday, March 15 when they host Kalkaska. Then they will turn around on Tuesday, March 16 to host Harbor Springs. While finishing up the regular season by hosting Elk Rapids on Friday, March 19

### Michigan prep boys basketball poll

The top 10 teams in the Michigan Associated Press high school basketball 3/15/21

#### Division 1

- 1. Orchard Lake St. Mary, Äôs (5) (10-0)
- 2. Ann Arbor Huron (11-0) 68
- 3. Detroit U-D Jesuit (6-1) 66 4. Detroit King (12-2) 57
- 5. Flint Carman-Ainsworth (10-1) 54 6. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern
- (12-2)47
- 7. Grand Blanc (8-2) 41
- 8. Warren De La Salle (8-2) 39
- 9. Hamtramck (12-2) 38
- 10. Zeeland East (13-0) 28 Others receiving 12 or more votes: De-
- troit Cass Tech 20.
- Division 2 1. Grand Rapids Catholic Central (5)

- 2. Benton Harbor (12-2) 70
- 3. Frankenmuth (13-0) 57
- 4. Grand Rapids Christian (8-2) 54 5. Croswell-Lexington (13-0) 51
- 6. Grand Rapids South Christian (12-2)

#### (tie) Ferndale (8-3) 49

- 8. Williamston (9-2) 41
- 9. Muskegon Orchard View (14-1) 35 10. Detroit Edison (9-2) 34
- Others receiving 12 or more votes: Battle Creek Pennfield 14.

- Division 3 1. McBain (2) (12-0) 66
- 2. Hanover-Horton (13-0) 64
- 3. Iron Mountain (1) (10-0) 60
- 4. Oscoda (1) (15-0) 57 5. Hemlock (13-0) 56
- 6. Schoolcraft (13-1) 53
- 7. Flint Beecher (1) (8-1) 51 8. Pewamo-Westphalia (10-1) 45

Charlevoix 23, Beaverton 22, Elk Rapids 17.

Others receiving 12 or more votes:

(tie) Bark River-Harris (14-0) 29

#### Division 4

- 1. Southfield Christian (2) (10-1) 71
- 2. Detroit Douglass (3) (10-4) 68 3. Ewen-Trout Creek (13-1) 59
- 4. Hillsdale Academy (11-1) 58
- 5. Webberville (11-1) 50 6. Wyoming Tri-unity Christian (8-2) 47
- (tie) Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart (12-1) 8. Bellevue (9-2) 29
- 9. Clarkston Everest Catholic (11-1) 27 10. Munising (12-1) 22 Others receiving 12 or more votes: Pe-
- tersburg Summerfield 21, Posen 15, Dryden 15, McBain Northern Michigan Christian 14, Rudyard 13.

#### Michigan prep girls basketball poll

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- 1. Hartland (4) (13-0) 72
- 2. East Lansing (10-0) 65 3. Hudsonville (14-2) 62
- 4. East Grand Rapids (1) (12-2) 60
- 5. Saline (12-1) 55 6. Midland Dow (15-0) 50
- 7. West Bloomfield (9-3) 43 8. East Kentwood (10-2) 34
- 9. Byron Center (11-2) 31 10. Detroit Renaissance (7-4) 28 (tie) Kalamazoo Central (6-2) 28
- Others receiving 12 or more votes: Wayne Memorial 27, Macomb

- 1. Detroit Edison(DEPSA) (5) (10-0) 84 2. Grand Rapids West Catholic (12-0) 79
- L,ÄôAnse Creuse North 19.

- 3. Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy (11-2) 64
- 4. Frankenmuth (13-1) 61
- 5. Buchanan (10-0) 48 6. Sault Ste Marie (12-0) 47
- 7. Bay City John Glenn (13-2) 45 8. Montague (12-0) 40
- 9. Lake Fenton (10-1) 34
- 10. Cadillac (9-1) 29 Others receiving 12 or more votes:

#### Portland 15.

- Division 3 1. Grass Lake (4) (11-0) 73
- 2. Ypsilanti Arbor Preparatory (1) (12-

- 3. Kent City (13-0) 63
- 4. McBain (12-0) 62
- 5. Byron (10-0) 51 6. Adrian Lenawee Christian (8-3) 46
- 7. Menominee (10-0) 43
- 8. Glen Lake (13-1) 34 9. Reese (11-0) 32 10. Rochester Hills Lutheran North-

Others receiving 12 or more votes: Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 29, St. Charles 25, Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic Central 14, Erie-Mason 12.

#### Division 4

- 1. Saginaw Nouvel (4) (13-0) 74
- 2. Carney-Nadeau (1) (15-0) 71 3. Waterford Our Lady (8-2) 60
- 4. Athens (11-1) 50 5. Ewen-Trout Creek (13-1) 48
- 5. Hillsdale Academy (10-1) 48
- 7. Mackinaw City (13-1) 34 8. Fowler (8-3) 31
- 9. Bellaire (11-2) 30
- 10. Kingston (12-1) 28
- (tie) Posen (5-1) 28 Others receiving 12 or more votes: Mt.
- Pleasant Sacred Heart 25, Plymouth Christian Academy 20, Camden-Frontier 14.

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Caretaker for Hobby Farm. Housing Provided. 989-464-1376.

FEATURE STORY WRITER. Writing experience preferred. The Weekly Choice, a Locally owned Positive News weekly paper is distributed all around Northern Michigan including Gaylord, Petoskey, Cheboygan, Grayling, Indian River, Mackinaw City, Onaway, Lewiston, Mio, Mancelona, Kalkaska and everywhere in between. Freelance writer will supply articles and photos. \$35 per story plus \$10 for photo(s). Email Resume Dave Baragrey. Office@WeeklyChoice.com

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#### **HOMES FOR SALE**

Lake access, two bedroom home with family room, enclosed porch, deck, two car attached heated garage, natural gas, two storage sheds, one acre corner parcel, walking distance to lake access. \$124,900. Call for more details. Koske Realty Co. 989-732-1012. Gaylord, MI.

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313 feet. B-2 frontage. Rent for \$900 a month. Elmira. Text 231-340-9863 67 acres, nicely wooded parcel in Hayes Township, located 10 miles southwest of Gaylord in good deer country. Ideal place to build your cabin or just camping. \$129,000. Call Koske Realty Co. 989-732-1012

#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

FINAL NOTICE to dispose of contents to established final lien on storage. Renters: Mark Piasecki, Unit 76; Jacob Parker, Unit 40; Sara Smith, Unit 87; Leah Pillsbury, Unit 113; Aleah Henion, Unit 106; Lindsey Jones, Unit 105. Storage unit contents will be emptied or sold on April 2, 2021 if this account is not paid in full at APS Mini Warehouse, 112 East Sixth St. PO Box 1914, Gaylord, MI 49734

#### **LOST & FOUND**

THEFT, Vintage sand tire mini bike. 2 cyl. Doodle bug red. Dual disc. RE-WARD. Elmira. Text 231-340-9863

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

AMISH BUILT mini cabins or storage sheds delivered to your site anywhere in Michigan. Starting at \$2,750. mynextbarn.com. 989-832-1866

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Large cart. Steel frame. Carpet shelves. Double sided. Each side is approx. 2 foot deep, 6 feet wide. Just bought new casters. 2 Available. Price reduced to \$100 for immediate sale. Text Dave at 989-350-9235

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#### **MOTORCYCLES & ATV**

2001 HARLEY 883 SPORTSTER. Custom teal, \$4,000. 2002 Kawasaki, red, 500 Vulcan, \$2,000. 2003 Yamaha Pearl V-Star, \$3,000. 989-873-4136

#### RECREATIONAL VEHICLES 2020 Alta By East To West 2810KIK

Travel Trailer. 2 Slideouts, outdoor kitchen, Upgraded Stainless Steel Appliances, outside shower, power stabilizer jacks. 1/2 ton towable. MSRP \$40,731. Save 10,396. Sale Price \$29,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com 2021 Heartland Bighorn 3300DL Fifth Wheel. 3 Slideouts, Diamond Elite Pkg, king bed, master control panel, outside shower. MSRP \$91,170. Save \$28,183. Sale Price \$62,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.North-

2021 Keystone RV Hideout 28RKS Travel Trailer, Lots of space and a great value. Slideout, outdoor kitchen. power awning. MSRP \$33,534. Save \$7,539. Sale Price \$25,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com

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2021 XLR Hyper Lite 2815 Toyhauler Travel Trailer. Slideout, 15 garage, fully enclosed underbelly, power awning, power tongue jack, lots of extras. MSRP \$50,775. Sale Price \$35,995. Save \$14,780. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com

Used 2004 Forest River RV Cardinal 29 WB Fifth Wheel. 2 Slideouts, rear living room, beautiful RV. Sale Price \$8.995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com Used 2011 Coachmen RV Freedom Express 291QBS Travel Trailer. Slideout, Quad Bunkhouse, front bedroom, sleeps 10. Sale Price \$11.995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com

Used 2012 CrossRoads RV Cruiser 32CK Travel Trailer. Great bunkhouse, large slideout, EZ Winterizer kit, fully enclosed underbelly. Sale Price \$15,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com Used 2015 Skyline Retro 188S Travel Trailer. Slideout. Perfect for most minivans and mid to large-sized SUVs. Blowout Price \$7,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.Northern-MichiganRV.com

#### SUV

2008 Mercury Mariner. 4WD, tow pkg. Sale Price \$5,995. As low as \$199 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

2009 Toyota RAV 4. 4WD, tow pkg. Sale Price \$4.995. As low as \$149 a month, Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing, 989 VFW Rd. Chebovgan, 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehi-

2012 Chevrolet Equinox. 172,000 miles. Interior and exterior in great condition. Runs but will need a new engine. Car is located at 1701 Fall Park Rd. Bovne City. Asking \$1.000. Call 231-459-5640 for more informa-

2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo. Sale Price \$9,995. As low as \$249 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

2018 Ford Edge SEL. AWD, rear camera, leather, 100 K miles. Sale Price \$18,995. As low as \$299 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 vehi-

2019 Ford Edge Titanium. Loaded. Sale Price \$26,500. As low as \$399 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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Goodyear Wrangler tire. p265/50r20. Mud & Snow. reduced to \$5. Text Dave at 989-350-9235 4 TIRES. 14 inch ATV tires. \$90 each

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#### **TRAILERS**

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#### **TRUCKS**

2003 Dodge Dakota SLT. Quad cab, bedliner. Sale Price \$5,995. 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.

2005 GMC Sierra. 4x4, fiberglass cap. Sale Price \$7,995. As low as \$229 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.

2014 Chevy Silverado 1500 LT. 4x4, tow pkg, double cab, high miles. Sale Price \$14,595. As low as \$249 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 vehi-

TOYOTA truck. Cab, frame, title. \$350. 231-340-9863

2011 Ford Econoline van. 8 passenger with wheel chair lift, 151 K miles. Sale Price \$9,995. 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

2016 Chevy City Express LT Cargo Van. Front wheel drive, 24 MPG city. Sale Price \$10,495. As low as \$249 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.

2016 Chrysler Town & Country. 4 Captain chairs, 135 K miles. Sale Price \$6,495. As low as \$199 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 vehi-

2019 Dodge Grand Caravan. Leather, rear camera, 51 K miles. Sale Price \$17,495. As low as \$270 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 vehi-

#### WANTED

Wanted: OUTBOARD MOTORS any size, running or not. Also selling Outboard Motors. Call 989-619-2303

#### **BOYNE VALLEY TOWNSHIP** PLANNING COMMISSION **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that the Boyne Valley Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on a proposed Site Plan review on Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Township Hall located at 2489 Railroad St., Boyne Falls, Michigan, 49713.

Site Plan review for Boyne USA for installation of Commercial

Ground Mounted Solar Energy Field. Parcel number 15-002-016-

003-00 located on M-75 S and Mountain Pass Rd. currently Zoned Resort Commercial -1 Site Plan review and amend the Special Use Permit for Heartwood Mills parcel number 15-002-011-019-20 located at 4740

Skop Rd, Boyne Fall, MI 49713. Currently zoned Industrial. Site Plan Review for Kurt Price for construction of a 36 ft X 30 ft living quarters with a 50 ft X 80 ft attached garage. Parcel number 15-002-009-019-20 currently zoned C-2. Located at 1880 M

A copy proposed site plan may be obtained at the office of the Boyne Valley Township Clerk at the above address between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm Tuesday through Thursday. The public is invited to attend and present its comments on the proposed site plan amendment. Written comments may be submitted at the public hearing or may be sent to Boyne Valley Township at the above address before the public hearing or

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the public hearing should contact the Boyne Valley Township Clerk at the above address one week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.

March 16, 2021

(231) 549-3130.

75 S, Boyne Falls, MI 49713

Marie Kelenske **Planning Commission Secretary** 



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#### COVID-19 **VACCINE** UPDATE

The health center will have access to a limited supply of COVID-19 Vaccine and are welcoming the community to sign up online to receive their vaccine.

Sign Up Online at ejfhc.org/covidvaccine

COVID- 19 Testing - Hotline: (231) 222-2320

#### **Don't Forget** ABOUT YOUR **HEALTH**

Staying healthy, exercising and keeping in touch with your provider is more important than ever.



#### **NEED MARKETPLACE ASSISTANCE?**

Call our Enrollment Specialists in East Jordan

#### **SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT**

**East Jordan Family Health Center:** (231) 536-2206

**East Jordan** LabCorp: (231) 536-2930 or www.labcorp.com

**HOURS** MON - FRI 9 am - 5 pm **SATURDAY** 9 am - 1 pm **MASKS REQUIRED** 

#### COVID-19 **VACCINE FAQS**

### **MEDHHS**

#### **Does the vaccine** have any side effects?

You may experience some mild side effects, such as sore arm, low-grade fever, headache, tiredness.

This is a normal sign that your body is building immunity against the virus so you have protection from COVID-19.

#### Do I have to pay for the vaccine?

No. You will not be charged any fees for the vaccine, regardless of whether you have health insurance coverage or not. If you do have insurance coverage, the vaccine provider may charge your insurance an administrative fee, but YOU will not have to pay anything even if you are



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per person

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