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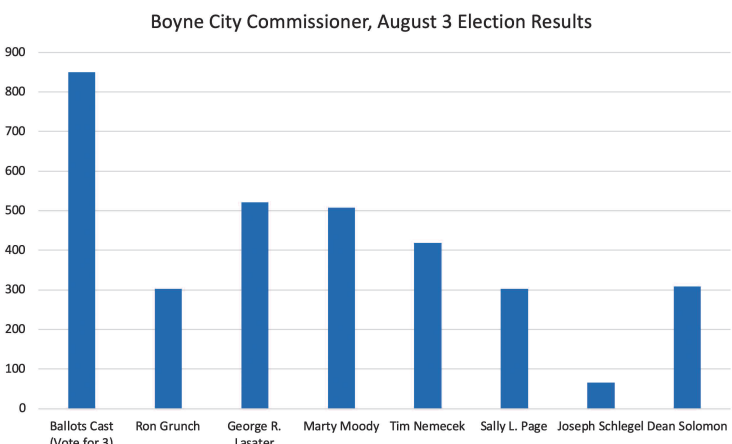
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ELECTION RESULTS

Millages pass in East Jordan, Charlevoix, Norwood. Boyne candidates down to six

BY DAVE BARAGREY
 Voters in Charlevoix County went to the polls last week to vote and passed millages for EMS service in and around Charlevoix and

funding the community pool in East Jordan. Voters in Boyne City selected six candidates to face off in the November election. Boyne City's primary vote served to narrow the

commissioner candidate field from seven to six, the maximum number allowed for November 2nd election. The three highest vote tallies were for challengers, George R. Lasater, Marty

Moody and Tim Nemecek. Lasater led the way with over 61% of voters casting their ballot for him. Incumbents Dean Solomon, Ron

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City presents service awards

BY DAVE BARAGREY
 EAST JORDAN - The city of East Jordan presented service awards last week to community members that have served the city in various positions. These awards were from the COVID lock down year of 2020. City Administrator,

Tom Cannon said, "These awards are presented to people that have served our city on boards and departments for years. We appreciate their dedication to the city of East Jordan." Six people were presented awards. Jackie Cutler (20 years of service) Zoning Board of

Appeals Kevin Kissinger (5 years of service from 2019) Police Department Barb Worgess (20 years of service) Brownfield Redevelopment Authority & DDA Thomas (Tinker) Breakey (50 years of service) Jordan Valley Library Board, Parks Department, Fire Depart-

ment and City Commission Kathy Drenth (25 years of service) Fire Department and EMS Marty Carey (5 years of service) Brownfield Redevelopment & DDA

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Charlevoix County Senior Centers temporarily closed to public

Effective August 5, 2021, all of the Charlevoix County Senior Centers will be closed to the public through September 2, 2021 but we will be providing curbside pick-up and home delivered meals from all centers. We are just going back to the way we provided all of our services before July 1, 2021. The only activities/services we are allowing in the Senior Centers will be Gym walking by reservation and Foot Clinics. Staff and seniors must wear a mask at those times. If you are sick, please do not come to the senior center and get tested. You can still get COVID if you are vaccinated but the illness it presents is less severe. We encourage you to get vaccinated if you have not already. Our BI Office will be open by appointment only and masks will be required. Volunteer services will be suspended at this time until the numbers get to a safer level. Charlevoix County is currently identified as a High Transmission risk at Risk Level D with a 10.25% positivity rate. At the beginning of the pandemic the state shut down at a 3% positivity rate. When we opened July 1, 2021 we were at a Low Transmission risk at a Risk Level B with a less than 3% positivity rate. We are taking an abundance of caution to protect our aging adults, our staff and all of the services we provide. Please be kind and patient with us.

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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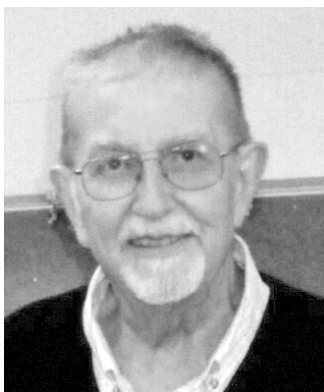
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AUG 12..54°	...80°	...34°	(1986)..97°	(2007)
AUG 13..54°	...80°	...35°	(1992)..95°	(1988)
AUG 14..53°	...80°	...35°	(1992)..95°	(1965)
AUG 15..53°	...80°	...37°	(1962)..92°	(1965)
AUG 16..53°	...79°	...34°	(1979)..95°	(1955)
AUG 17..53°	...79°	...35°	(1962)..92°	(1955)
AUG 18..53°	...79°	...35°	(1962)..98°	(1955)
AUG 19..53°	...79°	...35°	(1964)..95°	(1955)
AUG 20..52°	...79°	...36°	(1964)..95°	(1955)
AUG 21..52°	...78°	...35°	(2004)..99°	(1955)

OBITUARIES

Pastor James (Jim)
Larsen, 83

(AUG. 9, 1937 - AUG. 6, 2021)



Jim was born August 9, 1937 to Walter and Hazel (Schoenberg) Larsen. He grew up with them and his sister, Linda, in Muskegon Heights, Michigan. They have all preceded him in death.

On August 14, 1957 he married his BMW (beautiful, magnificent wife) Mary Jean (Rokos). He earned a B.A. from Hope College then he and Mary Jean moved to Dubuque, Iowa where he attended Wartburg Seminary. He earned a Masters of Divinity plus they welcomed their first child, Jeanine.

Jim pastored Trinity

Lutheran Church in New Era, Michigan and the family welcomed their second daughter, Karen. Four years later they moved north and Jim pastored Evangelical Lutheran Church in East Jordan. In 1971 he left the pastorate for health reasons and the family moved to Boyne City where they remain.

God restored Jim's health and he helped found Family of Christ Church in Petoskey in 1974 and he pastored there until his retirement. While he didn't consider himself a visionary he had a heart for those who were suffering in body, soul or spirit. He came alongside the visionaries giving his time and talent to help establish and serve the following: Hospice of Petoskey (now McLaren Home Medical Group), Hospital chaplaincy (now Northern Chaplain Services), Nehemiah Homeless Shelter and The Bridge - Petoskey. He and Mary Jean also raised their third child, Jamie, as older parents.

Jim was a jolly fellow famous, or perhaps infamous, for his Ole and Sven jokes. He was called a "pastor's pastor" for his compassion and willingness to walk with people through both times of joy and sorrow. His favorite

phrase was "Let's see what God's gonna do." He didn't have hobbies but he enjoyed visiting with people, playing cribbage and taking his grandson to the park to fish or feed French fries to the sea gulls.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Mary Jean, daughters Jeanine Larsen and Karen Larsen, Karen's husband Bill Burgher, daughter-in-law Haley and grandson Aiden Larsen. Also surviving are nephew Kris Skelton and family of Salt Lake City and niece Laura Kendall and family of Denver. He was preceded in death ten months ago by his son and namesake, Jamie.

The family would like to thank Dr. Shaw and the dialysis staff at the Kircher Dialysis Unit for their care over the past five years, as well as his faithful team of transporters.

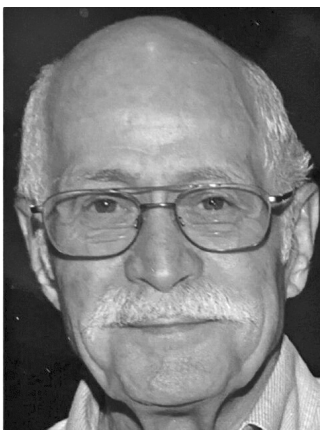
There will be a visitation on August 13th from 7-9pm and again on August 14th at 10am with a celebration of life service following at 11am. Lunch will be provided after the service. The visitations, service and lunch will all be located at Family of Christ Church 2275 Resort Pike Rd, Petoskey.

In lieu of flowers please consider memorial donations to Family of Christ Church, Northern Chaplain Services, Nehemiah Project or McLaren Home Medical Group-Petoskey.

Matthew 6:19-21 "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be."

Thomas Frederick
DeNike, 87

(OCT. 31, 1933 - JULY 21, 2021)



On Wednesday, July 21, 2021 Thomas F. DeNike of Boyne City passed away with his wife and children at his side.

Thomas F. DeNike was born in Ypsilanti, MI on October 31, 1933. Tom was one of thirteen brothers and sisters born to Carl and Mary DeNike. Tom is survived by his three brothers and seven sisters.

On October 12, 1957 he married Darlene M. (Fall) DeNike. Together they raised four children, Barbara R. DeNike-Anderson, Thomas F. DeNike, II (Karen), Cathy Ecker (Gregg) and Janette L. DeNike. They have six grandchildren, Kevin Kelley (Angela), Amie Hop (Jeff), Anthony DeNike (Sadie), Jennifer Anderson (David), Alan Ecker (Kallynn), and Allison Lozinski (Joe), and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Tom is a Veteran. He served in the United States

Army, June 1953 through 1955. He retired at the age of 83, as a Manufacturing Maintenance Supervisor.

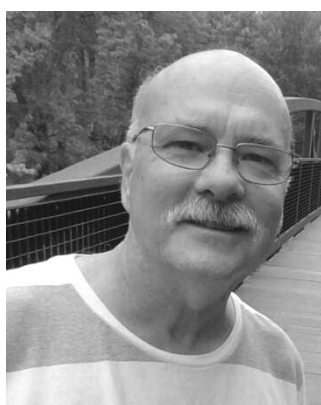
Tom enjoyed spending time with his family, bowling, fishing and many hours in his woodshop and pole barn.

A private family celebration of life will be held at Lighthouse Missionary Church, East Jordan, with Pastor Bart Adams.

In lieu of flowers family suggest donations made to Lighthouse Missionary Church, Kitchen Project, in memory of Thomas F. DeNike.

Daniel Magee, 64

(MAY 20, 1957 - JULY 29, 2021)



Daniel Dale Magee of Charlevoix passed away on Thursday, July 29, 2021. He was born on May 20, 1957 in Charlevoix, the son of Marshall and Barbara (Morgan) Group-Petoskey.

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Ronald Grant
Powers Sr., 83

(JUNE 14, 1938 - AUG. 8, 2021)

Ronald Grant Powers Sr. of Boyne City passed away at home on Sunday, August 8, 2021.

His family will remember

him at a celebration of his life. Arrangements are pending.

Cynthia Louise
Postmus, 84

(NOV. 15, 1936 - JULY 26, 2021)



Cynthia Louise Postmus of Charlevoix died on July 26, 2021, at Munson Hospice in Traverse City while listening to her alma mater, "The Maize and Blue."

She was born November 15, 1936, in Charlevoix, the daughter of the late Vane Howard and Mildred (Voorhies) Smith. In 1954 she graduated from Charlevoix High School, where she was class salutatorian. She attended the University of Michigan on a Regents Scholarship graduating in 1958 with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Cynthia married Roger W. Postmus in 1958, just celebrating 63 years of marriage in July. They settled in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where Roger pursued his residency, then established a private practice in obstetrics and gynecology. She loved Ann Arbor and the university, particularly the athletic teams and her alumnae groups. They had season tickets to football, basketball, and hockey games and enjoyed cheering on the Wolverines in the stadiums at away football games and Michigan bowl games. In 1970-71, Cynthia was president of the University of Michigan Margaret Waterman Alumnae Group, whose primary purpose was to raise money to provide scholarships for deserving University of Michigan women. In Ann Arbor, she was also an active member of the Ann Arbor Thrift Shop, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, the University of Michigan Nurses History Group, Ann Arbor Women's City Club, First Congregational Church, and Ann Arbor-Dexter Antiquarians.

Throughout their married life, Cynthia and Roger maintained their connection to Charlevoix. Cynthia loved her hometown where she had family and many lifelong friends. Her daughters loved spending time here and fondly remember their mom keeping them busy with summer craft projects and the times she took them fishing at the old railroad bridge near the Coast Guard Station in Charlevoix—she even collected leeches and put them on their fishing hooks. In 1996, Roger retired, and they moved permanently to Charlevoix. Cynthia was very active in the Charlevoix Public Library and served as a board member, helped establish the Michigan Room Committee, and devoted many hours to the building of Charlevoix's beautiful library (which was originally the grade school she attended

where her mother was her 4th-grade teacher). Her Northern Michigan memberships included the First Congregational Church, the Petoskey Area Antiques Club, Questers, and the Charlevoix Historical Society.

Cynthia had a passion for the art of rug hooking. She designed many of her rugs and dyed the wool she used to create unique floor and wall works of art. She attended many rug hooking conferences and workshops where she met people who became lifetime friends. Other interests included classical music, antiques, travel, museums, reading, art films, PBS British programs, local history, and mastering her computer. She had an extensive collection of vintage Charlevoix postcards. Cynthia will be remembered for her impressive garden where she dedicated many hours that also showed her artistic talent. Throughout her life, Cynthia was devoted to her pets and had many memorable cats and dogs, especially her Bernese Mountain dogs, Phoebe, Hubble, and Jack, and her beloved cat, Edward.

Cynthia and Roger were the parents of three lovely daughters, Elizabeth, Holly, and Katie. She was a stay-at-home mom and was always busy with the many activities involving her girls. Cynthia was a devoted grandmother and enjoyed her relationship with four wonderful grandsons; in January 2021, she became a great-grandmother.

Cynthia is survived by her husband, Roger W. Postmus; daughters, Elizabeth A. Postmus of Chicago, Illinois, Holly L. Postmus of Port Townsend, Washington, and Katherine J. Kavanaugh of Longmont, Colorado; grandsons, Joshua LeClaire, Roger LeClaire, Keegan Kavanaugh, and Quinlin Kavanaugh; and great-granddaughter, Lottie Rose Kavanaugh; her sister, Virginia (Rudolph K.) Scharschmidt of West Bend, Wisconsin, brothers Vane H. (Kathleen) Smith of Charlevoix, Michigan, and Douglas (Virginia) Smith of Garden, Michigan; cousin, Georgie (James) Smith Raulerson of Boynton Beach, Florida; and 16 nieces and nephews.

Cynthia was preceded in death by her parents, Vane H. Smith and Mildred Smith Paddock; and grandparents, George W. and Minnie J. Smith, and Ella Voorhies.

The family thanks the compassionate staff at Munson Hospice House for the care that Cynthia received.

Her wish was to be cremated and buried in Charlevoix's Brookside Cemetery. A private burial and memorial celebration of Cynthia's life will be held on a date yet to be determined.

Arrangements by Nelson Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Gaylord, Michigan.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 Clinton Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720; First Congregational Church of Charlevoix, 101 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720; or the University of Michigan School of Nursing Undergraduate Scholarship Fund for Gifts in Memory of Mrs. Cynthia Postmus, 400 N Ingalls Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-5482

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Pirate Festival August 11th-14th

PIRATEFEST SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

This here might change with the tide, so don't pin us down!

WED ARRRGUST 11

6p-?? - PIRATE PRE-INVASION PARRRTY/FUNDRAISER
Gather & dance a jolly jig at The Weathervane in Charlevoix with live entertainment, cold drinks and tasty eats all while watchin' the Pirate Hoard plot their invasion on Treasure Town, USA. \$20.00 donation, seating limited to 100 pirates, so plan early. Get yer tickets now at

Central Drug Store, downtown Charlevoix and at Home Again Resale, downtown Boyne City!

Pirate Queen Pageant - This here be the crownin' of the official PirateFest Queen who will reign over Treasure-Town and all of Lake Charlevoix. Location: Boyne City Lanes from 6p to 9p.

ARRRGUST FRIDAY THE 13TH!!

7p - THE INVASION. Decorate Yer Ship and Join the Fun. Pirates invade Treasure Town, USA by way of a Crazy Flotilla. Bear witness behind Boyne City's Sunset Parrrk as the Pirates disembark & start their search for the

Treasure.
8-11p - It Be an Entertainment Filled Evening Under The Tent with "THE REMEDEE" Let there be drinks, laughter, and stories to tell. Mingle with pirates, and all shall be well. Beverage hosts be Stigg's Brewery from right here in Boyne City! Bring a lawn chair or throw down a blanket.

SAT ARRRGUST 14TH

10a - PIRATEFEST PARADE - Parade begins in SOBO, travels down Lake Street, and ends at Veteran's Park.

11a-6p - CAP'N KID'S FAIR, where the Kids Arrr TH' CAP'Ns!! Old City Park. Includes - Exotic animal shows

11:30a, 2p, and 4p. "BC Rocks" Treasure Hunt, Kid's Crafts, Face Paintin', Juggling & Much More. There's a Pirate Rivarr Raft Adventure with pirates, mermaids, and water battles from 12-6 pm.

12p - LIVE ENTERTAINMENT all day in Sunset Parrrk with bands provided by Black Diamond Broadcasting, Cap'n of the Airwaves, and Street Theater by Buskermania!

11a - The Highlander Games! Open space across from Family Fare

2-5p - Ben Traverse, Sea Shantys and Sing-Alongs 6:30-10p + "HAR"rrrr featuring Boyne Legends Graham Fineout and Newt Cole!
12p-9p - PIRATES, BUSKERS & MERMAIDS,

BLIMEY!!

Catch these entertainers all throughout Treasure Town USA! Beware! They might catch you fer their crew.

1p - KIDS PIRATE COSTUME PARADE IN OLD CITY PARK. See our Junior Pirate Mates in their finest, with the Kids Pirate Costume Contest to follow!

3p - THE BATTLE OF THE BOYNE RIVER. Townsfolk be gatherin' in Old City Park to lead a march to drive the Pirates out. Soon, a zany re-enactment of the famous "Battle of the Boyne River" ensues.

8p - Adult Costume Contest at the Main Stage in Sunset Parrrk. More fun than a fiddle on a fox!

6p- PIRATEFEST's "PEG LEG TAVERN TROT!" Sink me! Ye Scalywags, look what yer gittin', a Commemorative Tee Shirt, a Mug ta keep, 'n if yer still standin', "Braggin' Rights" Keep yer eye out fer more information. Tharr Be "BOOZE CRUISES!" on Lake Charlevoix. Watch for Times and Ticket Info.

SUN ARRRGUST 14TH

8a-12p - SUNDAY BRUNCH AT SUNNYSIDE CAFE. Landlubbers be meetin' here to join the Pirates fer one last meal, then biddin' them a fare-thee-well.

Visit www.boynecitypiratefest.com for more details



Mackinaw City gears up for the 32nd annual Corvette Crossroads Auto Show

MACKINAW CITY – An American automotive classic, the Corvette is cause for celebration in Mackinaw City at the 32nd Annual Corvette Crossroads Auto Show. We invite you to join us on Saturday, August 28, 2021, just before Labor Day Weekend. G-Man Entertainment will be on site all day offering his commentary, music and enthusiasm.

Friday, August 27, Corvettes of various vintages arrive, cruise and prepare for Saturday's festivities. Saturday, August 28, hundreds of Corvettes will be on display at the Odawa Casino – Mackinaw, 1080 S. Nicolet St. from 9:00 am to 2:00pm. Winners are selected from several categories by "People's Choice"

– this is not intended to be an intensely competitive event, rather a fun gathering for enthusiasts. The award presentation begins at 3:00 pm. The Corvette parade will cross the Mackinac Bridge at 7:00 pm.

The Corvette Crossroads Corvette Parade across the Mighty Mac is open to everyone with a Corvette. Participants should start arriving at the Odawa Casino parking area at 6:00 pm. The fee for non-show registered 'Vettes to participate in the parade is \$10.00 and all participants are responsible for their return bridge fare of \$4.00.

Participants will follow the parade route through Mackinaw City and across the

Mackinac Bridge where they will be able to enjoy St. Ignace and return to Mackinaw City at their leisure. The Village of Mackinaw City Police Department and Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Officers will provide traffic control along the parade route. Spectators can enjoy the show and cheer on the 'Vettes beginning at 7:00 pm along the parade route - South Huron Ave. to Central Avenue, right on Nicolet St., to cross the Mackinac Bridge.

For more event information or to register your Corvette, visit www.mackinawchamber.com

Charlevoix County is classified as a high transmission/risk area

Over the past week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) moved several northern Michigan counties from "moderate" to "substantial" and "high" levels on the CDC's Level of Community Transmission Tracker Map, and issued changes in their recommendations for protective measures.

Cases, hospitalizations, and deaths are increasing across the United States and region, largely fueled by the Delta variant which is much more contagious than past versions of the virus. Because of this upward trend, the CDC recommends that all people, regardless of vaccination status, in areas

of substantial or high transmission should:

- Get vaccinated
- Get tested if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms
- Get tested 3-5 days following a known exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 and wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days after exposure or until a negative test result
- Isolate if they have tested positive for COVID-19 in the prior 10 days or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms
- Follow any applicable federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations
- Wear a mask in public

indoor settings if they are in an area of substantial or high transmission;

Fully vaccinated people might choose to mask regardless of the level of transmission if they have an increased health risk

The CDC bases its recommendations on the latest data. New data = new guidance. When the CDC revised its guidance in May, the delta variant represented 1% of all cases. Today that number is more than 80%. The CDC continues to recommend that policies be based on local transmission rates.

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News Briefs

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CHARLEVOIX

JAZZ @ THE LIBRARY (JATL)

8.11 | Crispin Campell, cello; Nancy Stegnitta, flute

8.18 | family and friends 7pm. Children's Garden (weather permitting) at the Charlevoix Public Library. Bring your own chair.

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.

8/11 - The Real Ingredients

8/18 - Matt Gabriel
8/25 - Full Moon Jam Band

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX LIVE ON THE LAKE

8.12 | Enemy Line | Country

8.19 | Brett Newski | Alt Rock

8.26 | Distant Stars | Rock

7-9pm in East Park at the Odmak Performance Pavilion. downtown-charlevoix.com

BOYNE CITY

LAWN AT LYNDA'S 2021

8/13/2021 The Loper's
8/20/2021 The Two Beats
8/27/2021 Jeff Meads
9/3/2021 Full Circle

EAST JORDAN

GOSPEL MUSIC

The Open Door, a Christian Coffee House has music the first and third Sat-

urday of each month. The Open Door is located at Lighthouse Missionary Church, 7824 Rogers Road 8/21 - The Walkers 9/4 - Barry & Monte Loper

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

NEED A RIDE TO THE CONCERT?

Charlevoix County Transit will be offering transportation service to your community's evening music programs this summer. We are requesting that those interested in riding call to reserve a ride the day before the music performances. We will transport to the community closest to the person's home, therefore we won't accept requests from Boyne City residents to come into East Jordan or Charlevoix, etc. Our normal fare structures will apply. To make reservation, passengers should call 231-582-6900.

CHARLEVOIX

SUMMERFOLK

8.16 | Terry Coveyou 6:30-7:30pm. Children's Garden (weather permitting) at the Charlevoix Public Library. Bring your own chair. charlevoixlibrary.org

BOYNE CITY

PIRATE FESTIVAL PARADE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WANTED: Pirates on decorated bicycles and scooters. Pirates on golf carts. Pirates on motorized scooters and motorcycles. Pirates on floats, trucks classic cars for the Pirate Festival parade Saturday, Aug. 14, 10am. Contact Shari Kitchen at shari.kitchen@gmail.com

BOYNE CITY

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

August 12, 6-8pm at 303 North St. Open house style., fun or fancy garden attire. Light refreshments, conversation. RSVP 231-582-6193

ELLSWORTH

PLEIN AIR PAINTING

August 12th Margie Guyot Possum Hollow, 12486 Scott Road, Ellsworth. US 31 (1 mile North of Eastport Market-16 Miles South of Charlevoix) turn West on Scott Rd. Take to end, corner of Scott Rd. and Old Dixie Hwy.

August 19th - Michigan Beach Lighthouse Charlevoix

August 26th - Wind Ridge Cal & Patti's 17922 Ferry Rd. Charlevoix

September 2nd - TBD
September 9th - TBD

CHARLEVOIX

WATERFRONT ART FAIR

East Park, Downtown Charlevoix. August 14. 9AM - 6PM

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX ELKS VET-STOCK

August 14, 2-10pm. Charlevoix Elks #2856 proudly presents Vet-Stock! Music Festival, Bike Show, and Celebration of Service! Raising money for Veterans! Open to the Public! \$10 admission. Motorcycle show! Charlie's Root Fusion and Jelly Rolls Blues Band LIVE! Black Market Food Truck, drinks, dancing, raffles, 50/50's and more!

EAST JORDAN

LABOR DAY - A HISTORY OF WORK

Opens August 14, 10am. Raven Hill Discovery Center is one of ten sites in the United States selected in 2019 to participate in a Smithsonian pilot project to develop a unique humanities-based exhibition about local work history. The exhibition, Labor Days—A History of Work, will reflect the strong history and culture of work around Lake Charlevoix and connections to work in northern Michigan, the nation and around the world. Labor Days opens at 10am on Saturday, August 14th and will remain open from 10am to 4pm daily through the end of September.

BOYNE CITY

SOCCER SIGNUP

Get ready to grab your Boyne Area 4-H Soccer jersey, cleats, shin guards, soccer ball and water bottle and head to the soccer fields. Remember that youth must be 5 years old on or before January 1, 2022 to participate and be sure to put your child grade that they will be in this fall on their registration form. You can sign up any time at the MSU Extension office in Boyne

City Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm in Boyne City Hall. Registration is open now until August 13th to avoid the \$20.00 late fee. If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Matela (Boyne Area 4-H Soccer Program Manager) at 231-340-0995 or tmatela28@icloud.com OR the MSU Extension office at 231-582-6232. Can't wait to see you on the field!

CHARLEVOIX

ADORATION UNDER THE STARS

August 14, 8pm. The evening will begin with an ice cream social at 8PM, followed by Eucharistic Adoration and music under the night sky. Bring a blanket, a chair and your family!

ELLSWORTH

ELLSWORTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL SIGNUP

ECS operates a cooperative football program with Central Lake. The middle school program is open to all students who will be in grades 6, 7, or 8 during the 2021-22 school year. Practice is scheduled to begin on August 23. If you have not already done so, please complete the attached form so that your student's information can be passed along to coaches! Also, a current physical (obtained after 4/15/21) must be on file with the main office prior to practice or competition. <https://forms.gle/Ct76Ck3y8JMDGwut5>

CHARLEVOIX

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

August 18, 5-7pm. Charlevoix Elks Lodge, 12735 US 31 North

BOYNE FALLS

FREE MEALS FOR STUDENTS

This summer, we will continue our Meet Up & Eat Up Summer Meals Program at Boyne Falls Public School. Chef Nathan will be serving meals Monday-Thursday w/ breakfast served from 8:30-9 AM and lunch served from 11:30-1 PM. Meals are FREE for all children 18 and under and \$5 for adults. Please take advantage of this fantastic opportunity. Children and families from other districts are also welcome.

BOYNE CITY

FREE MEALS FOR STUDENTS

Boyne City Schools now offering, Free breakfast and lunch to all 18 and under or persons up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program. June 21st to August 20th - Monday-Thursday. Pickup at the back of Boyne City High School from 10am to 12pm pick up brunch bags. No Meal pick up on Fridays. Friday's meals go home on Thursday with that meal kit.

CHARLEVOIX

BLOOD DRIVE

Community Blood Drive at the Charlevoix Elks Lodge. August 23, 11-6 pm

CHARLEVOIX

PLANT SALE

The Charlevoix Evening Garden Club annual plant sale is Saturday, September 4, from 9 am until noon at Ferry Beach in Charlevoix. Perennials from members gardens will be for sale at great prices. Also, useful, timely advice on plants for our area from people who love to talk garden. For more information, call 231-547-4182.

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.

ANTRIM COUNTY

PADDLE ANTRIM

The 6th Annual Paddle Antrim Festival, always the second weekend after Labor Day, will be held this year. September 16 - 18. Registration is now underway for this spectacular event which will be limited to 200 paddlers this year. Visit the Paddle Antrim website for more details and registration at www.paddleantrim.com.

CHARLEVOIX

STATE OF THE COMMUNITY

September 21st. The Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce presents the annual State of the Community luncheon at Castle Farms. This event features important updates from various sectors of our community. This year, hear from leaders with Charlevoix County, Charlevoix Public Schools, and the Antrim-Charlevoix-Kalkaska Association of Realtors. Thank you to our partners at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Charlevoix State Bank, and the City of Charlevoix for sponsoring this event.

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 COUNTY

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

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

EAST JORDAN

FARMERS MARKET

Every Thursday, 10am - 2pm at Sportsmens Park

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

CONCERT

Freshwater Gallery and Concert Venue, in conjunction with Helping Hearts of EJ, will be hosting a benefit concert on Friday, October 15 at 7pm. Headlining that great event will be NYC-based singer/songwriter, Willie Nile. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased by calling Freshwater Gallery & Concert Venue at 231-582-2588.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

ADVERTISING FUNDS THE CHARLEVOIX COUNTY NEWS

We love to run community announcements and news releases about all the things happening in Northern Michigan in the Charlevoix County News. We help publicize hundreds of events and activities all across our area. Readers love the fact that the Charlevoix County News is distributed by mailed subscription or at tons of locations throughout Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Ellsworth and Petoskey. However, it is expensive to publish this newspaper each week filled with positive news and sports. Our main source of revenue comes from advertising. If your business or organization has an advertising budget, be sure to include the Charlevoix County News in your plans. While other local newspapers are quickly fading, the Charlevoix County News is growing. Our newsstand prices and advertising rates are far less than any other paper and your message will reach readers all across the area. Contact us at Office@CharlevoixCountyNEWS.com or call 989-732-8160. Locally owned and operated.

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News

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St. Mary School introduces new teacher

St. Mary School welcomes Chelsea Hunt as our 2nd and 3rd grade teacher.

Chelsea grew up in Perry, Michigan, near Lansing. She graduated from Grand Canyon University with her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. Chelsea is a competent educator and has many strengths that will benefit the students, families, and staff at St. Mary School! "I am looking forward to witnessing Chelsea's ability to see and meet the needs of each student, providing for them academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually," says Kathleen Dvorcek, St. Mary School principal.

Chelsea and her husband have three boys and just re-



Chelsea Hunt

cently moved to Charlevoix. Together they love to go camping, boating, and swimming. She is so excited to get to work with our St. Mary School students!

BOYNE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monday, July 26, 2021

0735 Welfare check in the 300 block of E Division St.
0801 Citation issued for speed at Division St and Lewis St
0805 Citation issued for speed at Boyne Av and Main St.
0825 Assist Fire Dept. on Silver St
0849 Driving complaint at Division and Pleasant
1100 Skunk in the wooden playground at Veteran's park. Live trap set.
1220 Subject at window to turn self in on out of state warrant. No trespass order served.
1317 Vehicle unlock in the 500 block of N Lake St
1345 Alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St
1405 Juvenile complaint at Harborage Marina
1751 Driving violation on M 75 N headed towards BC.
2024 Report of possible child abuse from Earl St
2040 Found Wallet was turned in to PD
2226 Assist Sheriff Dept. at M-75 and Deer Lake Rd.

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

0103 Intoxicated male at Veterans Park.
0749 Found bike in the 400 block of Boyne Ave.
0926 Report of lost camera. Was turned in and returned to owner.
1327 Ordinance violation at Open Space
1442 Minneapolis Flight Control requesting we check airport to determine if plane has landed.
1459 Private property damage crash in City Hall parking lot.
1501 Retail fraud complaint in the 400 block of N Lake St
1547 Juvenile complaint at the Harborage Marina.
1719 Search for missing aircraft.
1904 Arrested subject on warrant and transported to CCSD
1912 Report of campaign signs being stolen
1931 Juvenile complaint at Peninsula Beach.
2000 Salvage Inspection

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

0128 Intoxicated subject on W Main St
0802 Looking for the missing plane on Balsam Ln.
0813 Alarm in the 200 block of S Lake St. Was located safely on the ground.
1042 Found wallet dropped off at PD. Was returned to owner. Cash reported missing.
1056 Found wallet in the 100 block of Water St.
1207 Civil dispute in the 300 block of Hannah St
1338 Retail Fraud in the 400 block of N Lake St. Juvenile suspects were later located.
1326 Report of child abuse on State St
1616 Welfare check in the 600 block of W court St.
1838 911 hang up in the 100 block of S Lake.

1842 Trespass complaint at the Harborage Marina.

Thursday, July 29, 2021

0833 Report of bikes stolen overnight from the Marina. Were returned.
0935 Stalking complaint filed from State St.
0949 Private property damage crash at the Farmer's Market yesterday
1540 Salvage vehicle inspection
2021 Suspicious activity in the 400 block of N Lake St
2120 Possible B&E in the 300 block of N Park.

Friday, July 30, 2021

0045 Arrested subject for OWI at Lake and Groveland
0826 Report of lost Iphone
0827 parking violation on Second St
0907 Report of vehicle parked at Peninsula Beach for past 3 days
0954 Burn permit issued on Lewis Av
1001 Alarm in the 900 block of Pleasant.
1038 Civil complaint in the 100 block of Water
1608 Civil complaint in the 500 block of N Lake St.
1644 Property damage crash at Park St and Ray St.
1731 Arrested subject for domestic violence in the 500 block of N. Lake
2055 Assist citizen at Veterans Park.
2200 Found credit card
2240 Assist Sheriff Dept. in the 200 block of Pleasant Ave.
2253 Citation issued for Operating without Security on Boyne City Rd.

Saturday, July 31, 2021

0348 Arrested subject for OWI on M-75 N.
1251 Civil standby in the 500 block of N Lake
1730 Civil standby in the 500 block of N Lake
1803 Private property damage crash in the 300 block of Silver St.
1815 911 hang up/assist EMS. In the 400 block of Ann St

SUNDAY AUGUST 1, 2021

0008 Suspicious subjects located at Peninsula Beach.
0058 Citation issued for dis-regarding blinking red on Park St.
0103 Intoxicated subjects at S. Lake St. and Main St.
0114 Report of an intoxicated subject getting ready to drive on W Main St.
0345 Suspicious subject shining flashlight in windows on E Main St.
0348 Dispatched to check on four juveniles riding skateboards in the 200 block of S East St
2009 Arrested subject on warrant in the 1000 block of S Lake St.
2039 Juvenile complaint on S Lake St.

Harbor House Publishers joins long-established, family-owned Waterways Journal Inc.

For more than five decades, Harbor House Publishers has looked for ways to better serve its customers and partners. On July 20, 2021, it took another step forward when it joined The Waterways Journal and its parent company Bound Media Group.

"We have had many opportunities over the years to become part of something larger, and we have now found the perfect fit," says Michelle Cortright, second-generation publisher of Great Lakes/Seaway Review and founder of Harbor House Publishers, Inc. "The values and customer service of Bound Media Group allow us to expand the ways we help our customers and assist in community development."

Harbor House Publishers retains its identity, staff and office in Boyne City, Michigan. The long-time team continues to connect with customers and turn visions into digital and print products.



"Michelle Cortright did an amazing job after purchasing the company from her father, Jacques LesStrang, in 1987," said Nelson Spencer, Jr., president of Bound Media Group. "She grew the relevance of Harbor House Publishers' maritime titles while building a first-class custom publishing business. Just as impressive, Michelle built a great team of professionals who we are excited to have join our team. We are humbled and honored to have

Harbor House join our family of media products."

As president and publisher emeritus, respectively, Spencer and Cortright welcome Leslie Tunney to the Harbor House Publishers team. With an extensive background in city and regional publishing, Tunney is part of the executive team at Bound Media and vice-president and publisher at Harbor House Publishers. She specializes in bringing together various aspects of publishing — advertising, branding, marketing, management and new product development for business-to-business and business-to-consumer products.

Tunney says: "I look forward to meeting each of our clients and partners as we continue to build on the respected legacy of Harbor House Publishers."

ABOUT THE COMPANIES

Harbor House Publishers is based in Boyne City, Michigan and publishes custom magazines, directories,

guides, books and newsletters with a specialty in regional publications with a focus on community development. Established in 1969, the company also publishes the quarterly magazine Great Lakes/Seaway Review, Greenwood's Guide to Great Lakes Shipping and the international Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway System Directory.

The Waterways Journal, Inc., doing business as Bound Media Group, is based in St. Louis, Missouri and has been a maritime publications company since 1887. The Waterways Journal is a weekly magazine covering the inland river system's 25,000 barges and more than 3,800 towboats, dredges and material handlers. The company's portfolio also includes Inland River Record, Inland River Guide, Quimby's Cruising Guide, International Dredging Review, Marina Dock Age, as well as two annual expos and other meetings.

Health Clinic adds Cancer Screening Patient Navigator

The Little Traverse Bay Bands Health Clinic has added a Cancer Screening Navigator to their staff. Emily Ferroni is a Patient Navigator and will support cancer screening outreach for the Little Traverse Bay Bands community across NW Lower Michigan. Emily was raised in Sault St. Marie and is a graduate of both Lake Superior State University and Northern Michigan University. She will be working at the LTBB Health Clinic 4-days per week.

Emily will be providing personalized attention to all clinic patients who are due or overdue cancer screening; she will be supporting clinic providers by sending out personalized screening reminders to patients who are due to complete their cancer screening. Most importantly she will ensure that all clinic

patients have an opportunity to make a decision on what method they want to use to complete their cancer screening at no cost regardless of income or insurance status.

Working with the staff at the health clinic and tribal government, Emily will extend support for services that include scheduling transportation support to and from cancer screening appointments, ensuring patients have the necessary to supplies to prepare for colonoscopy appointments, make sure appointment times and locations are convenient for the patient and their family commitments, and ensure that all patients regardless of gender are informed about the importance of cancer screening.

American Indians and Alaska Natives are disproportionately impacted by



EMILY FERRONI

colon, breast, lung and cervical cancers. Screening tests can prevent some common cancers or find them early when they are easier to treat. Don't wait to complete your cancer screening.

If you are interested in completing your cancer screening you don't have to wait. You can call Emily, her

number at the clinic is 231-242-1772. You can call anytime, if she isn't in, please leave a message and she will make sure your provider reaches out to you.

The patient navigator position and associated cancer prevention education activities are funded by the MDHHS Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Navigation Program (BC3NP) and the Colorectal Cancer Screening Grant. Both are multi-year grants from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) awarded to the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan.

Follow-up questions can be addressed to Beth Sieloff, MPH, Cancer Prevention and Control Program Manager, Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan. Email: bsieloff@itcmi.org

COURTS

Two Sentenced to Prison for Methamphetamine

Friday morning in the 33rd Circuit Court, two men were sentenced to prison on methamphetamine charges.

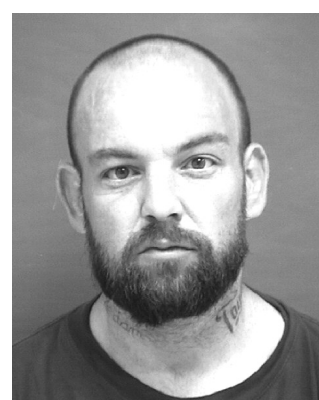
Andrew Karl Misner, 34, East Jordan, was sentenced to serve 34 to 240 months on a conviction of delivery of methamphetamine.

Darren Robert Midyett, 33, Charlevoix, was sentenced to 24 to 120 months for possession of methamphetamine.

According to a police affidavit, Misner sold methamphetamine to a confidential informant on December 1, 2020. He was later charged with witness interference for posts he made on social media naming the informant and saying that the informant should have their tongue



ANDREW KARL MISNER



DARREN ROBERT MIDYETT

cut out. Misner pleaded guilty on July 2.

Midyett was arrested on June 30, 2020, when police were called to investigate a domestic disturbance in the

Police searched Midyett's vehicle and discovered a plastic baggie containing methamphetamine. Midyett had been previously convicted of five felonies and 13 misdemeanors, including prior convictions for delivery of controlled substances.

"While our goal is not to imprison people who are simply drug addicts, those who sell drugs, especially dangerous drugs like methamphetamine, must be held accountable," Charlevoix County Prosecuting Attorney Allen Telgenhof said.

the baby come home, and you're sure everyone's healthy and safe. You could even hang on to it all until she decides to start work. But the bottom line is if everybody's okay, the baby and all those connected expenses—like formula, diapers, and daycare—just become part of a regular monthly budget.

Your wife is going to be making pretty good money once she starts her job. And the truth is babies are not all that expensive. There are costs involved in having kids, but it's not like we're talking thousands of dollars a month out of your budget just because you had a baby. Can you buy lots and lots of things for a baby? Can those things cost a ridiculous amount of money? Of course! The list of things you could buy goes on and on. But a healthy, new baby doesn't need much, and having one at home isn't going to break the bank.

I think any financial fear

or uncertainty you may be experiencing right now will disappear once you've got a couple months of adjusting your budget and getting used to the new normal under your belt. Then, when you and your wife decide it's time to start her career, you can begin paying off debt in a really big way!

—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. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

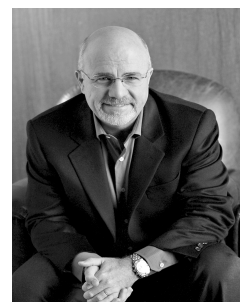
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DAVE Says



Dave Ramsey

(And baby makes three)

Dear Dave,
My wife and I are expecting our first child in a couple of weeks. I bring home \$35,000 a year teaching at a local high school, and she just completed her master's degree in speech therapy. She has a job waiting for her after the baby is born, and they are being very flexible about when she starts. I have heard you tell some people to leave just \$1000 in savings for Baby Step 1, and use any other saved cash to pay off debt. But I am concerned

about the new expenses we will have once the baby is home. Should we hang on to our savings, so we have extra cushion for those costs or if something unexpected happens?

David

Dear David,
Congratulations! I know you two are excited to welcome a little one into the world.

In your situation, I'd advise pushing the pause button on the Baby Steps for now. Forget about paying down debt, until mom and

News

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Health officials recommend 'back to basics' as COVID-19 cases continue to rise

Basic public health prevention practices, such as keeping a distance from others, regular handwashing or sanitizing, testing, contact tracing, and wearing a mask, remain just as important now as before the vaccine was readily available to anyone 12 and older.

"What we are seeing is typical disease behavior. Every new case reported is an opportunity for the virus to mutate," said Dr. Meyerson, Medical Director with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. "With 62.8% of residents in Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego counties residents 12 and older with one dose, we are making good progress but still have many people in our community that are still susceptible. As a result, the virus continues to spread and cause illness," he added.

Health officials feel it is currently necessary to focus on the following to prevent further spread of COVID-19

in our communities:

Get vaccinated if 12 years or older. Vaccination is our biggest tool and protective measure against the virus.

The vaccines are highly effective at preventing severe disease. The majority of hospitalizations and deaths occur in unvaccinated individuals.

Breakthrough infections occur when a fully vaccinated person tests positive for COVID-19. Breakthrough disease occurs when a fully vaccinated person experiences symptoms of COVID-19 disease. Exact rates of breakthrough infection and disease are unknown as data was not being collected until recently when recommendations changed for vaccinated individuals exposed to a positive case.

Most new cases in the U.S. are among unvaccinated individuals.

Wear a mask indoors, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, especially in areas

where transmission is substantial or high.

Get tested. After notification of exposure, whether fully vaccinated or unvaccinated, individuals should get tested. You should stay away from others pending test results and follow the advice of your health care provider or a public health professional. To locate a testing site, click here.

Asymptomatic fully vaccinated individuals: Get tested 3-5 days following known exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days or until they receive a negative test result.

During the month of July cases reported were double that of June in the health department's four-county jurisdiction of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. Of the July cases reported, 82.4% were unvaccinated or did not report vaccination status.

The health department offers convenient COVID-19 vaccination clinics for all area residents and visitors 12 and older either by appointment ahead of time or simply walking in. Parent consent is required for minors. Anyone may call 800-432-4121 if they have questions or are not able to find a time or date that works for them and/or their child. Clinics offer client choice of Pfizer, Moderna or J&J unless otherwise noted. Upcoming clinics for walk-ins or appointments include:

Thursday, August 12
 • 8:15-11:35 a.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 95 Livingston Blvd., Gaylord. Vaccine: Pfizer, Moderna and J&J. Walk-ins are welcome.
 • 1-4:30 p.m. - Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 3434 M-119, Harbor Springs. Vaccine: Pfizer, Moderna and J&J. Walk-ins are welcome.

Saturday, August 14
 • 1-3 p.m. - Antrim County

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COVID-19 Case Counts
 The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting the following case information:

• On Friday, Aug. 6, 26 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (3), Charlevoix (13), Emmet (10), and Otsego (0).
 • On Saturday, Aug. 7, 9 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (0), Charlevoix (7), Emmet (3), and Otsego (0).
 • On Sunday, Aug. 8, 9 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (3), Charlevoix (3), Emmet (2), and Otsego (1).
 • On Monday, Aug. 9, 21 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (5), Charlevoix (10), Emmet (4), and Otsego (2), and one new COVID-19 associated death in Charlevoix County.
 As of 4 p.m. today, the cu-

mulative case count information for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is:

• Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (1,661), Charlevoix (1,762), Emmet (2,424), and Otsego (2,382).
 • Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (1,600), Charlevoix (1,631), Emmet (2,283), and Otsego (2,234).
 • Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim (31), Charlevoix (23), Emmet (42), and Otsego (41).

On August 9, the State of Michigan reported 913,220 cases and 19,958 deaths. The State of Michigan reports case counts on Tuesday and Friday.

Additional emergency food assistance benefits related to pandemic

All Michigan families who are eligible for food assistance benefits are receiving an additional monthly payment in August in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) announced today.

More than 1.25 million people in close to 700,000 Michigan households will benefit.

"As we continue our economic jumpstart, we must ensure that every Michigan family can put food on the table," Gov. Whitmer said. "My administration, MDHHS, and other partners have worked to ensure that nobody went hungry in the middle of a global pandemic. It is essential for us to con-

tinue our efforts, and I thank the Biden administration for helping us feed 1.25 million Michiganders in 700,000 households across the state."

Eligible clients will see additional food assistance benefits on their Bridge Card from Aug. 7-13. Additional benefits will be loaded onto Bridge Cards as a separate payment from the assistance that is provided earlier in the month.

"MDHHS is pleased to be able to continue to help families affected by the pandemic put food on the table," said MDHHS Director Elizabeth Hertel. "We will continue working hard to provide Michigan residents who are in need with easy access to

benefits."

Some Michiganders began receiving additional food assistance in April 2020 after the beginning of the pandemic that started the month before. In May 2021, all eligible households began getting extra monthly benefits. Federal approval is necessary every month.

All households eligible for SNAP 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.

Below are the maximum al-

lowable 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 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 and CDC.gov/Coronavirus.

Regional Business After Hours September 29th

Join our area Chamber of Commerce partners and members at our annual Regional Business After Hours, this year taking place at the new Boat-house on Lake Charlevoix in East Jordan!

Members of the Charlevoix Area, East Jordan Area, Boyne Area and Beaver Island Chambers of Commerce are all welcome to come together at this event for networking, prizes, food and camaraderie.

Thank you to Charlevoix State Bank and Charlevoix County News for helping to host this regional event.

ELECTION FROM PG. 1

Grunch and Sally Page received the fourth, fifth and sixth highest vote tallies qualifying these six candidates to run for three seats in the November 2 election. The lowest vote tally on Tuesday, city commission challenger Joseph Schlegel was eliminated from the running.

The East Jordan school district's proposal for funding of the community pool was approved by voters. The school district has been using money from its general funds for the management and maintenance of the publicly used pool. Voters approved the recreational millage with over 57% of the vote. The millage is 0.6 mill and a duration of 10 years.

The Charlevoix-area EMS authority millage passed with almost 78% of the vote, giving funding (1.5 mills in property taxes) to the newly created Lake Charlevoix EMS Authority. The Lake Charlevoix EMS Authority, formed between Charlevoix, Norwood, Marion, and Hayes Townships, started operating on July 26, 2021.

Voters in Norwood Township also agreed to contribute to the authority's funding (at the same 1.5 mill rate) but officials there chose to structure the millage proposal independently from neighboring communities. Norwood Township approved the millage with more than 80% of the vote.

MDHHS issues updated COVID-19 school guidance to help keep kids and educators healthy

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued updated recommendations for schools designed to help prevent transmission of COVID-19 within school buildings, reduce disruptions to in-person learning and help protect vulnerable individuals and individuals who are not fully vaccinated.

The guidance has been updated to reflect the most current recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on masking and prevention strategies to help operate schools more safely. It includes guidance on assessing risk levels when making decisions about implementing layered prevention strategies against COVID-19.

"We are committed to ensuring Michigan students and educators are safe in the classroom, including those who may not yet be vaccinated," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, chief medical executive and chief deputy for health at MDHHS. "MDHHS is issuing this guidance to help protect Michiganders of all ages. We continue to urge all eligible residents to get the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible as it is our best de-

fense against the virus and the way we are going to end this pandemic."

"Our students and staff need to be in schools as much as possible this year," said State Superintendent Dr. Michael Rice. "Following the informed guidance from national and state health experts will help keep our students and staff healthy and help maximize student learning."

Prevention Strategies - The most effective way to prevent transmission within school buildings, reduce disruptions to in-person learning and help protect people who are not fully vaccinated is to layer multiple prevention strategies recommended by CDC. All prevention strategies provide some level of protection, and layered strategies implemented at the same time provide the greatest level of protection.

The key strategies recommended by the CDC to keep schools safer are as follows:

1. Promoting vaccination against COVID-19 for eligible staff and students. Vaccination has proven incredibly effective as the leading public health prevention strategy.

2. Consistent and correct mask use
 - CDC recommends universal indoor masking for all educators, staff, students and visitors to schools, regardless of vaccination status.

- CDC has recommendations for proper use of masks.
 - CDC's order requires all persons - regardless of vaccination status - wear masks on public transportation, including school buses.

3. Physical distancing CDC recommends schools maintain at least three feet of physical distance between students within classrooms, combined with indoor mask wearing by students, teachers and staff, regardless of vaccination status. When it is not possible to maintain a three-foot physical distance, it is especially important to layer multiple other prevention strategies, such as indoor masking, screening testing, cohorting, and improved ventilation to help reduce transmission risk.

4. Screening testing identifies infected people, including those without symptoms who may be contagious, so that measures can be taken to prevent further transmission or outbreaks.

5. Ventilation
 - Improving ventilation by opening multiple doors and windows, using child-safe fans to increase the effectiveness of open windows and making changes to the HVAC or air filtration systems.

- Avoiding crowded and/or poorly ventilated indoor activities (e.g., engaging in outdoor activities when possible).

- Open or crack windows in buses and other forms of transportation to improve air circulation, if doing so does not pose a safety risk.

6. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette: Promoting handwashing and covering coughs and sneezes.

7. Staying home when sick and getting tested
 - Encouraging students and staff to stay home if sick or having COVID-19 symptoms.

- Encouraging students and staff, regardless of vaccination status, to get tested for COVID-19 if having symptoms or if they are a close contact of someone who has COVID-19.

8. Contact tracing in combination with quarantine: Collaborating with the local health department.

9. Cleaning and disinfection:

Cleaning once a day is usually enough to sufficiently remove potential virus that may be on surfaces. Disinfecting (using disinfectants on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency COVID-19 webpage) removes any remaining germs on surfaces, which further reduces any risk of spreading infection. CDC has information on routine cleaning to help maintain healthy facilities.

The following factors should be used when determining mitigation strategies:

- Level of community transmission of COVID-19.
- COVID-19 vaccination coverage in the community and among students, teachers and staff.
- Use of a frequent SARS-CoV-2 screening testing program for students, teachers and staff who are not fully vaccinated.
- COVID-19 outbreaks or increasing trends in the school or surrounding community.
- Ages of children served in the school and risk associated with school, extracurricular and social activities.



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DNR

Be safe on the water this summer

When swimming or boating in any body of water, make safety your first priority. Never swim alone, always keep close watch over children and bring U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets, especially for new and inexperienced swimmers.

Many, but not all, state parks on the Great Lakes offer designated swimming areas that are identified by buoys or buoys and markers, a beach flag warning system and water depth less than 5 feet at the time of installation. You also may find other designated swim areas in places other than state parks.

Visit Michigan.gov/Beach-Safety for more on warning flags, types of currents and other safety information. Where beach flag warning systems are available, check the flag upon arrival and monitor it throughout the day because conditions can change rapidly.

Green flag = Go. Enter the water but stay aware of changing conditions.

Yellow flag = Caution. Watch for dangerous currents and high waves.

Red flag = Stop. Stay on the beach; do not enter the water and do not swim.

When boating, have life jackets available for everyone aboard, leave a float plan with someone on shore, stay alert and carry a cellphone or marine radio. That goes for those on personal watercraft like Jet Skis and paddle boards, too. The DNR's boating safety webpage offers more tips

DNR Fishing Tip

We bring you this oldie, but goodie fishing tip from 2014. Courtesy of Suzanne Stone, the Program Support Section manager out of Lansing.

As Michigan's inland lakes warm up in mid to late summer, knowledge of a water body's temperature stratification becomes helpful for fishing. Seasonal temperature influences in lakes form different zones, and as a result, different temperature ranges and oxygen levels are associated with these layers. Knowledge of these layers or zones can lead to increased angling success.

The warm surface zone is called the epilimnion and has an abundance of oxygen. The bottom zone is called the hypolimnion and is typically cold and depleted of oxygen. The middle zone is the thermocline and the point at which warm oxygen rich top water is separated from the cold, oxygen depleted water below. The thermocline may prove to be a great depth at which to fish due to the abundance of oxygen and temperature found "in between" very warm and very cold. This ideal zone in most Michigan inland lakes typically will be between 10 to 30 feet, depending on lake size and depth. Just like us humans, fish need oxygen to breathe and many don't particularly like to be too warm or too cold.

If fishing in shallow water bodies, look for shaded areas provided by large floating vegetation, overhanging vegetation, submerged logs, or other woody debris which provides water that is a little cooler and cover, where many fish species prefer to spend their time. Also don't forget to try fishing at night during the summer "doldrums" when water temperatures reach seasonal highs. Many fish species become active at night with relief from the daytime sun and heat.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN OUTDOORS

The Terrific 12 Fly Fishing Patterns

BY PATRICK BEVIER

In preparation for a sacred day in the lives of many Michigan the trout season opener on April 24th, I solicited input from several fly fishing experts to come up with the "Terrific 12" fly patterns that no respectable angler should be without. Of course, that's no small task considering there are now thousands of creative dry fly, streamer, and nymph patterns crafted by folks all over the globe. Here's the Top 12, featuring six dry flies, five streamers, and one nymph:

Adam's Parachute:

This is a catch-all, mayfly imitating dry fly. Gates Au Sable Lodge (989-348-8462) owner, Josh Greenberg, said, "This is a great morning and daytime dry fly throughout much of the season."

Rusty's White Knot:

A large mayfly imitation that is the product of the vise-artistry of the late, great Rusty Gates. Greenberg explained, "This is a favorite dry fly pattern for large trout. It's June, it's 7 pm, this is what I'm fishing with!"

Bear's Iso / Slate Drake Pattern:

You should never be without *Isonychia sp.* dry fly patterns because these mayflies often hatch for extended periods. Brian Kozminski, the highly-skilled owner of True North Trout guide service (231-675-1237) added, "A close second is Dave's Oh-So Iso."

Patriot Fly in Purple:

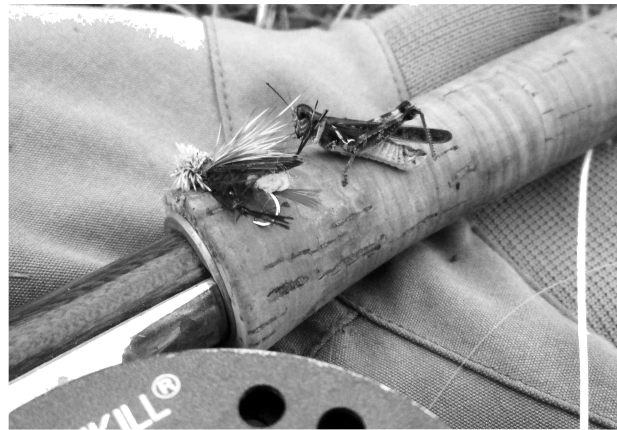
Kozminski smiled, "These dry flies are in the category of not replicating a certain insect per se, but curious trout will inhale them without inquiry." Greenberg added, "I especially like the Patriot in purple at all times of the day in May."

Robert's Yellow Drake:

In a broad range of sizes-from #4 to #18-this dry fly covers a wide spectrum



Brian Kozminski, of Boyne City, landed this behemoth brown trout on a Zoo Cougar streamer fly on the Manistee River.



A Dave's Hopper dry fly perched next to the live grasshopper it's tied to imitate



This Au Sable River rainbow trout was fooled by a Dave's Hopper fly last summer

for matching many light colored mayflies including sulfurs and light Hendrickson's. Boyne Outfitters (231-549-6064) director, Ethan Winchester, said, "This is one of my top flies throughout the year."

Lynch's White-Bellied Mouse:

It's unimaginable that one of the most effective dry flies imitates a mouse! Winchester said, "This is an absolutely great fly for trophy brown trout at

night. Nuff said!"

Galloup's Zoo Cougar:

This stupendous streamer pattern is a killer for coaxing big brown trout out of their deepest lairs. Kozminski explained, "I like the Zoo Cougar in black, olive, or ginger."

Circus Peanut: This is a big, showy streamer that, according to Greenberg, "Can be fished at a number of different speeds and depths, in big water or

in small water."

Lynch's Drunk & Disorderly Streamer:

If nothing else, it takes the cake for catchiest name! Winchester said, "It's easily one of the most responsive articulated streamers available, especially in burnt orange color!"

Whitlock Muddler:

Another very popular streamer fly crafted to resemble a riverine fish called a sculpin. These big-headed, bug-eyed bottom-dwellers are an absolute delicacy for large brown trout, in particular.

Cone-Head Woolley Bugger:

This diving streamer is excellent for all three riverine species of trout - brown trout, brook trout, and rainbow trout - as well as smallmouth bass and stream dwelling wall-eye. The cone-head gives them extra weight and shine compared to the bead-head offering. I've taken trout most often with Buggers sporting black and olive hues.

Bead-Head Pheasant Tail:

This quintessential nymph pattern has plenty of sink and flash and can be used all season to entice trout feeding beneath the surface.

I'm suggesting a baker's dozen and adding one more fly to the list. That

would be the Dave's Hopper. This is a winning choice when late summer trout food consists largely of land dwelling "terrestrial" insects that have been blown into the water. I've caught bodacious brook trout, broad-shouldered brown trout, and rascally rainbow trout using a Dave's Hopper on streams all over mid-and northern Michigan!

A stream mid-Michiganders might meander to is the Cedar River. It's one of the Mitten State's most southern trout streams and runs through Gladwin County.

Bo Brines, owner of the well-equipped Little Forks Outfitters in Midland (989-832-4100) said, "The Cedar is a beautiful, small stream with good trout fishing in certain sections. It has three branches and is colder the further north you go." Brines shared that the Rifle and Tobacco Rivers are also good trout waters that are an easy day-trip from Midland.

John VanDalen, a founding father of the Leon P. Murtuch Chapter of Trout Unlimited, has extensive knowledge of the Cedar River. He explained, "I've been fishing the Cedar for over four decades now and the greatest thing about it is that I can get there in 45 minutes to fish the evening hatches. And there are plenty of bugs on the river." He continued, "Another amazing thing about most stretches of the Cedar is that you rarely encounter another angler!"

VanDalen added, "Most stretches of the Cedar are brown trout water and the West Branch has the best trout population. If you hit the headwaters you can also catch some nice brook trout!"

Hopefully, this list of the 12 + 1 essential fly patterns will be helpful to both beginning anglers as well as to seasoned piscatorial pursuers!

"I fish because I love to, because I love the environs where trout are found, which are invariably beautiful." ~ Testament of a Fisherman - Robert Traver

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Family support subsidy eases challenges

Did you know that Michigan has a program to help families who care for their children with severe disabilities at home?

Many children with severe impairments may not be able to eat, walk, dress, or talk without difficulty. They often have both mental and physical impairments and need round-the-clock care and a lifetime of support. Families that include children with severe disabilities can have many expenses other families do not have.

The Family Support Subsidy Act (Public Act 249 of 1983) was passed by the Michigan legislature to shift resources and services toward supporting children with severe disabilities to live with their families and not in out-of-home placements.

The Family Support Subsidy (FSS) Program can pay for special expenses the family has while caring for their



SUSAN CLINGAN,
FFS COORDINATOR

child with severe disabilities.

Unfortunately, many people who are eligible for the program are not aware of the program, according to Susan Clingan, who is the Family Support Subsidy Program coordinator, and Office Manager for North Country Community Mental Health in Antrim County.

Clingan explains that families receive \$229.31 per month and the subsidy can be used at the family's discretion, empowering them to decide where it is needed most. Some use it for therapies, special dietary needs, respite care, or basic needs like rent or utilities or clothing.

While educational eligibility is ultimately determined by the Intermediate School District's (ISD's) Multidisciplinary Evaluation Team (MET), it is the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the local Community Mental Health Services Program that are responsible for administering and implementing the Family Support Subsidy Act.

According to Clingan, there are approximately 100 children currently enrolled in the FSS program in North Country's six counties. "In North Country's service

area, the average age is 12 and the youngest enrollee is 2," she says. "A little over half (52%) also receive other Community Mental Health services and supports."

Families may be eligible for this program if they have a child under age 18 who has been recommended by a local or intermediate school district (ISD) multidisciplinary evaluation team (MET) and given an eligibility category of cognitive impairment, severe multiple impairment, or autism spectrum disorder. The family's taxable income may not exceed \$60,000.

Clingan says 70% of families receiving the subsidy in northern Michigan earn less than \$19,000 per year and it makes a great deal of difference to those who receive it. "One person we work with said they live check to check and many months the subsidy check arrives just in time to pay a bill to avoid

shut off to that service. It has also helped with clothing expenses. The parent shared that her son seems to outgrow everything as soon as he gets it, as many parents know."

A parent in Charlevoix County said, "The money we receive for our [two] children from the subsidy has helped us buy a vehicle. We now have safe transportation and we are so grateful!"

A parent in Kalkaska County shared that, "There's always some extra expense that seems to hit our household each month and the subsidy has covered the surprises."

Referrals for the FSS program come to North Country from ISDs and MDHHS. North Country also outreaches to the local public schools, Early On, Public Health agencies, physician offices, childcare centers, hospitals, and more. Individ-

uals may also refer themselves.

Those interested in learning more about the program are encouraged to contact Susan Clingan, FSS Coordinator for Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Kalkaska, and Otsego Counties. She may be reached at (231) 533-8619 or sclingan@norcocmh.org. Visit www.norcocmh.org or to access services call 877-470-7130.

North Country Community Mental Health provides services to residents of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Kalkaska and Otsego Counties experiencing a serious mental illness, severe emotional problem, or intellectual/developmental disability, including individuals with co-occurring substance use disorder.

Pick up trash during Clean Waters Challenge

This year marks Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council's second annual Clean Waters Challenge with sponsor Bearcub Outfitters. August 7 through 14, join our challenge by picking up trash from around a water body near you. All you need to do is register at www.watershedcouncil.org/clean-waters-challenge or at Bearcub Outfitters for the option of entering an additional prize drawing. Take pictures of your cleanup adventure, tag Bearcub Outfitters and the Watershed Council on social media, add the tag #cleanwaterschallenge2021, and check our social media for regular prize raffles for registered participants. Limit one prize per person.

This year's prizes for general registered participants include two Bearcub Outfitters gift certificates, a Water-

shed Council t-shirt, or a Watershed Council cookbook. If you register in-person at Bearcub Outfitters, you'll be entered to win one of four prize packages that include a Keen frisbee, a wooden Bearcub Outfitters sticker, and a Platypus bottle. Become a Watershed Council member with a gift of fifty dollars or more and you'll be entered to win one of two prize packages: an Eno lantern and a Kelty blanket or a gift certificate for a pair of Keen shoes.

Our Clean Waters Challenge is easy and fun. It's a great way to support and protect the waters you love, whether you choose to clean a lake shore or stream bank. Keep us posted on your challenge cleanup by tagging us on social media. Thanks for all your support!

Analysis of Behavioral Health Crisis Services

Findings and recommendations of an in-depth assessment of mental health crisis services in northern Michigan will be presented to the public during a virtual community stakeholder meeting on Friday, August 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The community stakeholder meeting will include a forty-minute presentation by Travis Atkinson, Director of Clinical and Crisis Services, of TBD Solutions, which conducted the assessment from December 2020 through June 2021 on behalf of North Country Community Mental Health Authority (NCCMHA) and Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Authority (NLCMHA), in partnership with Munson Healthcare and McLaren Northern Michigan.

There will be about twenty minutes for community members to ask questions. Community members are encouraged to send questions in advance by emailing lmarnary@norcocmh.org by August 15.

As part of the assessment, 650 citizens and stakeholders in 12 northern Michigan counties completed surveys sharing their perspectives, beliefs, and experiences with behavioral health crisis services. In addition, 50 individuals participated in three focus groups, six stakeholder meetings were held, and over 1,500 data elements were collected and analyzed.

The purpose of the in-depth assessment is to build and deliver a continuum of crisis services for people with mental health and substance use disorders.

"There was great community support in participating in the survey and input sessions involved with this

study," said Joanie Blamer, Interim Chief Executive Officer at Northern Lakes Community Mental Health Authority. "This is the public's opportunity to hear the outcomes of the survey and study, and to learn about the findings and recommendations. We invite all interested parties to attend."

"We are pleased to have the opportunity to partner with the two hospital systems in our region as we identify the strengths and shortcomings in access to behavioral health crisis services and treatment options. We look forward to continuing our collaboration as we expand and enhance the continuum of crisis services," said Christine Gebhard, Chief Executive Officer of North Country Community Mental Health Authority.

Terri LaCroix-Kelty, Behavioral Health Director, Munson Medical Center, said, "Behavioral health crisis is an issue that needs attention and response. It is a community health issue, and we are pleased to be working with our community partners to mitigate behavioral health crisis and then hopefully to move upstream from there to better prevent crisis."

The twelve counties involved are: Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Grand Traverse, Emmet, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Missaukee, Otsego, Roscommon, and Wexford.

The Zoom link to attend the meeting on August 20 is <https://norcocmh.zoom.us/j/83809428375?pwd=MVVQaXZvcFRDTHh5WGkyZS5zZuZz09>. Use Meeting ID: 838 0942 8375, and Passcode: 002480.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO THE EDITOR,

On Monday, August 2, 2021, I took a misstep on a very dangerous section of the Charlevoix City Dock and fell into the water. This was a small triangle of water between the dock and the seawall where the dock abruptly narrows with a metal protrusion from the seawall. I hit my jaw on this protrusion and was knocked unconscious for about 15 seconds, chipping off a piece of my jaw bone. I also had a concussion. I cut my ear, neck, and legs on the splinters from the side of the dock. I was face down in the water. I lost my expensive prescription glasses.

My daughter jumped in and pulled my head up out of

the water. Another man, who was a fireman from somewhere, also jumped in and helped my daughter hold me up and raise me back on the dock. On the dock, two unknown men helped pull me out. An ambulance was called and I received 6 cat scans and a chest x ray and stitches and wound treatment at the hospital. My daughter received 7 stitches for cuts on her back and she also had numerous scratches on her arms and legs and feet. I had an addition appointment with an ENT doctor on August 4, 2021 in Petoskey.

I would like to thank the Good Samaritans who helped me at the time. I would like to thank Captain Josh of Sun-

shine Charters for his concern and Denny McDermott, Harbor Master for the City of Charlevoix, for his concern and prompt actions regarding this matter. I also thank the ambulance crew and the staff at the ER Room at The Charlevoix Hospital. I am recovering well.

I write this letter not only to thank those who helped me and my family, but also to encourage that a permanent solution is found for the safety of this whole system of floating dock. Wooden posts with orange plastic mesh fencing attached to the side of the dock that is next to the seawall would go a long way toward providing safety.

This is not the first time

that someone has fallen in along this floating dock system, but maybe it is the first time that someone was hurt like I was. I shudder to think how tragic this would have been if I had been holding my 5 year old granddaughter or my 6 year old grandson at the time. If a child had fallen in by itself, he would have sunk in the 10 feet or so deep water. A parent holding a baby or an elderly person would have also been a tragedy.

Again, I and my family extend our thanks you to those who helped us during this traumatic situation.

Sincerely, Jim Anderson, Ludington, Michigan

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What Homeowners' Insurance Discounts Are You Missing

PART 1 OF 2

Homeowners insurance isn't a topic that most people like to think about except as the funny/scary 'Mayhem' ads for Allstate. For first-time homebuyers the prospect of adding home in-

surance to the other long list of costs can seem daunting. Yet homeowners' insurance isn't just required for your mortgage, it's an important part of a plan to keep you and your home safe.

Generally homeowners'

insurance covers damage from fire, most storms (some insurance does not include flood damage), theft, and more. It can also protect you in case someone is injured in your home. It is a wise investment in your financial safety.

Luckily there are some ways you can improve your home that not only may boost resale value, but can also knock a little off your homeowners' insurance rates. Trusted Choice conducted a national survey in 2011 and found that over 34% of respondents did not know about all the homeowners' insurance discounts available to them. Below are a few key areas to focus on.

1) Home Security—Those who live in a gated community may be entitled to a discount. Gated communities tend to have lower rates of theft, vandalism, and other

crimes. Having a security system in place can pare as much as 15 percent off your policy depending on the provider. Dead-bolt locks can also be a discount for some providers.

2) Fire Safety—The installation of smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors isn't just necessary protection for your family, it's also something insurance underwriters smile upon. Also for fire protection, a sprinkler system, heat detectors, fire escapes and plenty of fire extinguishers are also important. And keep those flammable substances outside the home at a cool temperature to avoid overheating and fire risk.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met August 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.; Mayor Penzien presiding with all members present except for Commissioner Timmons and all Board meeting minutes were approved as well as the Paid Bills in the amount of \$202,938.47.

Further Commission Action: Acknowledged Receipt of the Monthly Public Safety Report for Fire, June 2021; approved Resolution 115-2021: Authorizing Purchase of City Lot Sale-Huron/South Lake Street; approved Resolution 116-2021: Performance Resolution for Municipalities; disapproved Traffic Control Order 105-2021; and approved MDOT Good Faith Offer for Elm Pointe Construction on M-66 Copies of the minutes of the above meeting are posted in City Hall for review during normal office hours.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SOUTH ARM TOWNSHIP, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

The South Arm Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 7:30 P.M. at the South Arm Township Hall located at 02811 South M-66 Highway, East Jordan, Michigan for the purpose of receiving public comment concerning an application by Mark and Kim Burzych at 01443 LaLonde Road requesting a 1.5 foot side line variance for approximately 55 square feet of land which lies within the 15 foot side set back requirement that was necessitated by the "as-built" garage having been constructed too far to the North.

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Charlevoix County Commissioners Synopsis ~ July 28, 2021

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met in the Charlevoix County Commissioners room on July 28, 2021, at 6:02 p.m. Six Commissioners were present.

Motion approved the agenda as amended.

Motion approved the consent agenda as presented.

Motion approved Resolution #21-084, Grandvue Operating Transfer.

Motion approved Resolution #21-085, FY2022 Child and Parent Legal Representation Grant.

Motion approved Resolution #21-086, 2021/2022 Child Care Budget.

Motion approved Resolution #21-087, FY2022 Raise the Age Grant.

Motion approved to hire a full-time COA kitchen position. Nays: Chairman Christensen

Motion approved the Second Amendment to Interlocal Agreement.

Motion approved the MERS 2021 Officer Delegate.

Motion approved Resolution #21-088, Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan.

Motion approved Resolution #21-089, Cooperative Reimbursement Program Extension Agreement.

The meeting was adjourned to the call of the Chair at 7:47 p.m.

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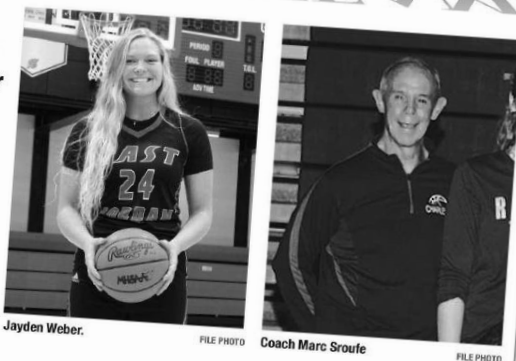
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East Jordan's Jayden Weber selected Player of the Year
Charlevoix's Marc Sroufe is Coach of the Year



CHARLEVOIX COUNTY - Another great season of basketball for our Northern Michigan area. While there continued to be strides made in each program of our coverage area this season, "What If" still lingers in regards to the Division 3 regional championship opportunity that was ahead of the Charlevoix girls basketball team when the season was halted. The Raiders put together the best season in the area over the winter months, finishing 15-5 overall, going a perfect 14-0 in Lake Michigan

City votes to Temporarily Suspend Short Term Rental Operations

BY KAREN WALKER The Charlevoix City Council held a special meeting last Friday, April 3rd, to consider an ordinance restricting the use, operation and licensing of lodging establishments within the City. The virtual meeting was held online and by phone via Zoom with approximately 40 people participating. City Manager Mark Heydauff and City Attorney Scott Howard first presented the emergency ordinance to council members to "Temporarily Suspend Short Term Rental Operations during the State of Emergency" in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19. After much discussion, Council members directed the City Attorney to make some changes to the proposed ordinance as initially presented, causing the Council to hold a second meeting the following day, Saturday, April 4th. The revisions included restricting the use of hotels and motels, and ensuring travelers staying at these establishments are there for essential services. Further, the ordinance requires all essential businesses comply with health and sanitation practices outlined by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. City Mayor Luther Kurtz pointed out that Charlevoix values its seasonal residents, and the city is trying to keep everyone safe. The City Attorney informed Council members that the city has both the right and obligation to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens and the ordinance is absolutely an important step towards protecting its residents. Excepted from the ban are rental units used to house economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, individuals who need assistance as a result of the emergency, and people with disabilities. Rentals may also be used to house persons working in COVID-19 mitigation and containment efforts and critical infrastructure workers so long as they comply with the Governor's executive orders relating to COVID-19. The Charlevoix City Council feels that continuing to allow short term rentals would promote the movement of people, exacerbating the spread of COVID-19. And adoption of the Emergency Ordinance was necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. While several meeting attendees voiced concern over enforcement of the ordinance, it ultimately was approved with a lone dissenting vote cast by Councilman Greg Bryan. The ordinance aligns with Governor Whitmer's executive order issued on March 23rd and will be in effect for 60 days or until the governor's executive order is lifted, whichever comes first.

Health Department offers drive-through testing at Fairgrounds

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan, in partnership with Emmet County, Northern Michigan Med Center, McLaren Northern Michigan, the Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, and the Public Safety Department of Public Safety will be offering appointment based, drive-through testing at the Emmet County Fairgrounds beginning Wednesday, April 1st. Testing will be scheduled from noon - 4pm Monday through Friday for patients 12 and older. This testing facility will utilize a recently approved FDA testing method with nasal swab. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has created a drive-through testing site for COVID-19. The hotline will be open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1-888-865-6138. Additionally, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan has a Public Health Information Phone Line - 1-800-368-5059 and email publichealthinfo@nwmihealth.org.

East Jordan Family Health Center employee receives positive Coronavirus test

On April 1, 2020, an East Jordan Family Health Center employee was confirmed as having a positive Coronavirus test. The employee has been quarantined at home since March 25th, 2020 and is doing well with mild symptoms at this time. Direct colleagues of this employee have been under delegated "self-monitoring" since March 25th and will continue for a minimum of 14 days. This individual had a history of downstate Michigan travel with a large group setting. The Belaire and East Jordan Family Health Centers have taken significant measures to prevent the transmission of Coronavirus within our facilities. The health center will continue these daily prevention efforts and will continue to monitor the Coronavirus situation in our workplace and throughout northern MI. As a result of these proactive measures, employees and patients of Belaire and East Jordan Family Health Centers remain at a low risk for exposure to the Coronavirus. All staff of the Belaire and East Jordan Family Health Centers will continue to strictly adhere to PPE, social distancing and handwashing guidelines, both at work and home, to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus. If you have questions regarding the Coronavirus, visit our website at www.ejhc.org for up to date information along with additional services.

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REAL ESTATE FEATURE



Updated home on over thirteen and a half acres near East Jordan

BY JIM AKANS

Welcome to country living in style. This week's feature listing is an update ranch home on over thirteen and a half acres between East Jordan and Central Lake.

This four bedroom, two-and-a-half bath home has approximately 1,872 square feet of beautifully updated and appointed living space. Interior highlights include an open living/kitchen/dining area, new flooring throughout most of the home, cathedral ceilings, handy center island in the kitchen, wood stove in the

living area and lots of windows to bring plenty of natural light into the spaces. An attached two-and-a-half car garage provides shelter for vehicles with room left over for extra storage needs.

Outdoors, an open deck on the back of the home overlooks the beautiful grounds. The over thirteen and a half acres of property is nicely wooded with rolling terrain that offers gorgeous panoramic views. What a great place to call home in the northern countryside.

This updated ranch home on over thirteen and a half

acres is located at 928 Dustin Lane between East Jordan and Central Lake and it is listed at \$259,000. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call

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