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Santa's Workshop Craft & Vendor Expo!
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Two Planes Crash in 3 days

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Charlevoix County is shocked by the occurrence of two multi-fatal plane crashes in three days. While still reeling over the loss of four area residents including the still unidentified pilot and praying for a sole survivor of a crash on Saturday, November 13, a second plane crashed in a wooded area near the Boyne Valley/Melrose Township line on Monday, November 15, killing both men on board. Both

crashes occurred at about 1:30 p.m.

An Island Airways twin-engine Britten-Norman plane flown by pilot William Julian, 55, from Traverse City was traveling from Charlevoix when it crashed during landing at Welke Airport Saturday afternoon carrying Kate Leese and Adam Kendall of Beaver Island who had recently established a vineyard on the island and were planning to



Mike Perdue



Kate Leese and Adam Kendall

open a winery and tasting room. Also aboard was Mike Perdue of Gaylord, a well-known real estate broker and co-owner of Smith Realty, a



A plane crashed in Melrose Township Monday killing two downstate men. Photo from Charlevoix County Sheriff's office

husband and father of four. Perdue's 11 year old daughter, Laney, was transported to McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey by a

U.S. Coast Guard helicopter crew and the only survivor. She has since been moved to

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Boyne Falls School celebrates World Kindness Day

BY DAVE BARAGREY

Students at Boyne Falls Public School celebrated World Kindness Day last Wednesday, November 10. World Kindness Day is a global day that promotes being kind to each other, to yourself and to the world.

It is celebrated each year around the world on November 13. It is used to help everyone understand that compassion for others is what binds us all together. This understanding has the power to bridge the gap between nations.

The staff and students at Boyne Falls School went all in on the event. Everyone wore shirts that had a positive message on them. Students made posters, shared cookies and gave kind greetings to one another.

Beth Meier, 3rd grade teacher at Boyne Falls Public School organized the event. Beth said, "We promote kindness every day in our school and were so proud to see the kids wear



their shirts, make art, and show acts of kindness to each other. The exciting thing is that the kindness we saw on Wednesday is continuing to grow each day! One of my students made a poster that said, "Plant Kindness". We did...

and it just keeps growing." The hope is that students and staff will continue each day to show kindness to family, friends, fellow students, school staff, neighbors and people they have just met.

The world is full of kind people. If you can't find one, be one.



Health Department reports first COVID pediatric death

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is saddened to report the first pediatric death within its four-county jurisdiction. The death was reported to the Health Department today, November 12.

Health officials express their sympathy to this family and all families who have experienced a loss or illness due to COVID-19.

"Each COVID-19 death is heart-wrenching, but the loss of a child is a tragic and stark reminder of the difficult circumstances we are in throughout our county, state and nation," said Health Officer Lisa Peacock and Medical Director Dr. Josh Meyerson. "Right now, we are seeing younger people getting sick and some require hospitalization. Every person lost to this virus, young or old, leaves a hole in the fabric of our communities."

The health department continues to emphatically stress the importance of following

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JAKE CLARE - ABDUCTOR
 Age: 35 Height: 5'7" Weight: 165 lbs
 Hair: Short Brown Eyes: Blue
 Scar: Slightly moustache
 Teeth: Slightly uneven
 Hair: Slightly messy
 Last seen wearing grey sweatshirt with a white logo

NOAH CLARE
 Age: 3 Height: 3'8" Weight: 40 lbs
 Hair: Short Light Brown Eyes: Blue
 Last seen wearing grey sweatshirt with a white logo

AMBER CLARE
 Age: 16 Height: 5'7" Weight: 140 lbs
 Hair: Dirty Blonde Eyes: Green

LAST SEEN IN A SILVER 2005 SUBARU LEGACY WAGON, DENT IN REAR DRIVERS SIDE BUMPER & STICKERS ON THE BACK

Please share with all of your friends. They have been missing since 11/5/21. We have reason to believe they may be in National Parks, or any other rural areas.

Kentucky Kidnap Victims May Be In Northern Michigan

GAYLORD, MI. The Michigan State Police (MSP) Gaylord Post has been requested to assist law enforcement agencies in Tennessee and Kentucky in locating a kidnapped 16-year-old female, Amber Clare, and 3-year-old male, Noah Clare. They were abducted by a family member, 32-year-old Jacob Clare of Beaver Dam, KY, and possibly enroute or in northern Michigan near Harbor Springs. Amber Clare was kidnapped in Kentucky and Noah Clare was kidnapped in Tennessee. They were reported missing on November 7, 2021.

Clare is believed to be driving a silver Subaru Outback with Tennessee registration plates. Anyone knowing his whereabouts or has seen him, or the children are asked to call Gaylord Area Regional Dispatch at 989-732-5141 or call 911.

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THURSDAY



HIGH: 35
LOW: 31

FRIDAY



HIGH: 39
LOW: 31

SATURDAY



HIGH: 43
LOW: 31

SUNDAY



HIGH: 45
LOW: 29

snowfall

2020-21	AMT"	CITY
11/16/20	.1	BOYNE FALLS
11/16/20	.1	CHARLEVOIX
11/16/20	.0	CHEBOYGAN
11/16/20	.0.2	EAST JORDAN
11/16/20	.8.2	GAYLORD
11/16/20	.6.4	KALKASKA
11/16/20	.0.1	LEWISTON
11/16/20	.0.1	MIO
11/16/20	.0.8	ONAWAY
11/16/20	.3	PETOSKEY

2021-22	AMT"	CITY
11/15/21	.4.7	BOYNE FALLS
11/15/21	.3	CHARLEVOIX
11/15/21	.0.2	CHEBOYGAN
11/15/21	.6.8	EAST JORDAN
11/15/21	.24.9	GAYLORD
11/15/21	.10.2	KALKASKA
11/15/21	.0.1	LEWISTON
11/15/21	.0.2	MIO
11/15/21	.1.2	ONAWAY
11/15/21	.4.4	PETOSKEY

record temps

DAY	AVG LOW	AVG HIGH	RECORD LOW	RECORD HIGH
NOV 18	..28°	...44°	.....9° (1989)	..68° (1958)
NOV 19	..28°	...43°	.....9° (1951)	..70° (1953)
NOV 20	..27°	...43°	.....14° (1951)	..65° (1953)
NOV 21	..27°	...42°	.....14° (1964)	..63° (1953)
NOV 22	..27°	...42°	.....9° (1971)	..58° (1963)
NOV 23	..26°	...41°	.....6° (1989)	..62° (2003)
NOV 24	..26°	...41°	.....2° (1950)	..62° (2003)
NOV 25	..26°	...41°	.....8° (1950)	..60° (2006)
NOV 26	..25°	...40°	.....9° (1974)	..63° (1984)
NOV 27	..25°	...40°	.....5° (1951)	..66° (1990)

OBITUARIES

Dane Chapel, 68

(AUG. 19, 1953 - NOV. 7, 2021)

Dane Scott Chapel, 68, of Boyne City passed away on Sunday November 7th, 2021 at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix with his loving son and wife by his side.

He was born August 19th, 1953 in Grand Rapids, Michigan to Darrell and Vonda Chapel. He was the oldest of three children.

He served in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed at a radar station in Bay Shore, Michigan with Detachment 6: 1st Combat Evaluation Group, Strategic Air Command. He later deployed to Thailand and Laos during Vietnam. He earned a 4th Dan black belt in Goju Ryu Karate and taught martial arts in Boyne City in the 1980's.

He married Jayne Byrne in 1978 and they had son, Derek Chapel. He attended the University of Michigan and later worked, and retired from, Smiths Aerospace as an electrical engineer. He married Donna Lehto of Boyne City in 2003. He enjoyed dancing, movies, watching football and baseball, spending time with family and friends, fishing, boating, and always was an amazing story teller. He particularly enjoyed telling stories from his Bay Shore Bombplot and martial arts days. He had an infectious laugh and was a friend to everybody.

He is preceded in death by parents Darrell and Vonda. He is survived by his sisters Jammie Martz-Reed and Sandy Rauch; his son Derek Chapel; his wife Donna Chapel (Lehto); as well as numerous nieces, nephews, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Dane chose to be cremated with no public memorial service at this time. If you desire to do something in memory of Dane, memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, National Kidney Foundation, or any charitable organization of your choice in his name.

Michael "Mike" Henry Plante, 71

(JAN. 27, 1950 - NOV. 12, 2021)

Michael (Mike) Henry Plante was born in Montreal Quebec Canada, January 27th 1950. He moved to the US in 1974. And became a US citizen in June 2016. He passed away in Gaylord Michigan, November 12th 2021.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gil and Yvette Plante and his sister, Renee Middleton.

He married his beloved wife Sandy on November 5th 1984. Mike was a loving husband and father of 3. He was kind, generous and genuine, with a heart of gold. He enjoyed his time with his family. He also enjoyed traveling, collecting various things from pocket knives to antique currencies, and playing cards with his family. And his job

of 21 years as a tool and die technician at CCC in harbor springs.

Mike is survived by his wife Sandy Plante. And their three daughters, Becky (Corey) Ecker, Kaitlyn Plante (Brandon Swegles), Michelle (Zachary) Duncan. And 12 grandchildren, Bradley, Aria, Riley, Delaini, Corinne and Orion. Connor, Lincoln, and Barrett. Zebulun, Zoey, and Elijah.

All whom he loved deeply. A memorial service will be held 1:00 PM Thursday, November 18, 2021 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City with a gathering of family and friends being held from 12:00 noon until the time of service.

There will be luncheon after the memorial at Community of Christ Church, 777 Vogel St, Boyne City.

William "Bill" Banks Stokes, III, 57

(APRIL 25, 1964 - NOV. 7, 2021)

In loving memory, we regret to announce William Banks Stokes III passed away peacefully of natural causes at home November 7, 2021.

Bill resided and owned Boyne Hardwoods in Boyne City which he operated with his sons for the last 30 years. He leaves behind William Kaidge and Benjamin Banks Stokes. He was passionate about classic cars and loud rock & roll.

During High School as many of you know Doughboy could always be found behind the pizza counter at Little Lena's Pizzeria. He graduated in 1982 from Boyne City High School. After graduation Bill joined the United States Marine Corps where he served with pride as a machine gunner ranked as a Lance Corporal and awarded the rifle expert badge.

Bill was a loving son, brother, uncle, father, and soul mate. He could be found with family and close friends. At this time the family has opted not to hold a formal service.

"Start me up! Give me all you got. You got to never, never, never, stop!"

Michael "Mike" Thomas Brennan, 88

(APRIL 1, 1933 - NOV. 15, 2021)

Michael Thomas Brennan, 88, of East Jordan, died Monday, November 15, 2021, in Charlevoix.

He was born on April 1, 1933, in East Jordan, the son of John Bernard "Bun" and Catherine Eileen (Farmer) Brennan. He grew up in East Jordan and graduated from East Jordan High School in 1951.

Mike served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict.

On April 27, 1961, in East Jordan, he married Mary A. Martinek and raised five children.

He worked as a mechanic at the former Spike's Standard Gas Station on Main Street in East Jordan, now the site of the East Jordan

Police Station. Mike was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan.

Michael is survived by five children, Michael (Laura) Brennan of Traverse City, Thomas (Tina) Brennan of East Jordan, Timothy (Wendy) Brennan of Wendell, North Carolina, Theresa (Brian) Radde of South Lyon and Joseph (Jamie) Brennan of Dyer, Indiana; fifteen grandchildren; one brother, James (Janet) Brennan of Battle Creek; one sister, Elizabeth (Anthony) Nessel of East Jordan; two sisters-in-law, Bedella Brennan of East Jordan and Joanna Brennan of East Jordan; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary A. Brennan on March 1, 2017; his parents; four brothers, Jerry Brennan, Stephen Brennan, John "Jack" Brennan and Patrick Brennan; and two sisters-in-law, Ilene Brennan and Charlene Brennan.

No services are scheduled at this time. The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Home, East Jordan.

Adam Wolford Kendall, 37

(NOV. 5, 1984 - NOV. 13, 2021)

Adam W. Kendall of Beaver Island passed away Saturday, November 13, 2021.

Joint Funeral Services with his wife will take place Sunday, November 21, 2021 at 3pm at the Center Point Assembly in Charlevoix.

The families will receive friends on Saturday, November 20, 2021 from 7pm to 9pm at the Center Point Assembly in Charlevoix. Visitation will take place again Sunday before the Funeral Service from 2pm to 3pm.

A full obituary will be posted soon.

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

Craig R. Wilson, 71

(JUNE 24, 1950 - NOV. 12, 2021)

Craig R. Wilson of Charlevoix passed away peacefully on November 12, 2021 at his home.

He was born on June 24, 1950, in Detroit, the son of Francis and Betty (Craig) Wilson.

Craig was a truck driver for over 30 years, retiring at age 55. He enjoyed fixing anything mechanical in his workshop and spent many hours "tinkering" with just about anything you can imagine. Going fast with motorized vehicles was a priority of his and watching all types of racing, whether it be NASCAR, drag racing, snowmobiles, if it was a race, he enjoyed it. But most of all he loved his family, especially his 2 grandchildren.

On November 10, 1974, in Royal Oak, MI, he married Mary Louise Crow who survives. Also surviving are 3 sons, Craig R. Wilson Jr. of Alanson, Steven E. Wilson of

East Jordan, Patrick R. Wilson of Charlevoix, 2 grandchildren, Barrett and Jenna Wilson and a sister Vicki (Randy) Hale of Hazel Park, MI.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

No services are planned at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA, 22116-7023.

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

Online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Kate Renee Leese, 35

(NOV. 5, 1986 - NOV. 13, 2021)

Kate R. Leese of Beaver Island passed away Saturday, November 13, 2021.

Joint Funeral Services with her husband will take place Sunday, November 21, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at the Center Point Assembly in Charlevoix.

The families will receive friends on Saturday, November 20, 2021 from 7pm to 9pm at the Center Point Assembly in Charlevoix. Visitation will take place again Sunday before the Funeral Service from 2pm to 3pm.

A full obituary will be posted soon.

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

Michael Fleischman Perdue, 43

(DEC. 5, 1977 - NOV. 13, 2021)

Michael Fleischman Perdue of Gaylord passed away Saturday, November 13, 2021 on Beaver Island.

A Mass of Christian Burial and visitation will take place in December at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord.

Mike will be buried on Beaver Island.

Service details will be updated once Laney is able to be there. Mike wouldn't want it any other way.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish are asked to donate to:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/prayers-for-perdues> or mail a check made out to Christie Perdue, Gaylord Community Funeral Home, P.O. Box 249, Gaylord, MI 49734.

Please share your memories and personal messages with the family on Mike's tribute wall at www.gaylordfuneralhome.com/obituary/MichaelFleischman-Perdue.

Stanley Whitley, 87

(DEC. 21, 1933 - NOV. 10, 2021)

Stanley John Whitley of Charlevoix passed away on November 10, 2021 at home surrounded by loved ones. He was born

on December 21, 1933 in Charlevoix, the son of Stanley Sr. and Irene (Hull) Whitley.

Upon graduating from Charlevoix High School, Stanley went on to serve his country in the United States Army. Upon returning home, he married Patricia Clausen just a month later on July 21, 1956 at the Church of God in Charlevoix. He worked for nearly 40 years as a painter at Harbor Industries – formerly known as Freedmans Industries. Stanley was a true outdoorsman; he spent many hours hunting for deer, elk, and his favorite, bear. He also enjoyed both open water fishing and ice fishing as well as camping.

Stanley is survived by his children, Joy (Greg) Greenman of East Jordan, Larry (Penny) Whitley of Charlevoix and Connie (Christopher) Siegmund of Charlevoix; grandchildren, Tina (Matt Nesbitt) Greenman, Adam Greenman, Eric (Brittney Minzey) Greenman, April (Andrew) Marsh, Tyler (Missy) Whitley, Sydney (Micah) Peebles, Chad (Victoria) Johnson, Maria Whitley, Sarah (Michael) Martin, and Stephen (Colleen) Beck; great grandchildren, Nathan, Myles, Alyvia, Amiyah, Lily, Kennedy, Eric Jr., Corbin, Violet, Hazel, Alexandra and Jordan; brothers, Ken (Birdie) Whitley of Charlevoix and Dave (Sandy) Whitley of Charlevoix; brother-in-law, Courtlan (Sandy) Clausen of East Jordan; sisters-in-law, Mabel (Lester) Howard of Vanderbilt and Elaine Budde of Charlevoix; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Patricia Whitley; parents, Stanley Sr. and Irene Whitley; son, Aaron Whitley; granddaughter, Alisha Johnson; Brothers, Ivan Whitley and Donald Whitley; and his sister, Patsy Dembinsky.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with Pastor Neil Tuner officiating. Private interment will take place at a later date in Brookside Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the D.J. Jacobetti Veterans Home in Marquette; Michigan Veteran Homes D.J. Jacobetti, 425 Fisher St., Marquette, MI 49855.

Arrangements are being handled by the Winchester Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.

Dr. Richard H. Wakulat Jr., 83

(SEPT. 13, 1938 - NOV. 11, 2021)

On November 11, 2021, Dr. Richard H. Wakulat, Jr. joined his parents Richard and Elizabeth Wakulat, Sr. leaving his wife of 56 years Patsy, son Paul (Jenny), daughters Carrie (Gary) Leitner, Elizabeth, sister Mary Beth, and six grandchildren, Kelli, Kylie, Emily, Catherine, Maden, and Liliann. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, physician, and friend.

Dick graduated from the University of Michigan Med-

ical School in Internal Medicine and his love for Michigan football had no bounds. He believed his son's first words were "Go Blue."

His hobbies were building RC model airplanes, classical music, boating, gardening, and driving family and friends in his 1929 Ford Model A.

Dick loved and was loved. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11AM on Saturday, November 20, 2021, at St. Mary Church of Charlevoix, immediately followed by a luncheon at St. Mary School. The family will welcome friends at 10AM.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to McLaren Hospice (Petoskey) and/or St. Mary School of Charlevoix.

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

Lillian Lorraine (Scott) Martinek, 100

(APRIL 15, 1921 - NOV. 10, 2021)

Lillian Lorraine Martinek of East Jordan died Wednesday, November 10, 2021, at Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility in Bellaire.

She was born on April 15, 1921, in Saginaw, Michigan, the daughter of Ralph E. and Edith (Medcraft) Scott.

Lillian married Joseph Martinek on October 29, 1939, in East Jordan.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in East Jordan where she volunteered. For many years, Lillian prepared meals for the East Jordan Rotary Club who met in the basement of the church. Lillian was a house wife and mother.

She is survived by a son, Tony (Velma) Martinek of Bellaire; daughter, Gertrude "Trudy" (Kenneth) Hilla of Alpena; son-in-law, Mike Brennan of East Jordan; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren; three sisters, Loretta McNutt of Gaylord, Marion Roses of Saginaw and Marjorie Steinhoff of East Jordan; one brother, Stanley (Connie) Scott of East Jordan; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Lillian was preceded in death by her husband Joseph Martinek in 1982; a daughter, Mary A. Brennan in 2017; her parents; one sister, Arloha J. Norton; and three brothers, Eugene Scott, John Scott and Francis Scott.

No services are scheduled at this time. A graveside memorial service will be announced in the spring of 2022.

Memorial contributions may be given to Meadowbrook M.C.F., 4543 M-88, Bellaire, MI 49615 or the First Presbyterian Church 207 Williams St, East Jordan, MI 49727. The family was served by the Penzien Funeral Home, East Jordan.

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BOYNE CITY COMMISSION NOVEMBER 9, 2021 MEETING

New City Commissioners take their seat at the table

Hugh Conklin is new mayor

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Boyne City - Oaths of office were taken and every seat was changed with the selection of a new mayor at the November 9 Boyne City Commission meeting.

There were smiles and handshakes all around as Commissioners Sally Page, Dean Solomon and 22 year commission veteran Ron Grunch were presented certificates of appreciation and thanked for their service. "Keep the dream alive. That's where we started and we're still there. There are great things to come," said Grunch in his farewell statement.

Newly elected Commissioners George Lasater, Tim Nemecek and Marty Moody wasted no time nominating Hugh Conklin, the only other qualified commissioner besides Neidhamer, for Mayor. Only Commissioners who have served a year or more on the commission can be selected as Mayor. Tim Nemecek was selected as Mayor Pro-Tem. Mayor Conklin moved to the center seat and presided over the meeting. "I hope today is the day we can start



Hugh Conklin was selected as Mayor of Boyne City at the November 9 meeting. Courtesy Photo

moving forward, building on those things they (past commissions) started," said Nemecek.

The first item on an agenda set before a new commission that ran on fiscal responsibility was a pay raise. A six member compensation committee that is required to meet every other year to analyze the Mayor and City Commissioner's annual compensation recommended a 10% increase based on comparisons with other local communities. The last recommended compensation increase the City Commission has accepted was in 2017. "You guys are under paid," said audience member and compensation committee member Cindy Banner. I think that you are

deserving of it. I think it's very difficult, especially with new commissioners coming in, to give yourself a raise." Commissioner Marty Moody was the first to speak on the topic, "To sit here on the first night when a lot of what I personally ran on was dialing back the dollars a little bit and trying not to throw money out whenever we could, I just would respectfully decline." A motion was made by Moody to decline the recommendation, seconded by LaSater, the motion passed 4 to 1 with Neidhamer voting against. "Since I became a commissioner 58 minutes ago... and I just don't want it to be projected that 58 minutes in, the new commissioners voted in a raise for themselves," said Nemecek.

Discussion was held on the lack of responses to a bid request by the city for cemetery maintenance. "Unfortunately when we got the bids back we only got one bid and it was a partial bid for fertilization only, citing labor shortages and general staffing issues," reported Director of Public Works Tim Faas. The DPW is researching the possibility of hiring someone to do the maintenance in-house.



Commissioners Ron Grunch, Dean Solomon and Sally Page received certificates of appreciation and applause at their last seated meeting on November 9.



Mayor Tom Neidhamer swore in newly elected commissioners Georg Lasater, Tim Nemecek and Marty Moody at the November 9 Boyne City Commission meeting.

PLANE CRASH

FROM PG. 1

a children's hospital in Grand Rapids. She has multiple fractures and has had two surgeries, but is expected to recover. Both of Leese and Kendall's dogs were aboard the plane at the time of the crash and were killed in the crash.

Jullian began flying part time for Island Airways in April. He was a school teacher. "When the pilot was about 10 miles out he radioed in and everything was normal, he radioed again a couple minutes out again, nothing wrong. So somewhere from that point until he crashed something went wrong," said Sheriff Chuck Vondra.

Senior officials say they're beginning the investigation, but right now, there isn't much information. "This airplane did not have what is typically referred to as black boxes but it did have a GPS onboard that we were able to download," said John Brannen, Senior Air Safety Investigator of the National Air Safety Board. "We have not had a chance - we were able to download it, but we haven't had the chance to look at the data and kind of interpret the data."

They're also taking a look at how much the plane could have weighed at the time of the crash. "One of the things that we do look at and one of the things we're doing today is, we took all the baggage from the airplane, we're weighing all the baggage," said Brannen. "Weight and balance is an important factor in aircraft so we're looking at their load manifest to see if it matches up with what we actually weighed."

According to Brannen, winds may have also been an issue and is something they are looking at.

"The airplane was not under air traffic control," said Brannen. "In other accidents, we would look at air traffic control. We'd look at the weather, things of that nature, things that could affect the flight and we'll be examin-

SEE PLANE CRASH-PAGE 9A



Holiday Concerts this weekend at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts

The Northern Michigan Chorale presents exciting Holiday Concerts with two performances on Saturday, November 20 at 3:00 pm and 7:30 pm, plus a Sunday matinee November 21 at 3:00 pm,

at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor.

The show, "How Can We Keep From Singing?" includes patriotic songs of gratitude, uplifting Broadway selections and many of

your holiday favorites. The Chorale is a talented community chorus, with members from all over Northern Michigan, under the direction of Julie Pierpont, accompanied by Cynda

Coleman.

Tickets available online at GreatLakesCFA.org or call 231-439-2610 or purchase at the door:

Adults \$15, Seniors \$12 (65+), Students (11-18) \$12,

Age 10 & under free. For more information, please visit NMChorale.org

Charlevoix Circle Market opens for holiday shopping

Charlevoix Circle of Arts will host its annual Charlevoix Circle Market from November 19 to December 30, featuring local handmade items, original art, and locally produced specialty treats. This festive exhibition kicks off with an opening reception from 5-7pm on Friday, November 19, 2021 with complimentary food, drinks and entertainment to enjoy while shopping.

Charlevoix Circle of Arts exhibit gallery turns into a festive handmade shopping experience for all with handmade gifts for everyone on your list, yourself included! Items from dozens



of local crafters, makers, artists, jewelers and more will be for sale through December 30, 2021.

"Shopping the Circle Market is a great way to support

local artists and makers, as well as your local community arts center. Dollars spent go directly to the artists who make the items purchased, and a small com-

mission goes to Charlevoix Circle of Arts to support operational costs of the Market, such as staffing and heat and electricity for the building," explains Sarah Matye, Executive Director.

The public is invited to shop this unique curated collection of handmade local products. Charlevoix Circle of Arts is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and is located at 109 Clinton Street, in downtown Charlevoix. For more information about the exhibit or Charlevoix Circle of Arts please call (231) 547-3554 or visit our website, www.charlevoixcircle.org.

PEDIATRIC DEATH

FROM PG. 1

these mitigation strategies to curb the spread of COVID in our community: get vaccinated, wear masks in public settings, maintain 3-6 feet or more of distance between others, practice good hand hygiene, get tested if exposed to someone with COVID and stay home when sick.

The health department is not releasing further information.

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CHARLEVOIX CLASSES AT CIRCLE OF ARTS

Macramé Angels with Sharon Smithem. Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021 | 6 - 8pm | \$40

EAST JORDAN GOSPEL MUSIC

The Open Door, a Christian Coffee House has music the first and third Saturday of each month. The Open Door is located at Lighthouse Missionary Church, 7824 Rogers Road

11/20 – Pictures of Grace

12/4 – Jim Quales

12/18 – Drenth Sisters

CHARLEVOIX SOCK-TOBER & SNOW- VEMBER

Hosted by Ms. Mitchell's kindergarten class. What is Sock-tober/Snow-vember? A chance to donate socks, snow coats, winter clothes, and diapers/wipes to shelters and families in Northern Michigan. What can I bring? socks, hats, gloves, winter gear, diapers/wipes, microwaveable popcorn and other microwaveable meals (noodle bowls, vacuum-sealed meals like Hormel Compleats) Where and when? We are collecting now through November 19th. Bring them to the box

outside of Ms. Mitchell's room at Charlevoix Elementary School. Your donations are supporting Kari's Closet, Night Light Men's Shelter at CRC, and the "Fill-the-Boat" project by Dry Harbour Marine.

BOYNE CITY BOYNE MEETS BROADWAY

BOYNE MEETS BROADWAY TICKETS are on sale now. Thursday, Nov. 18 at 7 pm, Friday, Nov 19 at 7 pm, Saturday, Nov 20 at 2 pm & 7 pm. General Seating - \$10 each ticket Cash or Checks to BCHS Drama. All performances are at Boyne City High School in the Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available through: ANY CAST MEMBER, HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE weekdays between 8am - 4pm - or at the door until sold out. Tickets are on sale 1 hour before each performance and doors open for seating a half-hour before each show. Seating will be at 50% capacity and MASKS ARE REQUIRED for audience members. Numbers from In the Heights, Sunset Boulevard, Music Man, Six the Musical, Guys and Dolls, 9 to 5, The Wiz, Legally Blonde and MUCH MORE!!!

BAY HARBOR HOLIDAY CONCERTS

The Northern Michigan Chorale presents exciting Holiday Concerts with two performances on Saturday, November 20 at 3:00 pm and 7:30 pm, plus a Sunday matinee November 21 at 3:00 pm, at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor. Tickets available online at GreatLakesCFA.org or call 231-439-2610 or purchase at the door. Adults \$15, Seniors \$12 (65+), Students (11-18) \$12, Age 10 & under free. For more information, please visit NMChorale.org

BOYNE CITY EARLIER THAN THE BIRD

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 20. The fun will begin bright and early at 7 a.m. and last throughout the morning with some businesses extending their specials throughout the day. Stay tuned for additional details, mug distribution, and the business specials. The one thing that hasn't changed is that you must come dressed your pajamas to receive an Earlier than the Bird mug and qualify for most retail specials (work-out gear such as yoga pants, sweat pants/shirts, etc. do not constitute as pajamas).

BOYNE CITY TURKEY TROT

The Kiwanis Club of Boyne City & BCTT Committee is excited to announce the Eleventh Annual Boyne City Turkey Trot on November 25. Turkeys will be flocking to Veterans Park Pavilion at 9am for a 5k and 1 Mile Fun Run. Individual Entry - \$30 pre-registration (1 long-sleeve tech shirt), \$35 day of event. T-shirt guaranteed if entry form received by November 18. Extra t-shirts will be available for purchase @ \$20 each while supplies last. Packet pick-up day before event from 4-6pm @ Stigg's Brewery - \$2 off any Stigg's Pint! Entry forms are available at: Boyne Area Chamber, Kilwins Boyne City, Edward Jones, Lake Charlevoix Coffee Company and Family Fare

EAST JORDAN COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING FEAST

Happy Friendsgiving dinner sponsored by St. Joseph Catholic Church is hosting a community Thanksgiving feast at 1pm on Thanksgiving Day, November 25. Games and snacks at 1pm. Dinner at 2pm. Everyone is invited. To volunteer to help or donate contact Debbie Carey, 231-350-2558.

CHARLEVOIX HOLIDAY PARADE

Holiday parade and tree lighting, Friday, Nov. 26. 3-5pm - Holiday craft and photos with Santa. 5:30pm - Santa Parade. 6pm - Tree Lighting

EAST JORDAN CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Everyone is invited to fill our downtown with the sound of Christmas carols Saturday, Nov. 27 at 4pm by the community Christmas tree at Spring and Hammond Streets. Caroling led by Mayor Mark Penzien and Citizen of the Year, Luanne Reed.

EAST JORDAN THE DEPOT JORDAN VALLEY TEEN CENTER

The Depot Jordan Valley Teen Center are in their new location. The Teen Center is now located in the lower level of the St. Joseph Parish Hall, 207 Nicholls Street, East Jordan

EAST JORDAN JUBILEE OF TREES

Jubilee of Trees for 501-C3's, a new holiday event taking place in East Jordan at The Boathouse on Lake Charlevoix, November 27th. Decorated table top Christmas trees will be donated and auctioned off in a Silent Auction to benefit local 501-C3's. The winning lucky bidder of each tree will be able to choose the local 501-C3 that will receive their donation. If you are a local 501-C3 and would like to be on the list of possible recipients, please email the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce with your organizations name and EIN number. Info@ejchamber.org

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY MATCHING GRANT ON INTERNATIONAL GIVING TUESDAY, NOV. 30

The Charlevoix Area Humane Society is participating in the international Giving Tuesday Campaign. The Non-Profit No Kill Shelter is fortunate enough to have matching donations dollar for dollar for the first \$11,000 donated on that day! To take advantage of this generous offer, make your donation check payable to The Charlevoix Area Humane Society, put "Giving Tuesday" in the memo, or call the Shelter 231-582-6774 with your credit card in hand on Tuesday November 30th (we will have operators standing by) or go to www.charlevoixhumane.org and donate online. Your support is greatly needed and appreciated!

CHARLEVOIX FILL THE BOAT

The best way to start out the Holiday Season! Help us "Fill the Boat" with warm winter clothing items to support Kari's Closet in efforts to help keep kids & families warm this winter season. Kari's Closet is a children's clothing ministry in honor of Charlevoix's Kari Way. It provides all by donation and is free for all ages. Kari's Closet is located at 100 Oak Street, Charlevoix near Charlevoix Community Reformed Church and is Open every Tuesday & Thursday from 4:30PM - 6PM. We are looking for NEW/LIKE-NEW Clothing Items such as boots, snow gear, pants, warm pj's, sweaters & long sleeves, jackets, gloves and mittens. Most needed are from baby to big kid sizes, but will accept all. Items can be dropped off or shipped to Dry Harbour Marine, 6357 US-31 S, Charlevoix MI 49720 now through December 1. Any questions or more information please contact Kelsey Way, kelsey@dryharbourmarine.com or 231-547-0040.

CHARLEVOIX PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB CALENDAR AVAILABLE

The Best of the Charlevoix Photography Club 2022 Calendar is hot off the press today! This calendar, which is locally printed, features wonderful photographs from 12 separate club members. Visit www.Charlevoix-photographyclub.org to place an order, or visit the Charlevoix Circle of Arts at 109 Clinton St. The selling price is \$25.

ANTRIM, CHARLEVOIX, CHEBOYGAN COUNTIES SIGN UP FOR THE FALL PITCH EVENTS

The Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA) introduced a new program that provides space for entrepreneurs to pitch their start-up or growth idea for a chance to receive funding. The Northern Lakes Innovation Alliance is an event looking for those involved in the following industries to apply: Value-

Added Agriculture, Outdoor Recreation, Tech, Research & Development, Manufacturing, and Recycle/UpCycle Industries.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN COMMUNITY BAND

The Jordan Valley Community Band welcomes everyone in all communities to join us. We rehearse on Thurs. Evenings at 6:30 at Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City. Band members have a blast, playing their band instruments and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow musicians. We are looking forward to playing our annual Christmas Concert, December 5th at 3:00 PM. Questions? Contact Becky Palmiter, Director, 231-675-0543

MANCELONA SNOWMOBILE RACE

December 11, 12, 2021 - SnoX Snowmobile Races Begin at Northern Power Race Park

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.

EAST JORDAN CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Lions Tree Sale begins November 22 at True Value

BOYNE CITY 2021 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

Packing and distribution will happen on Dec. 16 and 17. Call Lisa at Boyne Area Chamber to reserve your day and time 231-582-6222. Donations of new, unwrapped toys and books can be dropped off at any Toys for Tots location. Boyne Area Community Christmas is the recipient of any toys collected in the Boyne area. Drop off locations TBD. All food and toys will be delivered to families again this year. This will require more volunteers that have a vehicle. All delivery drivers will be paired with another volunteer. New mailing address. Monetary donations can be mailed to Boyne Area Community Christmas, PO Box 886, Boyne City, MI 49712. If you are interested in volunteering to either pack boxes or for delivery please contact Lisa at 231-582-6222. ALL volunteers must be scheduled in advance. Please be prepared to wear a mask as needed. Sign up forms for families will be distributed to all students that attend Boyne City and Boyne Falls Public Schools and Concord Boyne. Please look for forms in your child's

weekly folder sometime in November. Forms will also be available at the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and WIC. For further information, please contact Heather at 231-459-5588.

EAST JORDAN CHRISTMAS LIGHTED VILLAGE

The East Jordan Lion's Club will once again be hosting the Christmas Lighted Village at the East Jordan Tourist Park. Everyone is welcome to build a display so gather your co-workers, friends, family, club or organization members and have some fun. The village is scheduled to open early this year so get your registration form in to the Lion's Club as soon as possible to secure your spot.

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BOYNE CITY BOYNE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GALA

The Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting our Annual Gala on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at Boyne Mountain Resort.

BOYNE CITY FARMERS MARKET

Join us Saturday for the indoor market season in the Veterans Park Pavilion. Each Saturday from here on out we will be there from 9am - NOON.

CHARLEVOIX

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

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.

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Health Department amends K-12 mask order

Last week the Health Department of Northwest Michigan released the First Amended Order to update and amend requirements from the original K-12 School Masking Order.

In response to feedback and questions raised during ongoing regular meetings between school leadership and health department officials, certain amendments were made. The majority of the Original Order, issued August 27 requiring universal masking in grades K-12

within the four-county jurisdiction of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Otsego counties, is still in place. Modifications fall into three main areas:

1. The amended order exempts students and officials/referees while actively engaged in sports practice or competition and performing arts practice and performance from wearing a mask if they participate in a testing program described in the Health Department of Northwest Michigan Athletics and

Performing Arts Guidance where wearing of a mask would be unsafe or interfere with the ability to perform.

2. The amended order provides a clearer definition of an appropriate face mask or facial covering.

3. The amended order exempts residential schools from the order if they are operating under a written mitigation plan approved by the Health Officer.

Health Officer Lisa Peacock and Medical Director Dr. Josh Meyerson released

the amended orders after several consultations with school superintendents and other leaders and following communications with Board of Health members.

"After studying pertinent data and consulting with school superintendents, the amendments were made to reflect case counts, transmission rates, and changes made to the Michigan High School Athletics Association COVID-19 guidelines," Peacock and Dr. Meyerson stated. "The Order as amended allows stu-

dents to safely participate in athletics and performing arts," they added.

Health officials continue to monitor disease trends and the availability of a vaccine for all school-aged children as they plan a path forward to support schools not only with guidance involving COVID-19 transmission, but any other communicable disease.

To schedule an appointment exclusively for children 5 to 11 years old, click here. To schedule an appointment

for anyone 12 and older, click here. A parent/guardian must accompany anyone younger than 18 to a COVID-19 clinic. Please bring an insurance card to the appointment. 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.

COVID-19 Case Counts

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting the following case information:

• On Friday, Nov. 12, 104 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (17), Charlevoix (19), Emmet (26), and Otsego (42), and two new COVID-19 associated deaths in Otsego County.

• On Saturday, Nov. 13, 96 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (28), Charlevoix (17), Emmet (19), and Otsego (32).

• On Sunday, Nov. 14, 28 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (9), Charlevoix (0), Emmet (5), and Otsego (14).

• On Monday, Nov. 15, 71 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Antrim (14), Charlevoix (11), Emmet (20), and Otsego (26), and three new COVID-19 associated

deaths in Antrim (2) and Charlevoix (1) County.

As of 4 p.m. November 15, the cumulative case count information for the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is:

• Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (2,635), Charlevoix (2,780), Emmet (3,720), and Otsego (3,669).

• Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim (2,246), Charlevoix (2,364), Emmet (3,189), and Otsego (2,997).

• Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim (40), Charlevoix (39), Emmet (53), and Otsego (63).

On November 15, the State of Michigan reported 1,209,712 cases and 22,862 deaths.

90TH District Court awarded grants for its treatment courts

Veterans in Emmet and Charlevoix counties will soon have additional options available should they find themselves facing some types of charges in the 90th District Court.

The Honorable Angela J. Lasher recently learned the 90th District Court has again been awarded \$19,000 in grant funds to boost its sobriety court. The court had received the same grant last year. Lasher's court was also awarded a grant for \$12,000 to facilitate a new veteran's treatment court.

The State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) offers several grant opportunities to Michigan's trial courts to help fund problem-solving, therapeutic jurisprudence programs that deal with charges related to drugs, alcohol, and/or mental health.

The 90th District Court began operating a sobriety court in 2007. In 2017, the SCAO announced that specialty courts in Michigan would need to meet certain requirements to continue operating a treatment court. In June 2018, after a year-long

certification process, the SCAO notified the 90th District Court that its sobriety court had met the requirements.

Having a status as a certified specialty court allows District Court staff to apply for grant funding. The \$19,000 received by the 90th District Sobriety Court will be used to offset expenses that would otherwise be incurred by the participant.

The local sobriety court is a 24-month program available to those charged with a second drunk driving offense. Those participating must wear an alcohol monitoring bracelet for the first 90 days of the program. Participants are also drug-tested bi-weekly for the majority of the two-year program.

Veteran's treatment courts incorporate the principles of a sobriety court and mental health court to serve military veterans, and sometimes active-duty personnel. The veteran's courts promote sobriety, recovery, and stability. Veterans treatment courts also rely on U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

health care networks, the Veterans Benefits Administration, volunteer veteran mentors, and veterans and veterans family support organizations.

The \$12,000 grant awarded to the 90th District Court will help fund the position of a mentor coordinator, alcohol monitoring, and drug screens.

"The grant money allows us to supplement the costs associated with providing these programs, easing the financial burden for the participants," reported District Court Administrator Amanda Miller. "We don't want our program to be cost prohibitive for people. These grants really help that."

Besides the early monitoring and testing, the intense treatment programs include enhanced supervision and counseling to assist those struggling with addiction. When the participants graduate from the treatment courts, they are discharged successfully from probation, clean and sober.

"The primary focus is treatment and building a

foundation of sobriety during the recovery program," said Miller.

Judge Lasher pointed out the sobriety court's history of significantly decreasing recidivism as another important feature that affects other family members, friends, and employers, as well as the overall health and safety of the community.

"Seeing firsthand how our sobriety court has helped make a difference in the lives of our participants is a reminder that the court can bring about positive change," said Judge Lasher. "We look forward to witnessing the same successes happen in our veteran's court when it is established. It will be an honor for us to provide these additional options to the men and women who've served our country."

Miller said the 90th District Court hopes to launch the veteran's treatment court in the next few months. The court's staff is in the process of training and team creation at this time.



East Jordan Lion's Club Poster Winner

(East Jordan – November 2021) East Jordan King Lion Terry Graham presented a check for \$50 to Andrea Briley for her winning Peace poster entry. Also pictured are Mike Schroeder, her art instructor, and Lion Linda Poole who coordinated the contest with the East Jordan Middle School. The theme of the contest was "We Are All Connected" and for 11-13 year old students. If Andrea had won the Lion's district competition, she would have

received \$300 and would go on to compete in the Lion's International competition for over \$1000. A student from Hillman Schools won the district competition. Andrea's poster will be on display at the Lion's District Convention in April 2022 at Boyne Mountain. Her art instructor said the kids were excited about the contest and they look forward to participating in it next year.



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NOTICE OF EARLY DEADLINES

As everyone celebrates Thanksgiving we will have early deadlines for Display Advertising, Classified Advertising and submissions for our News and Sports.

The Weekly Choice and Charlevoix County News are normally published every Thursday. The Thanksgiving issues will be published on Wednesday, November 24. Deadline is Saturday, November 20.

Deadline for the Sunday, November 28 edition of the Michigan MoneySaver is Monday, November 22.

Email advertising and news to Dave Baragrey, Office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com

Conservancy Offers Places for Both Hunters & Non-Hunters

Little Traverse Conservancy provides opportunities to get out in the woods on lands that are open and lands that are closed to hunting.

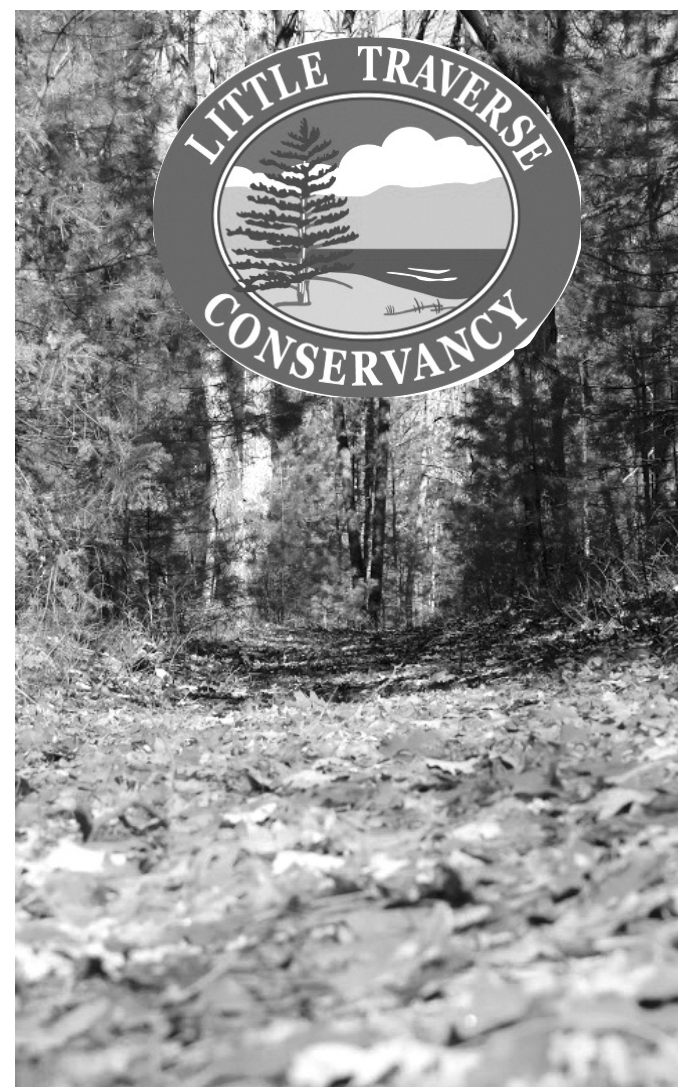
Interactive maps of Conservancy-owned nature preserves can be found at www.landtrust.org or on the free nature preserve app, LTC Explorer (Google or Apple app stores). A printed preserve map is also available online or at our office near Harbor Springs.

Dogs are allowed on most Conservancy preserves or reserves, but they must be kept on a leash. Please respect that there may be children or people who are afraid of dogs on the trails and obey this statewide law. Dogs that are legally engaged in hunting on lands enrolled in the Commercial Forestry Act are not required to be on a leash.

It is important to note that the majority of hunting occurs at dawn and dusk.

For more information about hunting on preserves (including a list of preserves where hunting is permitted), visit www.landtrust.org and click on "Explore" > "Hunting." This page will walk you through a downloadable permission slip that is required when hunting on a Conservancy preserve. You may print this page or save it to your phone, but must have it with you while hunting on an LTC nature preserve.

Recommended preserves (and assist projects) across



the Conservancy's five-county service area that are closed to hunting are listed below.

Charlevoix County

- Nathan "Barry" Driggers

gers

- The Hill
- Charles A. Ransom
- Raven Ridge
- Rogers Family Homestead
- Portions of St. Clair Lake/Six Mile Lake Nat-

- ural Area
- Wisser-Saworski
- Beaver Island
- Barney's Lake
- Little Sand Bay
- George and Althea Petritz

Cheboygan County

- Agnes S. Andreae (hunting is allowed on adjacent Boyd B. Banwell)
- Chaboiganing (hunting is allowed on adjacent Indian Point)
- Duncan Bay
- Adolph and Margaret Gauthier
- Hildner-Bearce/Waubun
- Seven Springs
- Vivian VanCampen
- Chippewa County
- DeTour Peninsula
- Vermillion Point
- Mackinac County
- William B. Derby
- Mackinac Bay

Emmet County

- Philip J. Braun North
- Bubbling Springs
- Sally and Jack Clark
- Sally & Art Hailand, Jr./Helstrom Family
- Ray Johnston
- Allan and Virginia McCune
- Naas, Mauer, Rauencker, & Leslie
- Oden Island
- Round Lake
- Sally Stebbins
- Offield Family Viewlands
- Waldron Fen
- Woollam Family

Rep. Borton backs funding for local police and first responders

State Rep. Ken Borton, who serves on the House Appropriations Committee, today announced his support for a new plan to support local police, as well as other law enforcement officers and first responders.

The \$250 million plan, contained in House Bill 5522, was rolled out by the committee at a hearing held today.

"With extra resources available, our state has a unique opportunity this year to provide additional resources to local police departments, and it could not have come at a better time," said

Borton, of Gaylord. "Some departments are struggling to keep a full force as stress and political detractors have made recruitment and retention efforts more difficult. Our new plan will primarily target funding to help local law enforcement, bringing support for sheriffs, deputies, chiefs and officers in Northern Michigan."

Borton said the plan would:

Support recruitment and retention: Tuition assistance and grants would help prospective law enforcement officers afford academy train-

ing. Local departments would be eligible for funding to support job shadowing programs and signing bonuses for new recruits. Other resources will be used for marketing to recruit police officers, corrections officers and first responders. Another \$7.5 million would provide mental health assistance for local law enforcement officers, first responders and other public safety staff.

Strengthen community connections: A \$10 million grant program would help improve relationships between police officers and

local residents through community policing initiatives. A \$15 million allocation would enable the Police Athletic League, a successful Detroit program involving community policing and mentorship, to expand to other communities.

Supply essential equipment: Other resources would help departments acquire equipment such as body cameras, riot gear, communications equipment and first response kits.

The plan remains under consideration by the committee.

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Live Nativity November 26 in downtown Boyne City

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

BOYNE CITY – Kick off the holidays by helping those in need at the annual Boyne City Coldwell Banker Schmidt Realtors Live Nativity Event on November 26th. Coldwell Banker will be hosting this holiday gathering in their parking lot at the corner of Water and East Streets in Boyne City from 5pm to 8pm.

Plan to view the Nativity then enjoy complimentary chili, soups, hot chocolate and coffee provided by Coldwell Banker, hot dogs, and cookies donated by Family Fare. Stiggs Brewery will have complimentary 6 oz. pours available as well. “Live Nativity Night is truly our kick-off to the Christmas Season. The entire night really feels like the perfect family event, sharing in a meal, having fun, gathering for Toys for Tots all while donating back to the Charlevoix County Humane Society and Stiggs Feed a Friend,” said Associate Broker, Jennifer Burr.

The camel, donkey, goats, baby cows and other stable occupants are all friendly and food will be provided so the kids can feed and pet the animals. “We’ve been doing this for about ten years. We bring in a donkey, Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The animals make up a little petting zoo. It’s a lot of fun,” said Coldwell Banker’s Mark Kowalske.

Everything is free but a donation box will be available. “This event has always been free but people are always asking if they can donate, so if they want, they can donate to the local humane society,” said Kowalske. All donations collected will go to the Charlevoix Humane Society and Stiggs “Feed a Friend.”



CEO of Networks Northwest, Matt McCauley informed the Charlevoix County Commission about the history of the Beaver Island Lighthouse opening discussions for a partnership between the County, Networks Northwest and the Island to decide the future of the lighthouse and the 172 acres it sits on.

Saving the Beaver Island Lighthouse

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Charlevoix County - A special meeting to discuss the future of the Beaver Island Lighthouse which is in need of substantial funding to repair and maintain was held on November 10 prior to the regularly scheduled Commission meeting.

The lighthouse on Beaver Island has been jointly owned by Charlevoix County (51%) and Networks Northwest (49%) since 2018. Networks Northwest is an organization that manages various programs for the 10 counties of Northwest Michigan in the areas of workforce, community, business and economic development. Networks Northwest has been an operational partner at the Beaver Island Lighthouse School and steward of the property since 1978. The property had been used for more than 25 years as an alternative education site by Northwest Michigan Works (a program of Networks Northwest) and Charlevoix Schools.

Several Island residents attended the meeting along with Networks Northwest CEO Matt McCauley. McCauley briefed the commissioners and audience on the history and present condition of the lighthouse which according to Commissioner Robert Jess appears to be “blighted” property. “We felt because we had many decades of operations out there and obligation to the island, to the community and to the property to do everything we could to keep it in the public realm, and to make it a historical property now and into the future,” said McCauley. Several Island residents also addressed the board, citing in kind services residents have provided to keep the lighthouse, which is the 3rd oldest on the Great Lakes,

maintained.

The County and Networks Northwest have a 50 year historical easement on the lighthouse that requires that the historical character of the four original structures on the property be maintained and that the property be opened to the public 12 days out of every year. Only 26 The 172 acres are developed and it has over 2000 feet of Lake Michigan shoreline. “Let the minutes reflect and I would stand by this, that it is the most pure Michigan, Lake Michigan shoreline this state has to offer,” he said. “It is a postcard that you can only explain to someone by taking them there.”

McCauley and island residents expressed that the lighthouse property is an extremely underutilized asset for the Island and Charlevoix County. “It’s not a common asset it’s an asset that is historical, is defined by legacy it is not just a recreational park it is something that people currently make time to journey to,” he said...The real potential opportunity associated with that property is once in a generation it is not something that is common or normal.”

Potential future uses for the property discussed at the meeting included as an educational training site and dark sky park, always ending in the need to establish a plan and find funding. Commissioner Ron Reinhardt expressed concern about what maintaining the property will cost. All present agreed that developing a capital improvement plan was the first, next step. Future meetings will be held to establish, what the county is obligated to do, what opportunities are available and how they will move forward. “It’s just a matter of prioritization,” said Commissioner Chairman Chris Christensen.



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DAVE
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(Friend wants to be a tenant)

Dear Dave,
I own a duplex that has an opening for a tenant, and an old college buddy wants to rent the apartment. He has always been a good friend, but I'm a little worried about the possible effects on our friendship if business is brought into the picture. Do you have any advice?
Justin

Dear Justin,
You can make this work, but you'll both need to be careful. It's going to take a lot of honesty and maturity from you both.
Doing business with friends always comes with the risk of running into a situation that can damage the relationship. Am I saying never do business with friends? Of course, not. I do a lot of business with friends. I just make sure all the specific requirements and expectations of the business relationship are laid out in clear detail, in writing, and fully understood by both parties before a deal is struck.
Sometimes friends have unrealistic expectations when it comes to doing business together. The friend who's rent-

ing may think the friend who is the landlord will give him a pass if the rent is late, and on a dozen other things. The friend who is the landlord may think the renter will be a perfect tenant, because they're friends, and find out the hard way his buddy's a slob who doesn't respect and take care of the property. All these things should be ironed out ahead of time and before the agreement is signed.
You might want to make sure, too, he understands the need to come talk to you if a situation arises where he may be late with a payment, or not be able to pay the rent one month. Most issues like this can be worked out, but he needs to understand — and it's your job to tell him ahead of time, in a kind-but-firm manner — you're not running a charity.
Just be friendly, straightforward and businesslike. If you have to enforce the rules, do it consistently and with fairness. Likewise, if a situation pops up where a little grace and understanding are appropriate, provide those as well.
— Dave

(It's always a we thing)

Dear Dave,
My husband recently approached me with an idea for our money. He wants us to set up an account where we both put 10 percent of our income for discretionary spending. My husband makes more money than I do, and because of this, he says it is fair that he would be able to spend more than I would. How do you feel about this?
Liz

Dear Liz,
I'm sure deep down he's a decent guy and he loves you very much. But he's looking at this all wrong. Right now, he's being pretty immature and selfish about the whole situation. It's a bad plan.
Let's look at this from another angle. There are lots of families where only one person works outside the home and generates an income. Would it be fair, then, to say only the person making money is allowed a little cash to spend for fun once in a while? Of course, not.
When two people are married, they are pronounced “as one.” That means even if you only have one person with an income, it becomes our income. If you have kids, they become our kids. See where I'm going with this? Marriage is not a me thing, it's a we thing. Always.
— 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 also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSION NOVEMBER 10 MEETING

Commission looks at bids for County Courthouse

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Charlevoix County - At the regularly scheduled November 10 Charlevoix County Commission meeting the Commission on Aging annual report was presented, bids for a new courthouse were reviewed and questions of board ethics were raised.

Amy Weiland of the Commission on Aging reported that they have seen a rise in those receiving services during the pandemic. "People now know where to go for the resources they need and our staff has been able to meet those needs," she said. Services the Commission provides include: In Home Services, Blood Pressure Reading, Beaver Island Dining Out Vouchers, Client Reassur-

ance Checks, Wednesday Night Dinners, Beaver Island Sunday Dinner, Foot Care In-home, Boyne Area Senior Center, Curbside, Disaster Meals, Senior Project Fresh, Senior Rides, East Jordan Senior Center, Charlevoix Senior Center, Fresh Boxes, Flu Shot Clinic Services, Free Masks for Seniors, and Under 60 years old meals.

Two bids were received for phase one to build a Charlevoix County Courthouse and expand the Sheriff Department by adding onto the existing Health Department building. "Building and grounds doesn't think these are apples to apples," said County Administrator / Human Resources Director Kevin Shephard. Commissioners requested that both

bidders come in and present their plan to the commission allowing them to identify the differences in the bids and potentially adding bids that included knocking the existing building down and fully replacing it, and remodeling the existing building. "I think the best thing is to get the two in here and let us know what they have to offer," said Commissioner Shirley Roloff.

Commissioner Robert Jess brought a question of ethics before the board. Commission Chair Chris Christensen submitted a letter to the Board of Health on county letterhead, Commissioner Jess felt it was an opinion piece that did not reflect his opinion and questioned if it was ethical. Christensen explained that he had checked

and it was not in violation of the bylaws. He explained why he wrote the letter, "I wanted to call to light some of the errors and issues that were in blatant violation of the bylaws of the Health Department in the way the meeting was being run by the commissioner of Antrim County," he explained. Christensen also included a second letter notifying the BOH that Charlevoix County would be investigating the Health Department. "The unfortunate scenario right now is that all the issues at the Health Department are exacerbated under the masks and other arguments that are going on when the reality is that we've had questions and concerns about the Board of Health dating back to 2017," he said.

The most prominent issue has been in the area of finances. He said he sent the letters because the investigation was going to become an agenda item. "The constituents that we represent, the voting public of Charlevoix County, were being disenfranchised by the way that that board was being operated and if I hadn't written those letters, they wouldn't have taken the actions at the last meeting that they did to try and correct those," he said. "This isn't about their decisions this is about how the board is being run," he said. Christensen clarified that neither of the letters he sent addressed the Health Officer or Medical Officer. "It wasn't about that, it was about how the Board of

Health was being operated." The violation in question was the cancelation of meetings and changing of venues and dates. Commissioner Jess maintained that using the letterhead without consulting the rest of the commission was unethical. "I understand your concerns about using the letterhead, I can refrain from using board letter head in the future. I had written a letter, I asked Julia to submit it on my behalf as the chairperson of the county because I was and did have an agenda item to discuss the deficiencies of the Health Department," he concluded.

The bills were paid and the meeting adjourned.

REAL ESTATE FEATURE



Commercial/Industrial building in Vanderbilt

BY JIM AKANS

This week's feature listing is a great opportunity to own a large commercial/industrial building located in Vanderbilt.

The facility features approximately 7,963 square feet of space. The breakdown includes about 1,100 square feet of retail/office space, 3,700 square feet of garage space with the remainder in 10 separate storage units. It would not be possible to replicate this amount of space for the amount this is listed for.

All electric, heat, gas and water services are in place and operational. Another highlight is a new 3-phase electrical service. This is located on a corner lot in the main district of Vanderbilt. It is situated on an over half-acre lot. What a tremendous opportunity and value.

This commercial/industrial building is located at 7993 Mill Street in Vanderbilt, and it is

listed at \$189,900. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call Marty Moody, Associate Broker or Christopher Christensen, Associate Broker, at Lynda's Real Estate Service in Boyne City at 231-582-9555 or email at Marty@lyndasrealestateservice.com or Chris@lyndasrealestateservice.com



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A Short Guide to Real Estate Lingo and Acronyms

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HDW, HWF, Hdwd -- hardwood floors

hi ceils -- high ceilings

in-law potential -- potential for a separate apartment, subject to local zoning restrictions

large E-2 plan -- this is one of several floor plans available in a specific building

listing -- an agreement between a real estate broker and

a home owner that allows the broker to market and arrange for the sale of the owner's home. The word "listing" is also used to refer to the for-sale home itself. A home being sold by the owner without a real estate agent isn't a "listing."

lo dues -- low homeowner's association dues. But find out how "low" the dues are compared to other dues in the area.

lock box -- locked key-holding device affixed to a for-sale home so real estate professionals can gain entry into the

home after obtaining permission from the listing agent

lsd pkg. -- leased parking area. May come with additional cost.

MLS -- Multiple Listing Service. An MLS is an organization that collects, compiles and distributes information about homes listed for sale by its members, who are real estate brokers. Membership isn't open to the general public, although selected MLS data may be sold to real estate listings Web sites. MLSs are local or regional. There is no MLS covering the whole country.

nr bst schls -- near the best schools

pot'l -- potential

pvt -- private

pwdr rm -- half bathroom or powder room

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title insurance -- an insurance policy that protects a lender's or owner's interest in real property from assorted types of unexpected or fraudulent claims of ownership. It's customary for the buyer to pay for the lender's title insurance policy.

upr -- upper floor

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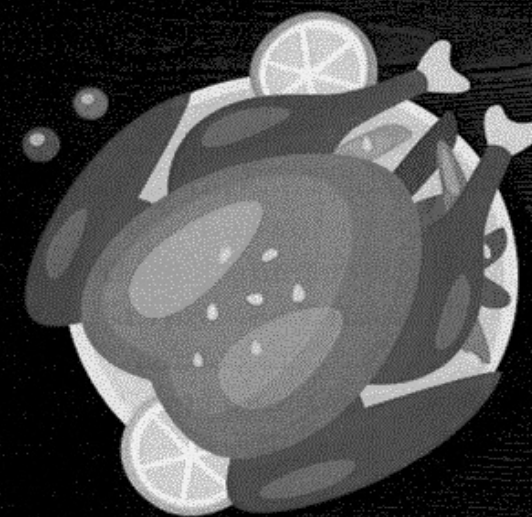
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Three DNR conservation officers honored in Lansing

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources recently resumed in-person award presentations for staff at the Michigan Natural Resources Commission meeting, held Nov. 10 at the Michigan Library and Historical Center in Lansing.

The department recognized conservation officers Tyler Sabuda and Andrea Erratt and retired Cpl. Ivan Perez. Sabuda received a distinguished service award, and Erratt and Perez were presented as the 2019 and 2020 Shikar Safari Officer of the Year recipients - the DNR Law Enforcement Division's highest honor, awarded annually. The Shikar Safari award presentations were previously delayed due to the pandemic.

CONSERVATION OFFICER TYLER SABUDA, DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Conservation Officer Tyler Sabuda, Iosco County, was honored with a distinguished service award after risking his own life to save the driver of a vehicle submerged in the Au Sable River.

July 13 was a rainy and overcast day. At 4:06 p.m., Sabuda received a call regarding a fully submerged vehicle in the river, near Cooke Dam in Oscoda. The driver, Joseph Sand, 82, from Davison, was trapped inside the vehicle.

The water temperature was 72 degrees, and the air temperature was 69 degrees. At the location just below Cooke Dam, the river is approximately 230 feet wide with a fast-moving current.

Sand and Rodney Weinzierl, 70, of Millington, were visiting Sand's nearby property. The two stopped at the lower Cooke Dam boat launch, where Weinzierl exited the vehicle to smoke a cigar. Weinzierl said Sand

was turning the vehicle around and somehow drove into the river.

Sabuda arrived at the scene at 4:19 p.m. When Sabuda reached the edge of the water, he could see a red vehicle completely submerged in 6 feet of water, approximately 125 feet downstream of the launch and approximately 50 feet from water.

Sabuda removed his uniform in preparation the river's edge.

Sabuda was advised by a bystander that Sand was in the vehicle and nobody on shore had yet attempted to enter the fast-moving to attempt a water rescue, at which point Greg Alexander, an officer with Oscoda Township Police Department, arrived on scene and prepared to enter the water as well. Sabuda entered the water with his DNR-issued inflatable life vest and a window punch.

As Sabuda approached the vehicle, he could see Sand in the driver's seat with his seatbelt on and the window down. Fighting the strong current, Sabuda forced the door partially open, but the current kept closing the door on Sabuda's body while he attempted to remove Sand from the vehicle.

Alexander arrived and was able to hold the door open so Sabuda could dive under the water, unfasten the seatbelt and remove Sand from the car.

Sabuda and Alexander put the life vest on Sand and began swimming against the current toward shore. An individual on a kayak assisted Sabuda, Alexander and Sand in getting back to shore.

As Sabuda approached shore, he asked a firefighter to retrieve his automated external defibrillator out of his patrol truck. When Sabuda arrived on shore, Danny Gallahar, an officer with Oscoda



From left, Capt. Jen Wolf, Conservation Officer Tyler Sabuda, Conservation Officer Andrea Erratt, retired Cpl. Ivan Perez and Chief Gary Hagler. (courtesy of DNR)

Township Police Department, handed Sabuda his AED.

Gallahar began CPR on Sand while Sabuda prepped Sand for treatment with the AED. The AED advised no shock so Sabuda ran to his patrol truck, got his Ambu Bag and returned to provide rescue breaths while Gallahar did chest compressions. The AED, again, advised no shock.

At 4:33 p.m., paramedics transported Sand to Ascension St. Joseph Hospital in Tawas City, where he was pronounced dead at approximately 5:06 p.m.

"Sabuda selflessly put his life in harm's way, in an attempt to save another, without hesitation," said Chief Gary Hagler, DNR Law Enforcement Division. "Sabuda received numerous cuts and bruises due to the harsh environment of the riverbed and fast current. While the outcome of events was unfortunate, it doesn't change the exemplary courage displayed by Sabuda."

CONSERVATION OFFICER ANDREA ERRATT - 2019 SHIKAR SAFARI OFFICER OF

THE YEAR

Andrea Erratt began her career as a conservation officer in November 1997. During her first month she made 25 arrests for violations, including loaded guns in motor vehicles, illegal deer, untagged deer and traps and two drunken drivers.

Erratt patrolled nearly 10 years each in Cheboygan and Charlevoix counties and is currently assigned to Antrim County. During her career, she has helped resolve a wide variety of violations on behalf of the DNR and Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, including fish, game, snowmobile, marine, ORV, illegal burning, timber theft, litter and illegal disposal of solid waste.

Some of her accomplishments include:

- Collecting over \$22,000 in reimbursements due to game arrests, including illegal bull and cow elk, deer, trumpeter swan, bobcat, mink, otter and nonresident license fee cases.

- Receiving a grant from International Wildlife Crimestoppers, Inc., for a new mechanical deer decoy and additional funding from the Charlevoix Rod and Gun

Club.

- Preparing 14 briefs for prosecution cases, ranging from unregistered snowmobiles and illegal burning to illegal deer and fish snagging.

- Receiving a 2020 Citation of Professional Excellence for assisting with a hunter casualty investigation that resulted in a manslaughter conviction.

- Locating more than 90 individuals with illegal blinds and tree stands, which she found by patrolling state land on foot.

"Erratt is an exemplary conservation officer and conducts herself with the highest level of professionalism, which makes her a role model in the community and to other officers," said Chief Gary Hagler, DNR Law Enforcement Division. "Her enthusiasm and dedication to the resources and her team make her an outstanding game warden."

RETIRED CPL. IVAN PEREZ - 2020 SHIKAR SAFARI OFFICER OF THE YEAR

A Texas native, retired Cpl. Ivan Perez grew up hunting and fishing and was interested in pursuing a career as a conservation officer.

While enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard, Perez was stationed at U.S. Coast Guard Station Saginaw River, where he met conservation officers who docked their boats at the same pier. In 1995, Perez fulfilled his childhood dream and became a conservation officer, assigned to Ottawa County.

During his 26-year career, Perez was involved in numerous lengthy investigations and prosecutions, including boating fatalities, working undercover to stop the spread of invasive species into the state, and several significant trophy deer and turkey investigations.

Based on his extensive knowledge and experience in boating and marine safety, in 2019 Perez was promoted to a marine specialist corporal in the Law Enforcement Division's Recreational Safety Education and Enforcement section - the first person to be placed in the new position.

Within a year, Perez investigated 10 permanent local watercraft controls, which are special rules for boating, and 10 temporary local watercraft controls, requiring extensive communication and data collection. He also took it upon himself to research local boating events and contact the event coordinators to ensure the presence and participation of conservation officers.

During the coronavirus pandemic, Perez assisted with establishing online boating safety classes for numerous state and federal entities so more people could safely enjoy the outdoors.

"Perez's success can be attributed to his ability to create positive and long-lasting relationships within his community and local municipalities, including local, state and federal officials," said Chief Gary Hagler, DNR Law Enforcement Division.

Michigan conservation officers are fully commissioned law enforcement officers who protect natural resources, ensure recreational safety and protect residents by providing general law enforcement duties and lifesaving operations in the communities they serve. Due to the nature of their job, these officers often work with federal, state and local law enforcement officers to ensure public safety.

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CHARLEVOIX CITY COMMISSION NOVEMBER 15, 2021 MEETING

Junior Main Street students present ideas to attract winter tourism

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Charlevoix - The life of Jeannine Wallace was honored with a mayoral proclamation and Charlevoix's Junior Main Street presented ideas to attract tourism and add winter vibrancy to Charlevoix at the November 15 Charlevoix City Council Meeting.

A mayoral proclamation in honor of the life and service of Jeannine Wallace was accepted. "I Luther Kurtz, Mayor of the City of Charlevoix, do on behalf of the City Council and the Charlevoix Community express my deep sympathy on the passing of Jeannine Wallace to her family and friends and I commend the devotion

of Jeannine Wallace to serving this community and helping us become the City we are today," it reads. All flags in the city will be at half-mast on November 19 in her honor.

Students from Charlevoix High School AP Government Class were tasked with making Charlevoix a more tourist friendly, vibrant place in the winter. The project which was assigned to them only two months ago came with a \$10,000 budget thanks to a Charlevoix Community Foundation Grant secured by the city for this very purpose to enhance and showcase the outstanding quality of life in Charlevoix.

Ideas the students presented to the Council included a Winter Olympics



Students from Charlevoix High School, Annemarie Conway's AP Government Class present ideas to create a vibrant winter experience in the city.

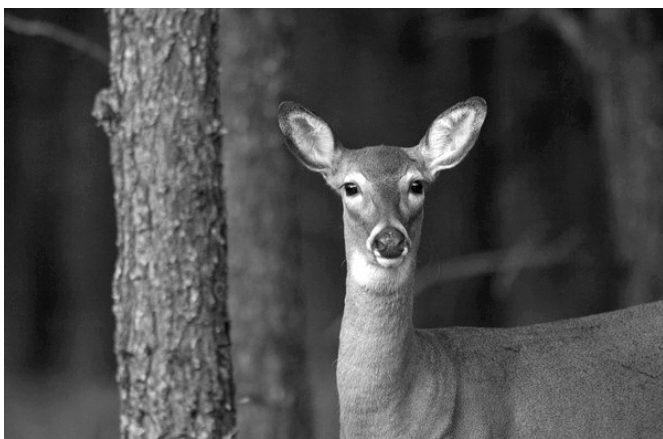
event in partnership with the Charlevoix Recreation Department. The students out-

lined broomball, drag race sledding, winter golf, and cross country skiing competi-

tions with age categories. The Olympics were originally explored as a fundraiser for the

purchase of structures to create an Igloo Park for downtown visitors to enjoy takeout food or gather and warm up while visiting the city but the Foundation Grant has made it possible for both the Igloo Park and Winter Olympics to stand on their own. A motion to approve the Junior Main Street Winter Olympics and the purchase of Igloos was approved. Placement and uses for the five- 11 foot in diameter Igloos are contingent on details that would be brought back before the council by Junior Main Street at the December 20 meeting.

HUNTING



Sometimes it's not easy to distinguish between a doe and a young button buck but there are ways to tell them apart. (courtesy of DNR)

How can hunters tell if it's a button buck?

Each year many hunters harvest buck fawns, commonly called "button bucks," on antlerless deer licenses. Though legal, harvesting these deer may reduce the number of antlered bucks the following year. By learning the difference between adult does and buck fawns and observing the following suggestions, hunters can make a conscious choice about whether to harvest a buck fawn.

* Look at body shapes of deer. Adult does are different in shape from juvenile deer. The mature doe is rectangular in shape with a long neck and face. Fawns are square-shaped and have a short neck and face.

* Button bucks often travel alone, but adult does rarely do. Consider this when you observe a single antlerless deer.

* Wait until more than

three deer are together; then harvest one of the larger antlerless deer.

* If two juvenile deer are without an adult, one will probably be a button buck. Normally the young male is larger than the female and may be mistaken for an adult doe because of its larger size. Look at the head of the deer. A doe's head is normally more rounded on top between the ears, and a buck's head is flattened by the base of the antlers.

* Look closely with binoculars for the antler bases on button bucks.

* Wait until the deer are standing or moving slowly. It is easier to identify sex and age when deer are not running or moving fast.

* Shoot with good visibility. Poor light and heavy cover make it difficult to determine sex and age.

Safety is key to every successful hunt

Michigan's firearm deer season is one week out, and the DNR reminds everyone to always put safety first.

Lt. Tom Wanless, who heads the DNR's recreational safety, education and enforcement programs, said although some safety tips seem like common sense, it's critical for anyone hunting with firearms to understand and frequently revisit safety basics.

"Success is not always about filling your tag, it's about safely enjoying the ex-

perience and sharing with friends and family back at camp after the hunt," Wanless said.

All hunters should:

- Treat every firearm as if it is loaded.

Be aware of their surroundings - know the target and what is beyond it.

- Unload firearms when crossing obstacles and/or getting in or out of a tree stand.

- Obey "no trespassing" signs; they are there for a reason.

- Obtain landowner permission to retrieve game that has wandered onto private property.

- Wear as much hunter orange as possible to increase visibility to other hunters.

During hunting seasons, it's also important for non-hunters to wear bright colors, especially hunter orange, and be aware of their surroundings when near woods or fields where hunting may occur.

Get more hunting safety tips and resources at Michigan.gov/HuntingSafety. For season and regulation details, see the 2021 Hunting Digest.



Dee Hawkins and Kari Vrondran cut the ribbon ushering in a better way to get all things printing done in East Jordan.

Ribbon Cutting for printing and custom image shop

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

East Jordan - An open house and ribbon cutting celebrating the collaboration of two local businesses was held on Wednesday, November 10. Northern Michigan Custom Image and Valley Graphics have merged and set up shop next to Rite Aid in the Family Fare Plaza on M-66.

The merger combines both ends of the printing industry. Dee Hawkins, 45 year print shop veteran, brings the printing expertise and Kari Vrondran brings the latest technology in the form of screen printing, engraving, sublimation, decals, vinyl, laser cutting and burning. "There's nothing in this industry we don't have covered," said Hawkins.

When Hawkins put her shop on Water Street up for sale she knew she was closer to retiring but not fully committed to the idea. A month later, she got a call from



Pick a name from the Christmas tree at Jordan Valley Graphics in the Family Fare Plaza on M66. Make a child's holiday better.

Vrondran. "She's young and has lots of ambition, energy and good ideas. Her tech



Karlynn Hawkins has a display of homemade masks at Jordan Valley Graphics.

savvy is different from mine. She'll teach me, I'll teach

her," said Hawkins. The shop can now fulfill all paper printing needs, signage, custom clothing and hats, crafts and personalized gifts. "We're a one stop shop," said Hawkins.

Meeting the needs of every customer in a timely fashion is the goal of the duo. "You can come in here and order one shirt and I'll make sure I get it out to you," said Vrondran. "I'll stay here until midnight to make sure you get it within two weeks."

The shop has some retail items on display including MI items and tee-shirts. A Christmas tree with names of foster and adopted children is on display in the lobby for those interested in providing gifts to those in need for the holidays. "Come in and see us, see how two printing shops working as one make it better for everybody," said Hawkins.

PLANE CRASH

FROM PG.3

ing all that in the coming months."

A candlelight vigil was held Monday evening to honor the memories of all on board.

On Monday a second plane crash was reported in Charlevoix County. The Federal Aviation Administration

reported that an airplane went off the radar while en route to the Boyne City Airport. The Sheriff's Office, along with Boyne City Police Department, Michigan State Police, Michigan DNR, Melrose Township Fire Department, Boyne Valley Township Fire Department, Boyne Valley EMS, and Boyne City EMS all responded to the last known area where the airplane was reported.

The plane was later found

after a Michigan State Police helicopter responded from Lansing. The Beechcraft King Air airplane crashed into a wooded area west of Romaniak Road in Melrose Township killing the 61-year-old pilot Kenneth Yott of Pontiac, MI and his passenger Corbin Kennedy, 21, of Howell, MI. Both men were found dead in the plane when rescue teams arrived.

"When accidents like these happen there are limited resources in Northern

Michigan. We rely heavily on our volunteer fire departments and EMS. And they show up every time. We just work really well together. If you see one of those folks thank them. Without them we couldn't get it done," said Vondra.

The cause of both crashes are under investigation by the FAA and National Transportation Safety Board.

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TOMMY REID RED DEVILS BASEBALL

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN OUTDOORS

Michigan's Amazing Animals: Red Fox

BY PATRICK BEVIER

The smallest, and most stunning, wild canine species in Michigan is the red fox. Here are some fabulous, fun, and feisty facts about those cute, cunning, and captivating creatures:

Name Game: The red fox's scientific name is the double dip Latin quip *Vulpes vulpes*. Although somewhat unusual, an animal having the same genus and species name is not unheard of. For example, other North American animals, namely moose (*Alces alces*), and wolverines (*Gulo gulo*) share that taxonomic tongue-twister. There are 12 species of true foxes in the world and red fox are the largest (a few others being kit foxes and Arctic foxes).

Sizing them Up: Red fox are one of only three species of wild dogs (family Canidae) in the Mitten State, and are easily distinguished from the much larger and grayish-brown colored coyote and gray wolf. Red fox can weigh as little as 3 pounds but some specimens have strained the scales at 24 pounds. They're comparable in stature to a medium-sized dog and reach a length of 34 inches from their nose to their flanks, and a height of up to 22 inches. Their luxurious tails can be almost as long as their entire body.

Rather Red (but, not always): The most distinguishing feature of red fox is their vibrant fur color which is usually a light or dark orange. Despite its name, the species often produces individuals with other colorings, including leucistic and melanistic individuals. Some of the most stunning individuals are a blend of red but with considerable black highlights or even largely black. Illogically, this color morph is known as a silver fox. In the most common red morph the back of the ears and feet are black with a long tail that has dark guard hairs and a white tip. Their chest and belly is creamy white. Remarkably, their eyes can be dark brown, light brown, green or light yellow!

Stop Skulking: a group of foxes is called a skulk. That's not to be confused with a confusion, yes a confusion, of wildebeests, a sleuth of bears, a parliament of owls, or a caul-



Red fox often capture prey - mice, rabbits, birds - by pouncing on them from above (photo copyright Joni Roberts)

dron of bats!

Ephemeral Existence: Red fox have a relatively short life span which is usually 2-5 years. Captive animals have lived to the ripe old age of 12.

Predator Prey Parameters: Fox are omnivorous. They primarily prey on small rodents, but also take rabbits, birds, reptiles, and invertebrates when available. They will gobble up some fruit and vegetable matter at times. Fox are vulnerable to attack by larger predators such as wolves, coyotes, and large raptors.

Adaptable Animals: Red fox are highly resilient mammals and are found on five continents. They have the largest natural distribution of all land mammals other than those you might be hanging out with right now while reading this article. Yep, only *Homo sapiens* have a wider distribution than *Vulpes vulpes*!

Kits and Kaboodles: Young foxes are known as



Two month-old fox kits display their beautiful fur color in Northeast Michigan (photo copyright Roberto A. Viguilla).

kits. The average litter size is 6 to 8 per mating pair. After birth the female, also called a vixen, will stay in

the den with the kits for a week. While that is happening the male, sometimes called a tod or

reynard, is bringing food for the female. Later on, both mates hunt to provide food for the ravenous youngsters.

Playful Pups: Fox kit behavior is one of the most delightful things to watch. The little guys spend a great deal of time wrestling, pouncing, chasing, and even biting each other. It's hilarious and fabulous for photo opportunities!

Dominance in the Den: The aforementioned "play behavior" actually takes place early on while the kits are still in the den. This play is purposeful, however, and establishes who's the alpha fox and the pecking order of the siblings days before any of the kits emerge from their natal home.

Dual Dwellings: It's common for foxes to have two dens that they can use while birthing and raising their little ones. The female will move the litter if she feels threatened or if the food supply is better

near the alternative den. It's often perplexing, and concerning, to fox lovers and nature photographers who observe an active den one day and no more activity thereafter. Fear not, it's usually because the adults have moved the kits to the other abode.

Amazing Athletes: Red fox would be stellar Olympic triathletes as they can run up to 30 miles an hour, jump a 6-foot high fence, and are skilled swimmers.

Super Senses: Fox have amazing senses that help them to be skilled hunters. In fact, they can hear a mouse squeak from 100 meters away. One study reported them to have the ability to hear a ticking watch from 40 meters!

No Worries, Mate (well...): Because of their adaptability to diverse environments, red fox are considered a Least Concern species on the IUCN. In Michigan, their numbers are steady although some biologists are concerned that increased coyote predation will put a dent in red fox populations. They were introduced to Australia and are considered by the folks "Down Under" to be an invasive species harmful to native mammal and bird populations.

Evolving Etymology: the slang term, "fox" or "foxy" to describe an attractive woman dates all the way back to late 1800's college campuses. Ladies aren't the only gender receiving such attention as an attractive man whose hair is going gray can be called a, "silver fox." It's also a term for someone who's cunning as in, "he's a sly fox!"

Musical Matters: From Jimmy Hendrix's, "Foxy Lady"-that was voted the 150th all-time best song by Rolling Stone Magazine- to the obnoxious (yet popular) "What Does the Fox Say?" these canines have often made it into our main stream music culture.

Just some terrific tidbits about those remarkable and rambunctious red fox. With any luck you'll happen across one on your wild wanderings in the woods of the Wolverine state!

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Charlevoix's #22 Grace Lentz goes for the kill. Photo by Scott Richards.

Rayders fall to Elks In Regional Semi-Finals

BY: DOM SANTINA

After claiming a District Title just a few days earlier, the Charlevoix Volleyball team would host the Regional Semi-Final against Elk Rapids. A team they had seen a few times already this season, the Rayders felt confident about their chances.

However, the Rayders would find themselves in a hole early. They would fight in set number one till the very end, but ultimately the Elks would have the final advantage, winning 25-23. In set number two, the Rayders would look to bounce back and even it up, but would only find themselves in the same spot. Although this time, they were one point farther away, the Elks would take the win 25-22.

With their backs against the wall once again and facing elimination, the Rayders would try to rally late. However, this time it would not work, the Elks were ready for it and shut down the Rayders, winning the final set 25-18 and sweeping the Rayders in three sets.

The loss puts an end to a great 2021 season for the Rayders that ends in the Regional Semi-Finals. The Rayders end the season 36-6-6 on the year. While the Rayders will



Elk Rapids bench cheering on their team as match nears its end.

return a solid core of players next year. They will be without six seniors: Camryn Turkelson, Olivia Vollmer, Patricia Muriel, Lauren Shepard, Grace Lentz and Taylor Petroskey.



The Rayder's team reacts to the match loss. Photo by Scott Richards.



Charlevoix's #7 Addison Boop and #1 Clair Scholten. Photo by Scott Richards.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL TOP 25

RANK	SCHOOL	POINTS	PREV. RANK	RECORD
1	GEORGIA (62)	1,550	1	10-0
2	ALABAMA	1,449	3	9-1
3	CINCINNATI	1,420	2	10-0
4	OREGON	1,353	5	9-1
5	OHIO STATE	1,341	6	9-1
6	NOTRE DAME	1,175	7	9-1
7	MICHIGAN STATE	1,161	8	9-1
8	MICHIGAN	1,134	9	9-1
9	OKLAHOMA STATE	1,106	10	9-1
10	OLE MISS	943	12	8-2
11	BAYLOR	882	18	8-2
12	OKLAHOMA	870	4	9-1
13	WAKE FOREST	851	13	9-1
14	BYU	671	14	8-2
15	UTSA	591	15	10-0
16	TEXAS A&M	583	11	7-3
17	HOUSTON	509	17	9-1
18	IOWA	491	19	8-2
19	WISCONSIN	467	20	7-3
20	PITTSBURGH	358	25	8-2
21	ARKANSAS	277	NR	7-3
22	LOUISIANA	261	24	9-1
23	SAN DIEGO STATE	239	NR	9-1
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Reid commits to GRCC

BY: DOM SANTINA

EAST JORDAN - One of the first area signings to place the other day as East Jordan Senior, Tommy Reid III committed to play baseball at Grand Rapids Community College.

Reid was an All-Conference, District and Regional last year and ended up being an Honorable mention for All State. Tommy

made the Charlevoix County News All-Area Baseball Dream team in 2019 as a freshman and 2021 and a junior.

Reid has been an ace for the Red Devils staff while also flourishing with the Petoskey Royals, where he played travel ball for the last two summers.

While Reid is already committed, he still has one more season with the Red Devils this upcoming

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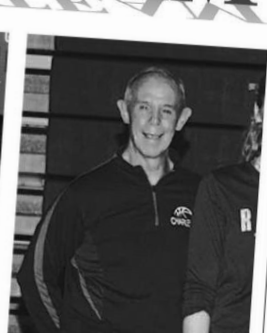
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2020 CHARLEVOIX COUNTY NEWS ALL-AREA GIRLS BASKETBALL DREAM TEAM

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



Jayden Weber.



Coach Marc Sroufe

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 Riders put together the best season in the area over the winter months, finishing 15-4 overall, going a perfect 14-0 in Lake Michigan

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, and people who are 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 by Councilman Greg Bryan. The ordinance aligns with Governor Whitmer's executive order issued on March 23rd and will be in effect for 81 days or until the Governor's executive order, or subsequent orders, is lifted, whichever comes first.

City votes to Temporarily Suspend Short Term Rental Operations

BY KAREN WALKER The Charlevoix City Council held a special meeting last Friday, April 2nd, 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 Hordas and City Attorney Scott Howard first presented the 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 ensures establishments 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 Leif 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

Health Department offers drive-through testing at Fairgrounds. The Health Department of Northwest Michigan, in partnership with Emmet County, Northern Michigan Medical Center, McLaren Northern Michigan, the Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, and the Petoskey 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 is for individuals who have seen their primary care provider, have been determined to meet the criteria for testing, and have a lab slip approved FDA testing method with nasal swab. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has created a statewide hotline for COVID-19. The hotline will be open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1-888-355-6138. Advertisement of Northwest Michigan has a Public Health Information Line - 1-800-388-5669 and email: publichealthinfo@nwhelth.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 26th, 2020 and is doing well with mild symptoms at this time. Direct colleagues of this employee have been under "self-monitoring" since March 26th and will continue for a minimum of 14 days. This individual had a history of downstate Michigan travel and was involved with a large group setting. The Bellefleur 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 Bellefleur and East Jordan Family Health Centers remain at a low risk for exposure to the Coronavirus. All staff of the Bellefleur 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.ajfhc.org for up to date information along with additional services.

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