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## East Jordan Freedom Festival begins next week



EJ Freedom Festival Designer - Priscilla Kibbe

### ONLY TWO WEEKS UNTIL THE KICK OFF OF THE 2023 EAST JORDAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL!

Be sure to get your registration forms in for the Freedom Festival Events. - Block Party, Cornhole Tournament, Grand Parade, Youth Parade, 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament and Lip Sync Contest. All forms are available on the website at <http://www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org> or at the Chamber of Commerce Office.

It's also not too early to get your Freedom Festival Buttons available at EJ Chamber Office, Charlevoix State Bank, The Maple Tree and The EJ Shoppe. 10 great prizes will be given away on Friday, June 23 in Memorial Park during the Block Party. (must be present to win).

Festival Grand Raffle Tickets are also on sale. The prizes are bigger and better! 1st Prize is \$1,000.00 and 10 \$100.00 prizes will be given away on Saturday, June 24th (you do not need to be present to win). Get your tickets from the following locations/people:

Gail Bingham - Sunnyside Up Tanning  
Debbie Carey - Raffle Organizer  
EJ Chamber Office  
Shannon Fender  
Debbie Wilson - EJ  
Brenda Bingham - The Insurance Shop  
Connie Roberts  
Heather Jackson - BA Accounting  
Shandra Sweet - Hock  
Pam Crick

Cindy Bennett  
Dolores Murphy - EJ Shoppe (Thursday & Friday)  
Amy Sherman  
Kelly Kava - Grandvue  
Erin Stevenson

New this year - East Jordan Freedom Festival T-Shirts! Available now at the EJ Chamber Office and the EJ Shoppe. \$20 each. This year's t-shirt & buttons were designed by East Jordan 6th Grade Student, Priscilla Kibbe

## Pig Roast is Here

BY TINA SUNDELIUS

Ellsworth —The Pig Roast has dominated the third weekend of June in Ellsworth for 43 years. This free-family-friendly event lands on Father's Day weekend and gives Dad a chance to, once again, be the hero his children already know he is, without the strain on the pocket-book.

This year's theme is Pig Roast-Family Style, referencing the diminishing tradition of sitting down together to share a meal.

Come sit with friends and family and enjoy a delicious pulled port meal provided by Cutler's Creations of East Jordan or grab some pizza from Ellsworth's own Gold Nugget who will have a booth at the park.

Friday events begin at 6 p.m. with a 200 foot water-slide, cake walk, ice cream social, Corn Hole Tournament, music & food. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs!

On Saturday, as you peruse the many event tents, don't hesitate to put some tickets into the Lucky Draw. "For fifty cents you could win a significant prize," said Gail Denny, Pig Roast Committee member. Lucky Draw tickets will be made available Friday & Saturday throughout the events. Prizes valued up to \$100 will be on display Saturday at noon in the Lucky Draw tent with the drawing taking place at 2 p.m. The winner will be selected not through the highest bid but by the Luck of the Draw.

The Ellsworth Wesleyan Church is hosting a pan-

SEE PIG ROAST - 4A



## Community Grants Awarded

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation, through its Community Priorities grant cycle, recently responded to requests from nonprofit partners addressing important community needs. Thanks to donors who look to the Community Foundation to make a difference close to home, \$147,750 in grants have been awarded to nonprofits who work to make ours a thriving community.

Many organizations work together in Charlevoix County to ensure the overall health and well-being of residents of all ages. The Beaver Island

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**FRIDAY**



**HIGH: 71  
LOW: 43**

**SATURDAY**



**HIGH: 73  
LOW: 51**

**SUNDAY**



**HIGH: 80  
LOW: 56**

**MONDAY**



**HIGH: 81  
LOW: 56**

**TUESDAY**



**HIGH: 81  
LOW: 57**

**WEDNESDAY**



**HIGH: 84  
LOW: 59**

## record temps

Day	.....	AVG	HIGH	Avg	LOW	.....	Record	HIGH	YEAR	Record	LOW	YEAR
JUN 15	...	.74	...	.51	...	.94	...	.2022	...	.35	...	.1920
16	...	.74	...	.51	...	.93	...	.1952	...	.33	...	.1980
17	...	.74	...	.52	...	.92	...	.2018	...	.34	...	.1980
18	...	.74	...	.52	...	.92	...	.1994	...	.33	...	.1958
19	...	.75	...	.52	...	.93	...	.1995	...	.38	...	.2013
20	...	.75	...	.52	...	.94	...	.1953	...	.31	...	.1970
21	...	.75	...	.53	...	.91	...	.2022	...	.33	...	.1992
22	...	.75	...	.53	...	.93	...	.1983	...	.33	...	.1992

## OBITUARIES

### Katherine "Kathy" Mae (Mosley) Smith, 79 (JULY 21, 1943 - JUNE 6, 2023) BOYNE CITY



Katherine Mae (Mosley) Smith of Boyne City passed away on June 6, 2023, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan, Michigan.

Kathy was born to Guy Clifton and Mary (Hadix) Mosley July 21, 1943, in Petoskey, Michigan. She graduated from Petoskey High School in 1962 and married her husband Arlen "Arnie" Smith August 17, 1963. Arnie and Kathy lived in Boyne City for most of their lives and raised two daughters, Sheila (Kevin) Smith Crandell and Karen (Greg) Smith Schroeder. Kathy worked at Allied Signal Aerospace where she retired in 1997. She was preceded in death by both her parents; her stepfather Clifford Leazier; her husband Arlen "Arnie" Smith; siblings Jane Lounsbury, Rose Swank, Rebecca Schroeder, Clifford P.

Leazier, and Roy Mosley. Kathy's life centered around her family and friends, there wasn't anything she wouldn't do for anyone in need! She cherished being a grandmother to her two grandchildren Kyle L. (Wyn) Crandell and Breanne K. (Amanda) Crandell, both of Boyne City and looked forward to their summer visits up north. Kathy enjoyed her flower gardens, watching the wildlife come in and out of her birdfeeders, camping, fishing, and mushrooming. Recently Kathy became a great-grandmother to Gavin L. Crandell, and her life was changed forever; they had such an incredible bond, and it was truly love at first sight.

Rest in peace Mom, we will dearly miss your smiles and reassuring touch.

A graveside service for Kathy was officiated by Father Matthew Furguele at Maple Lawn Cemetery on June 10, 2023.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.

### Jeffrey A. Willard, 67 (FEB. 23, 1956 - JUNE 10, 2023) CHARLEVOIX

Jeffrey A. Willard of Charlevoix passed away Saturday, June 10, 2023 at home.

The family has chosen to remember him privately. Please share your memo-

ries and personal messages with the family on his guestbook at [www.gaylord-funeralhome.com/obituaries/jeffrey-willard](http://www.gaylord-funeralhome.com/obituaries/jeffrey-willard)

### John Neych, 59 (MAY 15, 1964 - JUNE 11, 2023) CHARLEVOIX



John Thomas Neych of Charlevoix, formerly of Grosse Pointe, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, June 11, 2023. He was born on May 15, 1964, in Detroit, the son of Thomas and Ilene (Brzezicki) Neych.

A full obituary with service information will be posted in the near future.

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

### Leonard E. Puroll, 78 (OCT. 29, 1944 - JUNE 11, 2023) BOYNE FALLS



Leonard Edward Puroll of Boyne Falls passed away unexpectedly, Saturday, June 11, 2023, while paying tribute to his late wife out west visiting their old fishing holes.

He was born on October 29, 1944, in Grayling. Leonard was the son of Walter and Rose (Kwapis) Puroll. He graduated from Boyne Falls Public School and received his teaching degree from Northern Michigan University.

Leonard taught at both Marquette and Vanderbilt and was an athletic director for Boyne Falls. After retirement, he kept busy working at several other part time jobs and took pride in umpiring and refereeing for many of his nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephew's games.

Throughout his years, Leonard enjoyed playing basketball. In 1962, his team won the first conference championship in the history of Boyne Falls and districts in the same year. He continued his love for sports for many years umpiring and refereeing, all the way through last year.

Leonard was also an avid hunter and fisherman, he enjoyed gardening and sharing his harvest with family and friends. He looked forward to camping, hiking, fishing in the UP and traveling out west.

He is survived by brothers and sisters, Dorothy Woskoski of Vanderbilt, Donald (Sally) Puroll of Elmira, Chester Puroll of Bellaire, Tillie Jaroneski of Elmira and Patricia West of

Boyne Falls and many nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife of 40 years, Pamela Puroll, sisters, Anastasia Stark (Clarence) and Pauline Prusakiewicz (Walter and Chet); and brothers, Walter (Waneta), Sylvester and Vincent Puroll. Brother in-laws Alan West, Frank Woskoski and Vincent Jaroneski.

Friends and family who wish to make a memorial contribution may do so by sending a check written to the Boyne Falls Athletic Boosters in Memory of Leonard to: Boyne Falls Public School P.O. 356 Boyne Falls, MI 49713

Arrangements are by Gaylord Community Funeral Home & Cremation Service. Please share your memories and personal messages with the family at [www.gaylordfuneralhome.com/obituaries/leonard-puroll](http://www.gaylordfuneralhome.com/obituaries/leonard-puroll)

### Bethany Sue (Penzien) Chall, 68 (SEPT. 10, 1954 - JUNE 9, 2023) DEXTER



Bethany Sue Chall passed away early Friday, June 9th, 2023, at Trinity Health Oakland Hospital (St. Joseph Mercy Oakland) in Pontiac, MI.

She had a long fight that started in 2014, with a bacterial infection that caused sepsis and finally complications from treatment for lung cancer that was diagnosed in January of 2023.

She was born September 10, 1954, in Adrian, MI to Rev. Leland E. and Joanne I. (Wieland) Penzien. She married Craig Chall and had four children, Corey, Colin, Cristin, and Cary. Family was her passion. She deeply loved her entire family, but especially her children and grandchildren. They were the reason she fought so hard and long.

Bethany was a friend to many. Everywhere she was for any length of time had her making lifelong friends. Even the time served in multiple nursing homes for physical rehabilitation allowed her to make great friends that she communicated with to her last.

She is survived by her children, Corey (Denise) Chall, Colin Chall, Cristin (Alicia Hope) Chall, and Cary Chall; grandchildren, Justin Chall, Dillian (Angelica Elizalde) Chall, Nathan Chall, Lizbeth Chall, Jacen Chall, and Kiel Hope-Chall; her mother, Joanne Penzien; brothers, Mark (Cyndi) Penzien, Clark (Theresa) Penzien, Craig Penzien; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Rev. Leland E. Penzien on January 17, 1993.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 2:00 P.M. at the Dexter United Methodist Church, 7643 Huron River Drive, Dexter, MI 48130. Pastor Matt Hook will officiate. Interment will be in Elm Lawn Cemetery, Bay City,

Michigan. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 12:00 Noon until service time at the Dexter United Methodist Church.

### Harold Drengberg, 76 (FEB. 16, 1947 - JUNE 11, 2023) CHARLEVOIX



Harold William Drengberg of Charlevoix, formerly of Bay City, passed away suddenly on Sunday, June 11, 2023 at his home. He was born on February 16, 1947, in Bay City, MI, the son of Harold and Lucille (Williams) Drengberg.

A full obituary will be posted in the near future.

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### Marguerite "Maggie" Mason, 95 (APRIL 14, 1928 - JUNE 9, 2023) CHARLEVOIX



Marguerite "Maggie" Elizabeth Mason of Charlevoix passed away peacefully on Friday, June 9, 2023, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. She was born on April 14, 1928, in Walsall, England, the daughter of Sidney and Jessica (Aston) Terry.

During, and for several years beyond secondary school, Maggie received individual classical training in music and singing. She had a beautiful voice which was described as pitch-perfect during her younger years. Her voice left a lasting memory with all who heard it over the years. While working at a record store after WWII, she met Norman Mason, a Royal Air Force pilot, who would eventually become her husband. The two were wed on March 27, 1947, at St. Matthews Church in Walsall, and they would go on to move their family to the United States in 1953.

They settled in Dearborn, and Maggie took care of their two children, and the household. Once the children were grown, she worked as an instructor for children with cognitive disabilities. Upon retiring, Maggie and her husband moved to Charlevoix permanently in the early 1990s. They had spent many years visiting the area after purchasing 20 acres of property in the mid-1970s. Maggie volunteered much of her time in the Charlevoix area as a receptionist at the hospital and selling at the Rainbow Shoppe. She was also

very involved at Christ Episcopal Church in Charlevoix. Maggie was an avid reader, often finishing a book in a single day. She also enjoyed knitting and doing crossword puzzles and, of course, singing.

Maggie is survived by her two children, Stephanie (Michael) Peters of East Jordan and David Mason of Lansing; and her sister, Christine (John) Arnold of Walsall, England.

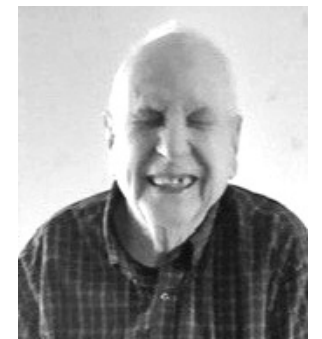
She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Norman "Gerry" Mason; and her brother, Gerald Terry.

Maggie's family has chosen to celebrate her life privately at this time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Charlevoix Area Humane Society, 614 Beardsley St., Boyne City, MI 49712.

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### Delbert Walker, 85 (NOV. 5, 1937 - JUNE 5, 2023) EAST JORDAN



Delbert L. Walker of East Jordan graduated to Heaven, on Monday, June 5, 2023 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility. He was born at home on November 5, 1937, in Ellsworth, MI, the son of Lilburn and Edith (Palmer) Walker.

Delbert grew up in Ellsworth as the youngest of ten children. Born completely blind, he attended the School for the blind in Lansing, MI from age eight until graduation. While attending, he learned a classical education and became fond of music and the arts. Delbert could play the accordion, piano, and harp. His knowledge of classical music pieces and composers led to a daily ritual of listening to IPR on the radio. Over the years, his ability to read and type Braille allowed him to consume books and correspond with friends. In his later years, he would read the entire Bible twice a year.

Del enjoyed people! Throughout his life, he lived in many locations, eventually settling into East Jordan for almost two decades. The last four years he lived in Grandvue Medical Care Facility. The friendship, care, and love shown to Delbert at Grandvue brought him great comfort and enjoyment. He was a constant joker and a good conversationalist. He will be greatly missed.

A Memorial service will be held at Ontario Street Baptist Church in the future. All donations can be made to the Grandvue Medical Care Facility activities department.

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# Stroll the Streets kicked off last Friday

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MIRANDA MCFALL**

Downtown Boyne City was filled with music, fun

and lots of people strolling the streets last Friday as the summer long Friday night weekly event began for the summer season.

Friday evenings from mid-June through Labor Day, downtown Boyne City comes alive as families and friends gather to “stroll the streets” listen-

ing to music, enjoying entertainment, children’s activities and so much more.



# Great Lakes Energy Appoints New Chief Impact Officer

Boyer City, MI - Great Lakes Energy (GLE) has appointed Jen Wilson to chief impact officer. Wilson previously served as GLE’s vice president of human resources and loss control. She officially began working in her new role on June 5.

“As GLE navigates the ever-changing landscape of our industry, it’s important that our staff is well-equipped and well-prepared for meeting the many challenges that lie ahead,” Great Lakes Energy President & CEO Shaun Lamp said. “With all the changes our organization and our industry are experiencing, I feel this focus on staff development is one of the most critical aspects to our long-term success.”

Wilson has worked for GLE for 30 years in many roles, including operations, member service, and human resources. She has been a member of the senior leadership team since 2005 and a member of the executive leadership team since 2008. She holds a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Lake Superior State University. In her new role, Wilson will continue to have executive oversight of human resources, loss control, and organizational development. She will have increased focus on leadership development, coaching and mentoring for the GLE team.

Unlike investor-owned utilities, GLE is a not-for-profit business owned by its consumer-members. All Great Lakes Energy assets – even the poles and wires – are owned by its members. GLE provides electricity to roughly 125,000 rural members in 26 counties along the western side of the lower peninsula. Visit [gt-lakes.com](http://gt-lakes.com) for more information.

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6/15 Lee Anne Whitman	6/10 John Richard Paul	6/9 Terry Coveyou
6/22 Dwain Martin	6/17 Les Older	6/16 Don Phelps
6/29 Robin Lee Berry	6/24 Lara Fullford	6/23 Lee Anne Whitman
7/6 Dwain Martin	7/1 Kanin Wren	6/30 Hannah Harris
7/13 Don Phelps	7/8 Michelle Held	7/7 John Richard Paul
7/20 Dwain Martin	7/15 Eliza Thorp	7/14 Boondoggle Cats
7/27 Hannah Harris	7/22 Lee Dyer	7/21 Alex Teller
8/3 Dwain Martin	7/29 Kyle Brown	7/28 Don Phelps
8/10 Terry Coveyou	8/5 Rhett and John	8/4 Owen James
8/17 Dwain Martin	8/12 Bill Wilson	8/11 Ron Fowler
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## Housing North to Lead Regional Housing Partnership to Address Housing Needs in Northwest Michigan

**Housing North is one of 25 housing agencies leading efforts in 15 regions around the state.**

Traverse City, MICH. – The Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) recently announced Housing North to lead the Regional Housing Partnership (RHP) for Region D (Northwest Michigan). Housing North, selected by peers within the region, will partner with local governments, developers, nonprofits, businesses, local health departments, grassroots organizations,

philanthropic organizations, and other partners in Region D to address specific housing needs and implement strategies from the Statewide Housing Plan.

"We are excited to lead the Regional Housing Partnership for Region D in Northwest Michigan and are grateful for the trust placed in Housing North. Engaging with the community is paramount in addressing housing needs, and we are committed to working closely with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and other stakeholders to make a meaningful difference in the implementation of the Statewide Housing Action Plan. Together, we look forward to developing a regional action plan that outlines strategies to

achieve the objectives of the plan to support the housing needs of our communities" said Yarrow Brown, executive director at Housing North. "With this task, Housing North is excited to continue to add value to our role established since our foundation in 2018 as the rural housing partnership for Northwest Michigan".

Housing North will work with community leaders and housing developers to address local and regional barriers to affordable and attainable housing, including communications, local policy, equity, development financing and more. These collaborative efforts will result in a regional action plan that outlines strategies on how to address local housing issues.

As part of the selection,

MSHDA will send \$175,000 in grant funding to Housing North to coordinate a regional action plan, identify its goals and name its objectives. The regional action plan will be shared with MSHDA by Fall 2023.

The Statewide Housing Plan, launched in 2022, is a strategic planning process aimed at increasing the accessibility of housing in Michigan by addressing racial housing disparities, increasing the stock of affordable housing, and more. The plan highlights the need to engage with local housing agencies to ensure all Michigan residents can secure safe and affordable housing.

"The Statewide Housing Plan is meant to make a difference for all Michigan-ers, and we're confident

that Housing North and partnerships with community leaders, nonprofits, and developers will help us better serve Region D," said Tiffany King, equity and inclusion officer at MSHDA. "By actively gathering insights and information from our regional housing partnership leads, we aim to ensure that every corner of the state receives the specific aid they require. Together, we can empower individuals in Region D with the housing support they deserve."

Founded in 2018, Housing North is a nonprofit organization that works to build awareness, influence policy, and grow capacity and resources for housing solutions in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand

Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford counties. More information is available at [www.housingnorth.org](http://www.housingnorth.org).

### ABOUT MSHDA

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA), established in 1966, provides financial and technical assistance through public and private partnerships to create and preserve safe and decent affordable housing, engage in community economic development activities, develop vibrant cities, towns and villages, and address homeless issues.



Blackened areas and green vegetation are visible after the Wilderness Trail Fire in Crawford County's Grayling Township over the weekend. (courtesy of DNR)

## Wilderness Trail Fire now fully contained

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP – Fire crews continued putting out hot spots within the Wilderness Trail Fire burn area on Tuesday of this week as local roads reopened. The fire, estimated at 2,418 acres in size, was finally 100% contained.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources was asking people to stay away from the area in Crawford County's Grayling Township to give fire crews space to finish their work.

"We know it is interesting to see and that people are curious, but we want to make sure we have the room to get our work done safely," said Mike Janisse, commander of the DNR Incident Management Team that had been assisting with the fire.

"Driving on the dry roads creates a great deal of dust, which makes for poor visibility."

Roads also are narrow and there is little room for passing.

The fire started about 1 p.m. Saturday, June 3, near Staley Lake, escaping from a campfire on private property. The fire

quickly burned in a southwest direction through jack pine, mixed pine and oak in hilly, sandy terrain. The fire caused the evacuation of about 300 people until around 11 p.m. Saturday and closed I-75 in both directions Saturday afternoon and evening.

DNR ground crews working on the fire were assisted by many local agencies and air support including water-bearing planes and helicopters from the USDA Forest Service and the Michigan State Police.

Fire danger remains very high to extreme across the state. The DNR is not issuing permits for open burning at this time. If you must build a campfire or cooking fire, keep a close eye on it at all times and keep it small. Make sure you drench it with water, stir and drench again until it is cold to the touch before leaving it.

DNR firefighters statewide had fought more than two dozen fires in the week leading up to this writing on Tuesday, June 6.

### COMMUNITY LEADERS

# DAVID ROLAND FINLEY, PH.D.

## MAKING OUR WORLD A LITTLE BIT BETTER

BY JOHN KEYSER

David Roland Finley is president of North Central Michigan College, which is very much of a treasure for this area. A great many of our Charlevoix County residents have earned or are currently gaining a valuable education from NCMC.

The future is bright for the college. Finley and his team have exciting plans, and NCMC is committed to expanding offerings while maintaining high standards. Finley notes that the college is fortunate to have an exceptional board guiding these efforts.

By background, Finley grew up downstate, studied Atmospheric Science at U. Michigan, then earned his Master's and Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering at Wayne State.

Following a decade of teaching, Finley became VP of Academic Affairs at Trine University in Indiana, where he also served as Interim Dean of the Business School and the School of Arts and Sciences. There was significant



DAVID ROLAND FINLEY, PH.D.

growth under his leadership, and he was heavily involved in state and national associations. Still is!

Finley subsequently served as Dean of Business and Engineering at Lake Superior State University, as well as Interim Provost. Again, there was tremendous growth and success, thanks to a great team.

In time, Finley was offered the opportunity to become President at NCMC. He and his wife, Heidi, an accomplished artist, made

the move five years ago. He says with a smile, "few people move south to Petoskey".

As stated above, NCMC has nearly 2,000 degree-seeking students and thousands more continuing education students from all over Northern Michigan. The college offers on-campus and online learning, with two-thirds of this year's grads transferring on to a university.

Providing lifelong learning opportunities is another important component of NCMC's mission, and this area of the college is highly-valued and growing. The college recently introduced Fast Track Career Programs to serve returning adult learners with education that is fast, flexible, and affordable.

Conversely, many of the younger students want the complete "college experience." NCMC has a 155-bed dormitory, with plans for a second. They have also recently begun intercollegiate athletics, with games played in the new Petoskey Plastics Arena.

NCMC is working to

build career ladders in several fields, including engineering, manufacturing, and public safety, with programs lasting a few weeks to four years. Nursing career ladder graduates quickly secure employment in healthcare facilities across Northern Michigan. The pending Career and Technical Education Enhancement (CATEE) building project will enable development of additional career ladders. Perhaps building trades, a key need in our area, can be offered soon.

Finley's mantras are to lead with constant, gentle pressure, to build a better community for all, and to genuinely care about the college's team members.

While a college is in many respects a business, it is a people business!

NCMC is a great college, and Finley's mission is to help make it even better. He is quick to state that the College is fortunate to have exceptional people who are doing remarkable work!

### LEADERSHIP

# Time Tested Leadership Values

BY JOHN KEYSER

Influence is important, yet tricky, as it is something we should not intentionally pursue.

If we lead our life, including our business life, in a can-do, helpful and caring way, influence is likely to come to us, and that is the best way to gain it, not as a goal – let it come to us naturally!

Influence just comes to those who connect, motivate, inspire, are givers and who get things done.

Let's be a giver, not a taker, living a life of delivering value to others, living and thinking first about others. And guess what? Living this way, thinking of others, wanting to be of service and to help others, will result in a network of people who admire, respect and appreciate us and will want to help us when an opportunity arises – for ex-



JOHN KEYSER

ample, when we want to connect people to get something done.

Some people just know how to make these connections, and others don't, i.e. they just do not have the knack of connecting people who have common interests – and potentially influ-

ence and authority. If you strive to develop this sense, I strongly recommend reading *The Go-Giver*, a book I enjoyed a lot. Again, one should not seek getting to know the right people, those with influence and power, but rather it is best that these relationships come to us naturally through living our lives thinking about and helping others, connecting people, doing what we say we're going to do, and getting things done.

In business, relationships are important, for certain, and can come from doing small things. There are routine tasks that have to be done in any business, all organizations, all charities. What better way to become appreciated than showing a willingness to do these unglamorous, mundane jobs, and then doing them enthusiastically. Offer a "Sure, I'll do that," and people will be appreciative.

creative.

Earning respectful relationships, networking, supporting others more often than asking for support, knowing our boss's goals and priorities, and helping our boss succeed by getting involved and making things happen are important. Having influence can be huge because it enables us to get things done.

Hard work (remember, the luckier we get), offering ideas, getting the job done, naturally building a network, helping our boss succeed, and being a giver, will bring good things our way. We ourselves will succeed!

Let's become one who can deliver, make things happen, get the job done – and be assured that there will be a demand for us.

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- July 8 - Sweaty Yeti 5K Run
- July 20 - Food Truck Rally - Veteran's Park, Boyne City
- July 27-30 - Northern Michigan Antique-Flywheelers 36th Annual Tractor, Engine and Craft Show
- August 3-6 - Boyne Falls Polish Festival
- August 5-13 - Boyne City Pirate Festival
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# GRANTS

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Rural Health Center will purchase some items that will improve patient care and experience. The City of Charlevoix Recreation Department will use their grant to launch Charlevoix Fit, a new health and wellness initiative designed to increase physical activity outdoors. The City of Boyne City's EMS department will purchase a special basket for performing remote rescues on local bike trails, responding to the rising need as trail systems expand.

Mental health is big part of overall health and well-being, and it's getting a boost with two specific grants. Northern Michigan Equine Therapy uses the healing nature and movement of horses as a therapeutic tool to enhance independence, self-confidence, and quality of life for those living with physical and mental health needs. Their grant will help to support the therapy horses so that they can continue healing humans in Charlevoix County. Hospice of Michigan will use their grant toward their Grief Support Services, which are tailored to the unique, individual



needs of those who are grieving. Education provides a strong foundation for a community, from early childhood to post-secondary, and provides people with the skills and knowledge they need to be successful. Char-Em ISD's Great Start Collaborative and PoWer! Book Bags will both address education for our youngest residents. Great Start Collaborative will provide scholarships to families left out of other funding programs to help ensure that as many children as possible can attend quality preschool programs. PoWer! Book Bags provides literacy materials for families to read, play, write, and learn to-

gether. Providing these materials early on gives kids a boost for starting school.

On the other end of the school pipeline, students who want to get on the fast track to getting local jobs that pay a stable, livable wage will get a boost with the grant to North Central Michigan College. NCMC's Fast Track programs are non-credit, short, intensive courses that are designed to get students the skills and knowledge they need, quickly, so that they can join the workforce. With course topics like healthcare, manufacturing, skilled trades, and business, students will be able to help with the labor shortage by filling local jobs and at the same

time earn a livable wage to support their families.

Protecting and caring for our area's natural resources is another important piece of a healthy and thriving community. Little Traverse Conservancy will use their grant to acquire 56 acres of pristine forest on Lake Michigan and to build a universally accessible trail for all to enjoy the beauty and peacefulness of nature. The Village of Boyne Falls is teaming up with Conservation Resource Alliance to determine the fate of a more than 100-year-old dam which is becoming unsafe. Their grant will help them develop educational materials about the dam, the problems, and possible solutions.

Public safety will get a boost with a grant to the City of Boyne City's Police Department for the purchase of drones to assist in protection of life and preservation of property. Local journalism will also get backing, with a grant to the Beaver Island Historical Society to purchase some equipment necessary for the production of the Northern Islander newspaper.

Arts and history will also be supported through the Charlevoix Circle of Arts's grant for arts programs, and the Northern Michigan Antique Fly Wheelers's grant to replace their commercial grill, hopefully in time for this year's festival at the end of July.

Finally, recreation and community facilities will benefit from grants to Challenge Mountain for new ski instructor jackets, to the Charlevoix Area Community Pool for lifeguard training and equipment, to Crooked Tree Arts Center for renovations to the community theater, to East Jordan Public Schools for repairs and renovations to Boswell Stadium, and to the East Jordan Ambulance Association for building expansion designs.

In all, 21 organizations received grants through this year's Community Priorities grant cycle, totaling \$147,750. To see the full list

of grant awards from the 2023 Community Priorities grant cycle, visit [c3f.org](http://c3f.org).

The next grant cycle at C3F is Geographic Enrichment. Applications will be available after August 1, 2023. This cycle will focus on requests from eligible non-profit partners that serve the specific communities of Beaver Island, Boyne City, Charlevoix, and/or East Jordan. Applications are due by Sunday, October 1, 2023. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for grants anytime at [accousens@c3f.org](mailto:accousens@c3f.org). To make a financial gift to support any of these grant funds, please reach out to the foundation at 231-536-2440 or visit their website at [www.c3f.org](http://www.c3f.org).

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The above photos feature educators working with parents as part of the Charlevoix Family Literacy Project (credit: Toby Kahn-Loftus, Top of the Mitt Writing Project)

## MEA members forge family partnerships, help improve literacy in rural communities

CHARLEVOIX, Mich. — What started as a pilot program to engage families and communities in reading has created new bonds among students, parents and educators in rural communities across Northern Michigan.

Through the Family Literacy Projects, MEA members identified families in rural areas with higher rates of poverty to encourage students to read, and parents to read with their younger children. The program provided families with a collection of books to read and discuss at home, as well as web-based resources to inspire further

reading. “Literacy isn’t something that only takes place in the classroom between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., and it requires working partnerships between educators and families,” said MEA member Glen Young, a retired Petoskey High School English teacher and co-director of the Top of the Mitt Writing Project. “In order for literacy to thrive beyond the classroom, it has to involve the family — that could be parents, grandparents, siblings or other caretakers.” The project is part of a National Endowment for the Humanities grant awarded to the Top of the

Mitt Writing Project and brought together teachers, families and school administrators in the Boyne Falls, Pellston, Charlevoix, Alanson, and Grayling school districts. The books were geared primarily toward K-8 students, and the topics ranged from classic novels to more modern works. While the grant funding is only for the current school year, some volunteer educators plan to continue their working relationships with the families. “This project has been transformative for our parents and teachers,” said Jane Garver, a Charlevoix Teacher Leader. “We have

formed new relationships and bonded with parents over our shared love for their children. It has been a terrific experience for each of the families that took the plunge and participated. What a joy to celebrate reading and writing each week with our families.” “This program helped our family grow together in making lasting connections to one another using our words in different ways by writing,” said Jennifer Fruk, a Charlevoix parent. “They saw us, as parents, work on new styles of writing that challenged us and our children to talk together more easily about

their school experiences. We had fun and the skills we learned, the writing styles, and the books are still bringing joy to our family.” “The Family Literacy Project was a great success for me, personally, because it allowed me to understand that reading is an easy way to connect with my kids,” said Dave Grossi, also a Charlevoix parent. “It’s made the one last thing we do before bedtime a fun thing for the kids to look forward to.” “Learning doesn’t stop at the end of the school day, and our dedicated educators work tirelessly to build

partnerships with families to improve literacy in their communities,” said Chandra Madafferi, Michigan Education Association president-elect. “We applaud these hard-working educators and are excited to see our students love for reading improve across Northern Michigan.” To read Glen Young’s full story in the MEA Voice magazine on the grant project that included the Family Literacy Projects, visit <https://mea.org/northern-mi-grant-project-engages-students-families-educators-in-deeper-history/>.

## Public Safety Camp - search and rescue June 22

Next week, Char-Em ISD is hosting their three summer camps including the new Public Safety Academy, which culminates on Thursday, June 22, 2023, with a real-life search and rescue training operation involving numerous local law enforcement agencies and first responders. The search-and-rescue operation will center around Wilderness State Park in northern Emmet County, where the 8th-11th grade camp participants will team up with local and state law enforcement, Coast Guard, border patrol, EMS, DNR, and others in locating persons lost in the woods and injured after a mock boating acci-

dent. This is a drill only. With the amount of emergency response agencies participating, it will certainly draw the public’s attention. Here is a link to our website with additional camp details: <https://charemidca-reerecth.org/public-safety-academy/> Char-Em ISD is looking forward to this camp and exercise with local students and agencies! The goal is to spur interest in youth about careers in public safety. The project would not be possible without support of our local emergency response agencies in this endeavor.

## DNR moose survey shows stable population in U.P.

### Moose numbers are about the same as 2019

In survey results reported to the Michigan Natural Resources Commission in Roscommon this week, the moose population estimate for the western Upper Peninsula was not statistically different from the last moose survey conducted in 2019. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has been surveying the western U.P.’s core moose population since 1997, typically every other winter. The 2023 survey marks the first survey completed since 2019 due to scheduling conflicts associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

“The 2023 moose survey estimate was 426 individuals, which is not statistically different from the 2019 estimate of 509 individuals,” said Tyler Petroelje, northern Michigan wildlife research specialist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in Marquette. “This continues the trend of plateauing abundance where population growth over the last 12 years is now less than 1%.” Aerial moose surveys are conducted over core moose habitat areas during winter to identify and tally bulls, cows and calves. This past winter’s survey was conducted by the DNR during portions of January and February. The western U.P. moose core range covers about



Two moose are shown in an aerial view during a moose survey this past winter in Marquette County. (courtesy of DNR)

1,400 square miles in parts of Marquette, Baraga, and Iron counties. Moose were translocated there from Canada in two separate efforts in 1985 and 1987. The remainder of the U.P. is not surveyed for moose but some pockets of higher quality habitat are occupied by lesser numbers of moose, as seen in the eastern U.P. region. Moose have been observed there since the 1950s. During the 2023 winter survey, researchers tallied 212 individual moose, which was 20% fewer than the 266 moose observed on the 2019 survey. A point estimate indicated a 16% decline in moose abundance. “Looking at demographic data, with respect to previous surveys, we observed a

comparable – but low – cow-to-calf ratio and percentage of calf numbers,” Petroelje said. “A potentially concerning observation is the lesser percentage of twins seen during this survey (9%) compared to the 10-year average of 15%.” Petroelje said fewer twins, in combination with a lesser bull-to-cow ratio could point to a recruitment issue, which is the number of individuals added to a population over a given time by either births or immigration. DNR wildlife biologists will continue to monitor recruitment in the population in future surveys to determine whether a trend is developing or if 2023 was a poor calf year. “Another factor that has

affected the moose in the western U.P. is that 2022 was a high year for moose-vehicle crashes,” said John Pepin, DNR deputy public information officer in Marquette. “Collisions involved at least 20 moose last year in the western U.P. We remind motorists to watch for moose, especially when traveling at night.” With the Moose Hunting Advisory Council’s recommendation to only allow moose hunting if a growth rate of greater than 3% is maintained, the DNR is not recommending implementing a hunting season. The same was true over the past several survey result years. For more information on moose in Michigan, visit [Michigan.gov/Moose](https://Michigan.gov/Moose).



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## Charlevoix Conservation District Summer Kids Program

### ROCK AND ROLL, NATURE WANDS, BUGS, BUGS AND MORE BUGS

On Wednesday, June 14, June 21, and June 28, at 10:30 am at Old City Park. The Charlevoix Conservation District and the Boyne City Library worked to-

gether to provide a free nature program for kids. This month, we will do a geology project looking at different rocks and learning where they come from and where they get their shape. The following week, we will learn about how beautiful nature is and create our

very own nature wands. The week of June 28, we will learn how to observe and capture bugs. The programs are family-friendly but are geared towards ages 3-9. All three programs will start with a book and end with a fun activity. For more information, please

get in touch with Julie She-manski at 262-879-4290. The mission of the Charlevoix Conservation District is to promote natural resource conservation efforts in Charlevoix County through partnerships, community outreach, and landowner support.

## Jordan Art Walk to hold 3rd Annual Ribbon Cutting

Jordan Art Walk to hold 3rd Annual Ribbon Cutting on Wednesday, June 14, 10:00 AM starting at Memorial Park Bandshell. Six magnificent sculptures will be celebrated and welcomed to the Jordan Art Walk. Committee members Rich Dietrich, John Hunter,

Nancy Carey, Jaleesa O’Neal, Babs Young, Tom Cannon and Mary Faculak are thrilled to present the six new additions including two sculptures from out-of-state sculptors and the spectacular Jordan Valley Honor Star created by East Jordan High School Weld-

ing Class Students. The event will kick off at Memorial Park and attendees will walk to each new sculpture where the artist and their sponsor will cut a ribbon to officially welcome them to the walk. The public is invited to attend this exciting event.

Thank you to our 2023 Jordan Art Walk Sculpture Sponsors: East Jordan Lion’s Club, East Jordan Downtown Development Authority, Nancy and Mitch Carey, Pat and Rod Tinney, Family of Barb and Fred Malpass and Ellsworth Farmers Exchange.



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### STROLL THE STREETS

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## GAYLORD

### GUS MACKER

The nation's most popular 3 on 3 basketball tournament will be back in Gaylord at the Otsego County Sportsplex, 1250 Gornick Ave. Register on-line at [www.macker.com](http://www.macker.com)

## BOYNE CITY

### BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Enjoy networking and making new friends at Up North Imagewear Thurs, June 15, 5:30 - 8:00pm. Food featuring Luckey's Coney Island Dogs, adult libations, Make & Take your own screen printed t-shirt plus 50/50 raffle with a door prize. 50/50 will benefit Waterfront Field of Dreams. Public is welcomed. No charge.

## ELLSWORTH

### PIG ROAST

2023 Pig Roast "Family Style" June 16 and 17

## BOY HARBOR

### IN WATER BOAT SHOW

Over 80 in water boats and yachts plus on land exhibitors at Bay Harbor Marina, Father's Day weekend, June 16-18

## EAST JORDAN

### FATHER OF THE YEAR

The Rotary Club of East Jordan Father/Son Banquet is set for Saturday, June 17th at 6:00 PM. This will be the 100th Father/Son Banquet held in East Jordan. The event will be held in the East Jordan Middle/High School Cafeteria. The Father of the Year will be announced along with a wonderful dinner, fun and fellowship.

## CHARLEVOIX

### ROCK THE DOCK

Rock the Dock with Knee Deep Saturday, June 17, 6-9:30pm. 2nd annual Rock the Dock is back at the downtown Charlevoix Odmark Pavilion in East Park. Join us Father's Day weekend as Knee Deep rocks the marina and downtown with a great night of free music and dancing.

## BOYNE CITY

### FIRE DEPT. DONATION

Victoria (Chambers) Gauthier of Stackus Funeral Home presented Boyne City Fire Chief Dennis Amesbury a check for \$1,500, which will allow the Fire Department to purchase 13 brass markers that are placed on the graves of local firefighters. The markers also hold a BC Fire Department flag that flies over the grave.

## EAST JORDAN

### DONATE TO THE FREEDOM FESTIVAL FIREWORKS

The East Jordan Freedom Festival needs you!! With the high prices of everything in the world, it's no different for our fireworks this year. The 2023 Freedom Festival Fireworks Show this year will cost over \$40,000 and we need your help to reach this goal. We have made it super easy for you to donate. Just visit the Freedom Festival Website and you can donate by credit card or PayPal. [www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org](http://www.eastjordanfreedomfestival.org)

## CHARLEVOIX

### BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

June 21, 5-7 pm at Charlevoix Golf Club, 400 Fairway Drive. Catered by Black Market Foods. After, After Hours music by Hannah Von Bernthal. Bring a cooler and relax from 6:30 - 8:30pm

## PETOSKEY

### MEDIATION CELEBRATION PARTY

Northern Community Mediation's first annual "Mediation Celebration" fundraiser is scheduled for Thursday, June 22, at Emmet County Fairgrounds Community Building. The party starts at 5:30pm and The Easy Picks take the stage at 6 pm with Suzy Cartwright doing some line dancing songs and then Levittor rocks it from 8 pm to 9:30. There is an optional "Fun in the Sun" themed costume contest too with cash

prizes for the best group and best individual costumes. Admission is two \$20 gift cards. Each gift card becomes a raffle prize - 5 to a bundle (\$100 value) and we'll be drawing winners all night long. Be sure to check out the many local businesses offering perks to buy your card there. Admission includes terrific food - two bands - and reserved drink and raffle ticket bundles are available at a deep discount. Contact NCM at 231.487.1771 for more information, details and tickets - and click here for online details including the ever growing list of businesses offering perks to buy your gift card from them! <https://link.edgepilot.com/s/48e6d702/ZHE3N82EW0ewKid7PZWUZQ?u=https://www.northernmediation.org/mediationcelebration>

## NORWOOD

### DAIRY FARM TOUR

Join Norwood Centennial Farms for a dairy farm tour this summer. Norwood Centennial Farm, a family owned 5th generation dairy farm, is the Charlevoix area's newest farm to tour with five tour dates available this summer. Tours last approximately 1.5 hours and customers will be able to pet a calf and see milking in progress, and learn about farm land stewardship and conservation efforts. Tours will take guests through all areas of the farm while educating on the farm operation. Great for all ages! Tickets are \$20 ages 3 and up, tours limited to 20 people per tour, so book early. At the end of the tour, Norwood Centennial Farm will have their beef sticks available for purchase. Tours run rain or shine, check online for dates and to book your spot. [norwoodcentennialfarms.com](http://norwoodcentennialfarms.com)

## EAST JORDAN

### A Toast to No Hunger

Friday, June 23 at East Jordan Boat House, 204 Water St. Cocktail 6:30, Dinner & Event 7:30-Midnight. Dinner Catered By Stiggs Brewery and Kitchen. Sponsored By: High-five Spirits, Muskrat Distillery, Stiggs Brewery, Decka Digital, Sous Sol Wine, Farley Promo, Niki Shaw Henry Fox Sales Associate. Live Music From : Cross Cut Kings. Individual Tickets \$165. To reserve your sponsorship or for more information contact Natasha! Stiggs 231-497-6100, Cell 231-881-5605. [natasha@stiggsbrewingcompany.com](mailto:natasha@stiggsbrewingcompany.com). Stiggs-Feed-A-Friend.org

## CHARLEVOIX

### CHARLEVOIX FIT

How can the Charlevoix Recreation Department keep community members engaged and on the path to a healthier lifestyle? Perhaps the introduction of new fitness, wellness, and mindfulness programming will be the way to start. We are proud to introduce our new initiative, Charlevoix Fit. Starting in June, we will be offering a variety of classes, experiences, and events that we hope will encourage a healthier lifestyle for our residents. These classes will have a variety of Health, Fitness, and Wellness components to them. For more information, go to [charlevoix.recdesk.com](http://charlevoix.recdesk.com), or call 231-547-3253

## WALLOON LAKE

### NATIVE PLANT SALE

June 24, 10am - 1pm on the front lawn at the Walloon Lake Association and Conser-

vancy, 4060 N. M-75

## EAST JORDAN

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Register for the Jordan Valley District Library summer reading program for children ages 2 to 11 years old. Each reader will receive a bag of BEE KIND themed prizes with activities. Readers who complete the program will receive a McDonald's gift certificate and discount to The Detroit Zoo. BEE programs will be once a month in June, July and August.

## CHARLEVOIX

### CHARLEVOIX POOL FUNDRAISER

Tickets are now available for the Aqua Silver Gala, the Charlevoix Area Community Pool's annual fundraiser. The event is Wednesday, June 28, at the Charlevoix Yacht Club Event Hall from 6 to 9 pm. Tickets are \$125 pp and include piano music, a sit-down plated dinner, live and silent auctions and a cash bar. All proceeds benefit the pool now celebrating 25 years as a non-profit community resource providing indoor aquatic fitness, swim lessons and fun for all ages. Call the pool to make a reservation at 231-547-0982.

## CHARLEVOIX

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

St. Mary Parish is hosting Vacation Bible School for children in grades 1-5. Monday, June 26 - Friday, June 30 from 9am-12pm. Cost is \$45. Contact Liz Gengle with questions, [egengle@stmaryschoolcharlevoix.org](mailto:egengle@stmaryschoolcharlevoix.org). Forms can be found at the following link. [www.stmarycharlevoix.com](http://www.stmarycharlevoix.com)

## BOYNE CITY

### 4TH OF JULY PARADE

Boyne City celebrates Independence Day better than anyone in the north. However, it takes a lot of help from volunteers to organize this great event. Planning has begun for our wonderful Boyne City 4th of July Celebration! This incredible event would not happen without the support of our community and volunteers! If you can help, please do! Contact the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce to offer your help.

## ELLSWORTH

### CONCERTS

Concerts on the Ellsworth Community Square every Wednesday Night—7 p.m. beginning June 28th

## CHARLEVOIX

### BEAUTIFUL CHARLEVOIX

The Charlevoix Area Garden Club is sponsoring a program to recognize those businesses and civic organizations that have the most attractive outdoor natural plant displays. The plants can be in window boxes, containers located outside the business, or in a garden. Members of the Garden Club will judge the displays the last week of June and award certificates for excellence in various categories.

## EAST JORDAN

### SWEATY YETI

Race Day - July 8. Boswell Stadium - East Jordan High School. 5K - Our in-person race is professionally timed and starts at 8 am. All regis-

trations will be moved to virtual in the event an in-person event cannot be held. Register at [www.sweatyetirun.com/registration-info](http://www.sweatyetirun.com/registration-info). 1 Mile Fun Run - This event starts after the 5K, at 9am. 5K/Virtual \$35

## BOYNE CITY

### FREE CLINIC

The Boyne Area Free Clinic is now accepting Medicaid. Open Fridays, 8am - 4pm

## EAST JORDAN

### COMMUNITY BAND

The Jordan Valley Community Band is looking for new members, all musicians welcome! We especially would like to have you join us if you play French Horn, Trombone or Clarinet. The Jordan Valley Community Band plays concerts on Thursday evenings in July at 7:30 PM in the East Jordan Memorial Park Bandshell. For more information or questions about joining the band, contact Becky at 231-675-0543. The Jordan Valley Community Band will once again be part of the East Jordan Jubilee of Trees for 501-C3's. Please join us at The Boathouse on Lake Charlevoix, Saturday, November 26 from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM where the band will be performing your favorite Christmas Carols.

## BOYNE CITY

### HDSA FUN WALK

Help for today, hope for tomorrow in the battle against Huntington's Disease. Join us for a fun walk Saturday, July 29. Registration at 9am, walk begins at 10am at the Boyne City pavilion at Veterans Park. Registration is \$20. Deadline to be guaranteed a t-shirt is June 20. Reserve your spot at [www.hdsa.org/thwboynecity](http://www.hdsa.org/thwboynecity)

## EAST JORDAN

### PORTSIDE ART FAIR

Calling all artists. Save the date, Saturday & Sunday, August 5th & 6th, 10AM - 4PM both days. Elm Pointe will be the location for this fabulous art fair. A call for artist is currently taking place, so if you are an artist or know someone that would like to be a part of this show please visit [portsideartfair.org](http://portsideartfair.org) or call to Christine Wilhelm 231-675-4841 or email Christine at [christinewilhelm63@gmail.com](mailto:christinewilhelm63@gmail.com)

## BOYNE CITY

### FREE FLU SHOTS

Boyne City EMS has a large stock of flu shots and would like to share them with the public. They are now available free of charge at the EMS garage next to City Hall. To make an appointment please call EMS 231-582-9535, text 231-350-2589 or email [EMS@boynecity.com](mailto:EMS@boynecity.com). If you are homebound, we will come to your home to give you your flu shot.

## BOYNE CITY

### ARCHERY RANGE

The Archery Range on the back side of Avalanche Park is set up with 25 targets ready for public use. The entrance to the Archery Range is off of Pleasant Avenue. Thanks to Barney Hess for setting up the targets as he has done for several years

## CHARLEVOIX

### SUMMERTIME MUSIC AT THE CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC

## LIBRARY

SummerFolk Concert Series:

- July 10th: Kate Hinote Trio
- August 14th: Even Archambo
- September 11th: Jack & Gary
- Jazz At the Library (JATL)
- July 5th: Nancy Stagnitta
- July 12th: Bill & Laurie Sears
- July 26th: Mike & Michelle Davis
- August 2nd: Crispin Campbell
- August 9th: Little Big Band
- August 16th: Family & Friends

## CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

### CASH RAFFLE

The Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce, Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce, and East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce serve this function for Charlevoix County, energizing the County and encouraging economic activity throughout the region. One lucky Chamber Champion will win \$10,000 CASH! Additionally, two lucky Chamber Champions will win either \$2,000 or \$1,000 Cash! Drawing will take place on November 3rd at Castle Farms and will be livestreamed on the Chambers' Facebook page. Only 400 tickets are being offered for purchase at \$100.00 each. To purchase a ticket, call Charlevoix Area Chamber at 231-547-2101, East Jordan Area Chamber at 231-536-7351 or Boyne Area Chamber at 231-582-6222

## EAST JORDAN

### FARMERS MARKET

The East Jordan Farmers Market is every Thursday. Hours 10am - 2pm at the East Jordan Tourist Park.

## BOYNE CITY

### FARMERS MARKET

Every Saturday at Veterans Park, 8am - Noon. Fresh produce, live music, local artwork, artisan food, kids corner and more.

## CHARLEVOIX

### FARMERS MARKET

The Farmers market is now open for the season every Thursday from 8AM - 1PM on Bridge Street, downtown Charlevoix

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### Caitlyn Burks

East Jordan Red Devils Softball

The East Jordan Red Devil softball team advanced through district play in to the Regional tournament. In the regional semi-final East Jordan lost to Onekama. However, not without some fireworks from freshmen Caitlyn Burks. Caitlyn hit a grand slam in the fourth inning and she also had a single.



### Sam Pletcher

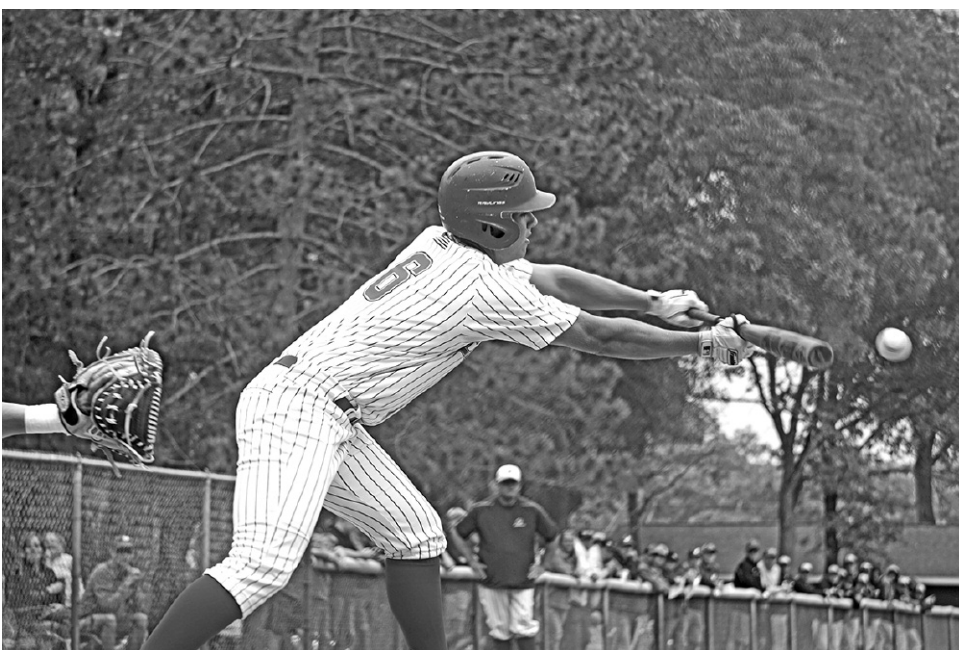
Charlevoix Rayders Golf

The Charlevoix Rayder golf team placed 4th in division 4 of the state finals in the MHSAA Golf tournament. The Rayders were led by Sam Pletcher, as the senior took sixth place with scores of 76 and 77.

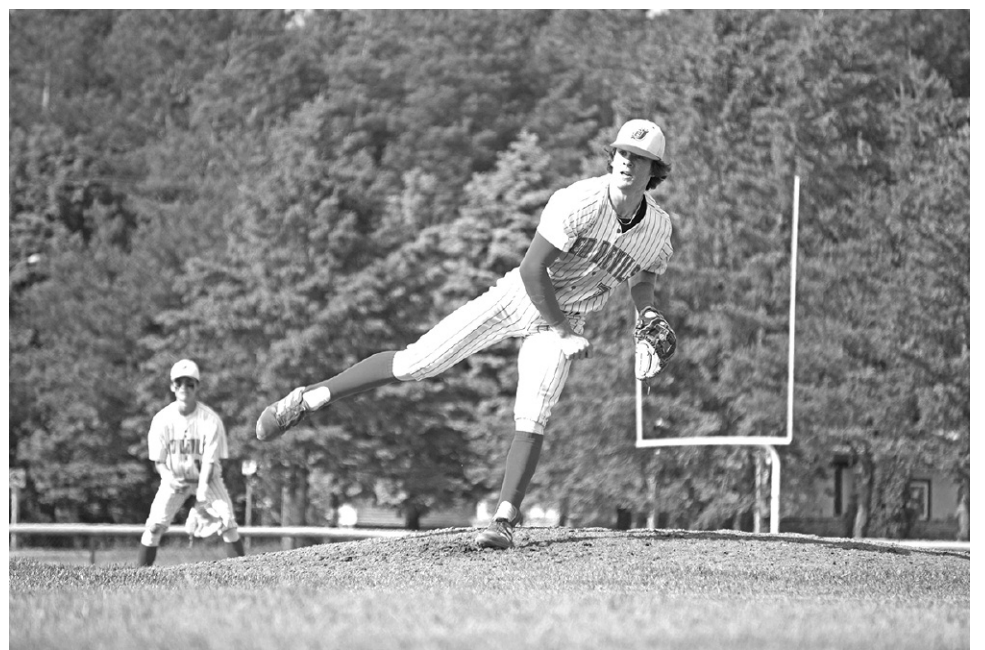
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## BASEBALL



Red Devil Steven Anderson lays down a bunt. Photo by Miranda McFall



Dawson Carey went three innings to get the win. He gave up three runs on three hits, struck out six and walked two. Photo by Miranda McFall



East Jordan catcher catches a pop up. Photo by Miranda McFall



Ethan Thomas takes a lead from first base. Photo by Miranda McFall

# East Jordan beats St. Mary in regional baseball semi-final, fall to Painesdale Jeffers in final

BY BEN MURPHY

### PAINESDALE JEFFERS REGIONAL FINAL

East Jordan's memorable baseball season unfortunately came to an end on Saturday. The Red Devils were taking on Painesdale Jeffers in a Division 4 regional championship game at Inland Lakes, and struggled to get much going offense and as a result dropped the contest on a score of 2-0.

"Whereas I'm bummed that our run is over, I am

extremely proud of this talented group of young ballplayers," head coach Tom Reid said. "Jeffers is a good team that does all the little things right and the boys have nothing to hang their heads about. It has been 14 years since East Jordan has gone this deep in the tournament and it was a heckuva ride to be able to share with my guys."

Painesdale Jeffers scored both of their runs in the second inning, successfully converting on two safety squeeze plays. East Jordan had its best

scoring chance in the fourth inning, when it loaded the bases but were unable to get anyone home.

Korbyn Russell took the loss, going six innings and giving up two runs on five hits (three on bunts), while striking out seven and walking three.

The offense had singles from Dawson Carey, Connor Boyer and Eli Burns.

## SEE MORE PHOTOS FROM EAST JORDAN BASEBALL REGIONAL PLAY ON PAGE 14A

### GAYLORD ST. MARY REGIONAL SEMI-FINAL

On Wednesday, June 7 East Jordan was able to hang on for a win over host Gaylord St. Mary, 9-6 in a regional semi-final contest.

"I am super stoked for the boys," Reid said after the win. "What a great team win."

Carey went three innings to get the win. He gave up three runs on three hits, struck out six and walked two. He left with a 9-1 lead. Russell entered the game and went three and one-third innings and gave up five runs, two earned on four hits, four strikeouts and three walks. Carey also got the final two outs of the

game. The offense had Burns get two singles, one double and one RBI, Russel had a double, a single and two RBI, Brenden Aenis had two RBI singles, Ethan Thomas and Steven Anderson had two singles each and Carey also hit a double.

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## BASEBALL

# Charlevoix falls to Standish-Sterling in regional final, 10-6

## Shutout Grayling 6-0 in semi-final

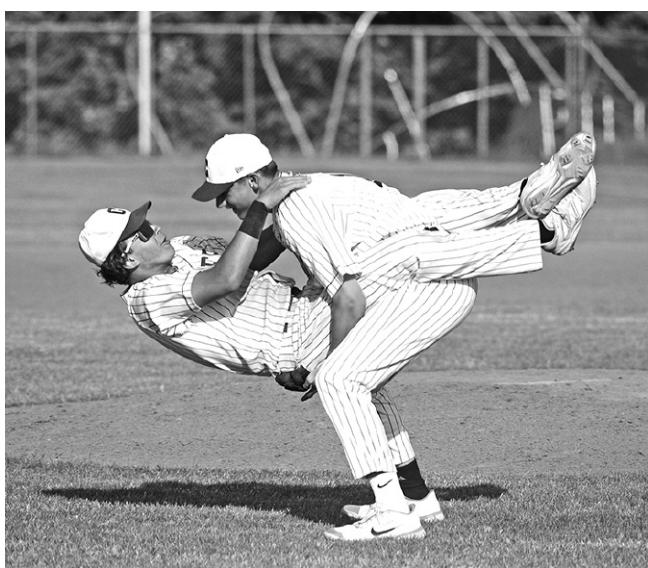
BY BEN MURPHY

### STANDISH-STERLING REGIONAL FINAL

The Charlevoix baseball team saw their post-season magic come to an end on Saturday. The Rayders were taking on Standish-Sterling in a Division 3 regional championship game at Traverse City on Saturday, and they came up on the short end, 10-6.

The Rayders had their offense led by Ryan Pearl, who had a double, two singles and one RBI, Patrick Sterrett had a hit and two RBI, Hunter Lemerand had a single, scored a run and had one RBI and Owen Waha singled and scored a run. Bryce Johnson also had an RBI and came around to score a run.

### GRAYLING REGIONAL SEMI-FINAL



Charlevoix players celebrate after winning the game. (Photo: Todd VanSickle)

On Wednesday, June 7 Charlevoix played its regional semi-final game at home against Grayling, claiming a 6-0 win.

Johnson started the game, to get the win. He went three innings of shutout ball and gave up three hits, struck out six and walked one. Waha went four innings and didn't allow a hit or a walk, while striking out eight.

As for the offense, Austin Spiegl had a triple, two singles, one RBI, a stolen base and two runs, Sterrett had two hits, two RBI and one run, Troy Nickel had one hit, one run and one steal, Waha had two RBI and Pearl drove in one. Pearl also reached twice on walks and managed to steal one base.

For Grayling, their hits came from Owen Triebold,



Charlevoix pitcher Owen Waha went four innings and didn't allow a hit or a walk, while striking out eight in the win over Grayling. (Photo: Todd VanSickle)

Corbin Allen and Brodie Gross.

## SOFTBALL

# Onekama too much, hands East Jordan 15-5 loss in regional play

BY BEN MURPHY

Fresh off their impressive performance in district action a week earlier, the East Jordan softball team had hoped to keep things going on Saturday in Division 4 regional action. The Lady Red Devils were unable to slow down opposing Onekama however, resulting in a 15-5 (five inning) season ending loss in a contest held at Lake Leelanau St. Mary.

"I'm very proud of our girls' effort," head coach Meg Kitson said. "They represented our town great. We competed hard with Lake Leelanau St. Mary. This team showed great grit and determination. We had 10 more wins than

last year."

Onekama was able to score two runs in both the bottom of the first and second innings and also scored a run in the third to make it 5-0. East Jordan had its best inning in the top of the fourth, tying the game with five runs.

Onekama ended the game with six runs in the bottom of the fourth and four more in the bottom of the fifth.

Lizzie Pop took the loss, giving up four hits, striking out one and walking five. Skylar Barnett and Sydney Guerrero also saw time in the circle.

The offense saw Caitlyn Burks hit a grand slam in the fourth, and she also had a single. Lillian Stone, Pop, Lindsey Cross and Avary



CAITLYN BURKS



COACH MEG KITSON

Wilson all had one hit apiece.

The game not only ends the season, but it ends the lengthy career of Kitson, who announced she was stepping away from the team after the game.

"After 34 years in the program, 30 years as

varsity coach, I'm hanging it up," Kitson said. "It is hard to imagine my life without softball, but it is time. I'm super grateful to all of my kids this year. They were a great bunch of girls to coach."

## GOLF

# Charlevoix golf plays well at state finals, earns fourth place finish

BY BEN MURPHY

The Charlevoix golf team took on the best in Division 4 on Friday and Saturday. The Rayders performed quite well too, as they were able to take fourth place at the state finals, held at Bed-

ford Valley in Battle Creek.

They hit a 329 on Friday and a 328 on Saturday for a two day total of 657. In the 18 team event, Clarkston Everest Collegiate won the championship with a 625. Hillsdale Academy was second with 642 and

Glen Lake was third with a 650.

The Rayders were led by Sam Pletcher, as the senior took sixth place with scores of 76 and 77. Junior Hudson Vollmer was able to take 16th with scores of 80 and 81. Freshman Bryce Boss finished in 33rd with tal-

lies of 85 and 85 and sophomore Emmett Bergmann placed 40th by carding rounds of 88 and 85.

Junior Henry Herzog played one round and hit an 88 and Jack Herzog played one round and hit a 92.

## BASKETBALL

# 3 on 3 Basketball tournament is coming back to Gaylord

GAYLORD – Gus Macker Basketball is returning to Gaylord, June 24 – 25 at the Otsego County Sportsplex.

Gus Macker Tournaments are designed for basketball players who love the fun of the driveway game – male or female, from age 7 to 70-plus, short and tall, the most experienced or those with little or no experience who just want to play. Teams are computer-matched into male and female divisions in one of three categories: Junior, Adult, or Top. The age, height and experience of all four players on each team are considered in bracketing. Teams receive at least three scheduled games each tournament. Gus Macker is a double-



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food concession sales, special events and other on-site activities. The total amount donated to local charities by the local committees has steadily increased over the past few years. Gus Macker estimates that since 1987 – approximately \$16 million has been raised for worthwhile local charities.

Family fun in a festival atmosphere is always the goal of a Gus Macker Tournament, and we proudly serve as the most popular basketball tournament for outdoor play in downtown streets, parking lots and community parks across the country.

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## GOLF



The Charlevoix Rayder golf team placed 4th in division 4 of the state finals in the MHSAA Golf tournament. The Rayders were led by Sam Pletcher, as the senior took sixth place with scores of 76 and 77.

# State Boys Golf Tourney

### DIVISION 2 STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT

PL	INDIVIDUAL RESULTS	RD 1	RD 2 TOTAL
1	Lorenzo Pinili, Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice	64	70 134
2	Robert Burns, Flint Powers Catholic	68	73 141
3	Kole Putnam, Gaylord	73	71 144
3	Jacob Marohn, Stevensville Lakeshore	71	73 144
5	Dylan Clark, Grand Rapids Christian	73	73 146

### 2023 MHSAA LP DIVISION 3 BOYS GOLF FINALS

PL	Individual Qualifiers	RD 1	RD 2 TOTAL
1	Matthew Sokorai, Grand Rapids Catholic	71	70 141
2	Will Preston, Grand Rapids Catholic Central	72	76 148
3	Max Shulman, Ann Arbor Greenhills	72	77 149
3	Jeffrey Sager, Alma	74	75 149
5	Ashton DiBlasi, Saginaw Swan Valley	77	75 152
6	Alex Kaems, Tawas	78	76 154
7	Ethan Rule, Lansing Catholic	78	77 155
7	Sam Murphy, Lansing Catholic	81	74 155
9	Cameron Bozyk, Adrian Madison	78	78 156
10	Jacob Scharp, Manistee	76	81 157
63	Cooper Swikoski, 12 - Kalkaska	83	93 176

### DIVISION 4 STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT

PL	TEAM RESULTS	RD 1	RD 2 TOTAL
1	Clarkston Everest Collegiate	315	310 625
2	Hillsdale Academy	325	317 642
3	Maple City Glen Lake	335	315 650
4	Charlevoix	329	328 657
4	Kalamazoo Christian	338	329 667

### CHARLEVOIX

Sam Pletcher, 12	76	77	153
Hudson Vollmer, 11	80	81	161
Bryce Boss, 9	85	85	170
Emmett Bergmann, 10	88	85	173
Henry Herzog, 11	88	92	180
Jack Herzog, 12	88	92	180

PL	INDIVIDUAL RESULTS	RD 1.	RD 2.	TOTAL
1	Remy Stalcup, Clarkston Everest Collegiate	70	72	142
2	Parker Stalcup, Clarkston Everest Collegiate	76	72	148
3	Rykert Frisinger, Hillsdale Academy	76	74	150
3	Blake O'Connor, Maple City Glen Lake	78	72	150
5	Ridley Fast, Hillsdale Academy	77	75	152
6	<b>Sam Pletcher, Charlevoix</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>153</b>
13	Jonathan Ringstrom, 12 - East Jordan	85	75	160
19	Carson Chumbler, 12 - Harbor Springs	81	82	163
76	Olin Alonzi, 12 - Harbor Springs	90	95	185



## CYCLING

# KIDS PEDALING WITH A PURPOSE INVOLVES HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS

Cindy Okerlund was on her bicycle and she was at a crossroad - not the paved kind with stop signs, but the type many people encounter following retirement.

It was 2015 and she'd just ended her 27-year teaching career at Harbor Springs Public Schools. Feeling fulfilled, but exhausted, she and her husband, Matt Tamm, who also retired from teaching (Petoskey High School), knew it was time to step out of the classroom.

They were done with traditional school-based teaching; that much was certain. They needed to rest but weren't ready to shelve their love for working with kids.

Their own children were closing in on adulthood and their rigorous years teaching were tapering off. How would the couple fill their free time with worthwhile activities that might also generate income?

Okerlund continued to pedal her bike on a local trail, which was and continues to be a beloved years-long family pastime they'd enjoyed locally and in their summer travels.

"I had such a passion for teaching, but I was just tired," Okerlund, who'd taught health education and biology, confided. "Let's just say, as I reflect back on my teaching career, I wouldn't hesitate to do it again; but it's totally OK that the traditional teaching chapter of my life has closed."

But for her, retiring - simply no longer going to work - was the easy part. Even in her self-described, post-work "recovery year" Okerlund wrestled with doubts about the practical effect, if any, she'd had on nearly three decades worth of students.

"I left public education pretty disheartened about some things," she said. "You wonder, 'How much did you really touch these kids? How much impact did you have?'"

One of Okerlund's sore spots was her perception of a rise in kids with sedentary lifestyles, worsened, she said, by the growing influence of electronic devices like smartphones, video games, and of course, television.

As time passed in her teaching years, she watched students gradually become less active and more overweight, changes seen in all ages across our country in recent decades.

She said she always tried to set a positive example for students by personally engaging in an active lifestyle. But, while her efforts may have inspired some, it didn't stop the sedentary trend, nor the corresponding rise in Type 1 (sometimes referred to as juvenile) diabetes.

As Okerlund's contemplative bike rides continued through her first year of retirement, the gears in her brain started clicking as she cranked out the miles.

She struck upon an idea that would allow her to continue working with kids in a physically active, educational way - but outdoors on a bike - not in a traditional classroom.

It's known as experiential education. Educators purposefully engage with learners in direct experience and focused reflection in order to increase knowledge, develop skills, clarify values, and develop people's capacity to contribute to their communities.

The concept of "Kids Pedaling with a Purpose" was born. Okerlund went on to serve as the idea's mother and midwife, not only conceiving the idea but willing it into existence using her knowledge, experience, and determination.

Impeccably organized,



Kids Pedaling with a Purpose Director Cindy Okerlund (center) welcomes Emmet County fourth graders to Spring Lake Park in Petoskey.



A student rides a powered side-by-side bicycle with a volunteer at Spring Lake Park. The Kids Pedaling with a Purpose program has a variety of adaptive bicycle, quad cycles and "tag-alongs" that allow kids of all bicycling abilities to participate in the program.



Kids Pedaling with a Purpose Director Cindy Okerlund works through a bicycling safety video with fourth grade students. The program is part of the Top of Michigan Trails Council.

pragmatic, and with a keen eye for detail, Okerlund, known as Ms. O. to the kids and "Mother Bike" to her core volunteers, decided she could develop a field day for students that would see them, first and foremost, engage in significant exercise.

A lover of Northern Michigan's vast non-motorized trail system, she envisioned a bicycling-based experiential day outside the classroom for fourth graders in Emmet County and the city of Charlevoix.

A fleet of 30 bicycles and helmets would be needed, along with dozens of volunteers, and, crucially, financial support.

Okerlund spent a year writing the curriculum, using her wealth of education experience to ensure the program gelled with Michigan's core educational standards. Lessons in fitness, health, science, social studies, math, map reading, native and invasive species and local Odawa history are all baked into this day-long bike riding field trip.

Offered at both public and private schools, Pedaling with a Purpose is a two-part program. Okerlund and her core volunteer team evaluate students' bike riding abilities in the winter, then lead them on all-day educational bike rides in the spring.

Not only would the program be educationally substantive, it also wouldn't cost the schools a dime - except their transport of students to and from Spring Lake Park, where the biking field trips in May and early June start and finish.

Finding the Funding For Okerlund, creating the program's curriculum was the least of her concerns. While the Trails Council acts as the program's fiduciary partner, it doesn't finance Pedaling with a Purpose. Okerlund had to find her own funding.

A \$10,000 grant from the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, along with \$13,500 in combined grants from the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Community Foundation, and gifts from other local businesses and community people,

launched the program in 2017. It ran successfully for three years, then COVID hit.

The program's bike fleet sat idle in 2020 and 2021, but it was during this time that Walloon Lake residents John and Diane Harris stepped in. John said their family giving plan dovetailed nicely with Kids Pedaling with a Purpose.

An avid bike and ski racer, John's interest in physical fitness was the stimulus for two health and wellness companies he and Diane built and later sold.

"Spending time talking to Cindy, it was clear they were struggling with fundraising," John said. "Fundraising was taking them away from the things they should be doing. We decided to step up and make a matching gift offer - enough money to make the program last five years. It's a good program and we wanted to help it be great."

In their businesses, John and Diane noted that their clients were mainly older people who hadn't learned the benefits of good diet and exercise.

"Through Pedaling with a Purpose," John, who has volunteered on the student rides and in the classroom, explained, "We're trying to impact kids' view of physical health by getting them on bikes. The idea of this had great appeal to us. The program's wellness component and introducing kids to it at a young age were two major factors for us."

News of this funding breakthrough elated Okerlund, someone in whom John and Diane have great faith.

Schools Embrace Program

At Sheridan Elementary School in Petoskey, Principal Mark Oberman said his students have fun pedaling and learning.

"Our kids really get excited about the opportunity to either hone their bicycling skills, or learn the basics of riding a bike," he said. "It is very special for them to do it in the safety of our schools, and they love being able to ride bikes in the gym! The trip itself is outstanding. Our students really enjoy the interac-



Mike Skirvin of Petoskey (left) leads students on a test ride at Spring Lake Park prior to setting out for Oden State Fish Hatchery on the North Western State Trail.



Patrick Affholter of Petoskey, one of the program's core volunteers, helps a student mount a bicycle in the school gymnasium. A key part of the Kids Pedaling with a Purpose is winter bicycling ability evaluations and safety education.



In addition to biking eight miles, students also walk a mile as they tour Oden State Fish Hatchery with DNR Interpreter Christine Steensma.



Walloon Lake residents John and Diane Harris not only help finance Kids Pedaling with a Purpose, they're also program volunteers.

tions with all of the volunteers and Ms. O. and the ride on the North Western State Trail to Oden is truly a highlight of their fourth grade year."

Popular and easy though it may be for some students, Oberman said not all his fourth graders possess the same cycling skills.

"A surprisingly high number of our students have minimal experience riding bicycles, especially around our amazing local Wheelway and trails," Oberman said.

This fact is supported by Okerlund's own numbers.

A fastidious data collector, Okerlund compiles statistics each year so she can chart progress. Her '22-'23 school year stats reveal that 86.4 percent of Emmet County (and the city of Charlevoix) fourth graders (319 of 360) were able to safely ride a bike. In all, 41 students (13.6 percent) couldn't ride a bike or struggled with it and needed accommodation to join the spring field trip.

In the winter months, Okerlund and her core team of volunteers visit every school, teaching in the classroom and testing every student's biking ability in their gyms. They then return to every school a second time to work with

struggling riders.

She is quick to point out that students aren't forced to participate. Rather, the program is offered in a "challenge by choice" format, in which kids can decide for themselves whether or not they want to do it.

Students without bike riding skills are anything but left out. Okerlund has a variety of adaptive cycling equipment, including "tag-alongs", tandem bikes, and a battery powered pedal-assist side-by-side bicycle. These options mean all students, regardless of their abilities, can participate, if they so choose.

"Kids Pedaling with a Purpose gives students the skills and confidence to explore something new," Oberman said, "And we see so much joy in so many of our students as their abilities on the bike grow."

The humble Okerlund, whose work on the program won her the League of Michigan Bicyclists' 2018 Bicycle Educator Award, accepts some credit, but pours praise on her legions of loyal volunteers, most of them retired professionals who help her conduct the program.

Her list of volunteers has grown to over 100 since the program's inception. Her core volunteers, who have

each donated countless hours, include Kate Scollin, Patrick Affholter, Rob Monroe and Mike Skirvin.

"The blending of generations has really captured me," she said. "Here you have this generation of kids who I'm really worried about. Then there are these awesome retired people. They love the outdoors. They love to bike. And they love kids. That is special."

"I feel the Pedaling with a Purpose program is a win-win for everyone involved, the young and the young-at-heart. Its success thus far can be witnessed in both age groups."

To learn more about Kids Pedaling with a Purpose, please visit [www.trails council.org](http://www.trails council.org).

## A DAY WITH KIDS PEDALING WITH A PURPOSE

Kids Pedaling with a Purpose is a day-long field trip for Emmet County and the city of Charlevoix fourth graders that's designed to engage kids in significant exercise in an experiential outdoor classroom.

This school year's program concluded June 7.

Each all-day educational bike ride starts at Spring Lake Park. Students arrive by school bus at 9 a.m., and after donning bicycle helmets and bright vests, they rotate through four 15-minute classes: map reading, trail etiquette and riding safely with a group, a nature hike, and a practice ride on the bike that they will be riding that day with a volunteer.

A brief bicycle mechanics lesson is also taught.

Once the classes are complete, kids and volunteers mount their bikes and ride to the Hiawatha historical site on Round Lake, which is just off the North Western State Trail. At that site they have a history lesson on the Hiawatha pageants that were held there in the early 1900s.

Included in this storytelling lesson are the assimilation challenges that the Odawa people faced during that time. This history lesson is often taught by Eric Hemenway, the director of repatriation, archives and records for the Little Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

This stop at Round Lake also includes another short history lesson, often presented by Lisa Loyd, daughter of the late Horace "Huffy" Huffman.

Huffy was a retired bicycle maker and later executive of the Huffy Bicycle Corp., founded by his father, Horace Huffman Sr., in 1924.

Inspired by his love for northwest lower Michigan, Huffy devoted much of his retired life to establishing and growing Little Traverse Conservancy, Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, and the Top of Michigan Trails Council.

From Round Lake, the fourth graders ride north to Oden State Fish Hatchery for a lunch picnic and a tour led by DNR Hatchery Interpreter Christine Steensma. Steensma teaches the hatchery's history, purpose and production of rainbow and brown trout that are raised to stock area lakes.

Students also learn about fish reproductive cycles and are shown giant tanks holding trout in various life stages. Not only do kids get to see large trout in crystal clear ponds, Steensma also lets them feed the fish, a delight for students.

Once the tour is complete, volunteers and students pedal back to Spring Lake Park.

In all, kids hike over a mile and ride bikes eight miles while absorbing age-appropriate lessons that conform to the state's core educational standards.



## BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

### REGIONAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS FOR BOYS BASEBALL

<p><b>DIVISION 2</b></p> <p>6/7 Sault Ste. Marie 1 vs. Petoskey 9 Newaygo 3 vs. Spring Lake 10 6/10 Regional Final – Spring Lake 5 vs. Petoskey 0 Quarter Final 6/10, Ada Forest Hills Eastern 7 vs. Spring Lake 2 Semi Finals and final at MSU-Drayton McLane Baseball Stadium - East Lansing Semi Final</p>	<p>6/16, 9:00am Final 6/17, 2:30pm</p> <p><b>DIVISION 3</b></p> <p>6/7 Standish-Sterling 3 vs. Clare 0 Charlevoix 6 vs. Grayling 0 6/10 Regional final – Standish-Sterling 10 vs. Charlevoix 6 Quarter Final – Standish-Sterling 5 vs. Gladstone 4 Semi Finals and Final at MSU-Drayton</p>	<p>McLane Baseball Stadium - East Lansing Semi Final 6/15, 5:00pm Final 6/17, 11:30am</p> <p><b>DIVISION 4</b></p> <p>6/7 Rogers City 9 vs. Alcona 0 Rudyard 5 vs. Inland Lakes 0 6/10 Regional Final – Rudyard 12 vs. Rogers City 0 6/7</p>	<p>East Jordan 9 vs. Gaylord St. Mary 6 6/10 Regional Final – Painesdale Jeffers 2 vs. East Jordan 0 Quarter Finals – Rudyard 7 vs. Painesdale Jeffers 4 Semi Finals and Final at MSU-Drayton McLane Baseball Stadium - East Lansing Semi Final 6/16, 5:00pm at MSU-Drayton McLane Baseball Stadium Final 6/17, 5:00pm at MSU-Drayton McLane Baseball Stadium</p>
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### REGIONAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS FOR GIRLS SOFTBALL

<p><b>DIVISION 2</b></p> <p>Softball Regional 9 Hosted By Cadillac</p> <p>6/10 Gaylord 7 vs. Big Rapids 3 Essexville-Garber 0 vs. Freeland 1 Regional Final. Gaylord 4 vs. Freeland 2 Quarterfinals - June 13, 1:00pm at Central Michigan University – Gaylord vs. Hudsonville Unity Christian Semifinals - June 15, 12:30pm at Michigan State University Finals - June 17, 10:00am at Michigan State University</p>	<p><b>DIVISION 3</b></p> <p>Softball Regional 17 Hosted By Elk Rapids</p> <p>6/10 Nagaunee 1 vs. Gladstone 6 Grayling 3 vs. Elk Rapids 6 Regional Final – Gladstone 9 vs. Elk Rapids 3 Quarterfinals - Jun 13, 5:30pm at Gaylord High School – Gladstone vs. Standish-Sterling Semifinals - Jun 16, 3:00pm at Michigan State University Finals - Jun 17, 5:30pm at Michigan State University</p>	<p><b>DIVISION 4</b></p> <p>Softball Regional 27 Hosted By Onekama</p> <p>6/10 East Jordan 5 vs. Lake Leelanau St. Mary 15 Holton 10 vs. Onekama 0 Regional Final - Lake Leelanau St. Mary 5 vs. Holton 4 Quarterfinals - Jun 13, 4:00pm at Alma College Lake Leelanau St. Mary vs. Mt Pleasant Sacred Heart Semifinals - Jun 16, 10:00am at Michigan State University Finals - Jun 17, 3:00pm at Michigan State University</p>	<p>Softball Regional 26 Hosted By Rudyard</p> <p>6/10 Rudyard 27 vs. Pellston 7 Johannesburg-Lewiston 7 vs. Inland Lakes 3 Regional Final - Johannesburg-Lewiston 10 vs. Rudyard 7 Quarterfinals - Jun 13, 5:00pm at Locey field, Sault Ste. Marie - Johannesburg-Lewiston vs. Hancock Semifinals - Jun 16, 12:30pm at Michigan State University Finals - Jun 17, 3:00pm at Michigan State University</p>
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## RUNNING

# EIGHTH ANNUAL STAFFORD'S TOP OF MICHIGAN FESTIVAL OF RACES DRAWS HUNDREDS

Clear, sunny skies greeted nearly 300 participants at the eighth annual Stafford's Hospitality Top of Michigan Festival of Races on May 27 at Bayfront Park in Petoskey.

Runners and walkers of all ages joined in one of three different races, 5k, 10k and half marathon, all organized by Top of Michigan Trails Council.

This year's race featured routes that kept athletes off of local roads, and on trails, including diverting them through Petoskey State Park.

Petoskey High School track and cross country team members volunteered in a variety of ways, some serving as course marshals while others distributed finisher medals.

Top female finishers in the half marathon were Samantha Jarre of Detroit (1:42:02), Gina Olson of Petoskey (1:45:45.1), and Corinne Eversole of Grand Rapids (1:49:35.2).

Top male finishers in the half marathon were Daniel Scarpino of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario (1:18:05.3), Matthew Bondy of Petoskey (1:27:19.6), and Kevin McClenon of Charlevoix (1:28:13.9).

In the 10k run/walk, top female finishers were Katie Conley of Petoskey (44:56.2), Elizabeth Meier of Harbor Springs (45:00.5), and Barb Imhof of Walloon Lake (51:50.3).

Top male finishers were Quinn Bonnett of Cheboygan (40:19), Clark Bay of Whitmore Lake (42:58.2), and Jacob Anderson of Chicago (47:47.5).

Top female finishers in the 5k were Sarah Mikesell of Shorewood (18:09.4), Jill McLain of Petoskey (20:36.7), and P. Ford of Harbor Springs (24:10.2)

Top male finishers were Chad Mikesell of Shorewood (18:53.1), Eric Meyer of Okemos (19:44), and Thomas Torrey of Fenton (20:233).

Stafford's Hospitality was the event's title sponsor. Other sponsors include the Petoskey Area Visitors Bureau, 4front Credit Union, Evening Star Joinery, Har-



bor-Brenn Insurance Agency, High Gear Sports, Oleson's Food Stores, The Outfitter, Rotary Club of Petoskey, Nub's Nob, Crooked Tree Breadworks, Grain Train Natural Foods Market, Brummeler & Associates, Citizens National Bank, Bay Pines Veterinary Clinic, Bearcub Outfitters, Gurney's Bottle Shop, and

Tom's Mom's Cookies. "We are incredibly lucky to have such a supportive community and are fortunate to have partners like the City of Petoskey and the Petoskey State Park who play key roles in our venue," Race Director Becca Nelson said. Top of Michigan Trails Council is a Petoskey-based

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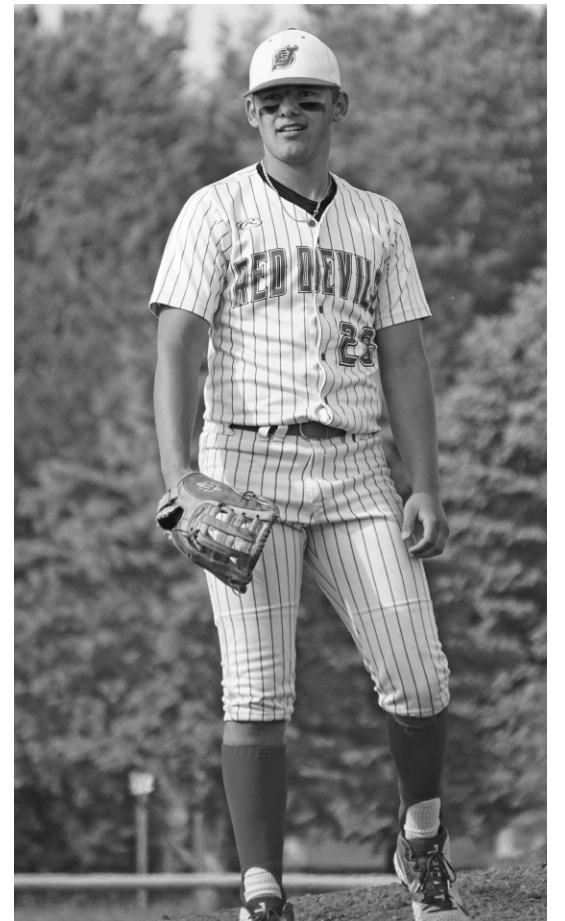
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## EAST JORDAN REGIONAL BASEBALL



Catching for the Red Devils is Ben Reid. Photo by Miranda McFall



Korbyn Russell ready for the next play. Photo by Miranda McFall



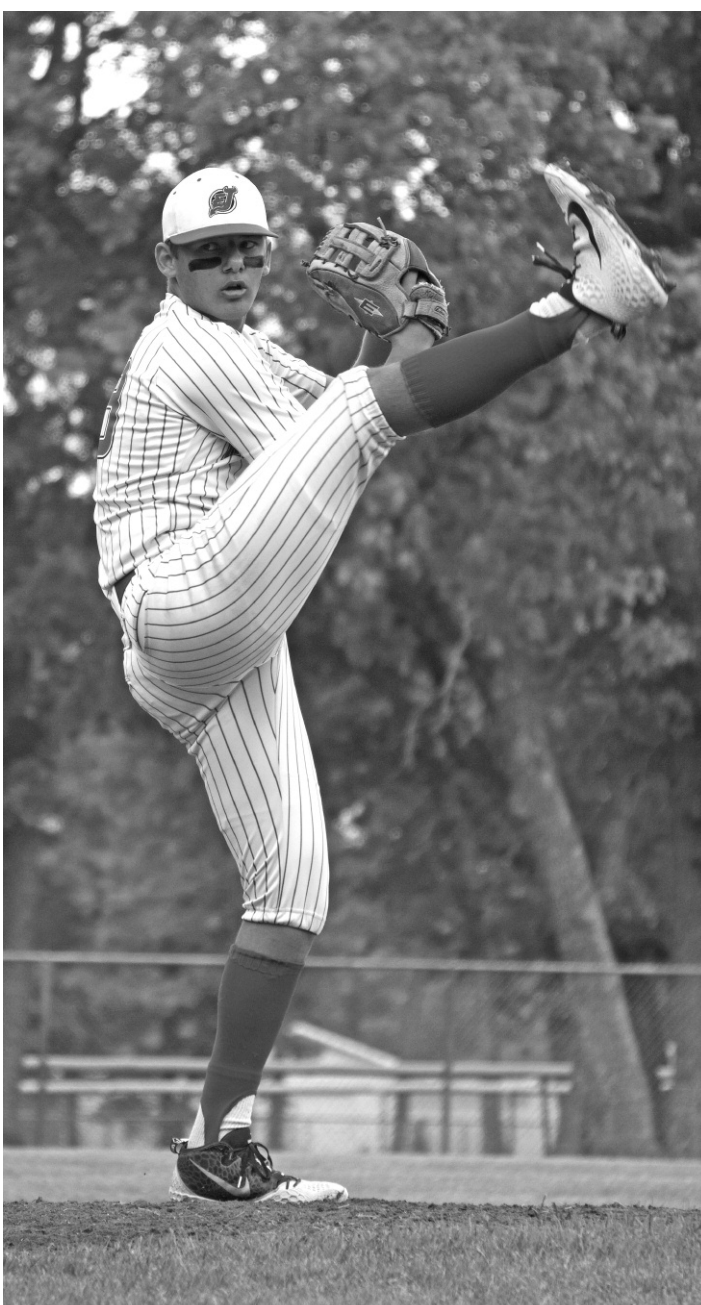
Steven Anderson had two singles in the win over St. Mary. Photo by Miranda McFall



The last huddle of the 2023 season for the East Jordan Red Devils. Photo by Miranda McFall



Dawson Carey heads home to score. Photo by Miranda McFall



Pitching for the East Jordan Red Devils #28 Korbyn Russell. Photo by Miranda McFall



Ben Reid waits for the throw home as St. Mary scores a run. Photo by Miranda McFall



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**EAST JORDAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON PROPOSED 2023-2024 BUDGET**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on Monday June 26, 2023, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. at the District Conference Room, East Jordan Elementary School, East Jordan, Michigan, the Board of Education of East Jordan Public Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the district's proposed 2023-2024 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2023-2024 budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2023-2024 budget including the proposed property tax millage rate is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the East Jordan Public Schools Administration Office, 304 Fourth Street, East Jordan, Michigan.

**The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Charlotte Diller, Secretary  
East Jordan Public Schools

**BOYNE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING  
ON PROPOSED 2023-2024 BUDGET**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on June 26, 2023, at 6:00 o'clock p.m., at Boyne City Education Center, Boyne City, Michigan, the Board of Education of Boyne City Public Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2023-2024 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2023-2024 budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2023-2024 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Superintendent's Office, 321 South Park Street, Boyne City, Michigan.

**The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

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## BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM-BUILT HOME WITH SHARED LAKE CHARLEVOIX FRONTAGE



**BY JIM AKANS**

This week's feature listing is a beautiful custom-built home with approximately 215 feet of shared Lake Charlevoix frontage.

This three bedroom, two-and-a-half bath home offers 1,512 square feet of nicely designed and finished space

on the main two levels. Highlights include elegant wood flooring, a main level master bedroom suite, spacious kitchen, dining and living area that is great for entertaining, and a two-car attached garage.

The gorgeous setting is tucked beautifully amongst the tall trees, providing lots of shade all summer long. A large, open, wrap-around

deck is a perfect and peaceful place to take in mother nature and enjoy cool breezes. The shared Lake Charlevoix frontage includes a beach, swimming area, picnic area and fire pit. Just hop in the golf cart and head down to the beach! There is a waiting list to gain a boat slip (call agent for information). This beautiful, custom

built home with shared Lake Charlevoix frontage is located on 3245 Bridge Street in Charlevoix and it is listed at \$419,900. For more information or to arrange a home tour, call Jennifer Burr, Realtors, at Coldwell Banker Schmidt, 231 Water Street in Boyne City, 231-675-0157 or email at jennifer.burr@cbgreatlakes.com



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### Who Needs Title Insurance? You do, but make sure you know your options

When you buy a home you want to make sure that the people selling it actually have full and legal title. The party who conducts closing will check this out by going down to the local property records office to research the history of ownership.

But those records down at the property office may be official, but they may also be wrong. It's also possible that the person who does the title search can make a mistake and also that important information may simply not be recorded.

For instance, maybe a bill against the property was not recorded or some taxes were not been paid. Or, suppose that 40 years ago the property you want to purchase was owned by Smith. Let's also imagine that Smith was a bigamist with an extra spouse. Will this matter show up on the local property records? Not likely. Does the additional Smith spouse have an ownership claim against the property? That may only be clear after a lot of legal wrangling—and if you lose, you could lose the house.

There may be other odd and bizarre claims as well. Was an owner an alcoholic? Insane? A drug user? Is there a contractor with a claim against the property? Such issues can "cloud" titles and neither lenders nor owners want clouds.

One form of title insurance, "lenders" coverage, is designed to protect (who else?) your lender in case of title problems.

"Lenders" coverage is required and generally provides protection up to the original mortgage amount—if you buy a home for \$300,000 and get a \$250,000 mortgage, then \$250,000 is as much coverage as you can get with a lender's policy. If there's a claim, the title insurer will fight on your behalf and if there's a claim the policy will pay off the loan if necessary. This is good news for you because you won't owe the lender a dime if you lose in court.

But there are also some options.

For instance, you can also get "owners" coverage. This will protect your equity—that \$50,000 in the example above not covered by the lender's policy. And you can often get an "inflation rider" with an owner's policy—as the value of your home goes up, so does the value of your title coverage.

While title insurance is required by virtually all lenders, there is one big exception: Loans made in Iowa. In Iowa, the state says that attorneys and others who do title work must participate in a title guarantee program. If there's a title error, the state fund provides coverage.



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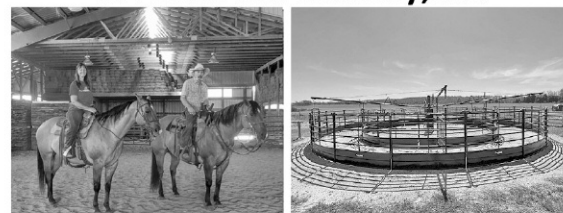
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2019 Ford Escape SE. 4WD, tow pkg. 124 K miles. \$21,900. As low as \$329 a month. Onaway Auto, 21061 M-68 Hwy, Onaway. 989-733-8191. www.OnawayAuto.com

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2011 Chevy Silverado 1500. Bedliner, tow pkg. Sale Price \$8,995. As low as \$239 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2011 Ford F-250 Super Duty XLT. 6.7 L power stroke DIESEL, soft tonneau cover, tow pkg, 296 K miles. \$16,900. As low as \$319 a month. Onaway Auto, 21061 M-68 Hwy, Onaway. 989-733-8191. www.OnawayAuto.com

2011 Ford F-250 Super Duty. 4x4, ext cab, tonneau cover, 6.7L Power stroke Diesel. \$17,900. As low as \$319 a month. Onaway Auto, 21061 M-68 Hwy, Onaway. 989-733-8191. www.OnawayAuto.com

2012 Ford F-150. Club cab, bedliner, tow pkg, 138K miles. Sale Price

**POSITION AVAILABLE**  
The Village of Boyne Falls is looking for a clerk. This position is part time. If you are interested please call Marilyn Cousineau at 231-838-5354.

**Public Hearing**  
The Ellsworth Community School District will hold it's annual budget hearing on Monday, June 26 at 8:00 AM in the middle/high school library. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

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2014 Chevy Silverado 1500. 4x4, double cab, bedliner, tow pkg, 164K miles. Sale Price \$24,495. As low as \$419 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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**Applications for Deferment of Summer 2023 Taxes**

All Township and City treasurers in Charlevoix County are currently accepting applications for summer 2023 tax deferments (deferments are not exemptions). To qualify, a household annual income cannot exceed \$40,000. The Applicant(s) must also be (one of the following):

- 62 years of age or older, including the unmarried surviving spouse of a person was 62 years or older at the time of death.
- Paraplegic or quadriplegic.
- An eligible service person, eligible veteran, or their eligible widow or widower.
- A blind person
- A totally and permanently disabled person.

Deferments can only be filed and dated from 7/1/2023 thru 9/14/2023.

Those that farm agricultural real property may also qualify if the gross receipts of the farming operation are not less than the household income of the owner. More information and deferment applications may be obtained from the following Treasurers:

Stephen Ritter Bay Township 231-582-3594	Shelley Burr Melrose Township 231-535-2310
Renee Fitzgerald Boyer Valley Township 231-549-3130	Lynn Smolenyak Norwood Township 231-547-4037
Carey Strong Chandler Township 231-549-3404	Vicki Smith Peaine Township 231-448-2161
Theda Williams Charlevoix Township 231-547-4611	Diane McDonough St. James Township 231-448-2260
Jodi Adams Evangeline Township 231-582-9161	JoAnne Thomas South Arm Township 231-536-2971
Ron Chapmen Eveline Township 231-547-6724	Karen Hellebuyck Wilson Township 231-582-1033 ext. 4
Julie Collard Hayes Township 231-547-6961	Jessica Puroll City of Boyne City 231-582-6597
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2014 Ram 1500 Big Horn. 5.7 L Hemi, quad cab, 4x4, tow pkg, bedliner. Sale Price \$13,995. As low as \$299 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2015 Ram 2500 Heavy Duty. Cummins turbo diesel, bedliner. Sale Price \$24,995. As low as \$439 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2015 Toyota Tacoma. Ext. cab, bedliner, 268 K miles. Sale Price \$12,995. As low as \$269 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2016 Chevy Silverado 1500. 4x4, double cab, tow pkg, bedliner, 143 K miles. \$19,995. As low as \$319 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2016 Ford F-150 XL. 4x4, tool box, ext. cab, tow pkg, rear camera, 191 K miles. \$16,900. As low as \$309 a month. Onaway Auto, 21061 M-68 Hwy, Onaway. 989-733-8191. www.OnawayAuto.com

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2017 Ford F-150. Reg. cab, tow pkg, bedliner, 130K miles. Sale Price \$21,495. As low as \$399 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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2019 Chevy Silverado 1500. Low miles. Sale Price \$24,995. As low as \$449 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2019 Ford F-150 XLT. 4x4, crew cab, 62K miles. Sale Price \$36,995. As low as \$595 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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2014 Ford E-250 Cargo Van. 271 K miles. Sale Price \$29,995. As low as \$519 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2015 Chevy Express Cargo Van. Full size, Sale Price \$17,595. As low as \$299 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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# CITY OF EASTJORDAN ANNUAL WATER REPORT

## Notice Date June 2023

### SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

The Safe Drinking Water Act requires all Public Water systems to issue an annual report to its customers telling them what substances and how much of each are in their water.

We invite the public to call with any questions they might have about this report.

We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets Federal and State requirements.

This report shows how our water supply is kept safe and will provide you with our monitoring information and testing results.

We want our valued customers to be informed about their Water Utility and encourage any questions about this report.

### QUALITY ON TAP

We are very pleased to provide you with this year's Quality on Tap Water Report. We want to keep you informed about the water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water.

In its effort to supply you with the safest possible product, the City of East Jordan chlorinates the water supply against potential contamination from viruses and bacteria. The level of this additive is monitored daily to ensure proper dosages are being added. Iron is an abundant and widespread constituent of rocks and soil in Northern Michigan. At sufficient concentrations, iron can adversely affect the taste of water and beverages and can leave rust-colored stains on laundry, plumbing fixtures and porcelain.

Our water source is groundwater that is drawn from two different aquifers by three wells located in various parts of our City. The susceptibility of our wells ranges from moderately low to moderate.

### MONITORING INFORMATION

The City of East Jordan routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The tables on the following pages show results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2022.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

### EXPLANATION OF RESULTS

As you can see by the following tables, our system had no violations in 2022. We are proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected. The E.P.A. has determined that your water is safe at these levels.

### Water Quality Data

The tables on the next page list all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2022 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in these tables is from testing done January 1st through December 31st, 2022. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All of the data is representative of the water quality, but some are more than one year old.

### TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**N/A:** Not Applicable

**ND:** Not Detectable at testing limit

**ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter

**ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter

**pCi/l:** Picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity).

**Action Level:** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

### TOTAL COLIFORM RULE

The Total Coliform Rule requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for Coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but its presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When Coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. To comply with the stricter regulation, we monitor our system monthly taking samples from different locations in the distribution system.

Microbial Contaminants	MCL	MCLG	Positive Samples	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminants
Total Coliform Bacteria	1 Positive monthly sample (5% of monthly samples positive)	0	0	No	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal Coliform and E. Coli	Routine and Repeat samples are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or E. Coli positive	0	0	No	Human and Animal fecal waste

### 2022 Running Annual Average of Free Chlorine in the Water Distribution System

MRDLG = 4.0 ppm

MCL = 4.0ppm

**Annual Average: 0.26 ppm**

### Samples Collected in the Distribution System:

Contaminants Subject to an Action Level	Action Level, MCL, or MRDL	Our Water 90th Percentile Value	Sample Date	Number of Samples Above AL	Typical Source of Contaminants
Lead (ppb)* District 1 Industrial Drive	AL = 15	3 1	6/8/2021- 9/15/2021	0 0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)* District 1 Industrial Drive	AL = 1.3	0.2 0.9	6/8/2021- 9/15/2021	0 1	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	MCL = 80	8.3 Total	8/17/2022	0	Disinfection byproduct
Haloacetic Acids(ppb)	MCL = 60	2.3	8/17/2022	0	Disinfection byproducts

### Samples Collected at the Well House:

Regulated Contaminants	MCL	MCLG	Our Water	Sample Date	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminants
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	Range: 0.22 -1.15	8/20/2020 9/25/2020	No	Erosion of Natural Deposits; Added for health benefits
Radioactive Contaminants	MCL	MCLG	Our Water	Sample Date	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminants
Alpha Emitters pCi/L	15	0	0.75 -4.63	9/14/2021	No	Erosion of Natural Deposits
Combined Radium 226/228 (pCi/L)	5	0	0 -1.40	9/14/2021	No	Erosion of Natural Deposits

Other Contaminants	MCL	MCLG	Our Water	Sample Date	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminants
Nitrate ppm	10		ND - 1.11	8/17/2022	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium ppm			4.2-37.5	8/20/2020 9/25/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposit or storm runoff

### In Summary.....

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

In our continuing efforts to maintain a safe and dependable water supply it may be necessary to make improvements in your water system. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. Rate adjustments may be necessary in order to address these improvements.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). Please call our office if you have questions.

### Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) News

**(Even if Lead is not detected....)**

"If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of East Jordan is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or at [www.water.epa.gov/drink/info/lead](http://www.water.epa.gov/drink/info/lead)."

### Copper

"Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor."

### PFAS

Per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of man-made chemicals that includes PFOA, PFOS, GenX, and many other chemicals. PFOA and PFOS have been the most extensively produced and studied of these chemicals. Both chemicals are very persistent in the environment and in the human body - meaning they don't break down and they can accumulate over time. There is evidence that exposure to PFAS can lead to adverse human health effects.

Studies indicate that PFOA and PFOS can cause reproductive and developmental, liver, and kidney, and immunological effects in laboratory animals. The most consistent findings from human epidemiology studies are increased cholesterol levels among exposed populations, with more limited findings related to infant birth weights, effects on the immune system, cancer (for PFOA), and thyroid hormone disruption (for PFOS).

In 2021, water samples were taken from each of the City's municipal wells, and PFAS chemicals were NOT DETECTED in East Jordan. For more information on PFAS, please visit the EPA website: <https://epa.gov/pfas/basic-information-pfas>



**VANS**

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2021 Honda Odyssey. Rear camera, 182 K miles. Sale Price \$22,595. As low as \$429 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing, 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

4 City Cargo Vans – Two 2018 Ram City Cargo, 2015 Chevy City Express, 2018 Ford Transit Connect. Your choice \$15,995. As low as \$279 a month, [www.OnawayAuto.com](http://www.OnawayAuto.com)

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**WANTED**

BUYING Pre-1964 US Silver coins. Half dollars, \$8.50. Quarters, \$4.25. Dimes, \$1.70. Morgan and Peace silver dollars, \$20. Private party paying cash. 231-620-4699

# SUMMER NATURE PROGRAMS!

OLD CITY PARK. 10:30 am  
June 14, June 21, June 28

## ROCK AND ROLL: JUNE 14

Earth is a very rocky planet, leading to rocks from different places such as mountains, volcanoes, weather, and erosion. Over time rocks are carried to new places through rivers, oceans, and wind and gradually change shape and form as they break and wear down. Join us to read the book "What Can You Do With a Rock" before we explore Old City Park and embark on a scavenger hunt to find different types of rocks. If time permits, we will paint a few of our different rocks!

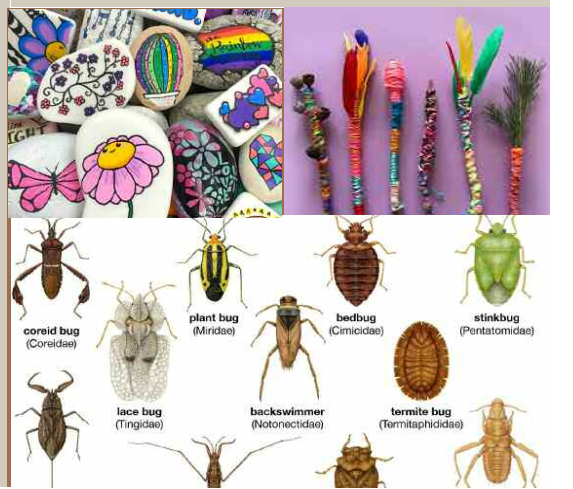
## NATURE WANDS: JUNE 21

Bring your stick, or use one provided as we enjoy a fun walk around the park in search of loose (non-attached) nature items to help share the story of our journey. After our walk, we will attach these items to our stick with a fun ribbon. Later, use your new magic nature wand to help share the story of your journey and discoveries in the park!

## BOYNE CITY DISCOVERIES JUNE 28

Using provided aquatic tools such as dip nets and collection jars, prepare to explore the stretch of the Boyne River that runs through Old City Park. Plan to get your feet wet and roll up your sleeves as we turn over rocks, scoop along the river bank and discover underwater life there.

Join us for a few free & fun nature outings at Old City Park this summer. Intern, Jalie Shemanski, will be sharing three of her favorite nature activities. These activities are geared toward the early childhood ages (3-6ish years young), but families of all ages are welcome! The programs encourage families to explore, learn, and discover together. All the materials the kids need will be on hand, but they are welcome to bring their own if they have any. No reservations are required to attend, but for questions, email [charlevoxcd.intern@macd.org](mailto:charlevoxcd.intern@macd.org) or call the district office at 231-582-6193.



# Ellsworth

## Family Style Pig Roast 2023

# SCHEDULE of EVENTS - JUNE 16 & 17

## FRIDAY, JUNE 16

**6-8pm Family Waterslide & Ice Cream Social** at Ellsworth Community Park  
200 ft. slide for all ages. Hosted by Banks Township Fire Dept. along with an Interactive Firehouse Ice Cream Social, Food Truck, Kids Cake Walk, Cornhole Tournament, Evening Paddle hosted by Paddle Antrim

## SATURDAY, JUNE 17

- 11am Pig Roast Parade (Line-up starts at 10am)**  
Starts at High School Parking Lot, ends at Community Park  
Grand Marshall: Featuring our Ellsworth Community School Teachers
- 12-2pm Roast Pork Lunch** at Ellsworth Community Park  
Pulled pork, roll, kielbasa, kraut, mac & cheese, beans, cookie, water & a classic Pig Roast koozie for only \$15 (cash only).  
Entertainment by Pine Lake Winds, Bounce House, Blow-up Slide, Children's Games & Activities, 50/50 Raffle Tickets available all day, DNR Display
- 1pm Horse Pull** by the Archery Range, Ellsworth Community Park  
Teams from Northern Michigan will compete • Live Auction at 2pm - Several items to be auctioned
- All Day Banks Township Historical Society Open House**  
The Historical Society will be open all day for visitors
- All Day Raffle Tickets for 100 lb. Pig** Includes processing (approx. 70 lbs. after processing)  
**2nd Prize** \$100 Gift Certificate to Eastport Market • **3rd Prize** 3 Amish raised Non-GMO Chickens

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