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# Freedom Festival 2021 is here

JUNE 23 - 27, 2021 • EAST JORDAN, MI



Fireworks display will light up the skies from a barge located in the South Arm of Lake Charlevoix and are being synchronized to music on 88.9 FM. Photo by Karen Walker

After a pause last year, the East Jordan Freedom Festival is back! The festival kicks off on Wednesday, June 23 at 5:30 PM with the popular and energizing Youth Parade. This year's theme "Fun Through the Decades" will leave from G.A.R. Park and head south down Main Street to Hammond and Spring Streets ending up in Memorial Park for the parade awards presentation and refreshments. Magician Gordon Russ will entertain the crowd from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM, followed by a meet and greet with Gordon. Special Button Drawings will be held that evening at 7:15 PM in Memorial Park and at 9:00 PM just before the Outdoor Movie. The evening's events move to the Adult Softball Field for the 9:30 PM Outdoor Movie "The Croods: A New Age" on the inflatable big screen. Rain or high winds date will be Thursday, June 24th at 9:30 PM.

The Freedom Festival is welcoming a new carnival to this year's schedule. Native Amusements Carnival will be opening on Thursday at 5:00 PM downtown with rides and games. "Tom Zipp and The Bullpen" kicks off three great evenings of music in Memorial Park at 6:30 PM. A Special Button Drawing is scheduled for 8:00 PM. Buttons for all special button drawings must be purchased at each individual event to be entered in the special Friday brings a full day of carnival rides and games be-



Leading the parade are local veterans who have protected our freedom. The Freedom Festival Grand Parade hits the streets at 3:00 PM to the "Family, Friends and Freedom" theme.



ginning at noon on the midway. The famous Friday Night Block Party has been relocated from Main Street to Memorial Park, Spring Street and the Harbor Parking Lot this year. The Party starts at 6:00 PM and features games and light refreshments by local non-profit organizations and churches, hourly button drawings featuring seven great prizes, the Michigan Stilt

Walker and live entertainment on the bandshell stage by "Full Circle" from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM.

Visit the Freedom Festival's website to check out button drawing details and the great prizes being given

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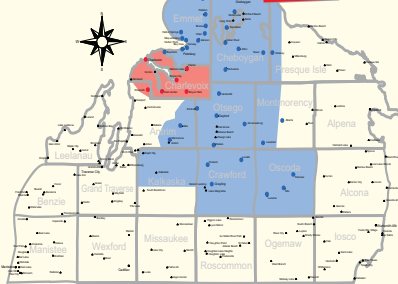
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## weather forecast

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HIGH: 76  
LOW: 60

SATURDAY



HIGH: 74  
LOW: 59

SUNDAY



HIGH: 76  
LOW: 60

MONDAY



HIGH: 75  
LOW: 59

TUESDAY



HIGH: 78  
LOW: 58

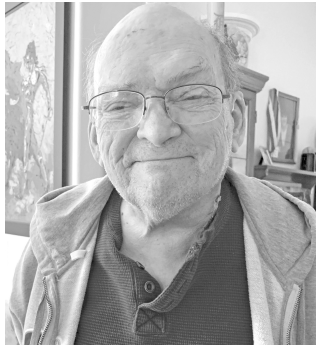
## record temps

DAY	AVG	LOW	AVG	HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
JUN 24	.51	...	.79	...	35° (1979)	.93° (1995)
JUN 25	.51	...	.79	...	33° (1970)	.93° (1997)
JUN 26	.51	...	.79	...	36° (1982)	.95° (2003)
JUN 27	.52	...	.80	...	35° (1992)	.95° (2005)
JUN 28	.52	...	.80	...	40° (1970)	.96° (2005)
JUN 29	.52	...	.80	...	36° (1988)	.93° (1964)
JUN 30	.52	...	.80	...	38° (1982)	.92° (1963)
JUL 1	.52	...	.80	...	36° (1965)	.95° (1966)
JUL 2	.53	...	.80	...	37° (1995)	.95° (1949)
JUL 3	.53	...	.81	...	37° (1968)	.96° (1966)

## OBITUARIES

### Douglas Lick, 78

(AUG. 7, 1942 - JUNE 18, 2021)



Douglas Lick passed away on Friday, June 18, 2021 at Monument Health Rapid City Hospital. He was born on August 7, 1942 in East Jordan to Leonard and Sadie (Howard) Lick. He was the youngest of four children. He had two brothers, Leonard "Mick" Jr. and Bob, and one sister, Judy.

After graduating High School in 1960, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. While stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base, he met the love of his life, Nancy Moore. They were united in marriage on February 12, 1966 in Rapid City, SD. During his time in the Air Force, he was stationed at many different bases including, Texas (for boot-camp), California, Florida, Germany, England, and South Korea. He did two tours during the Vietnam War.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife, Nancy; son, Jeff (Leah) Lick and daughter, Valerie Lick, all of Rapid City; granddaughter, Chelsea (Kris) Lepine of Sioux Falls, SD; grandsons, Coltan and Cobey Lick, all of Rapid City; one great-grandson, Owen Lepine of Sioux Falls; one sister, Judy Mann of Charlevoix, Michigan; sister-in-law's, Evie (Tom) Henrie and Virginia Moore of Rapid City. Many nieces, nephews and his loyal dog, Bella.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Sadie Lick; his brothers, Mick and Bob; and his brother-in-law, Ed Mann.

Doug had a passion for the outdoors. In his spare time, he enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting, woodworking and spending time with his grandchildren. During his lifetime he was a member of different dart and bowling leagues. He and his wife, Nancy, were members of different Lutheran Churches, most recently, South Canyon Lutheran Church.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 25 at South Canyon Lutheran Church. Military honors will follow. A reception will be held after the service at the church.

### Derby Hayden, 63

(NOV. 6, 1957 - JUNE 13, 2021)

Derby Arly Hayden III passed away on June 13th,

2021 at the age of 63.

Derby was born on November 6th, 1957 in Flint, Michigan to Derby and Eleanor (Daniels) Hayden Jr. On April 28th, 1979 he married Christine Mary McLennan in Flint, Michigan. They then moved to Boyne City, Michigan. Derby worked for Jervis B. Webb in Boyne City for 41 1/2 years. He retired on January 4th, 2021.

Derby is survived by his wife Christine, son Derby Arly Hayden IV (Courtney), son Christopher Alfred Hayden (Amanda), mother Eleanor Hayden, and brother Arly Francis Hayden. He also has 6 grandsons and 3 granddaughters, many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Also a very good friend Mike Rockwell. He was preceded in death by his grandparents and father Derby (Joe) Arly Hayden Jr., 2 sisters Dorothy and Dawn, and many aunts and uncles.

We are having a pig roast at Whiting's Park on June 26th, 2021 at 2PM to celebrate Derby's (Cork) life.

### Norman Wise, 78

(SEPT. 11, 1942 - JUNE 19, 2021)



Norman Allen Wise, 78, of Charlevoix and formerly of Lansing, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, June 19, 2021. He was born on September 11, 1942 in Wayne, MI, the son of Claude and Margaret (Teel) Wise.

Funeral services will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guest-book at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

### Donna Stilson, 76

(DEC. 22, 1944 - JUNE 18, 2021)

Donna Marie Stilson of



Charlevoix passed away peacefully on June 18, 2021

with her family at her side. She was born on December 22, 1944 in Richmond, VA, the daughter of Joseph and Esther (Schafer) Jacobs.

Donna worked in human resources for over 40 years for multiple companies Eaton Foundry, Fayette Tubular Products, Excel Industries, and finally retiring from DURA Automotive June 2010. She was passionate about cooking, skilled baker, extremely talented cake decorator, calligraphist, and oil paint artist. Donna restored and remodeled numerous homes over the years in Vassar and Charlevoix.

On June 22, 1963, Donna married the love of her life, Vic Stilson, who survives; also surviving are her two children, Shelby (Ken) Kojaian of Birmingham, MI and Scott Stilson of Shelby Twp.; her sister, Carol Yampolsky; her half-brother, Joseph P. Jacobs; her step-sister, Sharon Cisco; and two beloved grandchildren, Lauren Waldie (fiancé Scott Boyton) and Lindsey Waldie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Esther Jacobs.

A funeral mass will be held at 11am on Tuesday, June 29 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Charlevoix. Visitation will take place from 5:pm to 8pm at the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Arrangements are in the care of the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guest-book at [www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com)

### Jonathan Michael Richter, 45

(MARCH 27, 1976 - JUNE 12, 2021)



Jonathan Michael Richter of Indian River died on June 12, 2021, as a result of suicide. Jon was a Gift of Life Donor and was able to help countless people through his organ and tissue donation.

He was born on March 27, 1976, in Honolulu, Hawaii, the son of Michael and Laurie (Bekkering) Richter. Due to his father's military service, he moved often as a child, but eventually landed in Boyne City, Michigan, where he graduated High School in 1994.

After graduation, Jon joined the United States Army and proudly served his country for a few years. He returned to Northern Michigan where he met and married the love of his life, Lisa Grams, on November 6, 2004.

Jon worked in the plumbing and heating business, at Ginop for over 10 years, and most recently for Sheren, Plumbing, Heating and Cooling. Although Jon was a hard worker, he was equally good at partying and letting loose. In the summertime, if he wasn't at work, Jon was on his boat. He loved going on the lake, sharing a drink with friends, and having a good time. This lifestyle created quite a few memorable nicknames such as "Petoskey

Girl", "Wing Nut", "Wheel-chair Jon", "Jet-Ski Jon", "Crouton Jon" and "Jon Deere". He always had a smile on his face and was the life of the party. He will be sorely missed.

Jon is survived by his wife, Lisa Richter; his children, Alyson Richter, Samantha (Justin) Dodge, Olivia Massey, Richelle Massey, and Brandon Massey; nine grandchildren, Dixie, Ollie, Owen, Aurora, Sage, Dakota, Ivory, Annelise, Elaina, and one more on the way; his mother, Laurie Richter; his brother, Joseph Richter; his dogs, Sally Sue and Brewster; and by countless friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Michael Richter; and his very close friends, Jordan Hirdes and Damon Hendrickson.

There will be a gathering of family and friends to celebrate Jon's life at Pinehurst Bar and Grill (6214 Lake St, Indian River, MI 49749) on Saturday July 10th, 2021, starting at 4pm.

Friends wishing to make a donation in Jon's memory are asked to please consider Breanna's Ride (PO Box 66, Alan-son, MI 49706) to help raise awareness and funds for suicide prevention.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is always available at 800-273-8255 and the text line is 741741.

### Terry Michael Kupovits, 73

(FEB. 21, 1947 - JULY 27, 2020)



Terry Michael Kupovits died on Monday July 27, 2020, at his home in Ellsworth, surrounded by his family.

He was born on February 21, 1947, in Wyandotte, Michigan, the son of Joseph and Julia (Raupp) Kupovits. He was one of seven children. He often described his childhood as incredibly special. He was raised in a hard-working middle-class home.

Terry graduated from St. Frances Cabrini High School in Allen Park, received his BS from Northern Michigan University in Marquette and received his master's degree at University of Southern California. While attending Northern Michigan University he was lucky enough to meet the love of his life, Carol Gillespie. He would tell the story of how they met based on a bet, and every time his eyes would light up and the smile would grow. They were truly meant to be, those who have met them describe their relationship as exceptional and one to idolize. They married on June 8, 1973, at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church in Allen Park, Michigan.

Terry started his long military service in 1966 in Vietnam with the United States Army. He held the rank of Chief Warrant Officer as a Dust-Off pilot (Medevac). During his tour he survived being shot down three times and managed to fly over 800 rescue missions and flew out over 3,000 casualties. Associated awards in his tours included,

Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with Valor and Oak Leaf Clusters, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and several others. He was a true hero.

Due to his devotion to his country after he graduated college Terry later joined the United States Navy and continued his love of flying for the following 25 years. He was able to fly most of his career, here are just a few of his many duty stations across the country; he was at VR-24 which was responsible for Vertical Onboard Delivery to the fleet as well as, Helicopter Combat Support Squadron (HC-4) where they supported troops in Beirut, Lebanon. Terry was an acceptance test pilot for the Marine Corp CH53E Super Stallion at Sikorsky Aircraft, where he was the Commanding Officer, his most rewarding duty station. His last two tours were in Washington D.C. where he served as the Deputy Program Manager for the SH60B Seahawk and the integration of the Hellfire missile system on that aircraft. His last tour in D.C. was as Director of the Naval Air Systems Command Liaison Office. Due to his work ethic and passion for flying he was able to retire as a Navy Captain.

Terry and Carol moved to Ellsworth 18 years ago. He was a very active member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. His favorite thing was being around family and friends and found true joy in the little things. A cup of coffee on the water in the morning was one of his many pleasures. Terry was incredibly involved with his children and never missed a sports game, event, or family gathering down to the nightly family dinner. He would often gather his entire extended family together for large "fish fries." Terry was known as a generous man who found time to help anyone in need. He enjoyed volunteering in his community, he really felt service was the best way to show appreciation. He never missed an opportunity to see his children and spend time with his wife. He enjoyed tinkering with cars, touring on his motorcycle, fishing, boating, hunting, skiing, golfing, and travel. If you knew Terry, you loved him.

He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Carol Kupovits of Ellsworth; three children, Robert Kupovits of Ellsworth, Beth (Jerry) Page of Nolensville, Tennessee and Sarah (Ryan) Kupovits of Jacksonville, Florida; two grandchildren, Emma Page and Beau Page; three brothers, Robert Kupovits of Allen Park, twin, Kerry "Tom" (Michele) Kupovits of Ellsworth and Charles "Chuck" (Ruth) Kupovits of Allen Park; two sisters, Pamela (Steve) Lemke of Beavercreek, Ohio and Candice Faulkner of Marquette; one sister-in-law, Denise (Jim) Gonzales of Brownstone; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins. Terry was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Julia Kupovits; brother, Joe Kupovits; and sister-in-law, Karen Kupovits.

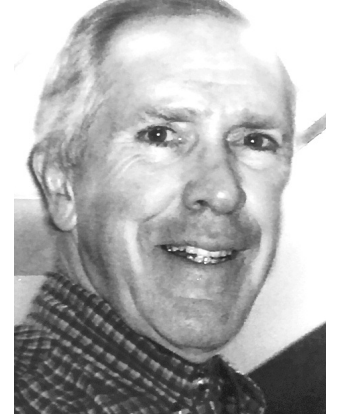
A memorial mass will be held on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at 1:00 P.M. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, East Jordan with military honors following.

Memorial contributions

may be directed to American Cancer Society and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan.

### William Stanley Dunson, 79

(NOV. 6, 1941 - JUNE 12, 2021)



William Stanley Dunson of East Jordan passed away on Saturday, June 12, 2021, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility, East Jordan.

He was born on November 6, 1941, in Charlevoix, the son of William Donald and Neva Vivian (Hitchcock) Dunson.

He grew up in East Jordan and graduated from East Jordan High School. He worked at the East Jordan Iron Works, now known as EJ, USA. Bill served in the United States Army working on tanks in Germany. He worked as a Rural Route Carrier for the United States Postal Service for 27 years in East Jordan. He retired from the postal service in 2004.

He loved delivering mail and talking with his patrons. Bill enjoyed life, hunting, walking in the woods, cutting wood, sports, watching Kyle play ball when he was young.

Bill was always very helpful. He loved spending time with his mother and having lunch with her. Of course, he was always ready to eat! Bill loved all of his family.

He was a member of the American Legion Rebec-Hosler Sweet Post #227 in East Jordan and the East Jordan Lions Club. He also had served the East Jordan community as a member of the Planning Commission until a few years ago.

On May 25th, 1996, Bill married Joyce Gee in Overisel, Michigan.

He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Joyce Dunson and their son, Kyle (Rachel) Dunson; daughter, Anne (Tim) Adams; sons, Billy (Teresa) Dunson and Chris (Holly) Dunson; his mother, Neva V. Dunson; four sisters, Susie Underwood, Carol Dunson, Nancy (Ron) Schroeder and Brenda Balogh; three brothers, Louis (Diane) Dunson, John Dunson and Wayne (Laura) Dunson; several grandchildren and three great grandchildren; an aunt, Georgia (Jerry) McKenney; as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1981; his sister, Jane DeNise in 2019; and infant son, Joel Dunson in 1975.

Funeral services were held on Monday, June 21, 2021 at the Penzien Funeral Home, East Jordan. Rev. Craig Pahl of the East Jordan United Methodist Church officiated with interment following at Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.

In honor of Bill Dunson, memorial contributions may be directed to Sun Rays of Strays, 1715 S. Peninsula Road, East Jordan, MI 49727.

## A Celebration of Life/ Open House

will be held for Peg (Lou Ann Erickson) Crozier at her home on Fall Park Rd in Boyne City. It will be this **Saturday, June 26th**, from 1 to 5pm. Peg passed away January 16, 2021 at home, surrounded by her family.



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# East Jordan school staff retiring this summer

BY DAVE BARAGREY

East Jordan Public Schools announced Kim Brown (administration), Kim Peters (teacher), Wendy Crick (teacher), Cindy Bennett (bus driver) and Bonnie Grover (Assistant) will be retiring from East Jordan Public Schools this summer.

**WENDY CRICK** has been a middle school English teacher for 32 years. She began her career at Johan-

nesburg-Lewiston Schools, teaching 6-8 grade English. After a few years, moved to East Jordan Public Schools, where she has taught English to middle school students for an additional 29 years. Wendy had a passion for reading and enhanced students' reading abilities using Evidence Based Literacy Instruction (EBLI).

**CINDY BENNETT** started subbing as a bus driver in December of 1995 and was hired full time June

1996 when her Dad retired. After her first full year of driving she went on the extra trip list doing field trips and sporting events. Cindy said, "I loved doing those and watching the kids learn and grow thru the years. I will miss the students and my bus garage family. With all the ups and downs I've lived through I could always count on them to lift me up and I hope I've left that feeling behind with them all through the years."

**KIM PETERS** graduated 1986 with her special education teaching degree from Michigan State University. Taught 13 years at Boyne City Middle School. She also taught for Wycliffe Bible Translators at an International school in Papua New Guinea, and Ethiopia. The last 17 years were spent at East Jordan High School which she enjoyed the most. Kim said, "During retirement I mainly look forward to spending time with my seven

grandchildren and traveling."

**BONNIE GROVER** started with the East Jordan School district in 2007 working for Kids Club. She has also worked in Camp EJ for many summers, EJ Pre-School Program, Elementary Teacher Assistant and Cafeteria

**KIM BROWN** began her career at EJPS in 1996. Over the past 25 years she has worked with 4 Superintend-

ents, 11 building principals and many great staff members. She will retire in August. Dave Baragrey commented, "The staff at the East Jordan Public Schools are always helpful and cooperative with anything we need for the newspaper. The culture they have established is incredible. Kim has been the "go to" person at the EJ schools. If we have needed anything we know that all we have to do in contact Kim."

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BONNIE GROVER



CINDY BENNETT



KIM BROWN



KIM PETERS



WENDY CRICK



Three great evenings of music in Memorial Park at 6:30 PM

## FESTIVAL FROM PG. 1

away at [www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org](http://www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org). All proceeds from the button sales help support festival expenses.

A 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament starts the Saturday schedule of events at 8:00 AM on the Community Basketball Court (located behind Murphy Field). The Native Amusements Carnival will run from noon to 11:00 PM. The Freedom Festival Grand Parade hits the streets at 3:00 PM to the "Family, Friends and Freedom" theme. Parade Co-Grand Marshalls are East Jordan natives and brothers Russ and Jay Peck. Following the parade, "Country Thunder" will entertain festival goers from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM in the Memorial Park Bandshell. A Lip Sync Contest follows the band at 6:30 PM on the stage. The Festival 500 Ticket Drawing will be conducted at 8:00 PM in the bandshell. One lucky winner will receive a \$500.00 cash prize and another ten winners will each receive \$50.00. Only 800 tickets are available for \$5.00 each. Get yours at the Chamber of Commerce Office or at the Freedom Festival Information Booth in Memorial Park on Friday evening at the

Block Party or Saturday after the parade. (Unless tickets are sold out). Yankee Station will be the final band to take the stage at 8:30 PM and will play until dusk. The Fabulous Freedom Festival Fireworks display will light up the skies from a barge located in the South Arm of Lake Charlevoix and are being synchronized to music on 88.9 FM. Best spot for viewing the fireworks is in Memorial Park and City Harbor area. In case of rain, the fireworks will be shot off on Sunday, June 27th.

A Freedom Lover's Breakfast sponsored by and at the East Jordan Sno-Mobiler's Club on Mt. Bliss Road will be served up from 7:00 AM to noon on Sunday.

The East Jordan Freedom Festival is a non-profit organization and relies on volunteers to organize, produce and sponsor all of the events and activities for the five day festival. To make a donation to the organization, please drop off at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce located at 100 Main Street or mail to P.O. Box 435, East Jordan, MI 49727.

For more information on this year's Freedom Festival contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351.

## EAST JORDAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

### JUNE 23 - WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM - Youth Parade registration and line-up. G.A.R. Park

5:30 PM - Youth Parade - Theme "Fun through the Decades" Leaving G.A.R. Park, south on Main St., right on Hammond St. to Spring St. - Sponsored by Monarch Family Chiropractic & Louis Drapeau Concrete.

5:50 PM - Youth Parade Awards - Memorial Park bandshell

6-6:45 PM - Gordon Russ and his Big Comedy Magic. Show Sponsored by: Burnette Foods, Inc., South Arm Caf@ & Okkonen Construction

6:45 PM - Gordon Russ Meet & Greet

7:15 PM - Special Button Drawing By Hildee's Auto

7:30 PM - Special Kid's Drawings By Clean Cleaning Service

9 PM - Special Button Drawing By Ernst Construction LTD

9:30 PM - Outdoor Movie "The Croods: A New Age," Adult Softball field - rain date Thur. June 24 - Sponsored by: Charlevoix State Bank, Barbara Worgress SFS Tax, & Bill, Shannon, Marcy & Janice

### JUNE 24 - THURSDAY

10 AM-2 PM - Farmers Market Sportsman's Park

5-10 PM - Carnival Native Amusements (Main & Esterly Street)

6:30-9:30 PM - Live Entertainment Local Rock Band "Tom Zipp & The Bullpen," (Memorial Park) - Sponsored by Save-A-Lot

8 PM - Special Button Drawing by TG Plumbing & Heating

### JUNE 25 - FRIDAY

Noon-11 PM - Carnival (Main & Esterly Streets)

6-9:30 PM Friday Night Block Party "Family, Friends & Freedom," (Memorial Park, Spring Street & Harbor Parking Lot) Sponsored by Mobile Marine, Inc.

Food/Game booths by local non-profits ~ Button Drawings - The Michigan Stilt Walker - Sponsored by Hall Dental

6:30-9:30 PM - Live Entertainment on the bandshell featuring "Full Circle," - Sponsored by East Jordan Plastics Inc.

7 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM - Button Drawings

### JUNE 26 - SATURDAY

8 AM - 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament Check-in Community Basketball Court (behind Murphy Field) - Must pre-register, registration available on Freedom Festival website or Chamber Office

8:30 AM - 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament play begins Community Basketball Court (behind Murphy Field) - Sponsored by Marty's Dairy Grille and Buffman & Sons Excavating LLC

Noon-2:30 PM - Grand Parade Line-up check in by South Arm ORV Club at the East Jordan Family Health Center, 601 Bridge Street

Noon-10 PM - Food Vendors (Memorial Park) outdoor seating

Noon-11 PM - Carnival (Main & Esterly Street)

3 PM - Grand Parade Sponsored by East

Jordan True Value.

Grand Marshall: Jay Peck & Russ Peck. Route: West side of the bridge to Main, Main to Division end at Watson Field

4-5:30 PM - Live Entertainment "Country Thunder,"

6:30 PM - Lip Sync Contest (Memorial Park Bandshell) Sponsored by EXP Realty & Inner Structure Interior Design. Must register by Friday, June 25 with song approval. Forms available at Chamber Office or on Freedom Festival website. Check in at 5 PM

8 PM - Dusk (& after Fireworks) - Live Music on the porch at The Jordan Inn - "The Clatter," Classic rock band from Detroit

8 PM - Festival 500 Drawing (Memorial Park) One \$500 prize/ ten \$50 prizes, Ticket Sponsor BA Accounting LLC

8:30 PM - Dusk Live Entertainment "Yankee Station Band," (Memorial Park) Sponsored by Olstrom Excavating & Paving and Bingham Well Drilling

Dusk - Fabulous Fireworks by Great Lakes Fireworks - Shot from a barge in Lake Charlevoix, Synchronized to music - 88.9 FM

Best viewing - Memorial Park, City Harbor area \*Rain Date Sunday.

The bridge will be closed for a short time following the fireworks for safety - per East Jordan Police Department

### JUNE 27 - SUNDAY

7 AM-Noon - Freedom Lovers Breakfast Sponsored by East Jordan Sno-Mobilers Inc.



3 on 3 Basketball Tournament starts the Saturday schedule of events at 8AM on the Community Basketball Court (located behind Murphy Field).



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## BOYNE CITY

### PAVILION SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The Boyne Area Chamber produces this free summer concert series on Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:30 p.m. The 2021 summer series will take place in the Pavilion at Veterans Park.

6/23 - Wyatt & Shari Knapp  
6/30 - On Tap  
7/7 - Great Lakes Orchestra

7/14 - TBD  
7/21 - Full Circle  
7/28 - Billy McAllister  
8/4 - Nelson Olstrom  
8/11 - The Real Ingredients  
8/18 - Matt Gabriel  
8/25 - Full Moon Jam Band

## BOYNE CITY

### TRANSIT RIDES TO CONCERTS

Charlevoix County Transit will be providing service to the Music at the Pavilion on Wednesday evenings for Boyne City area residents. Please reserve a ride no later than 5pm on Tuesday's; same day requests will be honored if seating is available. To reserve a ride, please call 231.582.6900; normal fares apply to this event

## CHARLEVOIX

### PLEIN AIR PAINTING

Thursday, June 24th, 9:30AM. Stonehedge Gardens located on M-66 halfway between Charlevoix and East Jordan. Gardens, Sculptures, Art & Flowers. Artists, Painters, Anyone. All are welcome!

## CHARLEVOIX

### BRIDGE BLOCK BASH

Organized by Color Wear: the businesses located north of the light and south of the bridge have a treat for you! On Thursday June 24th they are banding together to bring activity out onto the sidewalks to celebrate the start of summer. Then, be sure to join them at 7pm in Bridge Park for a fashion show highlighting the different offerings available in this section of town.

## BOYNE CITY

### LAWN AT LYNDA'S 2021 SCHEDULE

6/25/2021 Monte Loper  
7/2/2021 Full Circle  
7/9/2021 The Never Never Band Boyne Thunder  
7/16/2021 The Loper's  
7/23/2021 Full Moon Jam Band  
7/30/2021 Lou Thumser  
8/6/2021 The Never Never Band  
8/13/2021 The Loper's  
8/20/2021 The Two Beats  
8/27/2021 Jeff Meads  
9/3/2021 Full Circle

## EAST JORDAN

### EAST JORDAN MUSIC IN THE PARK

All Shows 7pm - 9pm at Memorial Park  
July 2nd - Jeff Tucker Band - Soul/Rock  
July 9th - Jelly Roll Blues Band - Blues  
July 16th - Galactic Sherpas - Funk/Jam Band  
July 23rd - Chirp Progressive Rock/Jazz  
July 30th - Sean Miller/The Real Ingredients - Americana/Folk-Rock  
August 6th - Marsupials - Blues Rock

## EAST JORDAN

### FREEDOM FESTIVAL

June 23 - 27 - East Jordan Freedom Festival

## CHARLEVOIX

### SUMMER ART SHOW

The Charlevoix Summer Art Show features a mix of art and crafts displayed on the shores of scenic Round Lake in downtown Charlevoix. Participating artists are carefully selected to ensure a well-rounded show with many fun and unique items on display. Join us as we welcome the arrival of summer in northern Michigan at the Charlevoix Summer Art Show, where works of art and scenic views are just a step away. June 26 & 27. Saturday: 10am to 5pm, Sunday: 10am to 3pm

## CHARLEVOIX

### BLOOD DRIVE

Blood Drive at the Charlevoix Elks June 28, 11:00-6:30pm

## BOYNE CITY

### 4TH OF JULY COMMITTEE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS, DONATIONS, AND SPONSORS.

Planning for the in-person 2021 Boyne City 4th of July Festival is well underway! The Festival intends to have the following events, with more to be announced:

The Boyne City 4th of July Festival + Fireworks is an independent 501(c)3 non-profit run by volunteers and funded solely by donations. Each year they have to raise approximately \$45,000 for the fireworks alone. They now have an online donation link, plus many other fun ways to donate and/or sponsor the Festival + Fireworks! For more information, please visit [www.boyne4thofjuly.com](http://www.boyne4thofjuly.com), follow them on Facebook, or email [jessicaboynene@gmail.com](mailto:jessicaboynene@gmail.com)

## CHARLEVOIX

### MEN'S SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL

We are now organizing the Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League. Go to [charlevoix.recdesk.com](http://charlevoix.recdesk.com) to register your team. Call 231-547-7183 or 547-3253 for more information.

## EAST JORDAN

### WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Artist Luke Buck returns for his 12th Watercolor workshop at Raven Hill Discovery Center. The workshop is scheduled for Thursday, June 24th and Friday, June 25th from 10am to 3pm both days. The focus this year is on "Old Barns" in conjunction with the Center's coming Smithsonian exhibit on the History of Work in August & September of this year. Luke's workshop will emphasize the construction of

barns and participants will examine the interesting variations and styles of barns found throughout the country and the beauty that they portray.

## CHARLEVOIX

### GARAGE SALE

Charlevoix Estates Community-Wide Garage Sale. June 26-27, 9-3pm

## CHARLEVOIX

### BOOK SALE

Books, books and more books. Great bargains on thousands of books: mass market, children's, even rare and collectible books and gently used CDs and DVDs all on sale at the Friends of the Charlevoix Public Library's annual book sale. June 25, 26, 27 10pm - 5pm. The sale location is outside on the front sidewalk of the Library, continues in the Community Room and in the 2nd floor on-going sale room in order to accommodate the large selection. The Friend's most significant fund raiser of the year, the annual book sale proceeds are used to fund new books, materials and programs for the Library's children's department.

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### SENIOR CENTERS RE-OPEN

Charlevoix County Commission on Aging plans to re-open all of the Senior Centers fully on July 1, 2021 with some temporary changes in how meals will be presented to seniors dining in for the summer until we can get all of our kitchens staffed and running fully.

We are choosing July 1 as the MDHHS guidelines will have changed to no mask for anyone, no social distancing, no capacity limits.

July 1, 2021 we will no longer be providing Delivered Disaster Meals and our Curbside Meals will be transitioned back to Take-Out meals for those not wanting to eat at the Senior Centers.

July 1, 2021 Meals & Activities for the Charlevoix Senior Center will take place at the Northside Building at 13513 Division Street, Charlevoix.

## ELLSWORTH

### FIREWORKS

The Elclair Fireworks will take place this year on July 3rd.

## BOYNE CITY

### DUCK RACE

July 4th the annual July 4th Duck Race. Buy a duck ticket for a chance to win cash prizes. Watch as 1200 ducks race down the river to the finish line.

## BOYNE CITY

### LIMITED EDITION POSTER

Rose Newton and Duncan Studios are excited to present

their newest fundraising collaboration with Boyne City 4th of July Festival & Fireworks. This limited edition commemorative poster, titled "The Grand Finale," will be available for \$20 with proceeds going to the Boyne City Fireworks. Posters are available at Duncan Studios, Berkshire Hathaway's Boyne City office, or Boyne City Hardware. They are also available to order online at [www.boyne4thofjuly.com/donate.html](http://www.boyne4thofjuly.com/donate.html)

## BOYNE CITY

### REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 45TH ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE DAY RUN

Registration is open for the 45th Annual Independence Day Run. This year's race features a two-mile fun run at 7:30am, and not the traditional accompanying 10K. 2021's race is limited to the first 500 participants and no mail in registrations will be accepted, only online registrations. To register <https://boyncity.enmotive.com/events/register/2021-boyne-city-independence-day-race>.

## BOYNE CITY

### STROLL THE STREETS

Friday evenings from mid-June through Labor Day. Our downtown comes alive as families and friends "stroll the streets" listening to music, enjoying entertainment, children's activities and so much more.

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### COVID-19 VACCINES AVAILABLE TO HOMEBOUND RESIDENTS

The Health Department and EMS services in Charlevoix County have begun offering Covid-19 vaccinations to the homebound population in Charlevoix County. This service is intended only for individuals unable to travel to an established vaccine location—the Office of Emergency Management schedules appointments for home visits. The Johnson & Johnson single-dose vaccination shots will be given during these visits. Please note that EMS paramedics will not show up at your residence in an ambulance but another fully equipped vehicle. Paramedics will be prepared to provide medical service immediately in the rare event of an adverse reaction to the shot. They would dispatch an ambulance only if one is needed for transporting a patient to the hospital. Persons who are homebound or otherwise unable to travel but want a vaccine are encouraged to contact Emergency Management at 231-541-4461 (Sheriff's Dept Office Line) to schedule an appointment

## CHARLEVOIX

Hospice of Northwest Michigan invites you to join our Monthly adult grief, loss & bereavement support group, which takes place the 2nd Sunday of each month from 4-5pm at the First Baptist Church, 6781 M66 North. This program is open to anyone in our community looking for assistance in their grief process and is facilitated by Rev. David Behling. There is no charge to attend. Please feel free to call Hospice at 231-547-7659 to register or for more information.

## 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

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

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

## CHARLEVOIX

### FARMERS MARKET

The Charlevoix Farmers Market is back for the season. The Farmers Market is open every Thursday from 8am - 1pm in East Park. With over 30 vendors participating, there is sure to be something for everyone in your family.

## ELLSWORTH

### FARM MARKET

The farm market will open on Saturday morning at the Ellsworth Community Square and will run each Saturday morning through October 8th.

## BOYNE CITY

### BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Toddler Tales & Tunes every Monday at 10am and Preschool Storytime every Tuesday at 10am. Check website for any date changes. No registration is required.
- Yoga with Reb Andrews 9am every Monday, 8 week sessions/\$5 per week
- Tai Chi every Wednesday, 9am beginners class, 10am advanced class, cost is \$5 per session
- The Boyne District Library Book Club meets at 7pm. Information at [www.boynelibrary.org](http://www.boynelibrary.org).

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CITY OF EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION MEETING, JUNE 15, 2021

# New ordinances introduced at city meeting

BY: DOM SANTINA

EAST JORDAN - The Commission would have their first big topic of the evening be, a letter sent to the City by resident Daniel Hopkins, who purchased a home on South Lake Street. While purchasing the home, he was told that the land next to him was

owned by the City and could be purchased for \$2250. While the property could be negotiated by about 56 percent. The property that is located on the corner of South Lake Street and Huron Street has been deemed unsuitable for any development. Hopkins proposed an offer of \$1,000 for the property with plans of

using the property are residential in nature and should not go against the zoning ordinance. A Public Hearing on the issue will be set for Tuesday, July 6 at 6:45.

The Commission would then introduce one of two different ordinances to amend things. The first one had to do with District Regulations and

Light Industrial District. The second ordinance was to add a new chapter to Chapter 46 zoning. This ordinance focused on Landscaping and buffer distances as well.

City Manager Tom Cannon announced during the meeting that on June 21 there will be a ribbon cutting for the completion of Joining the

Jordan. Senator Wayne Schmidt will be on hand, along with representatives from MEDC and the entire team responsible for the project.

Music in the Park kicked off on June 11 and will continue every Friday through August 6 from 7-9 o'clock. The Freedom Festival will

run from June 23-June 27 and the South Arm Classic Car and Boat Show will be held on July 10.

The Commission would end their meeting by appointing Jason O'Neil to the DDA Board. The next City Commission meeting will be held on June 29 at 7 o'clock.

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 21,

# Kukuk's honored for dedication to arts

BY: DOM SANTINA

The meeting would start with Mayor Luther Kurtz presenting a proclamation to Sara Russell Kukuk and Jack Kukuk with gratitude for their dedication to advancing the arts in our community through Voices without Borders.

The Charlevoix City Council would start their meeting with three different public hearings. The first one about Stoneycroft Farms LLC Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate Transfer. The second one was on Alcoholic Beverages in Public Parks and the final one on Public Hearing Charlevoix Trail Extension.

The Council would approve the placement of Indigenous History interpretive signs on the north side of the channel by the Charlevoix Historical Society. This will be in addition to the existing historical signs that were installed in 2019. The signs have been reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission. It will be a v-shaped sign, similar to the one above the band shell and following the same design as the other historical signs. There will be a sign-off from a variety of tribal representatives. The placement will be just west of the Stafford's Weathervane property and is slated for August.

The Council would then evaluate proposals for street-

lights on West Dixon Street. The City received four bids for the project including a bid from Power Line Supply in Reed City, Michigan in the amount of \$13,632.15.

The Council would then look at approving the Power System Engineerings' AMI Procurement and Technology Work Plan in the amount of \$23,500 for Phase 1 and \$31,000 for Phase II and \$2,500 for Travel for a total of \$57,000. This year's budget includes funds for the implementation of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure program. The overall goals in the plan are to guide the City through the AMI needs assessment and implementation. The plan will include the development of longer-

term strategic goals. The project initiation will include developing specific AMI needs, specifications, bidding documents, draft contract language along with much else. This part of the project should be completed by March of 2022.

The second part of the project would be to provide guidance on long term technology planning and budgeting. This considers including business drivers, technology adoption, identification of potential gaps in technology and prioritize recommendations and establish a timeline and budget.

The next City Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 6 at 6 o'clock.

# Mask or no mask? State updates face mask use recommendations

Mask or no mask? State updates face mask use recommendations

It can be confusing to understand when or where to wear a mask, and the state has come up with new recommendations for face mask use to prevent COVID-19 transmission.

There is no longer a statewide requirement to wear a face mask in most settings, but the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) released its recommendations for face mask use effective June 22.

"Everyone should gauge their environment and take steps to mitigate their risks and all of us should be accepting of someone's preference to wear a mask and understand that there continue to be certain situations where masks are still recommended or required," said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. Further, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention requires that all persons - regardless of vaccination status - wear masks on planes, buses, trains and other forms of public transportation, she noted.

"Even without broad rules requiring these precautions, it is important to remember that we can all take steps to protect those who cannot get vaccinated by following public health recommendations, including youth under the age of 12 who are not yet eligible for the vaccine and those who aren't able to achieve a robust immune re-

sponse, such as the elderly or those with compromised immune systems," Peacock added.

In addition, individual businesses may ask individuals to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status.

For a full explanation of the MDHHS recommendations for face mask use in outdoor settings, click here. According to MDHHS, individuals who are not yet fully vaccinated should wear a mask when:

- In crowded outdoor settings and events.
- Participating in outdoor contact sports.
- In residential care facilities, including nursing homes, adult foster care and homes for the aged.
- In outdoor congregate settings.

All individuals - regardless of vaccination status - should wear a face mask when:

- In outdoor congregate setting where a COVID-19 outbreak is underway (with a new case in the past 14 days).

For a full explanation of the MDHHS recommendations for face mask use in indoor settings, click here. According to MDHHS, all individuals - regardless of vaccination status - should wear a mask when in:

- Classrooms.
- Participating in indoor contact sports.
- Residential care facilities, including nursing homes, adult foster care and homes for the aged.

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# Governor Whitmer signs directive to expand high-speed internet access

LANSING, Mich. — Governor Gretchen Whitmer recently issued Executive Directive 2021-02 to help bridge the digital divide by establishing the Michigan High-Speed Internet Office (MIHO) to make high-speed internet more affordable and accessible. With high-speed internet becoming a necessity in our educational, professional, and personal lives, the new office will be dedicated to coordinating and advancing the State's efforts to ensure that every home and business in our state has access to an affordable, reliable high-speed connection that meets their needs and the skills to use it effectively. Governor Whitmer announced the new office at the Dick & Sandy Dauch Club, part of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan.

"COVID-19 has only confirmed how the lack of high-speed internet access can cause too many Michiganders to struggle in their ability to engage in online learning, to use telemedicine to seek needed healthcare, to search for a new job or to take advantage of all the online resources," said Governor Whitmer. "A fully connected Michigan is essential for our state to reach its economic potential in the 21st century global economy."

Over \$2.5 billion in potential economic benefit is left unrealized each year due to the digital divide. The divide

includes both the hundreds of thousands of households that have not yet been reached by high-speed internet infrastructure, as well as the estimated 865,000 households that are disconnected due to the cost of subscribing to service or purchasing an appropriate device, a lack of digital skills, or other related barriers.

"Internet access is the most critical, enabling infrastructure that we can invest in. Whether you're a student, an entrepreneur, a senior citizen, a farmer, a manufacturer, a job seeker, or any other Michigander, more opportunities and resources are available to you when you and your family are connected," said Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist II. "There is bipartisan consensus that we need to close gaps in internet access and adoption. This is our generational opportunity to leverage the tremendous resources that are being made available at the federal level to develop the innovative partnerships that will achieve the goal of getting every home and business the high-speed connection they need."

MIHO will be housed inside the Dept. of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO). With its focus on aligning Michigan's economic and workforce development activities, LEO is well positioned to help MIHO develop the necessary infrastructure to bring service to each home

and business in our state. MIHO will be responsible for developing the State's high-speed internet strategy and coordinating its funding and implementation. Under the directive, the department will designate a Chief Connectivity Officer to serve as head of the office.

"Expanding high-speed internet access and affordability will help ensure that Michigan remains a world leader in innovation," said LEO Acting Director Susan Corbin. "We need to make major investments to support digital inclusion and this office will be focused on leveraging every dollar available through the American Recovery Plan and other federal programs."

Gaps in high-speed internet availability, affordability, adoption, and use disproportionately impact communities of color, those in rural areas, and low-income households. Evidence demonstrates that increasing opportunities to get connected have a range of benefits, including:

**Education**  
High-speed internet connections help students earn higher grades and build the digital skills they will need to succeed in higher education and the workforce. Students who miss out on digital skills are less likely to be interested in careers related to science, technology, engineering, and math. Regardless of socioeconomic status, students without a high-speed connection at home are less likely to attend college or university.

**Health Outcomes**  
Telemedicine has long been recognized as a way to increase access to care in areas where reaching a provider's office in-person can be challenging or to make it possible to consult with a specialist without having to travel to a major medical center. In addition,

there is evidence that telemedicine reduces hospitalizations of nursing home patients and reduces health care costs.

**Small Businesses**  
Small businesses that have websites have higher annual revenues and are more likely to have recently hired one or more employees than similar businesses that aren't online. Those that use social media weekly are three times more likely to have hired recently than those that don't.

**Seniors**  
Increased access to the internet can help address issues of isolation among older adults. Studies have shown that isolation is associated with worse health outcomes and even premature death among adults age 50 and over.

**Civic Engagement**  
Broadband is essential for the modern electorate to have access to educational materials about candidates and issues on ballots, as well as information on voter registration and precinct locations.

**Climate Change**  
Advanced grid technologies such as sensors, advanced metering infrastructure, grid monitoring and control systems, and remote reconfiguration and redundancy systems will be used to detect and solve problems remotely.

**Rural Development**  
Gaining high-speed internet connections can help support economic development in virtually all sectors of rural economies, ranging from farming to manufacturing to tourism and recreation. Rural communities that lack connectivity struggle to recruit businesses and retain population.

"Affordable and reliable high-speed Internet access can provide new opportunities for Michiganders 50 and over to use telehealth and other technologies that im-

prove the quality of life and enable more people to age in place, where they prefer to be," said Paula D. Cunningham, AARP Michigan State Director. "Broadband can support devices that make home health care a viable option for people with limited mobility or who live in rural areas far from health care facilities. Finally, increased access to the Internet, smart phones and computers can help address issues of isolation among older adults."

"As a nonprofit organization, Connected Nation Michigan has been working with the State since 2009 to help close the digital divide. I am excited for today's announcement, as so many previous efforts have recommended a state high-speed internet office and it has finally come to fruition," said Eric Fredrick, Vice President for Community Affairs for Connected Nation Michigan. "Having this single point of contact will help to create a more digitally equitable state and ensure every Michigander has what they need to succeed in a digital economy."

"Bridging the digital divide is a critical need for our state's rural communities, Main Street businesses and agriculture sector, and we appreciate Governor Whitmer's commitment to ensure state government is unified in its approach to tackling this challenge," said Chuck Lippstreu, president of the Michigan Agri-Business Association. "We look forward to working with the new Office of High-Speed Internet to share agriculture's unique perspective and do our part to connect Michigan."

The Michigan High-Speed Internet Office is just the latest effort from the Whitmer Administration to expand high-speed internet access

and affordability. In October 2020, Governor Whitmer and Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist announced the formation of the Connecting Michigan Taskforce, an inter-agency working group that has helped align the efforts related to high-speed internet access across state agencies and departments.

That same month, Governor Whitmer also signed into law the Broadband Expansion Act of Michigan, which codified the Connecting Michigan Communities (CMIC) grant program that, to date, has announced \$12.7 million in grant awards that will help connect more than 12,200 homes and businesses. Additional grant awards will be announced later this month. Earlier this year, the Michigan Infrastructure Council also launched the "Dig Once" Project Portal that is designed for infrastructure asset owners to document infrastructure and utility work, which will help improve coordination and was called for both in the 21st Century Infrastructure Commission Report published in 2016 and the Michigan Broadband Roadmap published in 2018.

During the Whitmer Administration, Michigan-based companies have secured significant federal grant funding, including \$363 million through the Federal Communications Commission's Rural Digital Opportunity Fund, \$4.8 million through the FCC's COVID-19 Telehealth Program, and \$32.6 million through the United States Department of Agriculture's ReConnect Program. \$25 million in funding provided by the CARES Act was used to support device purchasing and distance learning, and another \$29.75 million to establish an educational equity fund.



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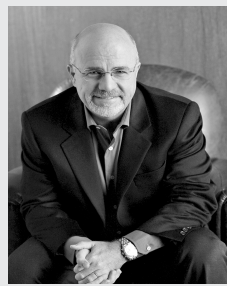
# DAVE Says

(A calling or a job?)

Dear Dave,  
When it comes to your career and profession, how can you tell if you've truly found your calling in life?  
Tony

Dear Tony,  
I don't think it's common for most folks to feel like they've experienced some kind of grand revelation, and suddenly they know what they're supposed to do with their lives. Personally, I believe this kind of thing usually starts out as an activity or idea connected to something they enjoy and want others to experience. Often, that can grow into a career—or even a business.

I think it takes a lot of time, reflection, insight, and self-evaluation before any-



Dave Ramsey

thing can be termed a calling. I know this is true in some cases, because that's how it happened with me. I can't honestly tell you that when I first started on radio, or began formally teaching and writing I knew it was God's plan for my life. I knew early on I was drawn to it, and felt there was a need for it, but it took a while for me to understand and accept that it was what I was really meant to do.

I hope this helps a little bit, Tony. Just be honest with yourself, think about it, and pray about it a lot, too. God wants what's best for you, so make sure you include Him in everything. It worked for me. I've been doing what I do for nearly three decades now, and I still love it. I'm convinced that it is God's calling on my life.

—Dave

(Smallest to largest)

Dear Dave,  
I'm on Baby Step 2, and I'm working hard to get out of debt. My last two debts are \$6,000 on a credit card, and \$10,000 on a car loan. I'll be receiving a \$6,000 bonus at work in a couple

of weeks, and I was wondering what to do with the money. I'm single, and I make about \$45,000 a year, so should I sell the car and get rid of some debt that way, or use the extra money to completely pay off the credit card debt?  
Aaron

Dear Aaron,  
Just remember the debt snowball—pay off your smallest to largest. In your case, that means knocking out the credit card debt completely, and then attack the car loan with a vengeance. It will be a lot easier once you're rid of that credit card debt. A \$10,000 car with a \$45,000 income isn't unreasonable, but don't mess around and let that note hang around longer than absolutely necessary.

My rule of thumb when it comes to things with motors, wheels—I'm talking about big toys, here—is when they're all added together, they shouldn't equal more than half your annual income. You don't want that much money wrapped up in things that are going down in value. You're in no danger of that here, but at this point you're so close to being debt-free you can practically taste it.

Follow the plan, Aaron. And stay focused and intense about becoming debt-free. You're almost there!  
—Dave

(Keep the homeowner's insurance)

Dear Dave,

Recently, I made a claim on my homeowner's insurance for hail damage. It was my first claim ever. Since I'm retired and completely debt-free—including my home—and have over \$1 million in the bank, is homeowner's insurance still a good idea? The house is insured for \$250,000, with a \$5,000 deductible, and the insurance is about \$1,200 a year.  
Mary

Dear Mary,  
You're obviously in good financial shape, but I'd still recommend you have an up-to-date homeowner's insurance policy. If something happened to my home or one of my rental properties, I could write a check and replace any of them. But I still have homeowner's insurance on every single one.

It's just good risk management to transfer the chances of a fire, tornado, or other catastrophic events to homeowner's insurance. If something disastrous happened, you could write a check to cover the deductible with no problem. But writing a check for \$250,000? You'd feel that one. Keep the policy, Mary!  
—Dave

\* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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## Grants for Arts, Health, and Community Awarded

The Community Foundation, through its Community Priorities grant cycle, is responding to requests from nonprofit partners in the areas of art, history, culture, health, and broad community needs. Thanks to donors who look to the Community Foundation to make a difference close to home, grants have been awarded to nonprofits who will work on bringing art and music to our communities, expanding safe places for children, maintaining healthy environments for people of all ages, bringing more affordable housing options to our communities, and much more.

Organizations like the Great Lakes Center for the Arts, Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra, and Charlevoix Circle of Arts work hard

every year to bring a variety of art, music, performances, and education to our communities. These organizations will all receive funding to bring art and cultural experiences to Charlevoix County, including an upcoming orchestra concert that will compare music by the Beatles to the more traditional “The Four Seasons” by Astor Piazzolla. Additionally, the Beaver Island Historical Society will use grant funding to improve art displays during the Island’s popular Museum Week, while the Charlevoix Historical Society will work on cataloguing, digitizing, and archiving a large collection of historic documents and photos.

Healthy communities require quality care for people of all ages and abilities. The

McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation will use grant funds to help replace fetal heart monitors in their birthing center. The Bergmann Center will purchase a new handicap accessible lift van to help transport clients to and from center activities and programs. Hospice of Michigan will supply hospice patients with technology and a special app, called WEconnect, that will provide 24/7 access to a virtual team of nurses and social workers to help people through their most difficult time.

Child and Family Services of Northwestern Michigan will use their grant to recruit more foster families in Charlevoix County. When children are placed in foster care, the goal is to disrupt

their lives as little as possible. To keep children in their school and community, more foster families are needed. Similarly, the Safe Families for Children program, operated by Bethany Christian Services, also works with helping families to weather the storms of life and will be recruiting host families in Charlevoix County so that children who need temporary safe families won’t have to be displaced from what is most familiar to them.

Two organizations are working on addressing the need for housing in Charlevoix County. Housing North will use grant funds awarded to collaborate with partners and design specific accessory dwelling unit (ADU) plans. They will also assist homeowners with the

process for adding an ADU to their property. In addition to working on building a home in East Jordan this year, Northwest Michigan Habitat for Humanity will use grant funding awarded to help generally support their mission and core work to bring more affordable housing to Charlevoix County.

In total, nearly \$150,000 in grants have been awarded through the 2021 Community Priorities grant cycle. Visit [c3f.org](http://c3f.org) for a complete list of grants awarded.

The next grant cycle is called Geographic Enrichment. Applications will be available after August 1, 2021. This cycle will focus on requests from eligible nonprofit partners that serve the specific communities of Beaver Island, Boyne City,

Charlevoix, and East Jordan. In 2021, requests for general support are being accepted in all grant cycles. Applications are due by Friday, October 1, 2021. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for grants anytime at [acousens@c3f.org](mailto:acousens@c3f.org).

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

## All Michigan households eligible for food assistance will receive additional payment in June

LANSING – All Michigan families who are eligible for food assistance benefits will receive an additional payment in June in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) announced.

Close to 700,000 Michigan households will benefit under approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service

June is the second month that all Michigan households will receive the additional benefits. Previously – beginning in April 2020 – families already receiving the maximum monthly amount of assistance were not eligible for additional COVID-19 emergency benefits, while others received an increase that brought them to the maximum monthly allotment.

Now all households will receive an increase of at least \$95 monthly, even if they are already receiving the maximum payment or are close to that amount. Households that received over \$95 to bring them to the maximum payment for their group size will continue to receive that larger amount.

Eligible clients will see additional food assistance benefits on their Bridge Card from June 12-22. Additional benefits will be loaded onto Bridge Cards as a separate payment from the assistance that is provided earlier in the month.

“As we continue to return to normal, it’s important to note that there are still many people who are struggling due to the global pandemic,” said MDHHS Director Elizabeth Hertel. “MDHHS believes it is critically important to help peo-

ple feed their families.”

More than 1.2 million people in Michigan receive federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits through the state’s Food Assistance Program.

Below are the maximum allowable benefits for SNAP customers based on their respective household size:

- One Person: \$234
- Two Persons: \$430
- Three Persons: \$616
- Four Persons: \$782
- Five Persons: \$929
- Six Persons: \$1,114
- Seven Persons: \$1,232
- Eight Persons: \$1,408

The federal government is providing additional funding to states for food assistance under House Resolution 6201, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

Eligible families do not need to re-apply to receive the additional benefits. People who receive food assistance can check their benefits balance on their Michigan Bridge Card by going online to [www.michigan.gov/MIBridges](http://www.michigan.gov/MIBridges) or calling a consumer service representative toll-free at 888-678-8914. They can ask questions about the additional benefits by calling or emailing their caseworker.

Customer service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Spanish and Arabic service is available. If you are deaf, deafblind, or hard of hearing or speech-impaired, call the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1.

Information around the COVID-19 outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at [Michigan.gov/Coronavirus](http://Michigan.gov/Coronavirus) and [CDC.gov/Coronavirus](http://CDC.gov/Coronavirus)

## State of Michigan rescinds emergency orders, vaccination efforts continue

As of June 22, the State of Michigan emergency orders requiring protective measures will be lifted.

The decision to advance the state ahead of the anticipated schedule is a result of the continued decline in cases and 60.8% of Michigan residents with at least one dose. Similar trends are seen locally in the health department’s jurisdiction of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego counties with significant decreases both in positivity and cases, now at 1.7%, and less than 40 per million per day as well as 62.4% of residents 16 and older having received at least one dose of vaccine.

“Reaching this stage is exciting, but we recognize that our population is growing each day as visitors come to our region,” said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “This reminds us that vaccinations are our best protection against this virus. For those not yet vaccinated, masking and distancing continue to provide the best protection as we begin to return to nor-

mal,” she added.

The health department continues to offer vaccination clinics throughout the four-county jurisdiction, in addition to working with local businesses to offer pop-up vaccination clinics. Public health nurses are on site at these events and able to answer any questions that residents may have regarding the vaccines. Johnson & Johnson, Moderna, and Pfizer vaccines are available at all clinics, and they are open to walk-ins or people can register on-line at [www.nwhealth.org/](http://www.nwhealth.org/)

### THURSDAY, JUNE 24

9 a.m.-noon – Charlevoix Farmers Market, 307 Bridge St., Charlevoix. Walk-ins only.

11 a.m. -1 p.m. - Pellston General Store, 45 US-31, Pellston. Walk-ins only.

2:30-5:30 p.m. - Charlevoix Public Schools Bus Garage, 1021 May St., Charlevoix. Drive-through.

2:30-5:30 p.m. - Mackinaw City Municipal Building, 102

S. Huron Ave., Mackinaw City. Walk-ins only.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 25

8:30-11:30 a.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 205 Grove St., Mancelona.

1-4:20 p.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 220 W Garfield Ave., Charlevoix.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 26

3-7 p.m. - East Jordan Freedom Festival, Memorial Park, 101 Spring St., East Jordan. Walk-ins only.

Tuesday, June 29 8:15-11:30 a.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, Gaylord.

1-4:25 p.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 3434 M-119, Harbor Springs.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

1-4:25 p.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 209 Portage Dr., Bellaire.

The calendar on the website [www.nwhealth.org](http://www.nwhealth.org) lists

clinics currently scheduled through July 15.

### COVID-19 Case Counts

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting the following case information: 0 new cases, 0 new deaths, 0 new recovered.

As of 4 PM Monday, the cumulative case count information for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is:

Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (1,634), Charlevoix (1,681), Emmet (2,384), and Otsego (2,354)

Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (1,581), Charlevoix (1,606), Emmet (2,259) and Otsego (2,204)

Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim (29), Charlevoix (22), Emmet (42) and Otsego (41).

The State of Michigan is reporting 893,419 cases and 19,376 deaths.

## Change of Leadership for Grandvue

Director of Nursing Joe Taylor has been selected by the Charlevoix County Department of Health and Human Services Board to serve in the role of facility Administrator. Joe assumed his duties on June 1, following the retirement of Administrator Carol Timmer.

A Registered Nurse, Timmer held a variety of health care positions in her career. She served in a variety of roles at Grandvue including neighborhood nurse, MDS Coordinator and Director of Nursing. She became Grandvue’s Administrator in 2011. Changes that occurred at the facility during Timmer’s tenure as administrator include starting the Namaste program for late-stage dementia, fundraising for and building of the Grandvue Terrace and Recreation Park and multiple physical plant and capital improvements.

“Carol will be deeply missed in our field and in the council,” said Michigan County Medical Care Facilities Council Executive Director Renee Beniak. “Her experience and knowledge were huge assets to Grandvue and to long-term care in Michigan.”

Timmer serves on the



CAROL TIMMER



JOE TAYLOR

American College of Healthcare Administrators Education Committee, earned her certification in nursing home administration and has advanced to Fellow within the organization. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society of Nursing and the East Jordan Rotary Club.

A Registered Nurse and healthcare executive, Joe Taylor’s background and experience includes more than 22 years of clinical and leadership experience in healthcare organizations as a member of the Navy Nurse Corps. His career has been highlighted by numerous accomplishments in a range of healthcare settings including small overseas hospitals in Italy and Puerto

Rico, community hospitals, large medical centers and multiple, worldwide military deployments. He served two tours of duty in Afghanistan in 2010 and 2013.

Upon his retirement from the Navy in 2016, Taylor and his family relocated to Petoskey. He managed an acute care clinic and completed his Master of Science of Nursing before joining Grandvue’s family as Director of Nursing in 2019. He has been an integral part of leading the facility during the COVID-19 pandemic while also earning his Long-Term Care Certificate from Ferris State University.

Taylor is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives. His

personal awards include: The Defense Meritorious Service Medal, three Meritorious Service Medals, three Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, three Army Commendation Medals, and five Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals. In 2006, he was selected as the Naval Hospital Pensacola’s Senior Hospital-based Nurse of the Year.

Taylor is married to the former Laura Ciccirelli of Lake Orion, Michigan. They have two sons, Alex (18) and Jackson (14). An avid runner, he has completed over 70 marathons.

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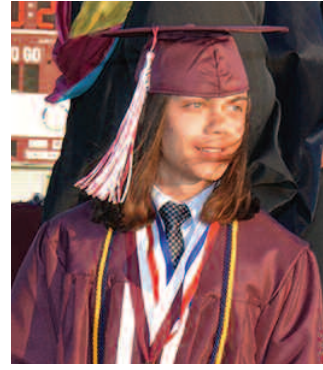
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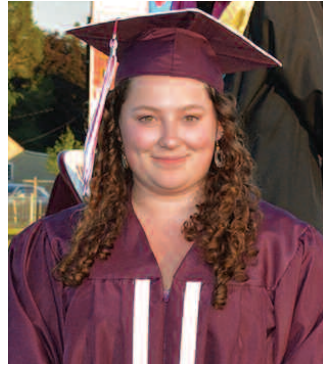
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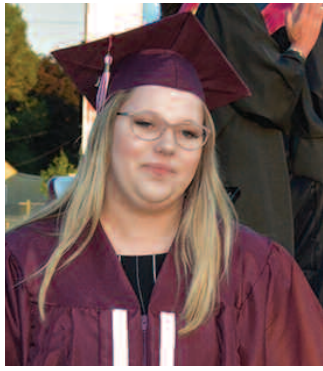
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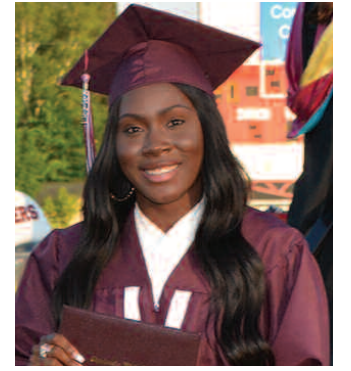
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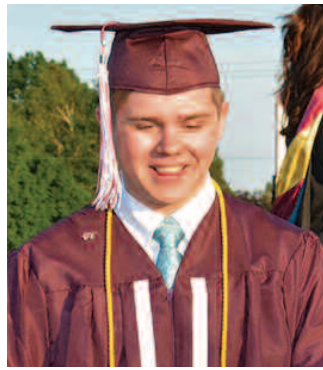
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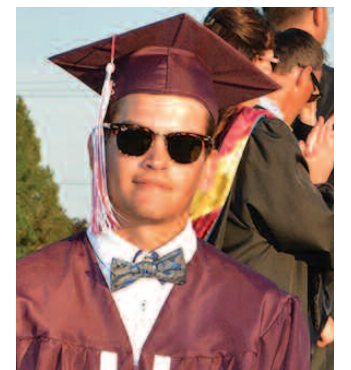
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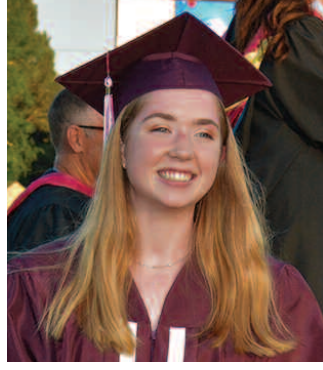
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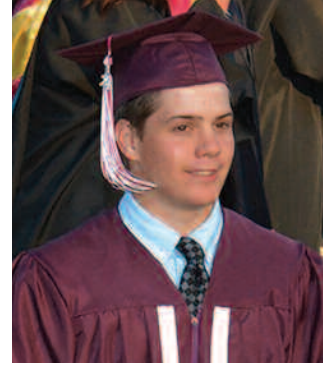
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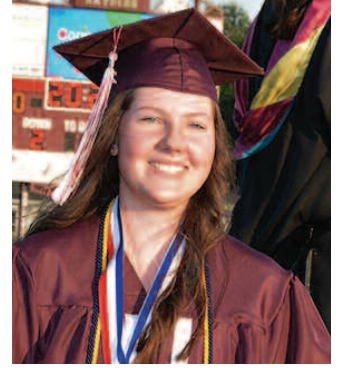
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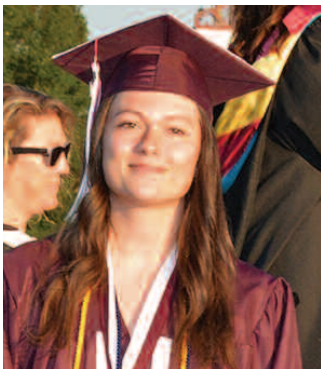
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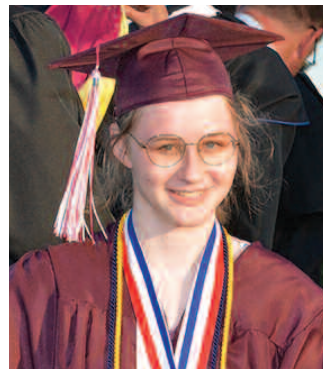
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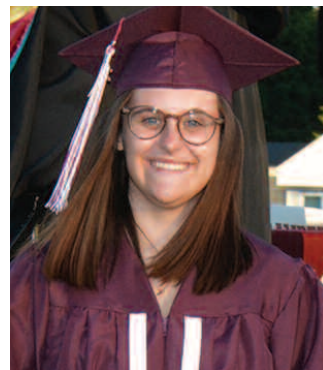
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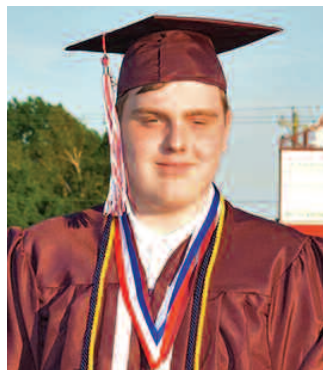
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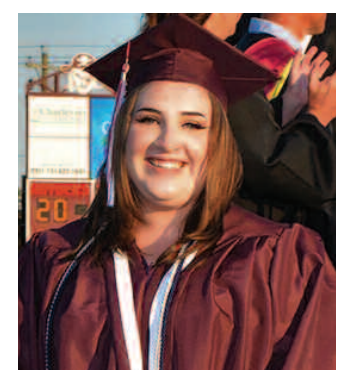
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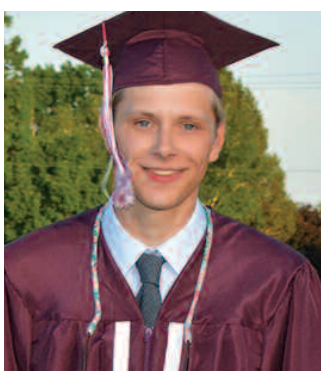
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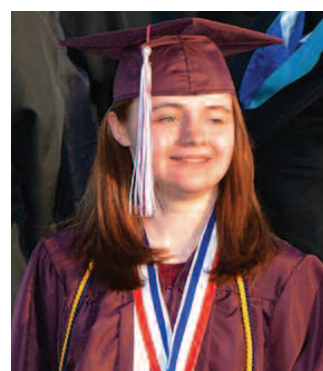
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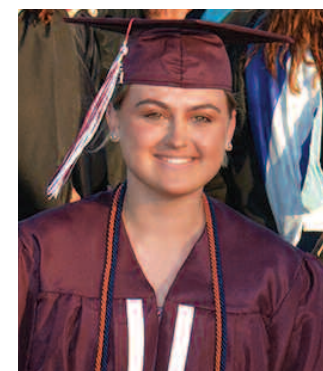
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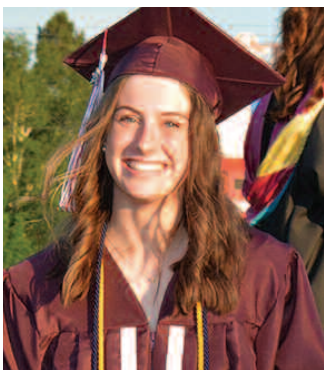
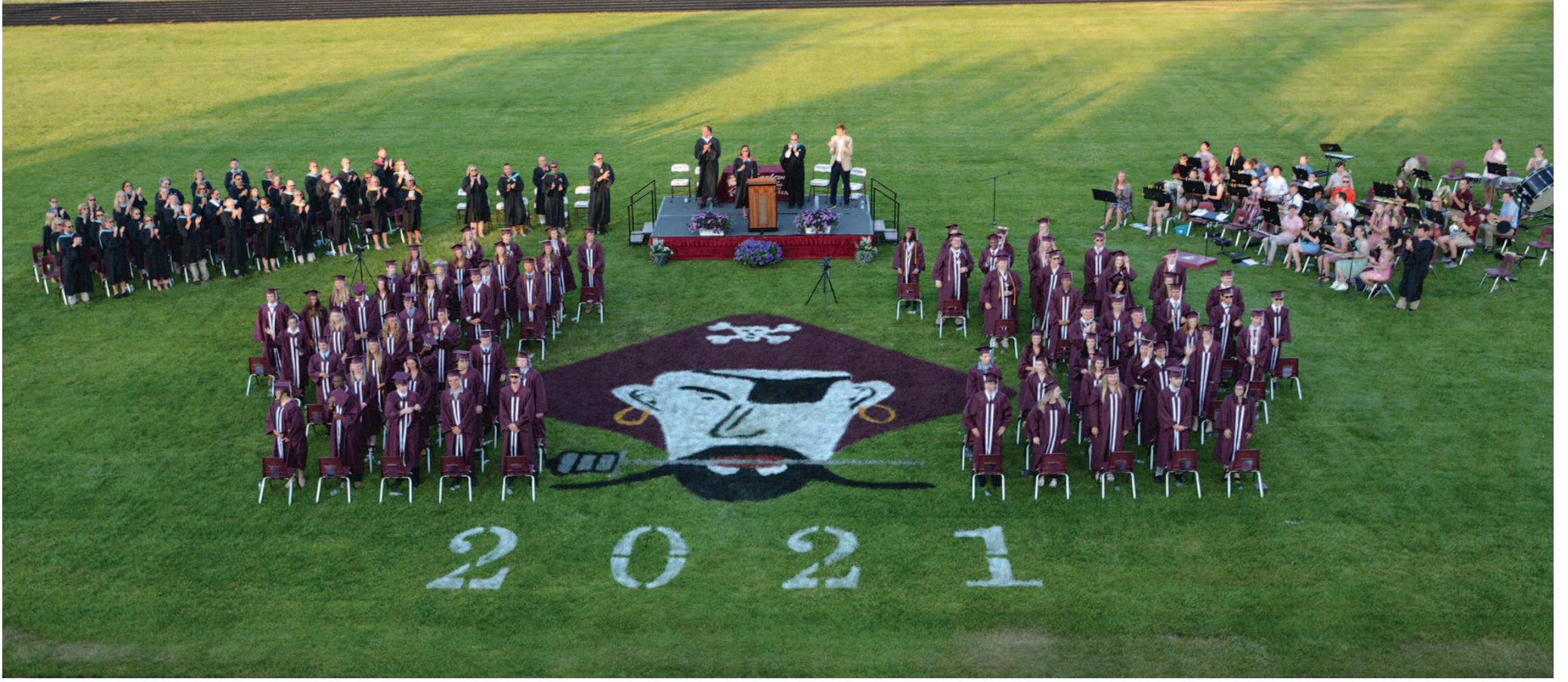
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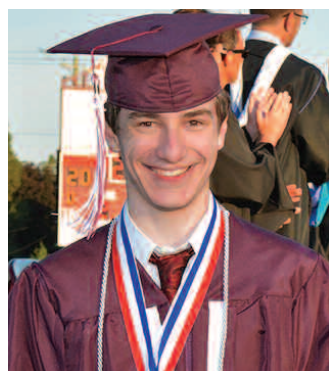
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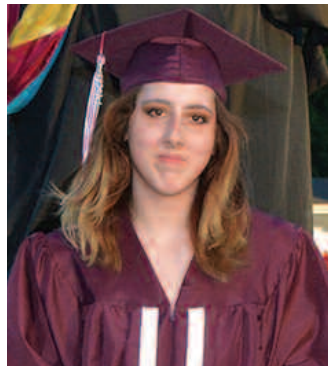
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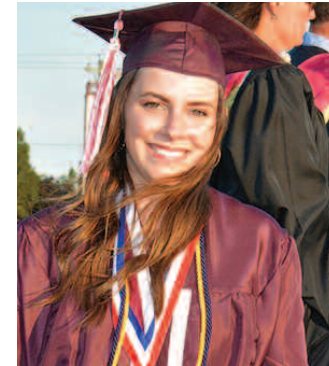
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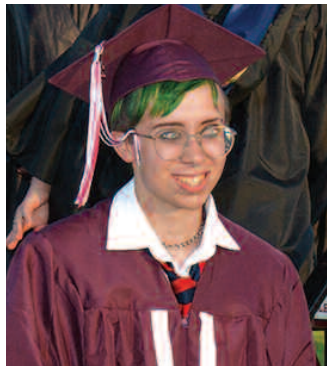
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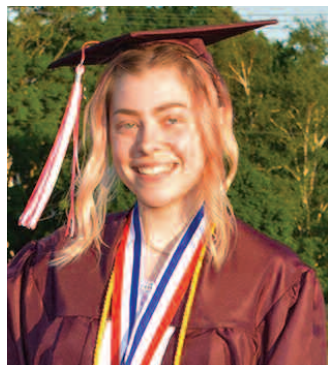
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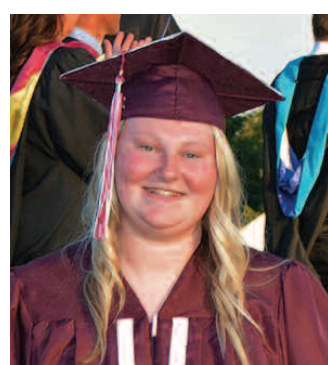
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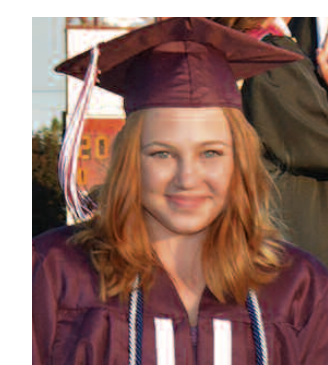
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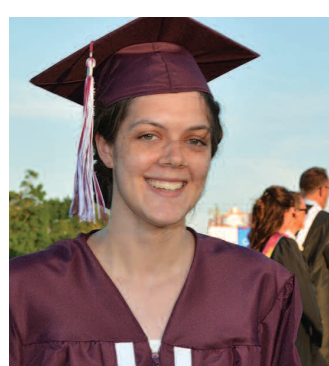
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## Governor Whitmer announces Michigan Economic Jumpstart Plan

LANSING - Governor Gretchen Whitmer recently joined local entrepreneurs and business leaders to unveil the Michigan Economic Jumpstart Plan, which would allocate a portion of the federal relief funding to support and invest in working people and small businesses in Michigan. Under the governor's plan, the state will increase incentives to boost wages to attract applicants, provide grants to small businesses to ramp up hiring, and expand access to childcare for families with young children who want to return to work but cannot.

"As we continue to take steps to jumpstart our economy, we need to have a real conversation about putting Michigan back to work with better jobs and bigger paychecks," Governor Whitmer said. "Under the Michigan Economic Jumpstart plan, we can harness these once-in-a-lifetime economic opportunities and channel it to raise wages, invest in small businesses, and uplift families. I look forward to engaging the legislature, local communities, and Michiganders as we continue thinking through the best ways to use the federal funds and state

surplus to turbocharge our economy and make a real difference in people's lives."

With more than \$2 billion remaining in Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act funding, nearly \$20 billion in total funding from the American Rescue Plan, the state is in a very strong position to make large investments that can transform the state and help Michigan families and small businesses recover from the pandemic.

### GOVERNOR WHITMER'S ECONOMIC JUMPSTART PLAN

#### BETTER PAYCHECKS

Governor Whitmer put forward the MI Bigger Paychecks proposal and reinforced the need for post-secondary opportunities, like the Michigan Reconnect and Futures For Frontliners program. By bumping pay and increasing educational and skills opportunities for workers, the state can entice more people to get back into the workforce and increase our labor force participation rate.

MI Bigger Paychecks: Governor Whitmer's plan would utilize \$300 million to

encourage businesses to increase wages by offering grants to cover the difference between their current wage and \$15 per hour. The grants would cover the first three months of this raise for workers if businesses commit to retain the employee and continue the \$15-per-hour wage for at least three more months.

Michigan Reconnect: Governor Whitmer's plan would provide \$120 million to build on the successful, bipartisan Michigan Reconnect program to ensure a pathway to a better-paying job through a tuition-free credential, certificate, or associate's degree for anyone 25 years or older. The Michigan Reconnect has already accepted more than 70,000 Michiganders.

Futures for Frontliners: Governor Whitmer's plan would recognize the sacrifices frontline workers made through the pandemic to help keep the rest of the state going by providing them with tuition-free paths to earn a degree or certificate. The Futures for Frontliners program has already accepted more than 120,000 frontline Michigan workers.

MALL BUSINESSES

Governor Whitmer unveiled the Michigan Mainstreet Initiative, a \$300 million investment to uplift small businesses. The plan would include \$100 million towards restaurants and other place-based businesses to help them cover costs and meet payroll; \$125 million for small businesses left out of other incentives and organizations that support them; and \$75 million in grants for startups.

Michigan Small Business Restart Program: Governor Whitmer's plan will invest \$100 million to help restaurants and other place-based businesses cover costs by providing grants up to \$20,000 for mortgage, rent, taxes, payroll, and other operating expenses. The plan will set aside \$25 million for small businesses with less than 9 employees, which is over half of Michigan businesses and a high proportion of women and minority owned businesses.

Michigan Microenterprise Support Initiative: Governor Whitmer's plan would invest \$125 million to provide grants for businesses that did not qualify or apply for other incentives, like the federal Paycheck Protection Pro-

gram. The plan would work with community development financial institutions to provide loans to rural businesses or other businesses with less than nine employees that struggled to access capital through traditional programs.

The Michigan Small Business SmartZones and Business Accelerator and Resiliency Initiative: Governor Whitmer's plan would invest \$75 million to provide grants to startups that can help our communities thrive. The plan would create the Small Business Support Network and Small Business Fund to support traditional commercial corridor/main street businesses and also provide opportunities for new businesses.

Lastly, Governor Whitmer is proposing expanding Michigan's Work Share and hiring a surge of Unemployment Insurance Agency staff to help Michiganders fulfill their work search requirements. The Work Share program, which was a tool used by employers to avoid laying off workers, can be used by businesses to bring on new employees to help them restart. During the pandemic, Michigan's work

share program saved nearly 100,000 jobs. As the waiver on work search requirements for unemployment benefit recipients expires, Governor Whitmer is proposing hiring an additional 50 full-time staff to meet the expected surge in demand and help Michiganders fulfill their work search requirements.

#### CHILD CARE

In her executive budget recommendation, Governor Whitmer proposed a \$370 million investment to expand access to no-cost or low-cost childcare for 150,000 more families. Right now, Michigan needs talent, and regardless of whether a child is 12 months or 12 years old, working parents can't work without safe, quality, affordable child care. The governor's plan would temporarily increase the income eligibility threshold from 150% to 200% of the federal poverty line, waive out-of-pocket copays through fiscal year 2022, and provide a 10 percent increase in hourly rates for child-care providers.

## Bi-Partisan attainable housing bills pass Senate

### Tools supporting critical workforce housing head to Michigan House

Housing North, a non-profit organization based in Traverse City, and members of the Housing Michigan Coalition, including the Grand Rapids Chamber, Michigan Municipal League, Home Builders Association of Michigan, applauds the Michigan Senate's passage of legislation creating local tools to support the development and rehabilitation of workforce housing in Michigan.

The bills are:  
SB 360 & 361 (Victory) – Employer Housing Tax Credit

SB 362 (Brinks) – Attainable Housing & Rehabilitation Act

SB 364 (Moss) – NEZ expansion

SB 422 (Horn) – Residential Facilities Exemption

SB 432 (Schmidt) – PILOTS for housing

The Housing Michigan Coalition, led by Housing North and others, includes dozens of associations, businesses, builders, local governments and non-profits and is focused on creating and expanding tools for local governments to support the development or rehabilitation of housing supply that is attainable to more Michigan citizens.

"Our stakeholders around northern Michigan have been very clear that local governments, developers, local nonprofits, and businesses need more tools available to work together on local solutions to address the attainable housing crisis we have in our region," said Yarrow Brown, Executive Director of Housing North.

"The need for more workforce affordable housing has become one of the top issues I hear about in communities around my district. I'm very

pleased that the Senate has moved decisively today in a bi-partisan manner to create more tools to allow communities, builders, and employers to work together to solve this challenging problem," said Senator Wayne Schmidt, R-Traverse City.

"We're seeing a need for workforce housing in every corner of our state," said Sen. Ken Horn, R-Frankenmuth. "As the chair of the Senate Economic and Small Business Development Committee, I was happy to join my colleagues in providing more tools that our local communities can use to develop new structures or rehabilitate existing spaces. We need to make sure we have a well-rounded economic development strategy in Michigan; we need to create jobs, train our workforce and build attractive places to house them." Northern Michigan Representative John Roth, R-Traverse City, is the sponsor for the companion bill of Horn's in the Michigan House.

"Housing stability impacts all of us — working families seeking affordable homes, local employers recruiting new talent, and Michigan communities maintaining safe neighborhoods. Our bipartisan effort expands local tools to make homeownership attainable to more Michigan residents and promotes the renewal of Michigan's diverse housing stock," said Senator Jeremy Moss, D-Southfield.

These bills will now be heading to the Michigan House of Representatives where testimony has already been held on companion bills. The Housing Michigan Coalition urges the Michigan House of Representatives to quickly take up the

## Michigan House votes to end Federal Unemployment Benefits

Last week, the Michigan House voted to end the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) program and get Michiganders back to work. The FPUC program, which runs through Sept. 6, adds a \$300 weekly payment to all eligible individuals receiving unemployment benefits. The \$300 is added on top of the state's maximum weekly unemployment benefit of \$362, making the maximum weekly benefit \$662 per week (state/federal). This equates to \$16.55 per hour (based on a 40 hour workweek) or \$34,424 per year.

Given the Governor's announcement Thursday that Michigan will end its COVID-19 restrictions on June 22, we must be aggressive in addressing the ever-

worsening workforce crisis. The Michigan Chamber appreciates the leadership of the Michigan House to join 25 other states in terminating the extra \$300 in federal unemployment benefits. Coupled with efforts to address other barriers to employability, including the skills gap and affordable housing and daycare, Michigan should be able to move the needle on its workforce challenges.

Given the progress Michigan has made with vaccines and today's move to fully reopen the economy, the Michigan Chamber of Commerce supports ending the federal unemployment benefits and focusing on returning Michiganders to work. The truth is that there has never been a better time to

enter the workforce. In fact, there are more job openings in Michigan today than Michiganders receiving unemployment benefits.

It is a worker's market, whether you are skilled or unskilled. Job providers are raising wages, offering signing and retention bonuses, offering cash to interview and competitive benefits including job flexibility, work-from-home options, longer vacations and shorter shifts.

New federal data released in early June illustrates the increasingly urgent need to address the ever-worsening workforce crisis and break down the barriers to employability. In fact, a new poll by the U.S. Chamber of Americans displaced by the pandemic found that one in eight (13%) who became un-

employed during the pandemic and remain unemployed have turned down at least one job offer in the past year, and one in six (16%) not actively seeking work say the amount of money they are receiving from unemployment benefits and government programs makes it "not worth looking" for jobs.

New data suggests this policy change will move the needle in terms of addressing the state's workforce crisis. We will be encouraging the Michigan Senate to consider following the House's lead on this important piece of legislation. Please contact Wendy Block with any questions at wblock@michamber.com.

Submitted by the Michigan Chamber of Commerce

## Chain of Lakes Relay for Life changes for 2021

Covid has brought about many changes in our lives, and it has produced many exciting changes to the 2021 Relay for Life. We will still be celebrating survivors, remembering those lost, and fighting back against cancer together, but we will be doing it for only 12 hours, at a new location, and with a new food vendor.

When we began planning this year's event, we did not know where Covid would lead us, so we decided instead of an overnight event, we would only host a 12 hour

outdoor event on June 26th from 11am to 11pm.

Another big change is our new location. We will be at Palmer Park in Mancelona this year. We are very excited to be see everyone there.

The third big change coming from Covid is the addition of Smokin' Joe's Bar BQ. We were concerned about safely hosting a concession stand, so we invited Smokin' Joe's food truck to handle food and beverage needs. They will be on sight all day.

Chain of lakes Relay for Life presents Antrim, Charlevoix, and Kalkaska Counties. Proceeds from Relay for Life go not only to research and education, but also to programs such as Road to Recovery, providing transportation to treatment for cancer patients; and Hope Lodge which provides lodging for patients undergoing cancer treatment away from home. These are just a few of the ways the American Cancer Society helps cancer patients.

For further information,

please feel free to contact Syrina Dawson (231.675.2492) or Julie Winslow (231.350.3254). Additional information is also available on our website at [www.relayforlife.org/chainoflakesmi](http://www.relayforlife.org/chainoflakesmi) or "Like" our Facebook page for updates.

This year's theme will be Music through the Decades. Each team will be representing a different decade of music, so grab your walking shoes and your dancing partner and come out and join us at Palmer Park!

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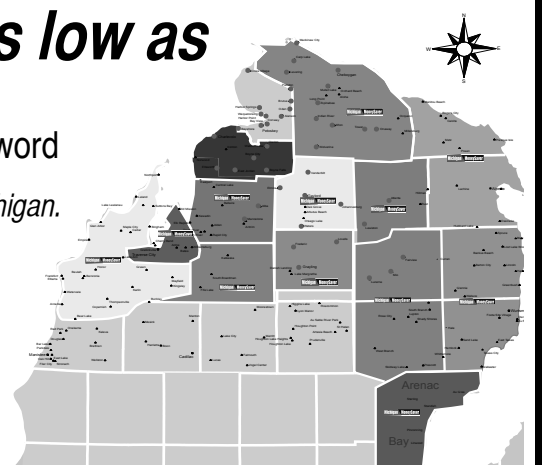
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### BOYNE CITY RAMBLERS GIRLS SOCCER

Boyne City picked up its first state semifinal victory over Hudsonville Unity Christian on Tuesday in penalty kicks, 2-1. Both teams entered overtime in a 0-0 tie. The Crusaders struck first to take a 1-0 lead after the first half of overtime, but the Ramblers tied it up again with a goal from Ariel Himmelspach-McKillip with just over three minutes left, sending it to penalty kicks. Maggie McHugh was the hero in the net, holding Unity without a goal while Boyne City scored all three.



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### SOCCER

# McHugh stands tall Ramblers make school history

BY: DOM SANTINA

The Boyne City Girls Soccer would travel to play Hudsonville Unity Christian in the State Semi-Finals on Tuesday, June 15 in Cedar Springs.

The Ramblers were one game away from reaching the pinnacle of their career. A win against a very tough and historic Hudsonville Unity Christian program and they would be playing for the State Championship.

The game would be a back and forth matchup, with runs for both teams and the opportunities becoming available for both teams' offenses. The game would remain scoreless through the first half of the game. That would be the case through the second half, although the Ramblers would have opportunities that just missed the net or had a bad bounce.

The teams would then head to overtime, which would be two 10 minute halves. In the first half of overtime, the Crusaders would be able to put a perfectly placed ball into the top right corner, just above Maggie McHugh's outstretched hand. The Crusaders would take a 1-0 into the final ten minutes of the game. As they would head into the second



The Boyne City Rambler girls soccer team proudly holds the 2nd place trophy in the state final game last weekend. Photo by Kim Culver

half of overtime. The Rambler fans could feel the dream run coming to an end, each minute ticking off the clock, meant it was one minute closer to a loss. Until, a corner kick was awarded to the

Ramblers. Ally Herrick would end up sending the ball in. Which would get over the keepers head and find a crashing Ariel Himmelspach who would use her body to hit the ball into the net. The

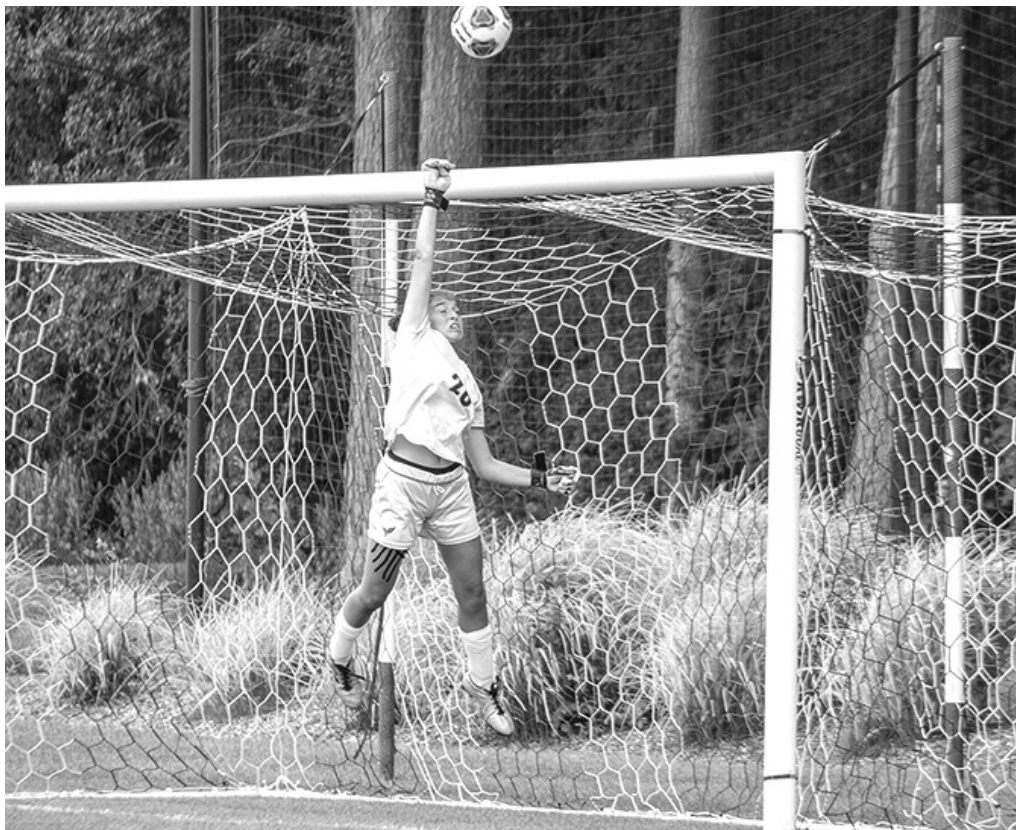
Ramblers would tie the game and send the game into penalty kicks.

The Ramblers would choose five shooters and so would the Crusaders. McHugh would face the Crusaders first and would come up with a diving stop. The Ramblers would send out Megan Harmeling, who would bury her penalty shot, putting up the Ramblers 1-0. McHugh would come up huge again as she would go 2 for 2 on stops. Ava Maginity would come up and bury her penalty kick to put the Ramblers up 2-0 in the shootout. The Crusaders, now on the verge of a loss, had to make their next three shots for a chance. This time, the goal would be the huge factor, the Crusaders would hit the post and the ball would stay out. Then it would be none other than Jordan Noble to seal the game, by converting her penalty shot and sending the Ramblers to the State Finals at Michigan State. Final score was Boyne City 2, Hudsonville Unity Christian 1

18. With a huge community support in the stands the Ramblers would try for a Di-

vision 3 championship. The

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Maggie McHugh gets some air while keeping the ball out of the goal. Photo by Kim Culver



Boyne City soccer Coach Fantozzi comforts Jordan Noble after losing the game in the state finals.. Photo by Kim Culver



Rambler defense was a strength for the soccer team this year. Ally Herrick keeps the ball away from the goal. Photo by Kim Culver

### STATE FINALS

The Ramblers would end up traveling to face Detroit Country Day on Friday, June

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## SOFTBALL

### Lake Michigan Softball All-Conference Selections

The Lake Michigan Conference has announced its 2021 softball all-conference teams.

#### ALL-CONFERENCE

- Maggee Behling, Boyne City
- Zoe Harmon, Boyne City
- Loagen Rader, Boyne City
- Madelyn Sandison, Charlevoix
- Avery Zipp, Charlevoix
- Zoe Brodin, Charlevoix
- Haley Gibson, East Jordan
- Rhyen Olson, East Jordan
- Reagann Merchang, Elk Rapids
- Ryleigh Yocom, Elk Rapids
- Jasmine Youngblood, Grayling
- Madison Wilkinson, Kalkaska
- Jordyn Disbrow, Kalkaska
- Mia Miller, Kalkaska
- Lauren DeVol, Kalkaska
- Camryn Craig, T.C.St. Francis
- Brooke Meeker, T.C.St. Francis
- Maggie Napont, T.C.St. Francis
- Leah Simetz, T.C.St. Francis

#### HONORABLE MENTION

- Bella Cosier, Boyne City
- Rachel Clausen, Boyne City
- Lucy Uy, Boyne City
- Kate Klinger, Charlevoix
- Grace Lentz, Charlevoix
- Anna Kemp, Charlevoix
- Kylie Skrocki, East Jordan
- Morgan Wirtz, Elk Rapids
- Aubrey Sincic, Elk Rapids
- Lauren Hartman, Grayling
- Emma Woodin, Kalkaska
- Lauren Judd, Kalkaska
- Alexandria DeVol, Kalkaska
- Campbell Domres, T.C.St. Francis
- Sophie Hardy, T.C.St. Francis
- Stephanie Schichtel, T.C.St. Francis
- Allee Shepherd, T.C.St. Francis

## GOLF

### State Finals Boys Golf

The MHSAA Boys Golf Lower Peninsula State Finals concluded after the second round of play for Divs. 1-4 on Saturday.

Cheboygan sophomore PJ Maybank took home the individual state title in Div. 3.

Here are the final results from the state tournament.

#### DIVISION 1

- Ann Arbor Skyline 594
- Detroit Catholic Central 603
- Traverse City West 613
- Forest Hills Northern 613
- Warren De La Salle 617
- Rockford 617
- Brighton 620
- Rochester Adams 630
- Romeo 637
- Traverse City Central 637

#### DIVISION 2

- Brother Rice 580
- Flint Powers Catholic 608
- Williamston 611
- East Grand Rapids 611
- Chelsea 620
- Orchard Lake St. Mary, Aós 621
- Grand Rapids Christian 626
- Spring Lake 627
- Gull Lake 632
- Byron Center 633
- Trenton 633

#### DIVISION 3

- Grand Rapids Catholic 623
- Big Rapids 640
- Hanover Horton 640
- Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 649
- University Liggett 649
- Gross Isle 650
- North Pointe Christian 650
- Leslie 660
- Elk Rapids 670
- Boyne City 678

#### DIVISION 4

- Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic 640
- Lansing Christian 646
- Charlevoix 667
- Glen Lake 677
- Kalamazoo Christian 688
- Hillsdale Academy 703
- Sandusky 722
- Saginaw Nouvel Catholic 730
- Hudson 736
- Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart 739

## SOFTBALL

# Rayders run ends in State Quarterfinals

BY: DOM SANTINA

The Charlevoix Rayders Softball team would continue their magical run into the State Quarterfinals. The Rayders would travel to play Standish-Sterling in Cadillac for a chance to go to Michigan State for the State Semi-Finals.

The Rayders would ride their pitcher Madelyn Sandison once again. However, the Panthers would jump on

Sandison early. The Panthers would put up 5 runs in the first inning. Then they would add another 4 runs to go up 9-0 before the Rayders would get on the board. In the bottom of the third, the Rayders would be able to put a run across when Grace Lentz would have a sacrifice fly out that would score Anna Kemp.

That would spark the Rayders offense, where they would put up five runs in

the fourth inning. The Panthers would add another run in the fourth, at the end of the inning, the Panthers led 10-6. The fifth inning would be scoreless, but the offense would return in the sixth. The Panthers would add one run, while the Rayders would put up another four runs. The game would be 11-10 heading to the final inning. The Panthers would put up 4 runs in the top of the inning. The Rayders

down to their last three outs, they would be able to respond with three runs.

In the end, the Rayders would end up two runs short, falling by a final score of 15-13. The Rayders fall just short of advancing to East Lansing. Sandison would end up pitching a complete game, allowing 8 earned runs on 14 hits, while striking out 7 and walking 7. The offense would be led by Kate

Klinger with a homerun and 2 RBI. Kemp would lead the way with three hits, Sandison, Lentz and Katherine Wagner would all have two hits apiece. Avery Zipp would end up having four total RBIs.

The Rayders season comes to an end with a record of 20-16 and historic run for the program.

## SOCCER



Rambler Ariel Himmelspach McKillip keeps a tight defense on a Country Day player. Photo by Kim Culver



Rambler Ava Maginity sends the ball downfield. Photo by Kim Culver

## HISTORY

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Ramblers would play a little tentative early in the game.

However, they would have a great opportunity for a goal as they played a beauti-

ful cross early on. That would be the only chance though, as the Yellowjackets would have a lot more speed. They would keep consistent pressure on McHugh, who once again stood on her head. The Yellowjackets would be awarded a penalty kick with about 10 minutes left to go before halftime and they

would make it pay off. The Yellowjackets would take a 1-0 lead and carry it to half-time.

The Ramblers would end up making changes during the halftime break, but the speed would still be too much for the Ramblers. As the Yellowjackets would add another goal about five minutes into the second half to

make it 2-0. The game would be a little more equal throughout the second half. The Yellowjackets would add a third and final goal late in the game. Final score Detroit Country Day 3, Boyne City 0.

The Ramblers came up just one game short of a championship but made school history and came

through on the magic that the community saw with this team. The Ramblers finish the season at 21-2-2 overall. The team will lose a significant number of Seniors in the coming year, four of which have signed to play in college.

## BASEBALL

### Lake Michigan Baseball All-Conference Selections

The Lake Michigan Conference has released its 2021 baseball all-conference teams.

#### ALL-CONFERENCE

- Kaden Jewett, Boyne City
- Aaron Bess, Boyne City
- Mason Wilcox, Boyne City
- Jacob Bush, Boyne City
- Caleb Stuck, Charlevoix

- Sam Dixon, Charlevoix
- Tommy Reid, East Jordan
- Ben Reid, East Jordan
- Mason Malpass, East Jordan

- Izaak Huhn, Elk Rapids
- Drew Kanary, Grayling
- Derek Hebner, Harbor Springs
- Grant Richardson, Harbor Springs
- Norm Cameron, Harbor

- Springs
- Glenn Morris, Kalkaska
- Logan Kniss, Kalkaska
- Zach Sibole, Kalkaska
- Jack Hitchens, Traverse City St. Francis
- Jimmy Muzljakovich, Traverse City St. Francis
- Corbin Domres, Traverse City St. Francis
- Ayden Ferris, Traverse City St. Francis

#### HONORABLE MENTION

- Bobby Hoth, Boyne City
- Michael Deming, Boyne City
- Sean Little, Boyne City
- Phillip Sterrett, Charlevoix
- Hayden Peck, East Jordan
- Caleb Boyer, East Jordan
- Chase DeArment, Elk Rapids
- Reid Cvitkovich, Grayling

- Cassidy Gudakunst, Harbor Springs
- Dennis Nixon, Harbor Springs
- Nate Foster, Harbor Springs
- Ryan Snyder, Kalkaska
- Eli Dodge, Kalkaska
- Jack Prichard, Traverse City St. Francis
- Andrew Bankey, Traverse City St. Francis

## SOCCER

### 2021 Lake Michigan Girls Soccer All-Conference Selections

Michigan Conference has released its 2021 girls soccer all-conference teams.

#### ALL-CONFERENCE

- Jordan Noble, Boyne City
- Taylor Noble, Boyne City
- Inanna Hauger, Boyne City
- Ally Herrick, Boyne City
- Jaelyn Jarema, Boyne City
- Mikayla Sharrow, Charlevoix

- Anna Kate Smith, Charlevoix
- Claire Scholten, Charlevoix
- Jorja Jenema, Elk Rapids
- Monika Gregorski, Elk Rapids
- Gabarielle Krakow, Elk Rapids
- Lauren Bingham, Elk Rapids
- Ally Plum, Elk Rapids

- Makenzie Castle, Grayling
- Jill Wagner, Harbor Springs
- Ava Baker, Harbor Springs
- Abby Kopplow, Traverse City St. Francis
- Caílin Kerry, Traverse City St. Francis

#### HONORABLE MENTION

- Ava Maginity, Boyne City
- Reagan Woodall, Boyne City

- Kari Day, Boyne City
- Megan Harmeling, Boyne City
- Paige Carson, Charlevoix
- Ava Boss, Charlevoix
- Caitlyn Morley, Elk Rapids
- Kendall Standfest, Elk Rapids
- Logan Reasoner, Elk Rapids
- Annabelle Parrish, Elk Rapids

- Edith Boik, Grayling
- Josie Baker, Harbor Springs
- Teagan Inglehart, Harbor Springs
- Mary Nowosacki, Traverse City St. Francis
- Nora Madison, Traverse City St. Francis

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**ORDINANCE #256-A  
FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

**The City of East Jordan Hereby Ordains:**

That the Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 shall be amended for operating the City of East Jordan. Ordinance #256, the Budget Appropriations Act of 2020-2021 is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec 1: Adoption of Budget**

<u>GENERAL FUND 101:</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
579.000 STATE-LOCAL COMM STABILIZATION	\$ 46,400	\$ 104,500	(increase \$ 58,100)
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
<b>GOVERNING BODY/COMMISSION DEPARTMENT 101-101:</b>			
702.000 PAYROLL-LEGISLATIVE	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,000	(decrease \$ 1,000)
860.000 TRAVEL & SCHOOL	\$ 3,000	\$ 300	(decrease \$ 2,700)
880.000 COMMUNITY PROMOTION	\$ 1,200	\$ 900	(decrease \$ 300)
<b>ELECTIONS-DEPARTMENT 101-191:</b>			
740.000 ELECTION SUPPLIES	\$ 1,200	\$ 400	(decrease \$ 800)
900.000 PUBLISHING	\$ 100	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 100)
977.000 EQUIPMENT OTHER	\$ 2,000	\$ 900	(decrease \$ 1,100)
<b>ASSESSOR 101-209:</b>			
726.000 SUPPLIES	\$ 100	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 100)
977.001 EQUIPMENT-COMPUTER & SOFTWARE	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,200	(decrease \$ 300)
<b>ATTORNEY/COUNSEL-DEPT 101-210:</b>			
801.000 PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTUAL	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,200	(increase \$ 1,200)
<b>CLERK 101-215:</b>			
900.020 UPDATE CODE OF GENERAL ORD	\$ 7,000	\$ 4,200	(decrease \$ 2,800)
977.001 EQUIPMENT-COMPUTER & SOFTWARE	\$ 8,000	\$ 1,000	(decrease \$ 7,000)
<b>BUILDING AND GROUNDS – DEPARTMENT 101-265:</b>			
716.000 HOSPITALIZATION INS.-FRINGES	\$ 22,000	\$ 15,000	(decrease \$ 7,000)
<b>BUILDING AND GROUNDS – DEPARTMENT 101-265:</b>			
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 12,000	\$ 15,000	(increase \$ 3,000)
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT 101-336:</b>			
801.000 PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTUAL	\$ 4,000 \$ 1,500		(decrease \$ 2,500)
<b>ZONING BOARD/COMMISSION DEPARTMENT 101-410:</b>			
818.010 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES/PLANNING	\$ 34,500	\$ 48,500	(increase \$ 14,000)
900.000 PUBLISHING	\$ 300	\$ 3,300	(increase \$ 3,000)
977.001 EQUIPMENT-COMPUTER & SOFTWARE	\$ 0	\$ 3,000	(increase \$ 3,000)
<b>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS 101-441:</b>			
705.000 PAYROLL-LABOR	\$ 7,500	\$ 12,500	(increase \$ 5,000)
726.013 MAJ&LOC.ST. SALT/CHLORIDE/SAND	\$ 12,000	\$ 17,000	(increase \$ 5,000)
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 18,000	\$ 26,000	(increase \$ 8,000)
<b>AIRPORT 101-442:</b>			
705.000 PAYROLL-LABOR	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,300	(decrease \$ 700)
720.000 WORKMANS COMPENSATION/FRINGE	\$ 500	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 500)
931.010 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR – GENERAL	\$ 1,000	\$ 200	(decrease \$ 800)
<b>STREET LIGHTING – DEPARTMENT 101-448:</b>			
926.000 STREET LIGHTS	\$ 40,000	\$ 50,000	(increase \$ 10,000)
<b>BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT – DEPARTMENT 101-622:</b>			
726.000 SUPPLIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 100	(increase \$ 100)
<b>RECREATION/PARKS DEPARTMENT 101-751:</b>			
710.000 PAYROLL-PARTTIME LABOR	\$ 18,000	\$ 24,000	(increase \$ 6,000)
975.028 CAPITAL OUTLAY-LOVEDAY FIELD	\$ 0	\$ 20,000	(increase \$ 20,000)
977.000 EQUIPMENT-OTHER	\$ 9,500	\$ 25,500	(increase \$ 16,000)
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; SKATE PARK DEPARTMENT 101-751.001:</b>			
920.000 ELECTRIC SERVICE	\$ 3,200	\$ 2,200	(decrease \$ 1,000)
931.009 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR-GROUNGS	\$ 6,000	\$ 4,000	(decrease \$ 2,000)
977.000 EQUIPMENT OTHER	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000	(decrease \$ 2,000)
<b>ELM POINTE RECREATION FACILITY 101-757:</b>			
705.000 PAYROLL-LABOR	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500	(increase \$ 500)
<b>CIVIC CENTER DEPARTMENT 101-758:</b>			
710.000 PAYROLL-PARTTIME LABOR	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,000	(decrease \$ 2,000)
726.000 SUPPLIES	\$ 800	\$ 300	(decrease \$ 500)
920.000 ELECTRIC SERVICE	\$ 4,500	\$ 2,000	(decrease \$ 2,500)
923.000 FUEL-BUILDINGS	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,500	(decrease \$ 1,000)
927.000 SEWER & WATER-BUILDINGS	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000	(decrease \$ 500)
931.000 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR-BUILDING	\$ 2,500	\$ 500	(decrease \$ 2,000)
<b>SIDEWALKS-DEPARTMENT 101-902:</b>			
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 7,500	\$ 12,000	(increase \$ 4,500)
		DEBIT	\$ 99,300
		CREDIT	\$ 99,300

<u>MAJOR STREETS FUND 202:</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
546.000 STATE-GAS & WEIGHT TAX	\$ 220,000	\$ 236,500	(increase \$ 16,500)
699.000 OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 10,000)
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
<b>STREET CONSTRUCTION-DEPT 451.000:</b>			
975.070 CONSTRUCTION-PAVING STREETS	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 10,000)

<u>MAJOR STREETS FUND 202:</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
<b>STREET MAINTENANCE-DEPT 463.000:</b>			
999.203 TRANSFER TO LOCAL STREETS	\$33,445	\$ 53,445	(increase \$ 20,000)
<b>STREET STORM DRAIN MAINTENANCE 464.000:</b>			
931.010 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR-GENERAL	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,000	(decrease \$ 2,000)
<b>STREET/TREE/TRIMMING/PLANTING-DEPT 465.000:</b>			
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,000	(increase \$ 1,000)
<b>STREET SIGN MAINTENANCE-DEPT 474.000:</b>			
705.000 PAYROLL-LABOR	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	(increase \$ 500)
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 500	\$ 1,500	(increase \$ 1,000)
<b>STREET SNOW REMOVAL 478.000:</b>			
705.000 PAYROLL-LABOR	\$ 13,000	\$ 10,000	(decrease \$ 3,000)
705.010 PAYROLL-OVERTIME	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000	(decrease \$ 1,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 32,500
		CREDIT	\$ 32,500

<u>LOCAL STREETS FUND 203:</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
546.000 STATE-GAS & WEIGHT TAX	\$ 70,000	\$ 82,000	(increase \$ 12,000)
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
<b>STREET CONSTRUCTION-DEPT 451.000:</b>			
975.070 CONSTRUCTION-PAVING STREETS	\$ 0	\$ 2,000	(increase \$ 2,000)
<b>STREET MAINTENANCE-DEPT 931.010:</b>			
931.010 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR-GENERAL	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000	(decrease \$ 2,000)
<b>STREET/TREE/TRIMMING/PLANTING-DEPT 465.000:</b>			
705.000 PARYOLL – LABOR	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,500	(increase \$ 1,500)
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 6,000	\$ 12,500	(increase \$ 6,500)
<b>STREET SNOW REMOVAL 478.000:</b>			
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 30,000	\$ 34,000	(increase \$ 4,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 14,000
		CREDIT	\$ 14,000

<u>HARBOR FUND 509:</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
699.000 OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$ 8,000	\$ 44,000	(increase \$ 36,000)
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
975.001 CAPITAL OUTLAY-DOCK	\$ 0	\$ 36,000	(increase \$ 36,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 36,000
		CREDIT	\$ 36,000

<u>TOURIST PARK 545:</u>	<u>ADOPTED</u>	<u>AMENDED</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
668.000 RENTALS-CAMPERS	\$108,000	\$ 120,000	(increase \$ 12,000)
675.011 FUNDRAISER-SPECIAL EVENTS	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 10,000)
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
886.000 SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSE	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 10,000)
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 2,000	\$ 14,000	(increase \$ 12,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 22,000
		CREDIT	\$ 22,000
<b>EQUIPMENT-DPW 661:</b>			
<b>REVENUE:</b>			
695.000 BONDS/LOANS	\$ 225,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 225,000)
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
977.016 EQUIPMENT-DUMP TRUCK	\$ 225,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 225,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 225,000
		CREDIT	\$ 225,000

**A Public Hearing was held on the above 2020/2021 fiscal year budget amendment Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**  
 AYES: JOHNSON, HAWLEY, SHERMAN, PENZIEN, REID JR, TIMMONS  
 NAYS: NONE  
 ABSTAIN: NONE  
 ABSENT: SWEET-HOCK  
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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met June 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.; Mayor Penzien presiding with all members present except Sweet-Hock and all Board meeting minutes were approved as well as the Paid Bills in the amount of \$144,520.22.

Further Commission Action: Acknowledged Receipt of Zoning Activity Report for May 2021; Adopted Ordinance 256-A: Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget Amendment; Adopted Ordinance 263 Chapter 28 Parks & Recreation, Park Regulations, Section 28-27 Alcoholic Liquor amendment; Adopted Ordinance 262: Short Term Rental Ordinance; approved Joining Jordan Pay Application #11; Accepted Huron Street Purchase Request and set public hearing for July 6, 2021 at 6:45 p.m.; accepted Introduction to Ordinance 161-B; accepted Introduction to Ordinance 264; appointed Jason O'Neal to the DDA vacancy; approved the Freedom Festival request for street closures; and ratified DPW union contract for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024. Copies of the minutes of the above meeting are posted in City Hall for review during normal office hours.

Cheltzi M. Wilson, MMC  
City Clerk

MOTION OFFERED BY: JOHNSON  
SECOND BY: SHERMAN

## ORDINANCE 263

### TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN

THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN HEREBY ORDAINS:

THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

CHAPTER 28 PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTICLE II PARK REGULATIONS, SECTION 28-27 ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR

#### REMOVE THE FOLLOWING:

Sec. 28-27-Alcoholic Liquor.

It shall be unlawful for any person to consume alcoholic liquor in any park or place named in section 28-19 or to have an open bottle or container of alcoholic liquor in his possession, except that, such restriction does not extend to lessees on their rented spaces in the city tourist park or lessees on their rented spaces in the municipal harbors. The city may extend authorization for consumption of alcoholic liquor in places named in section 28-19 upon written request to the city commission.

(Code 1998, § 18-9; Code 2009, § 30-27; Ord. of 9-17-1996(4))

State Law reference— Authority for this section, MCL 436.1915.

#### AMEND AND REPLACE WITH:

CHAPTER PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTICLE II PARK REGULATIONS, SECTION 28-27 ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR

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*This provision shall not apply to any park areas designated as a Common Area as part of a social district appropriately designated by the City Commission.*

State Law reference— Authority for this section, MCL 436.1915.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: JOHNSON, HAWLEY, SHERMAN, PENZIEN, REID JR, AND TIMMONS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SWEET-HOCK

ABSTAIN: NONE

ADOPTED: JUNE 15, 2021

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## Ordinance #262

### An Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of East Jordan, by adding new Chapter 9

#### THE CITY OF EAST JORDAN HEREBY ORDAINS:

#### Chapter 9 Part of the Code of Ordinances for the City of East Jordan is hereby added, to read as follows:

### Chapter 9

#### Short Term Rentals

##### *An ordinance of the City of East Jordan regulating various aspects short-term rentals*

#### Section 1: Purpose

The City Commission declares the rental of dwelling units in the City of East Jordan provides value to our local economy. The City Commission recognizes the importance of available housing units for year-round/full-time residents. The City Commission has enacted this regulatory ordinance to strike a regulatory balance between the interests of community residents, business owners, visitors, and property owners.

The community has different expectations for noise, occupant loads, and transient activity in its residential neighborhoods than it does in other zoned districts. The renting of a home on a short-term basis is substantially more like a business than traditional residential use.

#### Section 2: Definitions

As used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings hereafter ascribed to them:

**Basement:** That portion of a building partly below grade, but so located that the vertical distance from the grade level to the basement floor is greater than the vertical distance from the grade level to the basement ceiling.

**Bedroom:** A room intended for sleeping or placement of a bed separated from other spaces in the dwelling unit by one or more functional doors. The following spaces do not qualify as bedrooms: Kitchens, dining areas, gathering spaces such as living rooms, dens, family rooms and attics or basements without egress meeting standards in applicable building, residential and fire codes.

**Short Term Rental Business Unit:** A residential dwelling unit that may be rented for more than 14 interrupted days or less than twenty-eight (28) uninterrupted days in a calendar year. Rentals longer than thirty (30) consecutive days in duration are not classified as a business unit per this chapter.

**Dwelling Unit:** A permanent building or structure providing complete independent living facilities used for a home or residence by one or more persons who maintain a household, either permanently or transiently. In cases of mixed use occupancy, where a building is occupied in part as a dwelling unit, the part so occupied shall be deemed a dwelling unit for the purpose of this chapter. Does not include Bed and Breakfasts, timeshare/fracti- onal ownership, hotels and motels, and boarding houses.

**Short Term Rental Local Agent:** An individual designated to oversee the short-term rental of a dwelling unit in accordance with this ordinance. This individual is required to respond to calls and complaints.

**Short Term Rental Personal Unit:** A residential dwelling unit rented for no more than a total of fourteen (14) days per calendar year when the owner is not present or unlimited when the property owner is present and living on the premises

**Short-term rental Map:** A map that shows the areas within the city where Short Term Rentals are allowed by right.

**Short term rental "STR":** The rental of a dwelling unit for compensation for a term of one to twenty-nine (1-29) interrupted or uninterrupted nights in a calendar year.

**Zoning Administrator:** The person appointed by the City Commission who shall carry out various functions of this chapter and enforce duties and responsibilities as specified in this chapter.

#### Section 3: Location of Short-Term Rentals

Short Term Rentals will be allowed by right in areas of the city shown on the short-term rental map. The map will be reviewed at the will of the City Commission with input and recommendation by the City Planning Commission.

A. Short Term Rentals being in existence and rented more than fourteen (14) days before November 1, 2020 but out of the mapped areas will be grandfathered in and allowed to remain a Short-Term Rental. These units will follow the ordinance and fall under the same requirements as all other Short-Term Rentals.

#### Section 4: Registration and Licensing Requirements

All dwelling units, except those which may be assessed at 100% (PRE) principal residence exemption, used for short-term rentals for more than fourteen (14) days per calendar year shall be registered and licensed with the City as stipulated in this ordinance.

The advertisement or rental of an unregistered dwelling unit for a total 14 interrupted or uninterrupted days or more during a calendar year is prohibited.

Registration and licenses shall be issued by calendar year.

All short-term rental registrations and licenses shall expire in one year and must be renewed at each license anniversary date.

When a short-term rental property is sold, the registration(s) and license(s) will expire at sale and is not transferable; licenses will revert to the City after expiration, sale, revocation or twelve (12) months of non-activity and will be redistributed according to this chapter.

The Zoning Administrator shall develop a form(s) to properly carry out this ordinance. The registration form shall collect not less than the following:

Name, address and telephone number of the property owner and/or local agent for the dwelling unit;

The street address of the dwelling unit, along with other identification if more than one dwelling unit has the same street address;

The number of bedrooms in each dwelling unit and in the dwelling as a whole;

The number of days the dwelling unit is expected to be available for short term rental each calendar year;

A statement certifying that the property owner or a local agent will provide at least one copy of the safety materials as approved by the city to the renters each time the dwelling unit is rented;

A statement indicating which year the dwelling unit was first used as a short-term rental, and for how many days it was rented in the previous calendar year; and

A list of all websites and other media where unit is advertised

Upon determination that a STR applicant has met all registration and regulation requirements, a license shall be issued by the Zoning Administrator.

There shall be a fee for registration collected at the time of registration. Commission shall set a fee(s); such fee(s) may vary depending on the type of property, dwelling, or other distinction Commission may deem advisable.

#### Section 5: Registration Process and Procedure

New applications will be considered in order received.

Applicants with whose principal residence exemption is in the City of East Jordan will get preference and be moved to the top of the list of new applicants.

The Zoning Administrator is empowered to develop a method for registration in accordance with this provision and approved by the City.

Short-term rental shall follow applicable regulations found within the East Jordan City Code.

#### Section 6: Types of Short-Term Rentals

**Personal units.** Personal units may be rented for periods of not less than 2 days up to a total of 14 days per calendar year when the owner is not present. Personal units are properties with a Homestead exemption and owner occupied.

An owner can register only one personal unit. Additional units under one ownership must be registered as a business unit.

**Business units.** Business units may be rented without restriction on days rented per year.

#### Section 7: Regulations

**Local agent required.** All dwelling units used for short-term rentals shall have a designated local agent.

**Contact information posted.** A notice shall be posted in a prominent location within any dwelling unit used for short-term rentals stating the name of the local agent, a 24-hour telephone number with which the agent can be reached.

**Compliance with codes.** The dwelling unit must meet all applicable International Building Maintenance Codes, Health Department, Nuisance and Safety Codes as necessary to protect the safety of occupants.

**Noise and nuisance.** Noise during quiet hours must be limited to that which does not disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of a reasonable person of normal sensitivities. The city's Noise Control Ordinance shall apply.

**Fireworks.** Fireworks of any kind are not allowed on rental property, except in accordance with the city's Fireworks ordinance.

Maximum occupancy. Short-term rentals shall be permitted maximum occupancy of 2 persons per bedroom plus two persons per finished and legal floor for dwelling as described in the registration and as may be verified by inspections from time to time.

No rental shall be permitted for more than 10 persons.

No dwelling unit used as a short-term rental may be built or modified hereafter to exceed to limitation of 10 persons as described above.

**Parking Restrictions.** Parking may not interfere with travel on roadway or with neighboring properties.

**Advertising.** No person shall advertise a short-term rental, unless the property fully complies with this ordinance.

#### Section 8: Revocations, Appeals and Civil Infraction

**Revocation procedure.** The written notice of the charges and the notice of the hearing shall be personally served on the owner or agent or served on the owner by certified mail, restricted delivery, not less than 21 days before the hearing before the Zoning Administrator.

Upon a finding by the Zoning Administrator of a first violation within any twelve (12)-month period, the short-term rental registration may be cited with a civil infraction citation and fined up to \$100.00.

Upon a finding by the Zoning Administrator of a second violation within any twelve (12)-month period, the short-term rental registration may be cited with a civil infraction citation and fined \$250.00 and shall be suspended for 30 days and during said time; the premises shall not be utilized for a short-term rental.

Upon a finding by the Zoning Administrator of a third or subsequent violations within any twelve (12)-month period, the short-term rental registration may be cited with a civil infraction citation and fined \$500.00 and shall be revoked and the owner or local agent who had been issued the short-term rental registration shall not again be issued a short-term rental license under that ownership name and the premises shall not be utilized for a short-term rental.

A minimum of a twenty-one (21) day notice will be given to owners and agents for any suspensions. Appeal from denial or suspension or revocation of a short-term rental registration is allowed.

**Appeal Procedure.** Upon a determination by the Zoning Administrator that the registration of a dwelling unit is subject to revocation pursuant to division (A)(iv) above, the Zoning Administrator shall issue a notice to the owner, agent and all property owners within one hundred (100) feet of the registered STR stating that the city intends to revoke the rental registration.

The notice shall inform the owner and local agent of a right to a hearing to show cause as to why the registration should not be revoked. If a hearing is requested and the fee is paid within fourteen (14) days of the service of the notice, the city shall schedule the hearing before the Zoning Board of Appeals and notify the owner and agent in writing of a time and place for that hearing.

At the hearing, the owner and agent may present evidence that the requirements for revocation provided in division (C)(5) above are not satisfied, or that the property owner and agent should not be held responsible for one or more of the three requisite violations due to extenuating circumstances. Extenuating circumstances may include circumstances that the owner or the owner's agent could not reasonably anticipate and prevent, and could not reasonably control.

The Zoning Board of Appeals shall independently determine whether there is competent, material and substantial evidence establishing a violation of this division (C), and/or whether there is competent, material and substantial evidence establishing that extenuating circumstances exist.

#### Section 9: Supersede previous provisions

Upon approval of this chapter, this chapter shall supersede the provisions contained within any other Ordinance Chapter.

#### Section 10: Enactment

This ordinance shall take effect seven (7) days after its adoption and publication.

Cheltzi M. Wilson, MMC/MiPMC  
City Clerk

ROLL CALL VOTE:  
AYES: JOHNSON, HAWLEY, PENZIEN, REID JR, AND TIMMONS  
NAYS: SHERMAN  
ABSENT: SWEET-HOCK  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
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Use the following tips to help you learn about crime statistics in a neighborhood:

**TALK TO NEIGHBORS.**

Take note if there are bars on the windows and doors of homes.

Talk to the police or sheriff's department.

Check for gang graffiti on walls and walkways.

Keep in mind that if you're looking in-town, you may not be able to get away from everything you consider unappealing (such as noise and traffic).

**KEEP YOUR FAMILY IN MIND**

A home isn't just an investment when you have a family to think of. You'll need to consider more than just the number of bedrooms or whether it has an attached garage.

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