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5 Area Nonprofits Receive \$25,000 in Grants from 4Front Foundation

Out of more than 50 applications, Boots for Kids, Homestretch Nonprofit Housing Corporation, Hand2Hand, Cheboygan County Habitat for Humanity, and Northern Michigan Equine Therapy came out on top as the 2022 4Front Foundation grant recipients.

"It's an honor to be able to give back to the community and to receive so many grant applications for our first grant cycle," said 4Front Foundation Executive Director, Rachel Hunter. "Our committee had some tough decisions to make but feel very fortunate to be able to help these five recipients continue their missions in our communities."



Boots for Kids received \$5,500. The funds will assist with continuing their mission of providing children of families who struggle economically throughout the Greater Grand Traverse area with winter boots and clothing.

Homestretch Nonprofit Housing Corporation received \$9,000. They provide affordable housing options for persons of low and moderate income and will be using the money to purchase and renovate new office space so they can expand their team and in return expand outreach.

Hand2Hand received \$5,000 and will also be using the money toward their overall mission that delivers nutritious food to students when they are not in school.

Cheboygan County Habitat for Humanity received \$2,500 and will be using their grant toward new, reusable hospice ramps that will, in part, be built by high school students.

Northern Michigan Equine Therapy received \$3,000 and will use these funds to continue their mission of improving the lives of those impacted by physical disabilities and mental health needs through the healing power of horses.



RAYDERS DROP DOUBLE HEADER TO GAYLORD

The Charlevoix Rayders girls and boys basketball teams visited Gaylord in a non-conference game last Tuesday.

The Rayder girls lost to a strong Gaylord team 51-34.

Abbey Wright led the Rayders with 10 points and six rebounds, Bayani Collins scored nine and had five rebounds and Mikayla Sharrow had nine rebounds.

The boys stayed close with the Blue Devils throughout much of the first half, but eventually fell behind the rest of the way in a 67-45 loss.

It was the coaching debut for new Rayder boys coach Anthony Troshak with Charlevoix.

Charlevoix freshman Joe Gaffney led the Rayders with 22 points, which came with four 3-pointers, while Troy Nickel scored eight and Patrick Sterrett added seven.

LEFT: Charlevoix Freshman Joe Gaffney with a great looking fade away against the Gaylord Blue Devils.. Photo by Kenny Rivers.

LOOK INSIDE FOR MORE AREA SPORTS

Daniel Thorell hired as health officer for Health Department of NW Michigan

After overseeing operations of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan (HDNW) since April 30, interim health officer Daniel R. Thorell has been hired as the organization's health officer by the four-county board of health. The final vote took place during the Dec. 6 public meeting.



DAN THORELL

"I am excited to add Dan Thorell as our new health officer and department administrator for the HDNW," said Scott Hankins, Board of Health Chair. "Dan is a calm, responsible, 'common sense' director, and we look forward to a long relationship with him as our director. Dan is being promoted from within the HDNW and is well known by the employees. This should make for a smooth transition for everyone, and I believe Dan is the right person for this position."

Prior to becoming interim health officer, Thorell served as the agency's deputy health officer. He succeeded Lisa Peacock, whose resignation took effect the day Thorell moved into the top spot. The temporary appointment allowed the board time to work with Thorell and consider their approach to permanently filling the position.

Over the months, the board members initiated discussions with Thorell on whether there was shared interest in making his leadership more permanent. Since September, the board has performed a background check, interviewed Thorell, and negotiated a contract.

"Over the past seven months, our staff has moved forward as a team and gone through the same kind of adjustments as other area

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**HIGH: 37
LOW: 29**

FRIDAY



**HIGH: 35
LOW: 26**

SATURDAY



**HIGH: 31
LOW: 27**

SUNDAY



**HIGH: 30
LOW: 22**

SNOWFALL

2022-23	Amount	City	2021-22	Amount	City
12/12/22	,, ,19	Boyer Falls	12/13/21	,, ,7.5	Boyer Falls
12/12/22	,, ,21.3	Charlevoix	12/13/21	,, ,14	Charlevoix
12/12/22	,, ,24	Cheboygan	12/13/21	,, ,13.3	Cheboygan
12/12/22	,, ,40.4	East Jordan	12/13/21	,, ,29.7	East Jordan
12/12/22	,, ,38.2	Gaylord	12/13/21	,, ,65.5	Gaylord
12/12/22	,, ,19.5	Kalkaska	12/13/21	,, ,63.6	Kalkaska
12/12/22	,, ,17.3	Onaway	12/13/21	,, ,24.2	Onaway
12/12/22	,, ,23.8	Petoskey	12/13/21	,, ,25.6	Petoskey

record temps

Day	AVG HIGH	AVG LOW	Record HIGH	YEAR	Record LOW	YEAR
OCT 15	.30	.18	.52	.2021	-.8	.2007
16	.30	.18	.60	.2021	-.16	.2013
17	.30	.18	.44	.2006	-.9	.1981
18	.29	.17	.43	.2002	-.3	.1985
19	.29	.17	.48	.2002	-.20	.1983
20	.29	.17	.45	.1988	-.27	.1983
21	.29	.17	.52	.1967	-.12	.1983
22	.29	.16	.50	.1967	-.10	.1989

OBITUARIES

Lee M (Antaya) Cloyd, 66

(MARCH 25, 1956 - DEC. 6, 2022)



Lee Marie Cloyd (Antaya), age 66 passed away unexpectedly on December 6, 2022.

Wife of Late Phil Cloyd; daughter of late James & Beatrice Antaya; sister of Beatriceann (Bea) Antaya, Janice Dippel (Mike), and the late James Antaya Jr (Cindy); Aunt to Sean Harris (Cindy), Jennifer House (George), John Dippel, and Nicole Antaya. Great aunt to Olivia Harris (Morgan), Nicholas Harris (Melissa), Thomas Harris (Sky) and their mother Marie Ramirez.

Lee was a bright, funny, unique, and talented gal. In her younger years she was a race car driver, certified auto mechanic and professional drummer. She joined the police academy at 36 and graduated #1 in the class with a 4.0. She became the first female police officer in Boyne City and became the community relations officer as well. After she suffered a burst brain aneurysm she found a new path in life by helping others, playing in the church band, making faith based gifts, and helping with the church youth group.

The funeral was held at East Jordan Community Church on Tuesday Dec 13th.

John Massey, 58

(FEB. 21, 1964 - DEC. 10, 2022)

John Massey, 58, died Saturday, December 10, 2022, at his home in Boyne Valley Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan.

He was born on February 21, 1964, in Petoskey. On October 1, 1983, in Petoskey, he married Laura Beauvais.

John was a self-employed master woodworking craftsman. He was known for his finish carpentry and furniture making. John sometimes embedded cut Petoskey stones into his work. He liked walking in the woods, target shooting, some hunting but a lot of cooking. John helped teach hunter safety courses through the Jordan River Sportsman's Club. He enjoyed many years of coaching his girls softball and soccer teams. Simply, he loved to spend time with his family laughing. He truly loved the pets that he and Laura rescued.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Massey of Boyne Valley Township; three daughters, Alexandria "Alex" (Matthew) Beynen of East Jordan, Kayla (Joe Helsley) Massey of Boyne City and Sydney (Will Hasseld) Massey of Boyne City; seven grandchildren, Leander Beynen, Wesley Beynen, Andromeda Helsley, Joe Helsley, Jr., Aurora Helsley, Arya Helsley and Elijah Helsley; his special in-laws, Paul and Patricia Beauvais of East Jordan; three sisters, Beatrice Gretsche of Montana, Con-

stance "Connie" (Jim) Bley of Traverse City and Bonnie (Dale) Wilson of Levering; one brother, Arthur "Art" (Memory) Massey of Pellston; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one sister, Teresa Bley; and one brother, Ronald Massey.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 16, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. at Lighthouse Missionary Church, East Jordan. Rev. Bart Adams will officiate.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 12:00 Noon until service time. Memorial may be directed to donor's choice.

Lorraine Hawley, 82

(AUG. 2, 1940 - DEC. 6, 2022)



On Tuesday, December 6th 2022, Lorraine Rose (Schmidtke) Hawley of East Jordan died at Highland Cottage in Petoskey.

She arrived on the 2nd of August, 1940 in the Village of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan to Otto Thomas and Virginia Lucille (Crooks) Schmidtke.

She married her loving husband George Robert Hawley on May 9th, 1959, in Detroit. By 1969, the couple moved to East Jordan with their two young children.

For many years Lorraine worked at Grandview Medical Facility and retired at East Jordan True Value.

Throughout her life Lorraine enjoyed gardening, crocheting, crafting, baking of people who she cared for, and being a helper to friends. Lorraine was an active part of the Boy Scouts of America, acting as a Cub Scout Leader to her sons and supporting her grandsons.

Lorraine gave and received much support from the cancer support group she created at the East Jordan First Presbyterian Church. With her cancer battle she was greatly appreciative of her church family members who became fond friends while taking her to monthly cancer treatments. She found great comfort and purpose in connecting with others through their cancer journeys.

The major passion of Lorraine's life was her grandchildren. She was frequently seen supporting their endeavors such as running competitions and piano recitals. Lorraine was never too shy to brag about her grandchildren's accomplishments.

She is survived by her sons Robert (Diane), and Richard Hawley. Grandchildren: Brooke Hawley, Abigail (Devin) Hawley, Luke (Lacey) Hawley, Gabriel Hawley, and Taylor Hawley. A great grandchild Cora Hawley, and one living sibling Thomas Schmidtke.

Lorraine is preceded in death by her loving husband, parents, sister (Jean Elena McCann), and great grandchild Regina Hawley.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 10, 2022 at the Penzien Funeral Home, East Jordan.

In Lieu of flowers the family is requesting donations to be directed to the First Presbyterian Church of East Jordan or Highland Cottage of Petoskey, Michigan.

Jacy Russell, 20

(JULY 13, 2002 — DEC. 4, 2022)



Jacy R. Russell passed on December 4, 2022 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

He was born July 13, 2002 to Michelle Cloud and Josiah Russell in Ann Arbor MI, and raised in Petoskey/Charlevoix MI.

Jacy was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

He always had a smile on his face when you seen him and always seemed to make everyone in the room laugh. Jacy was such an intelligent and artistic person, he always loved to draw and make his music. He always loved being around his siblings Tehyana, Zoe, Douglas, Trenton, and Jozie. Jacy had such a pure heart and will definitely be missed but never forgotten.

Funeral services will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at Greensky Hill United Methodist Church with pastor Sam McClellan officiating. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14 at the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

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

Brian Gallagher, 81

(MAY 12, 1941 — DEC. 10, 2022)



Brian James Gallagher (Bowers) of Beaver Island passed away on Saturday, December 10, 2022 at home while surrounded by loved ones.

He was born on May 12, 1941 in Grand Rapids and raised on Beaver Island by his parents James W. and Theresa M. (Boyle) Gallagher.

Brian graduated from Beaver Island School in 1959. He then proudly served in the U.S. Air Force as a Loadmaster on the C-130 aircraft. The Air Force gave him the opportunity to see the world until he was honorably discharged in 1964 as a Staff Sergeant. Brian was a life-member of AMVETS Post 146 and was instrumental in the Charter of Beaver Island AMVETS Post 46. He was a member

of the Teamsters for over 30 years, retiring from Spartan Stores in 1999. He loved to watch the freighters in his view past Garden Island, and feed the birds and chipmunks that cavorted around his deck. Brian had so many stories to tell; some "I don't even need to add to."

Brian is survived by his wife of 55 years Delores (Dee) Marie Gallagher, his beloved sister Eleanor Mc-Donough, brother-in-law Richie O'Donnell and his children James William Gallagher and Kathryn Hope McQuay (Rick). His grand-daughters were his greatest joy: Erin Hill (Cameron), Brenna McQuay, Danielle Ludwick (Tommy), Sarah McQuay and Kaecee Gallagher. He was preceded in death by his sister Janet O'Donnell and brother-in-law Glen McDonough.

A funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 16, at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Beaver Island. Visitation will take place on Thursday, December 15, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:30 p.m. also at the church. In his memory, donations can be made to Boys Town, a group he supported for many years.

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Lyndel Sue Jensen, 80

(MARCH 15, 1942 — DEC. 10, 2022)



Lyndel S. Vander Ark - Jensen of Ellsworth died December 10, 2022, at home, surrounded by her loved ones.

She was born March 15, 1942, in Charlevoix, to Delbert and Celia (Crain) Ingalls.

On November 11, 1960, she married Keith Vander Ark, in Ellsworth. They made their home in Banks Township.

Lyndel worked at Shook's Market as a clerk and at the Ellsworth Community School as an aide. Lyndel volunteered at Good Samaritan in Ellsworth, as a Lioness and also with the PTO for the Ellsworth Community School.

Lyndel was a member of the Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church and was a member of Ladies Aide.

Lyndel was preceded in death by Keith, February 01, 2010.

Lyndel was blessed to have met Jim Jensen, of Charlevoix and they were married March 21, 2020, Jim preceded her in death October 10, 2021. Lyndel was also preceded in death by her parents Delbert and Celia Ingalls, brother-in-law's Peter Jay Vander Ark and Jerry Cox.

Lyndel is survived by her children Brenda (Dudley) Stevens of Ellsworth, Jeff (Karen) Vander Ark, Sheila Dhillon,

Brian (Aimee) Vander Ark, and Brad (Kim) Vander Ark; 26 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; step-children Martin (Kim) Jensen, Sherry Jensen Daniel (Cindy) Jensen, Julie (Mark) Schaberg, Victoria (Dave) Kotesky, and Julia (Mark) Schaberg; brothers Jay (Charlene) Ingalls, Jack (Margaret) Ingalls, Allen (Colleen) Ingalls, Everett (Linda) Ingalls and sister Ila Cox; sister-in-law's Nanette Vander Ark - Wertman of East Jordan and Judy Farkas - Vander Ark of East Jordan.

Visitation will be Thursday, December 15th from 4 to 7 p.m. and Friday, December 16th at 10 a.m. ALL at the Ellsworth CRC, of Ellsworth.

Funeral services will be held, in Lyndel's honor, on Friday, December 16th at 11 a.m. also at the Ellsworth CRC, with Pastor David Kroon officiating. Burial will follow in Ellsworth Cemetery. A luncheon will follow back at the church in the fellowship hall.

For those wish to make memorial contributions, the family suggests the Banks Township Fireman's Association, PO BOX 241, Ellsworth, MI 49729 or Good Samaritan, PO BOX 206, Ellsworth, MI 49729.

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Cecilia "Penny" Russell, 75

(AUG. 10, 1947 — DEC. 7, 2022)



Cecilia Ilene "Penny" Russell of Charlevoix passed away on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 surrounded by loved ones. She was born on August 10, 1947 in Petoskey, the daughter of Ethan and Cecilia (Baker) Hibbler.

Penny moved her family around many times as a military wife before returning to Charlevoix permanently in 1982. She helped run the motel near the airport for several years and eventually started her own cleaning company. She was skilled at baking, sewing, and making crafts; she enjoyed selling these items at the Old Emmet Farm Market for the past nine years. If she had any of her famous banana bread left over, she would always give it away. She also enjoyed gardening and having coffee with her sisters in Petoskey. Many will remember Penny as "The Greeter"; anytime she entered or exited a business, she would be sure to shake everyone's hand and greet them with a smile or a story.

Penny is survived by two children, Jeffrey Russell of Charlevoix and Lorrie Bennett of Petoskey; bonus daughter, Jodi (Stuart) Ezop-McKay; four grandchildren, Zachary (Liz) Russell, Avery Bennett, Cearra Bennett, and Mackenzie Stepanian; two great-grand-

children, Madolin and Lola; six siblings, Kristine Bester, Marla Franklin, Marcia Cook, Claire (Tracy) Hart, Kurt (Penny) Hibbler, and Keith (Tammy) Hibbler; and her many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Ethan and Cecilia Hibbler; her son, Blake Russell; and six siblings, Susan Martinchek, Harry Hibbler, Colette Hibbler, Edward Hibbler, Leonard Hibbler, and Joyce Crouch.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 17, at the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes with pastor Kurt Hibbler officiating. Visitation will take place from 12:00 p.m. until the time of services at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to McLaren Hospice of Northern Michigan.

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Joshua Strzyzewski, 49

(AUG. 8, 1973 — DEC. 6, 2022)

Joshua John Strzyzewski of Charlevoix passed away on December 6, 2022, at Ascension St. John's Hospital in Detroit.

He was born on August 8, 1973 in Kalamazoo Michigan to Ronald Strzyzewski and Carrol (Gill) Pines.

Josh grew up in Charlevoix. While in Charlevoix High School, he played in football and soccer. After high school he attended NCMC in Petoskey, and worked for Pearsall Construction Company. Josh loved fishing. Josh's stepfather had a boat, and they would take off into Lake Michigan and spend hours just enjoying life.

Joshua is survived by his parents, Ron and Carrol, his son Cedar, his two daughters Pua of Detroit, Sequoia, of Gaylord and his Aunt Bennie Gill of Boyne City.

Josh is preceded in death by his grandparents, Harry and Clara (Kowalski) Strzyzewski of Manistee Michigan, Phyllis (Martin) Gill, Benjamin Gill of Charlevoix, and his stepfather Jeffrey Pines.

There will be no service at this time, but the family will be holding a celebration of life for Joshua in the spring of 2023. The family will make an announcement at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family will appreciate any charitable donations be made in the memory of Joshua to Ascension St. John's Hospital in Detroit to the Organ donation group.

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Ellsworth tree lighting & breakfast with Santa

By Tina Sundelius

After a two-year absence, Santa and Mrs. Claus were back at the Banks Township Hall in Ellsworth Saturday, December 10. Breakfast with Santa is sponsored by the Upper Chain of Lakes Women's Club and includes a gift for each child, photos mailed to the families and a pancake, eggs and sausage breakfast for all who stopped by.

This year the Michigan Dairy Farmer's Association provided gift bags for the first 100 children and a carload of canned and boxed goods was collected for the Good Samaritan Food Pantry.



The Upper Chain of Lakes Women's Club and other volunteers pose for a picture with Santa and Mrs. Claus at the conclusion of a successful Breakfast with Santa event. The crew fed a little over 200 people and sent the children home with gifts and goodie bags provided by the Michigan Dairy Farmer's Association.



Santa & Mrs. Claus with helpers Madalee & Sebastian Argetsinger



Glen Rubingh, Judy Smith and Donna Heeres served breakfast to a little over 200 of Santa's visitors.



Jasmine and Alexis Whitley load up on pancakes before getting their pictures taken with Santa.



Ellsworth Village Trustee Lynn Spearing stands by as Banks Township 2022 Citizen of the Year Jan Rasmussen lit the tree in the Community Square before joining Breakfast with Santa.

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CHARLEVOIX ADVENT EVENTS

We have a lot going on at St. Mary during this season of Advent! All are welcome.

Friday, December 16th | Evening with the Heart of Jesus at 6pm
Sunday, December 18th | Lessons & Carols at 6pm
Saturday, December 24th | Christmas Vigil Masses at 4pm & 10pm
Sunday, December 25th | Christmas Mass at 9am
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BOYNE CITY BOYNE AREA COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

Dec. 15 & 16 - Volunteers Needed

Volunteers still needed! Contact Lisa at 231-582-6222.

- Packing boxes - Thursday, Dec. 15 - two shifts, morning and afternoon
- Delivery - Friday, Dec. 16 - two shifts, morning and afternoon - (teams of two work best) Monetary donations please mail to PO Box 886, Boyne City 49712

Donations of NEW toys can be dropped off at any local Toys for Tots donation sites or Boyne City Schools Administration building, 321 S. Park St. Look for sandwich board sign out-

side art room. Thank you!

BAY HARBOR HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra presents a concert December 15th and 16th at 7pm at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor. Tickets are \$35, \$45 and \$65. Free for students 18 and under, veterans and active duty military.

EAST JORDAN HOLIDAY DINNER

East Jordan Middle/High School will be hosting their end of the year Holiday Meal before students head off for break on Tuesday, December 20th. All students in grades 7-12 will join teachers and food service staff to eat lunch together in our gym. This is a very cool tradition that leaves all of our students and staff in a festive mood to start the holiday break.

BAY HARBOR JOHN LLOYD YOUNG: HEART OF CHRISTMAS

Thursday, December 22, 7:30PM. In the tradition and style of Frank Sinatra, Mel Tormé, Bing Crosby, and Nat King Cole, Tony and Grammy winner John Lloyd Young will inspire a sense of wonder as he finishes every syllable with wistful, emotionally direct renderings of traditional holiday favorites.

EAST JORDAN CHRISTMAS TREES

East Jordan Lions will have Christmas trees for sale at Gill Roy's Hardware at 201 Mill St. Sale is now through December 24th. Week days 3-5 pm, Saturday 11-4pm. Sundays noon-3pm

EAST JORDAN FREE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Enjoy the meal and fellowship as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ together at East Jordan Methodist Church, 201 Fourth St. Everyone is invited on Christmas Day, De-

cember 25 from 1-3pm.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN HARVEST FOOD AND SUPPLY DRIVE

The Harvest Food and Supply Drive is one of the most significant ways for community members and groups to support survivors of domestic abuse and their family members who are staying at the Safe Home. The Safe Home is operated 24/7 by Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan. It is a caring, secure and supportive place to seek refuge from domestic abuse when home is not a safe place to live. Grocery or supermarket gift card donations and financial contributions help Safe Home staff purchase exactly what is needed at any given time. Your donations help the Safe Home "feel" like home for many families in Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet and Otsego counties. Learn more about supporting the Safe Home Harvest Food and Supply Drive by calling 231-347-0082 or visit wrcnm.org.

GAYLORD CONCERT

88.1 The Living Word FM Presents 2023 Winter Warm Up Concert. An Evening with Greater Vision Saturday, February 11, 2023, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Located at Gaylord High School's Gornick Auditorium. Purchase Tickets at livingwordfm.com. Regular Seating: \$20. Preferred Seating: \$25 (includes early entry and choice of seating)

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EAST JORDAN CHRISTMAS VILLAGE AT THE EJ TOURIST PARK

The East Jordan Lions Club is accepting applications for lighted Christmas displays for the annual Lighted Christmas Village at the EJ Tourist Park. The displays should be set up at the campsites by November 26th. Viewing by car or walk through continues through January 1st. The Tourist Park is open every day, and the displays are lighted from dusk until midnight. Businesses, churches, clubs, families, and school groups are encouraged to participate. There is no cast to set up a display, and electricity is provided by the city. Please contact Sherry Pursel at skpursel@yahoo.com for information or an application.

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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-

Thankfully, it's not 'just us' in this world

By Mike Dunn

Is it really "just us" in this world?



According to the words of a popular song, it is. The writer, a man named Harry, was expressing in the song the pain he was feeling being separated from his children following a breakup with his wife or girlfriend. It will never be the same as it was, he says to his children in the song. And while we can understand and identify with the kind of pain that inevitably comes from traumatic events in life such as divorce or the loss of a loved one, is Harry's conclusion true? Is it really "just us" in this world?

Thankfully, no. At Christmas we remember and celebrate Jesus the Son of God coming to earth as one of us, God becoming man for the purpose of redeeming man and showing us the path to eternal life and peace with God the Father.

The prophet Isaiah wrote: "unto us" a son is born. "unto us" a child is given. This was penned by Isaiah centuries before Jesus the Messiah was born in Bethlehem. On the night of Jesus' birth, angels appeared in the skies above the shepherds watching over their sheep by night in the fields outside of the city. We're all familiar with the message of the angels from the gospel of Luke.

"Unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Notice there is an emphasis in Scripture on what a gift beyond measure the coming of the Savior is for all mankind. As it says, "unto us" the Savior has come.

We are far from alone in this world, fallen though it is, sad though it can be.

If it were really "just us" in this world, then we would be left to our own devices when it comes to understanding what life is really all about, why we're here, or what happens after death.

The Bible explains to us all those things. Through God's Word we understand the true significance of Jesus being born in Bethlehem, why He was born of a virgin so that His bloodline was untainted by sin, why it was necessary that He die on our behalf on the cruel wooden cross to pay the penalty for our sins before a just and holy God. The birth of Jesus is cel-

ebrated because the life, ministry, and death of Jesus is crucial to our salvation. We'd have no hope of life after death apart from the Savior.

And that's what it's all about. God sent His Son because He loves us and wants us to come to Him ultimately. Jesus, as the sinless man, offered Himself to make the way for that to happen.

In a sense, God was responding to the pain of divorce just as Harry Styles the songwriter. God created mankind with a free will and, sadly, we chose way back in the Garden of Eden to go our own way instead of choosing God's way. From that time on, we've all eaten from the same tree of the knowledge of good and evil as we've followed in the footsteps of Adam and Eve, and we've all had to deal with the consequences of that choice.

Sin separated us from God. It was a divorce God never wanted to happen but it did and, as with every divorce, there were life-altering consequences. Separation from God meant not being able to be in His Presence after we die. It is impossible for an unredeemed person, a person whose sins have not been forgiven by God, to be near Him. It would be as impossible as trying to camp out on the sun.

But Jesus came. God became man so that we as fallen sinners would have Someone to pay the cost of our sins. And so Jesus the Lamb of God died on the cross on our behalf, taking our sins upon Himself to satisfy the righteous wrath of God against mankind's sin.

Yes, it is far from "just us" in this world.

At Christmas, we remember the Savior who came so that we might have life. So that we who were separated through the painful divorce that occurred so long ago in the Garden can be forgiven and redeemed and restored to right relationship with God our Father.

As the angels told the shepherds, the coming of Jesus to this world represents peace on earth where there was no peace before, and "good will" from God in heaven toward fallen mankind.

Our part is to put our faith in the One who came to Bethlehem. If we do, we are adopted into God's family and become one of His children. We're still physically separated for the time being but we know for certain we'll be reunited with Him in heaven when our time comes. It's a hope that is utterly reliable.

547-7659 to register or for more information.

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COMMUNITY LEADERS

Scott Mackenzie – Life Is About Our Relationships

By John Keyser

I met with Scott to write about his community leadership. It really was an enlightening conversation and I greatly admire his commitment to serve and his humility. He simply wants to help others, caring about their well-being, the quality of their lives, and their success. He believes life is about our relationships, and this defines his approach to how he lives his life and his work.

Scott is Executive Director of our Charlevoix Area Humane Society, a “No-Kill” Humane Society Shelter headquartered in Boyne City, serving all of Charlevoix County and beyond, the CAHS is dedicated to the protection and care of animals, all animals! He is also the CEO of Scott MacKenzie Auction Services and “Fun” Raising, acting as Auctioneer and



Scott Mackenzie

Master of Ceremonies for countless nonprofit events around Michigan – with much success!

First, some background. Scott grew up in Flint, went to schools there, then on to Lansing Community College, then Western Michigan, focusing on elementary education, with history and communications majors

Out of college Scott and his wife, Jane, initially moved to Greensboro, N.C.,

and he was employed at Elon College Home for Boys and Girls, then began as Program Director of the Boys and Girls Club and helping inner-city kids, with life skills, social and educational opportunities. These “kids” are now in their 30s and 40s and some still remain in touch with Scott.

In time, Scott purchased an antique shop and also became a licensed auctioneer, which as mentioned above, he still does, especially assisting nonprofits to raise critically needed funds.

Scott and Jane’s intent was to always move back to Michigan. When his parents had moved to retire in Charlevoix, it prompted he and Jane to follow suit with a work opportunity for Jane at Northern Homes Community Development Corporation. Moving initially to the Ironton area, Scott

began working with Wagbo Farm, helping farmers learn about sustainable farming and Community Supported Agriculture programs. Once moving to Boyne City in 1999, Scott chaired the committee that built the big wooden playground in Veterans Park, where he in turn learned a great deal about the amazing, dedicated, caring people and quality of life in Boyne City, thus realizing they had made a great choice moving their two child family to the area.

In 2001, Scott became Executive Director of Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, promoting the economic development of the region. During his tenure Chamber membership increased significantly, e.g., to 340 from 150.

Scott’s other key leadership roles which promote and improve the quality of life for businesses and resi-

dents in the Boyne and Charlevoix County regions have been and or are the Boyne Downtown Development Authority and Main Street Programs, Boyne Arts Collective Founding Board Member, Team Boyne, Leadership Charlevoix County, Boyne City School Booster Foundation, Kiwanis, Boyne Resorts, United Way, American Red Cross, Lake Charlevoix Association, two-time award winner of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance “Maniac” Award (presented to a group or individual that exemplifies positive and productive passion, energy, commitment, and results toward their goals), Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra, Boyne City PirateFest, – and I could go on mentioning even more activities, all related to helping our area be outstanding for our business, personal and family

lives. While there are countless worthy causes that Scott helps, certainly the Charlevoix Area Humane Society is certainly a primary focus. Dedicated to the protection and care of all animals, the Society, an independent non-profit, no-kill animal shelter that has been serving pets and their humans in Charlevoix County since 1974, providing shelter until adoption or foster care. Their success ratio is excellent, actually phenomenal.

Scott is a doer, a thinker, encourages contributing ideas, helps others succeed, is kind, and is tireless. He is a winner!

We are very fortunate to have Scott here. He is totally dedicated to help make our area be a better place to live, work and play!

Carla Vron dran: MEMPSA Regional Honoree

East Jordan Public Schools is proud to announce that Carla Vron dran was honored by the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association for her dedicated contribution to not only to East Jordan Public Schools, but her demonstrated commitment to her professional organization as well.

Carla has served the East Jordan district for 12 years as Principal of East Jordan Elementary.

Carla is a hard working go-getter who is always striving to learn more ways to help make a difference in the lives of others and we have benefited greatly by having her skill set and talents in our district.

East Jordan Superintendent Matt Stevenson said, “Carla has created an atmosphere that makes students feel secure and safe, which encourages them to take risks in their learning. Most impressive is her knowledge of our students and families, she knows every student by name and engages with students frequently throughout the day.”



CARLA VRONDRAN

LEADERSHIP

THE GOLDEN RULES OF RELATIONSHIPS

By John Keyser

An very helpful book is Dale Carnegie’s enduring classic, How to Win Friends and Influence People, which was written in 1936 and still holds true. It is a valuable classic.

Like most people, I love the theory that simple is sensible. That’s exactly what How to Win Friends is, the basics of leadership, and it makes so much sense. Actually, it makes even more sense today than when it was written more than 80 years ago.

I’ll mention below some of the “Golden Rules” that are Carnegie’s principles. These were keys to success then, always have been, and just think how vital they are now in our crazy-busy world when so many of us have unending info coming at us via our smart-phone,



JOHN KEYSER

computer, TV and radio news, and work.

What would I like to see? I’d like us taking the time to have regular conversations with our customers and, equally important, with our team members. Our team members are our colleagues and are our internal clients.

To be successful consistently, year after year, we must make conversations with our team members a top priority – quality two-way conversations that show a genuine appreciation for and interest in their ideas and success.

Think about these Golden Rules offered by Dale Carnegie, and these are just some, in random order, as each is important:

- Begin in a friendly way
- Be encouraging
- Smile
- Use a person’s name
- Don’t criticize or complain
- Give honest, sincere appreciation
- Be genuinely interested in other people
- Ask good questions and

be an attentive listener

- Encourage others to share about themselves and their thoughts and feelings
- Help others feel important, and do it sincerely
- Show respect for another person’s opinions
- Let others do a great deal of the talking
- Let people feel the ideas are theirs
- Commit to understand what others think and their reasoning

To me, these are the ABCs of leadership, the fundamentals. If we abide by these rules, with sincerity, because we genuinely care about our team members and are not self-focused, those on our team will very likely look up to us and be motivated to do their very best work, going the extra mile when needed.

We must bear in mind the importance of asking open-ended questions, asking our team members for their ideas, opinions, input, and feedback. We’ll learn a wealth of valuable information and our colleagues will

feel appreciated.

There is the very effective approach of leadership by questioning. For example, when someone asks what action should be taken, ask that person what she feels are the options and what she recommends and why. Leadership by questioning helps others learn and grow, which is our responsibility as a leader.

While business is complicated, and managing our time and attention are challenging, I believe that leadership is basic, it’s common sense: it’s about our earning the respect, trust and appreciation of our team members.

Two key principles:

- A manager likes to talk, a leader likes to listen, and
 - A manager thinks first about numbers, while a leader thinks first about people
- I hope these “Golden Rules” ring true to you, as they do for me, even more so in today’s world.

HEALTH DEPT.

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agencies, businesses, and families as we all return to public interaction,” Thorell said. “We are focusing on the many other public health programs we offer our communities, which number about 60, to residents living in our four counties, as well as necessary dental services for people throughout the northern Michigan region.”

Thorell has an extensive background in Environmental Health Services as well as public health leadership. Through a contract

HDNW has with the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department, Thorell will serve as health officer for that district as well. Dr. Joshua Meyerson continues to serve as the medical director for both health departments, as well as District Health Department #4.

“Transitioning from interim to permanent health officer doesn’t change my day-to-day responsibilities, but it does provide assurance for staff and the community about what to expect as we all look to the New Year and how we can further build on the sense of community and care that’s so prevalent in northwest Michigan,” Thorell said.

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Award Nominations Open for Charlevoix Annual Community Awards

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce has opened nominations for Charlevoix's 2022 Annual Awards. Each year the Chamber awards businesses and individuals who go above and beyond to make the Charlevoix area a great place to live, work, and play. The Award recipients are celebrated each year at the Chamber's Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet. The 2023 event, where our 2022 recipients will be recognized, is scheduled for February 23, 2023.

Nominations are open until December 30th for the award categories of: Business of the Year, New Business of the Year, Young Professional of the Year, Customer Service Award, Tourism Excellence Award, and Outstanding Citizen of the Year. All are welcome to submit nominations, and businesses/individuals are able to nominate themselves.

"We look forward to our Annual Awards each year. It's our chance to formally recognize those who are

doing outstanding work to make our community thrive, and an opportunity to celebrate Charlevoix together", said Sarah Van Horn, President of the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce. "We know there are many deserving of these awards each year, so we encourage everyone to submit nominations of any business or individual they feel should be recognized."

Award descriptions and the nominating form can be found on the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce website, Charlevoix.org. Nominations will be reviewed and recipients selected by the Chamber Board of Directors and Ambassadors, and announced in January. Registration for the Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet will also open in January. For more information, visit Charlevoix.org, stop at the Chamber office at 109 Mason Street in Charlevoix, or call 231-547-2101.

Youth Grants Awarded, Mental Health Focus

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation responded to requests from nonprofit partners in November. Thanks to donors who look to the Community Foundation to make a difference close to home, grants have been awarded primarily to nonprofits who will focus in the areas of youth mental health and school atmosphere. In all, \$78,263 was awarded during the Youth Needs grant cycle.

Earlier this year, the YAC conducted their Youth Needs Assessment, which they update every 3 years by surveying their peers in grades 7 through 12 about their top concerns and stressors, their top positive influences, and about their school environments. This year's top concerns included many, like anxiety, depression, self-esteem, peer pressure, eating disorders, family issues, and excessive social media, that fit into the broad category of youth mental health. These and other top concerns also point to a need for improvement of the school atmosphere.

Results from the Youth Needs Assessment led the YAC to identify their priorities for grant funding in the areas of youth mental health and school atmosphere. This year, they were also able to be more specific about what types of projects and programs they were seeking to fund. Their goals are to specifically decrease stigma and increase education around youth mental health, while also increasing access to direct mental health services for youth. Additionally, they seek to impact their school atmosphere by

help increase acceptance and belonging at school, and/or decreasing school-related stress.

The YAC was pleased to see an increase in the number of proposals overall and those specifically addressing priority areas. Mailey Hamilton, YAC President and senior at East Jordan High School, stated, "It was reassuring to see so many organizations in the community also see the need for youth mental health services and have programs established to respond to that need. Some of the organizations doing that work are familiar to us, but we were also able to see proposals and fund newer organizations focused on youth. We are excited to see how the grants we've made this cycle will positively impact youth in our county."

Megan Havrilla DeHoog, C3F's new Youth Advancement staff person, remarked on her first experience facilitating the Youth Needs grant cycle, saying, "I'm consistently inspired by the work that gets done when we center the voices of young people. The YAC is a shining example of such an opportunity. It was a privilege to watch the YAC advocate for their peers and make grant awards that will create ripples of change in their communities."

Through this cycle, the YAC funded projects like the Family Dinner Book Club at the Boyne District Library, which will allow families to read and learn together about mental health topics such as anxiety, bullying, the body-emotion connection, and mindfulness. They also supported the Charlevoix Kiwanis Youth Foundation's book vending ma-

chine in Charlevoix Elementary school, which improves school atmosphere by encouraging and rewarding kindness, helpfulness, and camaraderie among students.

Other school programs include the WAI-IAM, Inc. STR8TALK presentations that teach students about decision-making, and Great Lakes Center for the Arts' Human[kind] Cinema Series that will show a film and coordinate discussion around the topics presented in the film.

Youth mental health will also get a boost, with grants being awarded to Northern Michigan Equine Therapy for technology and software upgrades that will enable them to undertake a mental health awareness campaign, to Child and Family Services for mental health support for youth in foster care, to Planned Parenthood for their IN*cluded Project to empower LGBTQ+ youth in advocating for themselves and their health and mental health, and to the Women's Resource Center for support of their counseling services. These grants help the organizations to build capacity to expand their programming to reach more people.

While the primary focus of this cycle was on the two priority areas, other grants were also awarded including to the Beaver Island Historical Society for their summer Kid's Camp program, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwestern Michigan to help them create an Advocacy Specialist position, and to Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore to expand the program in Charlevoix County as well as conduct some troop leader training

around mental health first aid.

Finally, outdoor recreation is getting a boost with grants to Camp Daggett for new campout equipment, to the Baseball-Softball Fields of Boyne for a pitcher's mound and bases for the waterfront field in Boyne City, and to Boyne Area Skate Park for the design phase.

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

The next grant cycle will focus on Environment, Land Use, and Recreation projects. Applications will become available in early January and will be due by Wednesday, March 1, 2023. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for grants anytime by emailing Ashley Cousens at acousens@c3f.org. More information about each grant cycle can be found at c3f.org on the "Apply for a Grant" page. Additionally, scholarship applications will be available later this month at c3f.org on the "Apply for a Scholarship" page. Interested students can contact their high school counselor or Megan Havrilla DeHoog at mdehoog@c3f.org for more information.

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By Jim Akans

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upper level. The layout features an open kitchen/dining area with spacious adjoining living room. The home also features a covered porch and a detached one and a half car garage to keep vehicles out of the weather and extra storage space.

The one-third acre property offer lots of room for outdoor games, gardening

and has a fire pit. The location is within walking distance to the Elementary school, two parks, shopping and dining in downtown East Jordan as well as the Marina and Lake Charlevoix.

This home is located at 101 East Division Street in East Jordan and it is listed at \$124,900. For additional in-

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Sellers might be more motivated. Many sellers will also be anxious to sell by the end of the year so that they, too, can enjoy tax savings on the next home they purchase. That means you may have more leverage during negotiations and they may be willing to accept lower than their listing price. However, if you're in a strong seller's market, you'll want to be conservative -- and always heed the advice of your real estate professional.

If you're buying a new house, there's a good chance builders will be offering incentives. Many builders will throw in nice little extras to sell as many houses as they can by the end of the year.

Generally speaking, your housing choices during the fall are still healthy. By December there are traditionally fewer houses on the market. October and November are great months to go house hunting.

It's easier to move. Many moving companies are booked six or so weeks in advance during the busy summer months. In the fall and winter it's normally easier to secure the serv-

ices of a moving company or rental equipment on shorter notice.

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CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

Why do we hang stockings by the fireplace?

Some Christmas traditions date back many centuries

By Mike Dunn

The Christmas tree is a longstanding tradition that goes back many centuries. Christmas trees are known to have been popular in Germany as far back as the sixteenth century, in fact. The tree's association with Christmas seems to have evolved from the late Middle Ages when Germans and Scandinavians placed evergreens inside their homes to show their hope in the forthcoming spring.

Evergreens, since they remained green during the long winters, had long represented the idea of long life or eternal life, and it's easy to see how that symbol translated to Christianity and the promise of eternal life through Jesus the Son of God.

There is historical evidence to support the belief that it was Protestant reformer Martin Luther who first added lighted candles to the Christmas tree. According to legend, he was walking toward home one winter evening preparing a sermon in his head when he was awed by the brilliance of stars twinkling amid the ubiquitous evergreens. To recapture the scene for his family, he cut down an evergreen and brought it into the main room of his house and placed lighted candles on the tree. Soon, others were doing the same during subsequent Christmas seasons and the tradition spread throughout Germany and Europe.

The tradition of Christmas trees in the U.S. can likely be traced to the German immigrants who came to Pennsylvania. Christmas trees have been sold commercially in the U.S. since 1850.

Another great Christmas tradition, the hanging Christmas stockings by the fireplace, actually began with the original Saint Nicholas, a Fourth Century bishop of Myra in Asia Minor (present day Turkey). A lot of people don't realize there actually was a man who became known Saint Nicholas and upon whom the generous character of Santa Claus and the tradition of giving gifts is based. (And, of course, for Christians around the world the giving of gifts reflects the manner in which the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, came into the world and gave Himself as redeemer for the sins of mankind.)

As one would expect, the original Saint Nicholas was a benevolent man noted for his charity and good will and he was particularly kind to children, often giving away treats and small gifts.

According to legend, there was a widower in Myra who had three daughters for whom he could not provide a dowry. The story goes that Saint Nicholas threw three bags of gold into the fireplace chimney one Christmas Eve and the gold landed into the stockings drying by the fire. Thus began the tradition of putting presents into Christmas stockings.

Here are some interesting facts, gleaned from several sources, about Christmas trees, Christmas cards, Christmas carols and other holiday stuff:

- If you love Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol," you'll find this interesting. Before settling on the name of Tiny Tim for his character, three other alliterative names were considered by the author: Little Larry, Puny Pete, and Small Sam.

- According to the National Christmas Tree Association, Americans buy 37.1 million real Christmas



The tradition of Christmas trees can likely be traced back to Germany in the 16th Century and perhaps even to Protestant reformer Martin Luther.

trees each year; 25 percent of them are from the nation's 5,000 choose-and-cut farms.

- America's official national Christmas tree is located in King's Canyon National Park in California. The tree, a giant sequoia called the "General Grant Tree," is over 300 feet high. It was made the official Christmas tree in 1925.

- The first commercial Christmas card sold was designed by London artist John Calcott Horsley in December of 1842. He was hired by Sir Henry Cole, a wealthy British businessman, to design a card that showed people feeding and clothing the poor with another picture of a Christmas party. The first Christmas card said, "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you." Of the original 1,000 cards he printed for Sir Henry Cole, only one exists today.

- An average household in America will mail out 28 Christmas cards each year and see 28 eight cards return in their place.

- Christmas caroling began as an old English custom called Wassailing - toasting neighbors to a long and healthy life.

- Some famous people who were born on Christmas day: Sir Isaac Newton (1642); Humphrey Bogart (1899); Rod Serling (1924); Little Richard (1932); Ken Stabler (1945); Jimmy Buffet (1946); Larry Csonka (1946); Sissy Spacek (1949); Ricky Henderson (1958); Isabella Whitcomb of Lake City isn't famous but she was also born on Christmas day in 2006 and her parents Dane and Amanda certainly believe she's special.

- Ironically, it's nearly certain Jesus himself was not born on Dec. 25. That date for the celebration of the birth of the Savior was chosen by the Emperor Constantine around the year 335 A.D. because on that same day the pagan festival Saturnalia revolving around the Winter Solstice and the start of a new year was held. Jesus was likely born in the spring, sometime between March 21 and May 20 by our calendar.

- During the Christmas buying season, Visa cards alone are used an average of 5,340 times every minute in the United States.

- Although many believe the Friday after Thanksgiving is the busiest shopping day of the year, it is not. It is the fifth to tenth busiest day. The Friday and Saturday before Christmas are the two busiest shopping days of the year.

- During the Christmas/Hanukkah season, more than 1.76 billion candy canes will be made.

- A traditional Christmas dinner in early England was the head of a pig prepared with mustard.

- The tradition of Christmas lights dates back to when Christians were persecuted for saying Mass. A simple candle in the window meant that Mass would be celebrated there that night.

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Rep. Damoose prepares to depart House, join Senate

State Rep. John Damoose on Tuesday said farewell to the Michigan House of Representatives, emphasizing the civility and goodwill he has seen in the Legislature and expressing optimism for the future.

The first-term representative was elected to the Michigan Senate last month and will commence a four-year term representing the 37th Senate District in January.

"So I leave the House of Representatives inspired, and more committed than ever to helping rebuild a sense of grace and civility in our political discourse and in the public arena," said Damoose, R-Harbor Springs. "This is truly the call of our day. Whether we are in these chambers, or engaged on social media, or interacting in our restaurants, stores, and other businesses, let us together reject the forces that would fill us with anger, rage, and disrespect. And instead, let us embrace those timeless principles from the book of Galatians of 'love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.'"

During his two years of service in the House, Damoose has worked to further countless bills with members on both sides of the aisle. He has fought for legislation to benefit Northern Michigan and the Upper Peninsula, including one initiative designed to protect the Mackinac Bridge and another to protect local airports. He is majority vice chair of the House Communications and Technology Committee, and he has also served on the Education; Regulatory Reform; and Rules and Competitive-



State Rep. John Damoose, R-Harbor Springs, delivers farewell remarks to the House of Representatives on Tuesday, Dec. 6. Damoose will serve in the Michigan Senate starting next year.

ness committees. Damoose's full farewell remarks can be viewed here and read below:

"Mr. Speaker, as the 101st legislative session comes to a close, I want to thank you, and all of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for the honor and privilege of serving with you these past years. In so many ways, my brief time in the Michigan House of Representatives has served to rekindle my hope for our country's future.

"If one were to gather all of their information, as many of us do, from scattered internet sources or the wide range of media that too often reduces political activity to sport, they would naturally end up with a very cynical view of our system and the people working within it. Throughout the course of my life in the private sector, I too was becoming jaded and began to believe some of those caricatures

— that those who serve do so chiefly out of self-interest, that they are looking for ways to line their pockets and extend their own political futures. I was wrong.

"What I have seen instead — again, from colleagues on both sides of the political divide — is a group of people who, by and large, just really want to do a good job; people who want to represent their constituents well; people who actually do want to make the world a better place.

"We certainly have different ideas on how to govern, but more often than not, if we can look at those divisions a little differently and be respectful and treat others as we would like to be treated, then those divisions can actually make us better. In this sense, our different ideas could lead to something like what we see in Proverbs, chapter 27: 'As iron sharpens iron, so one

man sharpens another.'

"So I leave the House of Representatives inspired, and more committed than ever to helping rebuild a sense of grace and civility in our political discourse and in the public arena. This is truly the call of our day. Whether we are in these chambers, or engaged on social media, or interacting in our restaurants, stores and other businesses, let us together reject the forces that would fill us with anger, rage, and disrespect. And instead, let us embrace those timeless principles from the book of Galatians of 'love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.'"

"So may God bless you, may He bless every member in this Chamber, and may God bless the great state of Michigan."

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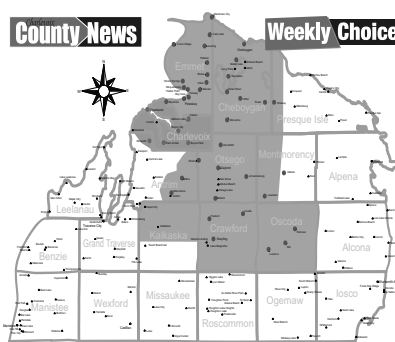
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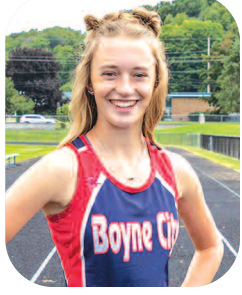
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Kelan Pletcher lit it up last week in a 69-53 win over a strong Harbor Light Christian Academy team. Kelan had a career high of 32 points.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Red Devil Boys Defeat Mancelona, fall to Chiefs

By Mark Elliott

MANCELONA

East Jordan's Boys varsity basketball started their season on the road this year with Mancelona hosting the Red Devils on Tuesday night.

A back and forth shaking off the rust and dust for both teams saw the first half end with Mancelona holding a 6 point lead.

The Red Devils came out swinging after the break Scoring 16 points to Mancelona's 8 and proving just enough as the 4th period finished with both teams scoring 16 points for a 59-57 final score.

Coach Dzwik was quoted after the game as saying, "I am extremely proud of how the kids played exceptionally hard all night and

never let their energy be anything but positive. We showed some grit and determination in getting stops in a final couple of possessions, and the kids did a great job of executing plays as we drew them up.

Devon did a great job of leading the team in the second half, he really took the team on his shoulders in the last minute of the game and didn't let us lose. He attacked and got into the paint for a couple of layups and had a great assist to Korbyn on the last play of the game!"

The team was led by Ryder Malpass with 12 points. Korbyn Russell added 12 points and 9 rebounds and Lucas Stone had 11 points. The Red Devils started the season off with a 1-0 record. They then hosted Cheboygan on



Coach Nate Dzwik gives the boys some advice during a time out. Photo by Mark Elliott.

Thursday, December 8. They hosted Cheboygan on Friday the 9th at home.

CHEBOYGAN

After a thrilling start to the season with a nail biting win over Mancelona.

The Red Devils Boys basketball welcomed the Cheboygan Chiefs to town Friday night.

Cheboygan was pressing, pushing the ball and the tempo almost all night long. Not to mention raining three's to the tune of 57 percent in the first half.

The grit of the Red Devils was on full display as they battled back time after time with the first half concluding 43-33 with the Chiefs ahead.

The third period started with just as furious a pace as the entire first half, with the Red Devils holding stride for stride scoring 13 points to Cheboygan's 14 in the 3rd period 57-46.

The Chiefs held form and kept the pressure on the remaining time and finished the game with a 72-55 final score.

After the game Coach Dzwik had this to say. "A game where our youth really showed on both ends of the floor. Credit to the Chiefs as they knocked shots down and hurt us on the glass, but we need to do a better job of recognizing shooters and boxing out their better rebounders. There were a lot of good things that happened and I think the game slowed down for a couple of players



East Jordan's Korbyn Russell goes high over everyone to tip away a rebound. Photo by Mark Elliott.

in a good way.

I was pleased with Ryder Malpass who had 14 pts, 6 rebounds and 4 assists. Max Beal had 13 points and 4 rebounds. Devon Olstrom is doing a great job of leading the team on both ends of the floor. He had 12 points, 8

rebounds and 4 assists.

Angel Delgado came in and provided some great energy and minutes to the team when we needed in the second half."

The Red Devils host Gaylord St. Mary's on Monday December 12th at 7 pm and

head to Charlevoix on Thursday December 15 for the final game of the calendar year.

The Red Devils resume play on Friday January 6th in St. Ignace.



Hunter Cesaro drives into the lane for a layup. Photo by Mark Elliott.

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Boyne Falls can't keep up with Mack City in season opener



Scott Matelski passes the ball away after hauling in a rebound. Photo by Ben Murphy.

BY BEN MURPHY & DOM SANTINA

MACKINAW CITY

Boyne Falls traded baskets early on in its boys' basketball season opener at Mackinaw City on Tuesday, Dec. 6. Unfortunately, that didn't last long for the Loggers however, as they lost the Northern Lakes Conference game, 84-23.

Ashton Spang hit a pair of early field-goals that kept the Loggers tied 4-4, but they could only add a free throw by JT Greenier the rest of the frame, allowing the Comets to storm to a 20-5 lead after the first quarter.

Boyne Falls was limited to four points in the second, all from the line. Spang made three-of-four from the stripe and Greenier sank one as well, as M-C took a 44-9 lead at the half.

In the third, Bryce Tonsor was

able to knock down a pair of threes, with the Comet lead growing to 68-19 entering the fourth.

Spang finished with 11 points, Tonsor netted six, Greenier added four points and Scott Matelski chipped in with two.

TC CHRISTIAN

The Boyne Falls boys basketball team played Traverse City Christian Friday.

The Loggers found themselves down to the Sabres 17-11. The Loggers tried to close the game in the second inning, but the Sabres expanded their lead to 35-17.

After halftime, the Loggers started getting their offense going a little more. However, they could not get their defense to shut down the Sabres. As they find themselves down 52-32. The fourth quarter had the Loggers stay close to the Sabres. How-

ever, the deficit was too big to overcome. The Sabres won the game by a final score of 64-43.

The team was led by Keaton Matelski with 18 points and Ashton Sprang with 14 points.

Playing for the Loggers this season are seniors Ashton Spang, Jerry Love and Scott Matelski. Juniors are JT Greenier, Keaton Matelski and Bryce Tonsor. Matthew Shafer and Jayden Gerloff will play as sophomores and Matthew Shafer, Gabriel Bouton and Chace Elzinga are the team's freshmen.

The Loggers (0-2) will play Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian on Tuesday, December 13. Then they will host Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian on Thursday, December 15. The Loggers will play two more games before break, as they will travel to play Ellsworth on Monday, December 19 and host Alanson on Wednesday, December 21.



JT Greenier goes to the rim for a basket. Photo by Ben Murphy.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Ramblers drop conference opener

By: Dom Santina

ST. IGNACE

After a win to open the season last week, the Boyne City girls basketball team traveled to St. Ignace on Tuesday, December 6.

The Ramblers had a good start to the game and jumped out to a 10-7 lead in the first quarter. The Saints went on a run in the second quarter to claim the lead at halftime of 20-16.

The Ramblers solidified their defense after halftime and helped make it a one score game at the end of the third quarter. The Saints were able to hold on in the end for a 34-28 victory in the end.

The Ramblers were led by Mackensy Wilson with 8 points and Elly Wilcox added 6 points. The loss moves the Ramblers to 1-1 on the season. They then opened conference play with a home game against Traverse City St. Francis on

Friday, December 9.

TCSF

The Ramblers took on TCSF to open Lake Michigan Conference on Friday. The Gladiators opened the scoring and took an early lead, 8-6. The Gladiators continued to stretch the lead until halftime as they held a 20-11.

In the second half, the Ramblers tried to keep it close at the end of the third quarter. The Gladiators held a 30-23 lead. The lead stayed close to the same with the Gladiators claiming a 41-35 win.

The Ramblers were led by Braylyn Rincon with 8 points. Braydin Noble had 7 points and Morgan Deming added 6 points.

The loss moves the Ramblers to 1-2 on the season and host Elk Rapids on Friday, December 16 then will wrap up their games before Christmas break with a game against Petoskey on Thursday, December 22.



Rambler's Braydin Noble (15) drives into traffic vs TCSF. (Photo by Chris Fiel)



Rambler Mackensy Wilson (3) heads in for a layup vs TCSF. (Photo by Chris Fiel)

Ellsworth pulls away from Harbor Light, 69-53

Kelan Pletcher lights up the scoreboard with a career high 32 points

By Bob DeLong

The Ellsworth varsity boys' basketball team steadily broke away from a slim 12-10 advantage after one quarter of play and cruised to a 69-53 on their home court last Thursday evening. The Swordsmen are a young, but dangerous balanced team and new Lancer head coach James Willingham was pleased with the results.

"We got a beautiful win tonight, said Willingham, Kelan had a career high of 32, Patrick, (Puroll), and Jake, (Jenuwine), came up big for us, Tyler De Young was a standout as he was tasked with trying to keep Chamberlain off the boards"

After Puroll and Pletcher each scored six points in the first quarter, Kelan took over and was almost unstoppable the remainder of the game. Pletcher had 10 points in quarter number two, giving him 16 at intermission as Ellsworth led 35-31. In the second half, the Lancers started to pull

away.

Ellsworth was able to push their lead to eight after three periods thanks to eight more points from Pletcher and five key points, (including a triple), from Jenuwine and the home team led 50-43 with just a quarter remaining. A decisive 19-12 final eight minutes was the clincher as the Lancers extended their lead to double digits and beyond thanks to eight more points by Pletcher that sealed the win.

David Chamberlain had 16 points to lead the Swordsmen and Truett Kruger was also in double figures with 10. All five Harbor Light starters had at least eight points in the game.

For Ellsworth, besides Pletcher's 32, Puroll had 17 and Jenuwine had 10. Own Cary added four, and Cameron Snyder, Nick Sponable and DeYoung all had two points to complete the scoring for the Lancers.

Ellsworth is set to play at always tough Mackinac City and they host Wolverine this week. Next week before the Christmas break the Lancers play home against Boyne Falls and then travel to fellow Antrim County foe and a young talented Bellaire team.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Ramblers open season with 1-1 record

By: Dom Santina

ST. IGNACE

The Ramblers boys basketball opened their season against St. Ignace on Tuesday, December 6.

The game turned out to be a barn burner to open the season. The Saints were not afraid of the Ramblers and they played like it. The teams would end up forcing overtime. In overtime, the Saints were able to pull out a 79-74 victory over the Ramblers.

The Ramblers were led by Alex Calcaterra with 26 points, Mason Wilcox had 18 points and Jacob Johnson added 13 points in the losing effort. The loss has the Ramblers starting the season at 0-1 on the year.

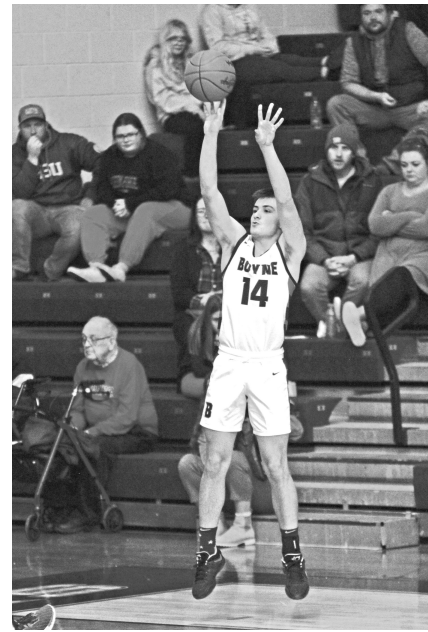
SAULT STE. MARIE

The Ramblers then traveled back to the upper peninsula for their game on Friday, December 9. The Ramblers took on Sault Ste. Marie.

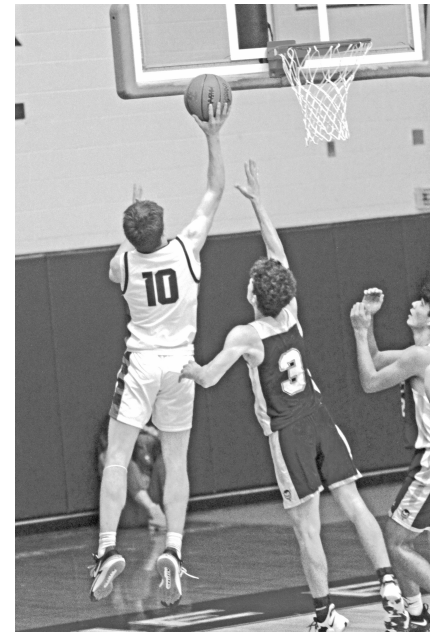
The Ramblers did a better job in game number two than in game number one. The Ramblers took control and won the game by a final score of 59-43.

The team was led by Johnson with 16 points, while Gavin Hewitt added 15 points. The Ramblers also got contributions from Wilcox and Calcaterra with 13 points and 10 points.

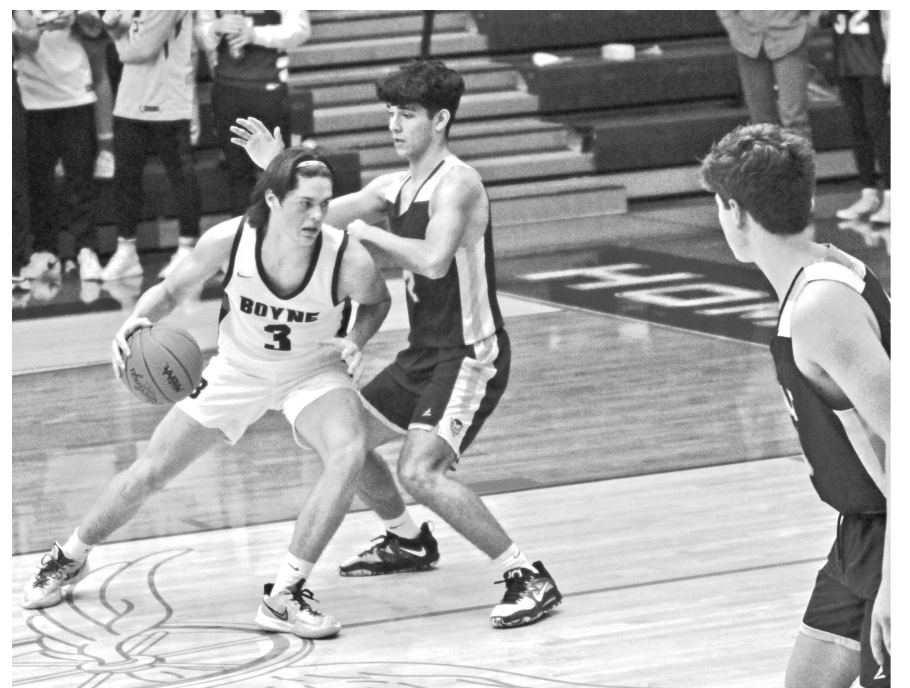
The win moved the Ramblers record to 1-1 on the season. The Ramblers will be back in action on Thursday, December 15 against Elk Rapids. They will then take on Cheboygan on Tuesday, December 20 to finish their schedule before the holiday break.



Gavin Hewitt (14) drops in a triple from the corner against SSM. (Photo by Chris Fiel)



Boyne's Jaden Alger (10) elevates baseline for an easy basket vs the Blue Devils. (Photo by Chris Fiel)



Rambler, Jacob Johnson (3) powers in for a closer look at the basket against the Sault. (Photo by Chris Fiel)

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Ellsworth girls lose a couple close games

By Bob DeLong

Oh, so close, the Lady Lancers almost got their first win of the season last week before falling at Pellston by only five points 31-26 and they dropped a competitive game to at home vs Harbor Light 43-30. Ellsworth drops to 0-4 for the season.

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This game was nip and tuck the entire way, but in the end, Ellsworth just did not get the big basket when they needed it before falling to the Hornets 31-26 at Pellston. Bella Essenburg had a great game with 14 points, 11 steals and nine rebounds as she just missed a "triple double". Samantha Paalman had six points and five rebounds and Ruby Pletcher had four points and three steals.

HARBOR LIGHT

Once again Ellsworth battled hard, but the huge deficit in the third quarter was too much for Ellsworth to overcome losing eventually to the lady Swordsmen 43-30.

The Lancers trailed only 8-6 after eight minutes of play and only 16-11 at intermission, but a 20-9 third quarter for Harbor Light was too much, and despite a fourth quarter 10-7 scoring advantage, Ellsworth lost the game.

Avery Strange had 13 points, Essenburg had nine, Paalman had six and Jasmine Peebles added two points.

The Lancers travel to powerful Mackinac City this week on Tuesday and Friday they host Wolverine with hopes of getting their first win of the season this week.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Boyne Falls girls open season with loss to league favorite Mackinaw

BY BEN MURPHY

The Boyne Falls girls basketball team opened up the season at Mackinaw City on Tuesday, Dec. 6. The Lady Comets are the heavy favorites to win the Northern Lakes Conference, and proved as to why, as they handed the Lady Loggers 69-3.

Boyne Falls had all of its scoring in the first quarter. Breanaka Spang was able to split a pair of free throws, and Alice Loper knocked down a close-range shot from the floor.

The Comets had commanding leads after each quarter break though, 31-3, 47-3 and 58-3.

The Loggers will be guided by veteran head coach Frank Hamilla this season. They have three seniors in Alice Loper, Riley Zbacnik and Amber Cool. Juniors on the team are Cadence Matelski and Ally Giem. Lauryn Matelski and Breanaka Spang are the lone sophomores on the squad. They will also be suiting up eighth graders Ceyana Spang and Madison Pickering.

B-F (0-1 overall, 0-1 NLC) hosted Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian on Tuesday, hosted Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian on Wednesday and heads to Ellsworth on Monday.



Boyne Falls' Alice Loper looks to make a play as a Mackinaw City defender swarms in. Photo by Ben Murphy.



Riley Zbacnik attempts to pass the ball away. Photo by Ben Murphy.



Boyne Falls head coach Frank Hamilla goes over strategy with the team during a timeout in last week's season opening loss at Mackinaw City. Photo by Ben Murphy.

2022-23 COLLEGE FOOTBALL BOWL GAME SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, DEC. 16

BAHAMAS BOWL

Miami (Ohio) vs. UAB
11:30 a.m. ET
Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium, Bahamas

CURE BOWL

No. 24 Troy vs. No. 25 UTSA
3 p.m.
Exploria Stadium in Orlando, Florida

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

FENWAY BOWL

Cincinnati vs. Louisville
11 a.m.
Fenway Park in Boston

CELEBRATION BOWL

Jackson State vs. N.C. Central
12 p.m.
Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta

LAS VEGAS BOWL

No. 14 Oregon State vs. Florida
2:30 p.m.
Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas, Nevada

LA BOWL

Washington State vs. Fresno State
3:30 p.m.
SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, California

LENDINGTREE BOWL

Rice vs. Southern Mississippi
5:45 p.m.
Hancock Whitney Stadium in Mobile, Alabama

NEW MEXICO BOWL

SMU vs. BYU
7:30 p.m.

University Stadium in Albuquerque, New Mexico

FRISCO BOWL

Boise State vs. North Texas
9:15 p.m.
Toyota Stadium in Frisco, Texas

MONDAY, DEC. 19

MYRTLE BEACH BOWL

Marshall vs. UConn
2:30 p.m.
Brooks Stadium in Conway, South Carolina

TUESDAY, DEC. 20

FAMOUS IDAHO POTATO BOWL

Eastern Michigan vs. San Jose State
3:30 p.m.
Albertsons Stadium in Boise, Idaho

BOCA RATON BOWL

Liberty vs. Toledo
7:30 p.m.
FAU Stadium in Boca Raton, Florida

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21

NEW ORLEANS BOWL

South Alabama vs. Western Kentucky
9 p.m.
Caesars Superdome in New Orleans

THURSDAY, DEC. 22

ARMED FORCES BOWL

Baylor vs. Air Force
7:30 p.m.
Amon G. Carter Stadium in Fort Worth, Texas

FRIDAY, DEC. 23

GASPARILLA BOWL

Wake Forest vs. Missouri

Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Florida

INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Houston vs. Louisiana
Independence Stadium in Shreveport, Louisiana

SATURDAY, DEC. 24

HAWAII BOWL

Middle Tennessee State vs. San Diego State
8 p.m.
Clarence T.C. Ching Athletics Complex in Honolulu, Hawaii

Monday, Dec. 26

QUICK LANE BOWL

Bowling Green vs. New Mexico St.
2:30 p.m.
Ford Field in Detroit

TUESDAY, DEC. 27

FIRST RESPONDER BOWL

Memphis vs. Utah State
Gerald J. Ford Stadium in Dallas

BIRMINGHAM BOWL

Coastal Carolina vs. East Carolina
Protective Stadium in Birmingham, Alabama

CAMELLIA BOWL

Buffalo vs. Georgia Southern
12 p.m.
Cramton Bowl in Montgomery, Alabama

GUARANTEED RATE BOWL

Oklahoma State vs. Wisconsin
10:15 p.m.
Chase Field in Phoenix, Arizona

zona

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28

MILITARY BOWL

Duke vs. UCF
2 p.m.
Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, Maryland

LIBERTY BOWL

Arkansas vs. Kansas
5:30 p.m.
Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium in Memphis, Tennessee

HOLIDAY BOWL

No. 15 Oregon vs. North Carolina
8 p.m.
Petco Park in San Diego

TEXAS BOWL

Texas Tech vs. Ole Miss
9 p.m.
NRG Stadium in Houston

THURSDAY, DEC. 29

PINSTRIPED BOWL

Minnesota vs. Syracuse
2 p.m.
Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, New York City

CHEEZ-IT BOWL

No. 13 Florida State vs. Oklahoma
5:30 p.m.
Camping World Stadium in Orlando, Florida

ALAMO BOWL

No. 12 Washington vs. No. 20 Texas
9 p.m.
Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas

FRIDAY, DEC. 30

ORANGE BOWL

No. 6 Tennessee vs. No. 7 Clemson
Hard Rock Stadium in Miami Gardens, Florida

DUKE'S MAYO BOWL

No. 23 NC State vs. Maryland
12 p.m.
Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte, North Carolina

SUN BOWL

No. 18 UCLA vs. Pitt
2 p.m.
Sun Bowl in El Paso, Texas

GATOR BOWL

No. 19 South Carolina vs. No. 21 Notre Dame
3:30 p.m.
TIAA Bank Field in Jacksonville, Florida

ARIZONA BOWL

Ohio vs. Wyoming
4:30 p.m.
Barstool Arizona Stadium in Tucson, Arizona

SATURDAY, DEC. 31

FIESTA BOWL

(COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SEMIFINAL)
No. 2 Michigan vs. No. 3 TCU
4 p.m.
State Farm Stadium in Glendale, Arizona

PEACH BOWL

(COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SEMIFINAL)
No. 1 Georgia vs. No. 4 Ohio State
8 p.m.
Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta

MUSIC CITY BOWL

Iowa vs. Kentucky
12 p.m.
Nissan Stadium in Nashville, Tennessee

SUGAR BOWL

No. 5 Alabama vs. No. 9 Kansas St.
12 p.m.
Caesars Superdome in New Orleans

MONDAY, JAN. 2

RELIAQUEST BOWL

No. 22 Mississippi State vs. Illinois
12 p.m.
Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Florida

CITRUS BOWL

No. 17 LSU vs. Purdue
1 p.m.
Camping World Stadium in Orlando

COTTON BOWL CLASSIC

No. 10 USC vs. No. 16 Tulane
1 p.m.
AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas

ROSE BOWL GAME

No. 8 Utah vs. No. 11 Penn State
5 p.m.
Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California

MONDAY, JAN. 9

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

7:30 p.m.
SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, California

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	Brian Lemons	Brighton	1	1
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	Anthony Patritto	Rochester Adams	1	2
	Justin Pintar	Clarkston	1	2
	Alex Grignon	Dearborn	1	3
	Jim Sparks	Novi	1	3
	Greg Baur	Macomb Dakota	1	4
	Chris Frasier	Troy	1	4

DIVISION 2	Name	School	Div	Region
	Loren Granger	Battle Creek Central	2	1
	Tim Rogers	Forest Hills Central	2	1
	Phil Jacobs	Dexter	2	2
	Justin Thelen	Saginaw Heritage	2	2
	Jacob Topp	South Lyon East	2	2
	Chris Kelbert	Livonia Franklin	2	3
	Jim Dewald	Birmingham Seaholm	2	3
	Brandon Gennette	Warren Cousino	2	4
	Dan Rohn	Warren De LaSalle	2	4

DIVISION 3	Name	School	Div	Region
	DJ Szymoniak	Gaylord	3	1
	Jason McIntyre	Mt. Pleasant	3	1
	John Shilito	Zeeland West	3	2
	Andrew Pratley	St. Joseph	3	2
	Gary Houghton	Mason	3	2
	Reggie Glon	Trenton	3	3
	Kory Cioroch	Walled Lake Western	3	4
	Joe Drouin	Gross Pointe North	3	4

DIVISION 4	Name	School	Div	Region
	Tony Sigmon	Whitehall	4	1
	Nate Smith	Fruitport	4	1
	Kevin Bartz	Edwardsburg	4	2
	James Murphy	Hastings	4	2
	Tom Alward	Goodrich	4	3
	Jeremy Ferman	North Branch	4	3
	Derek McLaughlin	Riverview	4	4
	Greg Dolson	Tecumseh	4	4

DIVISION 5	Name	School	Div	Region
	Marc Jarstfer	Gladwin	5	1
	Monty Price	Belding	5	1
	John Novara	Portland	5	2
	Steve Kersten	Williamston	5	2
	Jake Coquillard	Essexville Garber	5	3
	Gary Lee	Flint Hamady	5	3
	Brandon Reaume	Fiat Rock	5	4
	Pat Fox	Pontiac Notre Dame Prep	5	4

DIVISION 6	Name	School	Div	Region
	Paul Jacobson	Negaunee	6	1
	Dave Suttle Jr	Boyer City	6	1
	Craig Ness	Gladstone	6	1
	Marty Malcom	Standish Sterling	6	2
	Jason Germain	Millington	6	2
	Shawn Griffith	Constantine	6	3
	Mark Frey	Buchanan	6	3
	John Webb	Durand	6	3
	Casey Randolph	Canton	6	4
	Brian Barnes	Madison Hts Bishop Foley	6	4

DIVISION 7	Name	School	Div	Region
	Josh Sellers	Traverse City St. Francis	7	1
	Larry Whitam	North Muskegon	7	1
	Dave LeVasseur	Elkton-Pigeon-Bayport	7	2
	Clint Galvas	New Lothrop	7	2
	Wade Waldrup	Lawton	7	3
	Nathan Ferency	Schoolcraft	7	3
	Jimmie Macon	Detroit Central	7	4
	Derek Shell	Napoleon	7	4

DIVISION 8	Name	School	Div	Region
	Ed Schindler	Frankfort	8	1
	Pat Craven	Ewart	8	1
	Eric Sweeney	Ubyly	8	2
	Brad Gross	Beal City	8	2
	Todd Thieken	Ottawa Lake Whiteford	8	3
	Rock Hall	Melvindale ABT	8	3
	Joe Quesnelle	Marine City-Cardinal Mooney	8	4
	Joe Beck	Sterling Heights Parkway	8	4

8 MAN	Name	School	Div	Region
	Jesse Fenstermaker	Rogers City	8man1	1
	Joe Austin	Newberry	8man1	1
	Greg Eichler	Gobles	8man1	2
	Brandon Jones	Kingston	8man1	2
	Leo Gorzinski	Powers North Central	8man2	1
	Chad Grundy	Marion	8man2	1
	Brian Sanchez	Au Gres Sims	8man2	2
	Kevin Langs	Climax Scotts	8man2	2
	Jason Somers	Alcona	8man 0	
	Brian Haveman	GR North Pointe Christian	8man 0	
	Aaron Locke	Bridgman	8man 0	

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East Jordan	Sophie Snyder	Lyndsey Cross
Elk Rapids	Ryleigh Yocom Morgan Bergquist	Violet Sumerix Matter Ball
Grayling	Kynadi Dole Rylan Finstrom	Lexi DAmour
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Boyer's Maginity Signs with NMU

Boyer City Rambler Ava Maginity signed a letter of intent last week to run Cross Country and Track & Field next year at Northern Michigan University

THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATED PRESS DIVISION 5-6 ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM.

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Player of the Year

Tim Kloska, Grand Rapids West Catholic, Sr.

FIRST TEAM

Quarterbacks
Nick Wheeler, Gladwin, Sr.
Graham Junge, Flat Rock, So.
Running Backs
Tim Kloska, Grand Rapids West Catholic, Sr.
Kahleel Brown, Birch Run, Sr.
Isaiah Clemens, Detroit Southeastern, Sr.
Brayden Clark, Constantine, Jr.
Receivers
Stuart Gould, Tri County, Sr.
Nic Nora, Kingsford, Sr.
Nate VanTimmeren, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Sr.
Adam Kidder, Madison Hts. Bishop Foley, Sr.
Linemen
Luke Krzewski, Grand Rapids West Catholic, Sr.
Carter Wiess, Frankenmuth, Sr.
Nathan Rivard, Midland Bullock Creek, Sr.
Lincoln McKinnon, Gladwin, Sr.

Domanic Novelli, Millington, Sr.

Drew Priddy, Olivet, Sr.

Caden VanSickle, Manistee, Sr.

Collin Buchanan, Royal Oak Shrine, Sr.

Jack Hopkins, Madison Heights Bishop Foley, Sr.

Brandon Felts, Clinton, Sr.

Dawson Zuiderveen, Kalamazoo United, Sr.

Delano Townsend, Hamady, Sr.

Linebackers

Maddox Woods, Shepherd, Sr.

Logan Kokotovich, Gladwin, Sr.

Braydn Lehman, Clinton

Eli Van Buren, Negaunee, Sr.

Defensive backs

Joe Debski, Grand Rapids West Catholic, Sr.

Phil Nelson, Negaunee, Sr.

Seth Jackson, Reed City, Sr.

Alfonso Gray III, Warren Michigan Collegiate, Sr.

Specialist

Brayden Sullivan, Standish-Sterling, Sr.

Kicker

Will Soulliere, Frankenmuth, Jr.

Punter

Noah Dunckel, Williamston, Jr.

Coach of the Year

Marc Jarstfer, Gladwin

SECOND TEAM

Quarterbacks — Jacob Tuttle, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, Jr.; Angelo Costanza, Madison Heights Bishop Foley, Sr.

Running backs — Cole Potier, Gladstone, Sr.; Drew Miller, Portland, Sr.; Ramsey Bousseau, Olivet, Sr.; Trevor Jones, Oakridge, Jr.; Nico Lukkarinen, Negaunee, Sr.

Receivers — Jamison Williams, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, So.; Brandon Lewis, Lansing Catholic, Sr.; Alex Calcaterra, Boyer City, Sr.; Aaron Salazar, Flat Rock, Sr.

Linemen — Zach Fernelius, Ogemaw Heights, Sr.; Drake Spickerman, Negaunee, Sr.; Drew Willmore, Belding, Sr.; Aidan Konwinski, Whitmore Lake, Sr.; Eric Grenadier, Detroit Country Day, Sr.; Rodney Brassfield, Montague, Sr.; Branson Goodman, Portland, Sr.; Evan Samson, Durand, Sr.

Linebackers — Ryan Eastland, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, Sr.; Charlie DeBruyn, Grand Rapids West Catholic, Jr.; Ty Farmer, Brooklyn Columbia Central, Sr.; Bo Schwartz, Midland Bullock Creek, Jr.; Brayton Davenport, Clawson, Sr.; Sam Kartes, Muskegon Catholic, Sr.; Cooper Buhl, Dundee, Sr.

Defensive back — Ethan Burrows, Essexville Garber, Sr.

Specialist — Earl Esilene, Gladwin, Sr.

THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATED PRESS DIVISION 7-8 ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM.

Player of the Year

Shea Ruddy, Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, Sr.

FIRST TEAM

Quarterbacks: Shea Ruddy, Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, Sr.; Wyatt Nausadis, Traverse City St. Francis, Sr.
Running Backs: Ethan Wissner, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker, Sr.; Derrick Walker, Jackson Lumen Christi, Sr.; Bart Laretz, Napoleon, Sr.; Brenden Haiseneder, Marine City Cardinal Mooney, Sr.;
Wide Receivers: Ethan Hull, Ithaca, Sr.; Dakobe White, Ewart, Jr.; Jaxon Childers, Benzonia Benzie Central, Jr.
Linemen: Tristan Duncan, Detroit Central, Sr.; Hunter Nysen, Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, Sr.; Jon Brzezinski, Clarkston Everest Collegiate, Sr.; Sam Gallo, North Muskegon, Sr.; Nolan Collins, Lawton, Jr.; Brayden Luse, Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, Sr.; Zac Affholter, Reading, Sr.; Michael Stevenson, Montrose, Sr.;

Jaden Curry, New Lothrop, Sr.; Camden Peruski, Ubyly, Jr.; Ben Straus, Beal City, Sr.; Parker Peruski, Ubyly, Sr.; Mike Humphreys, Napoleon, Sr.; Mack Bontekoe, McBain, Sr.

Linebackers: Jake Iott, Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, Jr.; Mikel Good, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker, Sr.; Joey Donahue, Traverse City St. Francis, Sr.; Easten Strodman, Hudson, Sr.; Tagg Gott, Schoolcraft, Sr.

Defensive backs: Dontez Hicks, Detroit Central, Sr.; Luke Wolfe, Iron Mountain, Jr.; Jacob Hamilton, Reading, Sr.

Specialist: Hunter Hogan, Ravenna, Sr.

Kicker: Rease Teel, Perry, Sr.

Punter: Troy Wertman, Pewamo-Westphalia, Sr.

Coach of the Year: Herb Brogan, Jackson Lumen Christi

SECOND TEAM

Quarterbacks: Preston Wallace, Ewart, Jr.; Jack Kulhanek, New Lothrop, Jr.

Running backs: Cole Hopkins, Ewart, Sr.; Tyler Maiorana, Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, Jr.; Hunter DeBarr, Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, Jr.

Wide receivers: Grayson Ackels, Carson City-Crystal, Jr.; Jaxon McGuigan, Manchester, Sr.

Linemen: Luke Braun, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker, Sr.; Brandon Pass, Ithaca, Jr.; Evan Curtiss, Fowler, Jr.; Ethan Morgan, Traverse City St. Francis, Sr.; Grayson Orr, New Lothrop, Sr.

Linebackers: Garrett Hathaway, Traverse City St. Francis, Sr.; Seth Miller, White Pigeon, Sr.; Kaleb Peska, Ithaca, Sr.

Defensive backs: Charlie Martyn, Ithaca, Sr.; Patrick Sterrett, Charlevoix, Sr.; Connor Boyer, East Jordan, Sr.

Specialist: Joe Lathers, Jackson Lumen Christi, Sr.

Coach: Todd Thieken, Ottawa Lake-Whiteford

THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATED PRESS DIVISION 3-4 ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM.

Player of the Year

Dante Moore, Sr., Detroit King, Jr.

FIRST TEAM

QUARTERBACKS
Dante Moore, Sr., Detroit King, Jr.
Jake DeHaan, Grand Rapids South Christian, Sr.
RUNNING BACKS
Darius Taylor, Walled Lake Western, Sr.
Paschal Jolman, Fruitport, Sr.
Parker Holman, Zeeland West, Jr.
Sterling Anderson, Detroit King, Sr.
RECEIVERS
Jameel Croft, Detroit King, Jr.
Nick Marsh, River Rouge, Jr.
Bryce Kurncz, DeWitt, Sr.
Ryan Mooney, Orchard Lake St. Mary, Sr.
LINEMEN
Aaron Holstege, Allendale, Sr.
Eryx Daugherty, Birmingham Brother Rice, Sr.
Kenny Merrieweather, Detroit King, Sr.
Andrew Dennis, Mt. Pleasant, Jr.

Gabe Blanchard, Freeland, Sr.

John Burke, Sault Ste. Marie, Sr.

Matthew Nehf, DeWitt, Sr.

Dylan Senda, Dearborn Divine Child, Sr.

LINEBACKERS

Bryce Eliuk, Linden, Sr.

Pete Closner, Marquette, Sr.

Kaleb Parrish, Mason, Jr.

Brady Pretzlaf, Gaylord, Jr.

Defensive backs

Skyler Geurink, Zeeland West, Sr.

Markell Gilford, River Rouge, Sr.

Zarek Zelinski, Waterford Kettering, Sr.

CJ Ivy III, Muskegon, Sr.

SPECIALIST

Scooter Polk, Mt. Pleasant, Sr.

Kicker

Brandon Soltis, DeWitt, Sr.

Punter

Christopher Bowman, Waterford Kettering, Jr.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Tyrone Spencer, Detroit King

SECOND TEAM

Quarterbacks — Mikhi Guy, Muskegon, Jr.; Cason Carswell, Mason, So.

Running backs — A.J. Bryan, Tecumseh, Sr.; Jacob Shank, Riverview, Sr.; Jacob Thompson, Sturgis, Sr.; Jace Simerson, Goodrich, Sr.

Receivers — Henry Garrity, Birmingham Brother Rice, Sr.; Drew Hickmott, Ortonville Brandon, Jr.

Linemen — Charlie Pietrosante, Birmingham Brother Rice, Sr.; DeShawn Robinson, Auburn Hills Avondale, Sr.; Brian Ingram, Mason, Sr.; Cameron VanSolkema, Grand Rapids South Christian, Jr.; Winton Napier, Whitehall, Sr.; D'Andre Hudgins, Muskegon, Sr.

Linebackers — Timothy Simons, Gibraltar Carlson, Sr.; Jeremiah Alston, Redford Union, Sr.; Michael Bailey, Walled Lake Western, Sr.; Benny Hernandez, Madison Heights Lamphere, Sr.

Defensive backs — Daniel Duley, Freeland, Jr.; Teegan Baker, Cadillac, Sr.

Specialists — Jake Burns, Tecumseh, Sr.; Destin Pigge, Muskegon, Jr.

Kicker — Owen Pardi, Birmingham Brother Rice, Sr.

Punter — Adam Barcome, Fenton, Sr.

THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATED PRESS 8-PLAYER6 ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM.

Player of the Year

Luke Gorzinski, Powers North Central

Coach: Brad Blauvelt, Martin

ALL-STATE

QB — Luke Gorzinski, Powers North Central
QB — Joel Tack, Merrill
RB — Caleb Lentner, Peck
RB — Bruce Thelen, Fulton
WR — Justin Wickey, Colon
WR — Mekhi Wingfield, Concord
L — Max Nason, Powers North Central
L — Tucker Laffer, Colon
L — Steven VanConant, Peck
L — Mason Totzke, Ontonagon
LB — Collin Davis, Adrian Lenawee Christian
LB — Dillon Raab, Powers North Central
DB — Denver Coty, Merrill
DB — Jamari Hughes, Grand Rapids North-Pointe
ATH — Karter Ribble, Martin
ATH — J.R. Hildebrand, Martin
K — Brady McKelvey, Adrian Lenawee Christian
P — Cordell Jones-McNally, Marcellus

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RB — Josiah Per

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2012 Ford F-250 Super Duty. 4x4, tow pkg, soft tonneau cover, quad cab, 206K miles. As low as \$299 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2013 Ford F-150 XLT. Club cab, 4x4, spray-in bedliner, tow pkg, 261 K miles. As low as \$299 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2015 Chevy Silverado 2500 HD. Crew cab, 4x4, spray in bedliner, 243 K miles. \$19,900. As low as \$329 a month. Onaway Auto, 21061 M-68 Hwy, Onaway. 989-733-8191. www.OnawayAuto.com

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2015 Ford F-350 Lariat. 4x4, club cab, 6.7L Power Stroke Turbo Diesel, brush guard, 140 K miles. Sale Price \$39,995. As low as \$629 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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2018 Chevy Silverado 1500. 4x4, quad cab, rear camera, tow pkg, soft tonneau cover. 132 K miles. \$26,900. As low as \$399 a month. Onaway Auto, 21061 M-68 Hwy, Onaway. 989-733-8191. www.OnawayAuto.com

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CORRECTED NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE ON JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE

October 31, 2022

This posting serves as a corrected notice that a Judgment of Foreclosure has been issued in the 33rd Circuit Court of Charlevoix County as Ordered by Judge Roy C. Hayes III on April 8, 2022, on Clare & Kaye Zitka, 07645 Mulberry Lane Charlevoix, MI 49720, and recorded in Liber 1348 Page 66, Charlevoix County records.

Pursuant to said Judgment of Foreclosure, a sheriff's sale has been ordered by 33rd Circuit Court. At a public auction, the sale will go to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check. The sale will occur at the Charlevoix County Courthouse starting promptly at 11 a.m. on December 16, 2022.

This Notice further corrects the prior Notice that erroneously stated that the sale was the result of defaults on mortgage agreements with PennyMac Loan Services, Inc. and HUD. The basis of the sale is the Judgement of Foreclosure referenced above.

The amount due on the foreclosure may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at sale doesn't automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. The successful purchaser will acquire the property subject to the liens of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, dated on October 24, 2014 and recorded in Liber 1078 Page 65 Charlevoix County records, and PennyMac Loan Services, dated December 22, 2014, and recorded in Liber 1082 Page 819, Charlevoix County records. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county Registrar of Deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

This foreclosure sale has been ordered as a result of the failure of Clare Zitka and Kaye Zitka to satisfy the Judgment rendered against them and their property in favor of the Forest Cove Association for unpaid dues, assessments, costs and attorney fees pursuant to the Association Covenants and Restrictions of record. The amount claimed to be due as of the date hereof is \$43,337.44.

Commonly known as: 07645 Mulberry Lane Charlevoix, MI 49720
Tax ID: 007-129-009-15

Legal Description:

Premises situated in Hayes Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan:

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