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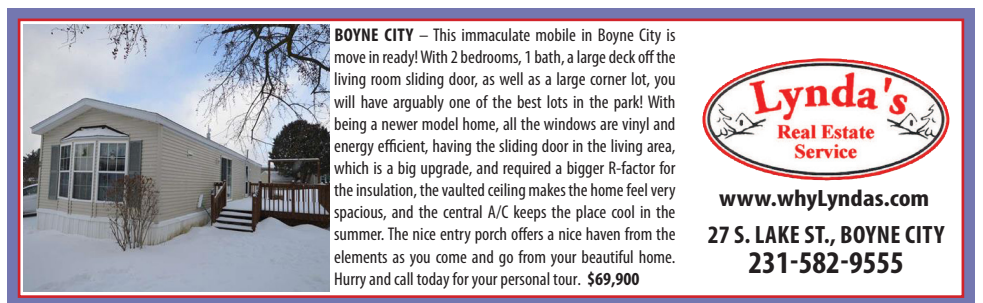
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This year's festival consists of a two-day event dubbed "Michigan's Richest Snowmobile Fun Run," where snowmobilers can look forward to doing what they love most - riding Otsego County's outstanding trail system. Participants have two days to visit selected Gaylord area businesses and drop registration slips at each stop. While riders do not have to follow a certain route or stop at all locations, a guided ride will leave at 10:30 a.m. from the Tourism Bureau on Saturday.

The event concludes on Saturday at the Eagles Hall at 515 South Wisconsin Ave., featuring live music by Exit 282, complimentary food, prizes and a \$1,000 cash drawing. You must be present and at least 18 years old to win all prizes.

This year's event is free of charge and brought to you by the Gaylord Area Convention & Tourism



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Street on Friday, February 2 from noon - 6:00 p.m. or Saturday, February 3 from 8:00 a.m. - noon. All registrants must pick up a packet during those hours, and the first 100 to arrive in person will receive a free hat.

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1/15/24	36.4	East Jordan
1/15/24	56.1	Gaylord
1/15/24	51.5	Kalkaska
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1/15/24	49.1	Petoskey
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1/16/23	23.1	Alpena
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1/16/23	38.3	Charlevoix
1/16/23	49	Cheboygan
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record temps

Day	Avg HIGH	Avg LOW	Record HIGH	Year	Record LOW	Year
Jan 18...	24	10	53	1996	-20	2005
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Jan 22...	24	10	47	2002	-17	1954
Jan 23...	24	10	46	1999	-25	2011
Jan 24...	24	10	47	1999	-16	2004

OBITUARIES

Lynn E. Moeggenberg, 72

April 4, 1951-Jan. 8, 2024
BOYNE FALLS

Lynn E. Moeggenberg of Boyne Falls passed away Monday, January 10, 2024 at Aspen Ridge in Gaylord. The family has chosen to remember her privately. Please share your memories and personal messages with the family on her guestbook at www.gaylordfuneral-home.com



Judy Nulu (Nulu) Schermerhorn, 71

Aug. 12, 1952-Jan. 10, 2024
BOYNE CITY

Judy Nulu Schermerhorn of Boyne City passed away on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, in Petoskey, Michigan.

She was born on August 12, 1952, in Detroit & was the daughter of Arthur Raymond and Margaret Helen (Ranta) Nulu. She grew up in White Pine, Michigan and graduated from White Pine High School in 1970. She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Michigan State University Nursing School in 1975. On September 7, 1974, at the MSU Alumni Chapel in East Lansing, she married Kent E. Schermerhorn.

She worked as a Public Health Nurse for Oakland County where she loved working with children and babies. She was also the resident nurse at Cranbrook School, the private boarding school in Bloomfield Hills. Judy loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She also enjoyed the outdoors, RV traveling, sailing, skiing, and dogs of any kind. She is survived by her husband, Kent E. Schermerhorn, DVM of Boyne City; one son, Brent (Tara) Schermerhorn of Grand Haven; two daughters, Becky (Jason) Stoll of Fort Collins, Colorado, and Katelyn (Jacob) Dart of Colorado Springs, Colorado; one sister, Debbie (Jeff) Mincheff of Marquette; six grandchildren, Porter, Grayson, Gretchen, Tegan, Avery, and Zoey; one sister-in-law, Karen (Bill) Lorne of East Jordan; and one brother-in-law, Randy (Caren) Schermerhorn of Rocklin, California. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service will be announced in the future.

Donations may be made to the PKD Foundation. Arrangements by the Penzien Funeral Home, East Jordan.



Dean Earl Kleinschrodt, 83

April 5, 1940-Jan. 15, 2024
BOYNE FALLS

Dean Earl Kleinschrodt of Boyne Falls passed away on January 15, 2024.

Dean was born on April 5, 1940, to Richard G. and Elsie I. (Miller) Kleinschrodt at their home near Boyne Falls, Michigan.

He joined the Army on September 16, 1959, being sent to Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri for basic and advanced training as a Steel Structure Specialist. On February 19, 1960, he joined his sweetheart, Deana Wiegandt, in marriage lasting almost six decades ending with her passing on February 6, 2018. Following a six-year military obligation in Missouri and Texas, he returned home to Boyne Falls. Working briefly at Petoskey Manufacturing, Howes Tannery in Boyne City, Camp-Sea-Gull, then EJW now EJ for thirty-two and a half years retiring in July 2002. On October 27, 2018, he married Martha Tillotson at the Walloon Lake Community Church.

Dean enjoyed hunting, fishing trips to Canada and Pike Lake, recycling beer cans with his friends, caring for his wife, and working with The American Legion. He is survived by his wife Martha Kleinschrodt; son Donald; daughter Donna; step-sons Gary (Joanne) Jepsen, David (Tracey) Jepsen, Thomas (Sharon) Jepsen; step-daughter Eva (Brian) Taylor; sister Martha Baumgartner; sisters-in-law Sally, and Melvie; brother and sister-in-law Darryl and Lynne Smith, Mike and Faith Fusco; sisters-in-law Cindy (Carl) Reed, Anne Merchant, Shiela (David) Blough, and Georgia (Tim) McCracken; brother-in-law John (Teresa) Tillotson; five grandsons: Nathan, Walter, Jordan, Raymond, and Jesse; one granddaughter; four great-grandsons and four great-granddaughters; two great-great-granddaughters; and many nieces and nephews.

Dean is preceded in death by his wife Deana Kleinschrodt; parents Richard and Elsie Kleinschrodt; sisters Ester and Betty; brothers Jerome and

Wayne; and great-granddaughter Deana Lucille. Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City, Michigan.



Arthur James Barkley, Sr., 85

Dec. 17, 1938 - Jan. 12, 2024
BOYNE CITY

Arthur James Barkley, Sr. of Boyne City passed away on January 12, 2024, at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix, Michigan. Son of James and Angie (Sumner) Barkley, Arthur was born on December 17, 1938, in Boyne City. He grew up in Boyne City and attended school in Horton Bay, Michigan.

On February 26, 1967, he married Loraine Washburn in Boyne City.

Arthur worked as a heavy equipment operator for over 60 years for C.H. Smith. He also worked for himself plowing snow in the wintertime.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Arthur is survived by his wife Loraine C. Barkley of Charlevoix, Michigan; his son Arthur Barkley, Jr. of Indiana; sister Angie Proctor of Tennessee; grandchildren Calista and Ethan Barkley of Indiana; and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents James and Angie Barkley; and his siblings Ronald Barkley, Shirley Barkley, Lyle Barkley, Duane Bakley, and Richard Barkley.

Those wishing to make a charitable donation in Arthur's memory are asked to consider sending them to Stackus Funeral Home for the family.

A visitation and memorial service at Stackus Funeral Home will be announced at a later date.



Cathy Ann (Behling) Hammond, 65

May 8, 1958 - Jan. 11, 2024
EAST JORDAN

Surrounded by her loving family, Cathy Ann Hammond, age 65, passed peacefully in her home into

the arms of our Lord, on January 11, 2024. Cathy courageously battled breast cancer for six and a half years, never once wavering in her faith. Cathy was a loving and devoted wife of 44 years and a mother who always put the needs of others before her, even if that meant going without for herself. Cathy loved her husband, Pete, children, and grandchildren with all her heart.

Cathy (Behling) Hammond, was born to Jim and Margie (Erber) Behling, on May 8, 1958, in Charlevoix, Michigan. Cathy graduated from Boyne City High School in 1976 and was top 10 in her class. On June 2, 1979, Pete and Cathy were married at Christ Lutheran Church. Cathy opened an at-home daycare after the birth of their daughter, Courtney.

Cathy provided childcare services to families in the East Jordan, Michigan area for 34 years. Her dedication, compassion, and love for the families and children she provided care for throughout these years was a blessing that didn't go unnoticed. Cathy provided families with a loving environment where their children could learn and grow. Cathy connected with each family as she helped guide parents through the many stages of raising children. Cathy truly loved to spend time in the UP, with her loving husband Pete, picking blueberries and enjoying the peace and quiet that the UP provided.

Cathy also enjoyed spending time working in her flower garden during the spring and summer months. During retirement, Cathy loved to read, play challenging mind games with her son on the phone, complete puzzles, speak with her daughter multiple times a day, and spend as much time with her grandchildren as possible.

Cathy will forever be remembered for her faith, patience, kind heart, love for her family, and putting others first. She will be missed dearly by all who knew and loved her.

Cathy is preceded in death by her brother Robin Behling, sister-in-law Patti O'Malley, as well as aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Cathy is survived by her husband, Pete Hammond, children, Peter (Lindsay) Hammond, and Courtney (Mike) Hagbom, step-daughter Mandy (Mike) Peterson, grandchildren; Vivian, Vanessa, Valleri & Vincent Hammond, Landon & Peyton Hagbom, Lauren and Tanner Peterson, parents, Jim & Margie Behling, sister Terrie (Gil) Redmer, and mother-in-law Dorothy Hammond.

Visitation will be on January 20th, 2024 from 9-11 am at Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City,

Michigan. Service to immediately follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Christ Lutheran Church of Boyne City or Challenge Mountain of Boyne City.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home of Boyne City, Michigan.



Margaret Joyce (Sage) Massey, 84

Nov. 30, 1939 - Jan. 6, 2024

Margie was born in Boyne City Michigan November 30, 1939 to Newton and Dorothy Sage, and she had 2 older sisters, Phyllis Massey and Arlene Prawdzik.

She is preceded in death by her parents, sisters, and the love of her life, Arne Massey. They married September 1, 1962, then building a home together in Boyne Falls. They worked many years together at McLaren Hospital when it was Little Traverse Hospital and Northern Michigan Hospital. She lovingly cared for Arne until his death in 2012 having been married for nearly 50 years.

She is survived by her 3 Children, Jeffrey Massey of Boyne Falls, Susan Stark & husband Clarence of Boyne City, and Diane Blackwelder & husband Spencer of Borger, Texas.

She so loved her grandchildren, Breann Good and husband Zachary, Andrew Massey, Travis Stark and wife Rachael, Derick Stark, Joshua Blackwelder & wife Jiali, Caleb Blackwelder & wife Dana, Adam Blackwelder & wife Rebecca. She had great joy for her great grandchildren Alexander, Audrey, Carter, and River.

Margie had many interests including crocheting, ceramics, gardening, and feeding the birds. Her favorite birds were Cardinals and hummingbirds. She loved nature and every animal except squirrels. She loved searching for deals at thrift shops and rummage sales, as well as cutting coupons.

She moved to Borger, Tx in 2017. She volunteered with the Hutchinson County Historical Museum where she made many new friends. Margie obeyed the Gospel on July 13, 2017, and faithfully attended the Franklin and Juniper St church of Christ.

Anyone that greeted Margie with a "how are you" would hear her reply, "Fine as Frogs Hair Split

in the Middle, and that's Pretty Fine!"

The family would like to express their gratitude to the staff at Caprock Nursing and Rehabilitation Center where she spent her final year due to the effects of dementia. We also want to express our gratitude to the wonderful friends of BSA Hospice who made sure she was comfortable.

The family welcomed friends on Friday, January 12, 2024 at Min-ton-Chatwell Funeral directors in Borger. Final interment will be held later this spring at Boyne Valley Township Cemetery in Boyne Falls, Michigan.



Marcia Ann Bolhouse, 58

Aug. 20, 1965 - Jan. 9, 2024
CHARLEVOIX

Marcia Ann Bolhouse of Charlevoix passed away on January 9, 2024, at McLaren Northern Michigan hospital in Petoskey, MI. She was born on August 20, 1965, in Detroit, MI to the late Marion and Julia Paluch Rapnicki.

Her formative years were spent in Detroit, Farmington and later Ann Arbor where she obtained her bachelor's in communications at the University of Michigan.

On November 6, 1993, in Brighton, MI she married the love of her life, Michael David Bolhouse. They met while working together in the programming department at Omnicom Cable Television in Canton, MI. She went on to work for 18 years at McLaren Northern Michigan hospital and was a member of the Beautiful Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church in Petoskey. Lighthouse photography, playing music on several different instruments, bowling, camping, all things Disney, and a new puppy named Jedi were some of her passions.

A memorial service will be held in her honor at 11 AM Saturday January 20, 2024, at the Beautiful Savior in Petoskey. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to the Gift of Life Michigan at 3861 Research Park Drive Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108 www.golm.org/contribute and the Beautiful Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church at 1825 West Sheridan Road, Petoskey, MI 49770.

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CELEBRATING YOUNG ARTISTIC TALENT 'Spotlight on Innovation' Returns to Charlevoix Circle of Arts

CHARLEVOIX — Charlevoix Circle of Arts is set to ignite the local creative scene with the much-anticipated return of their annual regional high school student exhibit: Spotlight on Innovation. Proudly sponsored by Blick Art Materials, this vibrant showcase of student artwork will kick off with an opening reception on Friday, January 26, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. All are welcome to join the celebration, which promises an exciting evening of art, awards, and community spirit.



The exhibition will feature the incredible talents of local 11th and 12th-grade students, with artwork on display from January 26 to February 24, 2024. This

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annual showcase highlights budding young artists, creative problem solvers, free-thinkers, makers, and creators of the future. Student scholarships and awards are provided in collaboration with Kendall College of Art and Design of Ferris State University. In addition to an awards presentation, the opening reception will feature light refreshments and a fun performance by a local high school rock band, The Lookout.

Join us in applauding the creativity and innovation of our local youth in Spotlight on Innovation. The Charlevoix Circle of Arts extends its gratitude to Blick Art Materials for making this event possible. This exhibition is a testament to the community's commitment to nurturing and celebrating emerging artistic talent.

For more information about the exhibition or Charlevoix Circle of Arts, please contact (231) 547-3554 or visit www.charlevoixcircle.org.

COMMUNITY LEADER

MAURA SNABES

HELPING BUILD CONFIDENCE, TEAMWORK, AND LEADERSHIP

BY JOHN KEYSER

Maura Snabes is a model community leader. I could not be more serious. Her contributions are endless, and she gives of herself quietly, without seeking attention.

Maura grew up in Redford, a Detroit suburb, attended school there, then on to the University of Michigan for two years, when her desire to do something different ignited a transfer to Chaminade University of Honolulu in Hawaii. She majored in English and minored in Communications. She had planned to enter the broadcast journalism field, but when she moved back to Michigan, there were no jobs available in the field. So, she took a position in advertising.

Not fulfilled, Maura considered what to do next, and with her dad encouraging her to become an attorney, she enrolled at University of Detroit Law School, and found real estate law especially interesting.

Maura and her husband, Chris, knew they wanted to raise their family (now three children) Up North and they moved to Charlevoix. Initially, in 1994, she joined Northern Michigan Title Company as Associate Counsel. The very next year, Maura realized there was a niche that needed to be filled in the real estate market-1031 tax-deferred exchanges. In 1995, she started her own Qualified Intermediary company (Northern Michigan 1031 Exchange Company now known as Corporate Exchange Services) to assist sellers in the deferral of their capital gains taxes. She has been very busy helping people ever since, nearly 30 years now, with 1031 exchanges as well as other real estate transactions, in her role as SVP, Corporate Counsel of Corporate Settlement Solutions and with her law firm of Jelinek & Snabes, PLLC.

What amazes me is how with a busy title, 1031 and legal practice, Maura is able to contribute all she does in our community. I am in awe.



Maura Snabes

I will describe just some of Maura's community contributions, and believe me, these are just some. She has served the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce in multiple capacities, including Chairperson, is very active with Zonta Club, serving as President of the Club and also of its Foundation. Zonta is definitely a high priority as she is all about helping women and there is such a need! So many women lead very challenging lives, which affect them and their families. Maura is totally committed to help as she can and does!

When her daughter was younger, Maura was a Girl Scout Leader for 13 years, and is still active helping middle school and high school girls with events such as Sights on Success (SOS), groups like the Z Club and awarding Zonta scholarships to high school girls.

Maura also is active with St. Mary Parish, being on the Pastoral Council and the parish Foundation. Oh, and she is a cantor in the choir.

As mentioned, Maura is all about helping women, children, and others in our

community. She encourages us to step out of our comfort zone, grow our self-confidence, understand that knowledge is power, and the importance of continuing to learn every day.

Maura urges us all to volunteer as we can, realizing that even just an hour or two can make a difference to the people and the organization you are serving and can be very rewarding and fulfilling.

Additional things Maura has learned over the years that she tries to encourage others to follow, especially the younger women she mentors: Do our best not to judge others, rather be supportive, helpful and encouraging; focus on what is really important in life; don't sweat the small stuff; learn to forgive and move on; and again, to challenge our self; continue to learn every day; and step outside of our comfort zone—it's how we grow.

It is a privilege to know Maura, and I assure you, this short article does not begin to adequately describe the leader that she is in our community.

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Cybertronic Lancers, Ellsworth High School Robotics Team, Embarks on 2024 Season

ELLSWORTH – Ellsworth High School announces the start of the 2024 season for its robotics team, the Cybertronic Lancers, team #6087.

This year marks the eighth anniversary of the team, which competes annually in the FIRST Robotics competitions, demonstrating skills in engineering, teamwork, and problem-solving.

Guided by Mr. Clayton Faivor, a science teacher at Ellsworth Middle and High School, the Cybertronic Lancers have grown significantly over the past decade. Mr. Faivor's expertise has been essential in mentoring students from 8th to 12th grade, helping them thrive in this challenging and enriching field.

A key element of the team's success is the dedicated group of adult mentors who work with the students daily from 3:00 to 5:00 PM throughout the winter. These mentors are crucial in providing guidance in programming, electronics, and robot construction, making the program a reality.

Later this winter, the Cybertronic Lancers will participate in events in Lake City and Traverse City, where they will



showcase their skills and ingenuity. Despite being from a smaller school, the team has consistently made its mark, regularly qualifying for the Michigan State Championships at Saginaw Valley State University.

The team's 2024 season commenced with an event in Boyne City, marking the kickoff of the season and the introduction of the new challenge. This event is pivotal as it sets the stage for all teams to understand the specific problem their robots will need to solve in the upcoming competitions. Mr. Faivor shared his enthusiasm for the new sea-

son: "This program is about more than building robots. It's about developing skills, inspiring innovation, and working together towards a common goal. Our aim this year is to excel in competition and continue to grow as a team."

Naomi Sponable, the Principal of Ellsworth Middle/High School, also highlighted the importance of the robotics program: "The program is crucial for our school. It provides technical skills and leadership opportunities for our students, preparing them for future endeavors."

As the Cybertronic

Lancers prepare for their upcoming challenges, the team is focused on collaboration and applying their technical knowledge. Their achievements in the upcoming season will showcase the strong foundation of mentorship and student dedication that has been central to the program's success at Ellsworth High School.

For more information on this or any program offered at Ellsworth Community School please contact ECS Principal Naomi Sponable at nsponable@ellsworth.k12.mi.us or 231-588-2544.

ASK LAURA

YOUR DOSE OF POSITIVITY AND INSPIRATION

From Darkness to Dawn: A story of transformation

Dear Readers, today's aha moment takes us back to my 3rd-grade year, when my family moved to Washington State. It was an adventure filled with new sights and experiences, but also with the hard decision to leave my eldest brother, Glen, in Michigan.

The biggest turning point, however, came when my mom decided to leave my dad, an alcoholic, and move us back to Michigan. Despite understanding why we left, my heart ached for my dad, who had to return to an empty home.

But this painful moment sparked a profound change in him. After we left, Dad had a spiritual encounter in Alaska, leading him to quit drinking and smoking and never harming my mom again. They reunited months later, marking a new chapter in our family's life.

This experience taught me a crucial lesson about change: sometimes, it takes hitting rock bottom to find the strength for transformation. It's a reminder that even in our darkest moments, there's hope for a better future.



Laura Jasurda

So, whatever challenges you face, remember that they might just be the catalyst for significant growth and change.

Until next time, dear readers, cherish those aha moments that guide you towards a brighter path.

Laura Jasurda is not just a writer and columnist; she's also a certified John Maxwell Leadership Trainer and Mentor, as well as a highly accomplished global business development executive and entrepreneur. Her passion lies in spreading positivity, nurturing personal growth, and fortifying our community bonds. Laura's mission is to empower you to unlock your full potential and lead your best life, both individually and as an integral part of your community.

LEADERSHIP

OUR INTERNAL RELATIONSHIPS ARE VITALLY IMPORTANT

BY JOHN KEYSER

True success is not about how much money we make, it's about our relationships, our helping others succeed.

I am blessed to hear wonderful sermons at my local parish church. While the messages are about our values and how we lead our lives, I very often feel that they speak to leaders in business, as well.

After all, being a great leader is founded on our character, our values.

Recently, our priest asked that we pray for the wisdom and humility of the leaders of all nations. My immediate thought was, yes, that is certainly a worthy aim for our prayers.

And then, because of my interest in leadership, I took out my pad and pen – yes, while still in church – and jotted down a few notes, because this message is absolutely pertinent to leaders in business: wisdom and humility are extremely important.

To me, wisdom includes understanding that the essence of leadership is how we help others feel about themselves. It is the way we help our team members grow inner-confidence and the courage to do great work, to be successful, to come out from behind oneself, and to offer ideas to help make things better.

And humility is recognizing that success in business leadership depends on the quality of our relationships. When we really want our team members and others to succeed, when we make the time to be in conversations with them, letting them know we truly care about them, we are demonstrating humility. It is not about us, it is about helping others!

Leadership means sharing with others our insight, encouragement and helpful feedback. It is mentoring



John Keyser

and coaching them, and then trusting them to be the very best they can be.

One person I greatly admire recently told me she feels she only deserves an A as a leader if everyone on her team earns an A. Thank you, Sue Mahanor! You exemplify servant leadership.

In addition to humility, to be a great leader we must also assure that each team member knows our expectations and goals for them. We must give them clarity.

Clarity is strength. With clear expectations and our support and trust, our team members will strive to do great work, to meet our expectations and goals.

For sure, to be a great leader we must be kind. I cannot emphasize this enough. A kind word, a note of thanks, a short conversation will go a long way toward engaging our team members and building an energetic, can-do culture.

John and his wife, Kerry, live in Charlevoix, was a senior executive in the corporate world in NYC, DC and Chicago, then founded Common Sense Leadership, a leadership coaching and consulting practice, helping senior people in the business, academic and religious worlds improve leadership, their own and their team's. John is a graduate of Georgetown's Institute for Transformational Leadership and Life Purpose Institute. Kerry teaches at St. Mary School in Charlevoix and heads Encounter School of Ministry, Charlevoix campus.

Chain of Lakes Relay For Life is Partnering with The Blue Pelican Inn for 2nd annual Bubbles and Bowties Adult Prom

Please join us at the Blue Pelican in Central Lake on Saturday, February 10 for the 2nd annual Bubbles and Bowties Adult Prom. This year is shaping up to be even bigger and better than last year! We will start the evening at 5pm with Tim Roback of Tim's DJ Service playing while enjoying heavy hors d'oeuvres, silent auction, and even a photo booth to get your prom pictures taken. We will then transition to the band

Strings Attached to begin dancing. Not a dancer? That's okay. We will also have various games and activities throughout the night to keep everyone entertained. There will be a pizza party at 9pm, and champagne toast at midnight.

Pre-sale tickets will be \$75 for an individual (\$45 going to Relay For Life) and \$125 for a couple (\$75 going to Relay For Life). Tickets will be

available from Relay For Life committee members or The Blue Pelican, Pelican's Nest, Adams Madams, Merrie's Market, Bellaire/Central Lake or Alden Hardware, or the Boyne City Police Department. Tickets are cash only please.

The Blue Pelican does have rooms available for lodging. Book a room at The Blue Pelican, Corbett Condos & Homes, or Shanty Creek Resorts and a shuttle can be arranged.

Sponsorship tables are available. Reserve a table and receive special recognition for your business or organization. Table sponsorships are available for tables of 6, 8 or 10. Please contact us for more information on sponsorship opportunities.

Formal attire is encouraged, but casual dress is welcome. The best part of this prom? No chaperones and you won't have to sneak in the alcohol.

Please come out and join us as we break up the winter doldrums and have a blast while fighting cancer!

For more information, contact Syrina at 231.675.2492 or syrina@charter.net or visit us on Facebook, Relay For Life of Chain of Lakes.

Relay For Life is a team fundraising challenge, bringing communities together to beat cancer.

Teams of family and friends fundraise for life-saving cancer research, then join other teams and cancer survivors to celebrate their fundraising at a community event.

There are Relays taking place across the US and thousands more around the world. Collectively, we remember loved ones we've lost, celebrate those who have survived, and our fundraising supports research that will help to keep more families together in the future.

Funds also help cancer patients who need transport to treatment or housing during treatment.

By starting or joining a Relay For Life team, and raising as much as you can, you'll bring us a step closer to the day when all cancers are cured.

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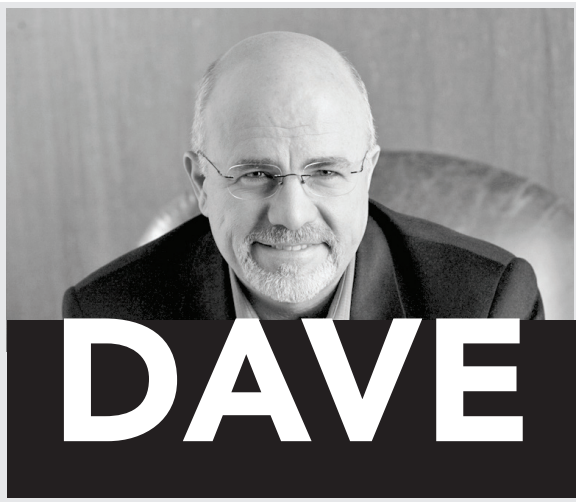
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5pm-2am
\$75 for 1
\$125 for 2

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DAVE

Says...

By Dave Ramsey

An Emergency Fund Isn't About Instant Gratification

Dear Dave,

We've all our debts paid off, except for our home, and our fully funded emergency fund of six months of expenses is in place. In talking to people, it seems there are lots of different opinions as to what constitutes an emergency. What guidelines do you suggest when deciding whether to use our emergency fund?

—Ingrid

Dear Ingrid,

There are three things to ask yourself when you're tempted to dip into your emergency fund. One, is it unexpected? Things like Christmas, birthdays and even certain bills come around at the same time every year. If you're not already budgeting for these things, it's time to start. Otherwise, you might use your emergency fund for something that's just the result of poor planning.

Number two, is it absolutely necessary? Most of us think we know the difference between needs and wants, but sometimes the line gets a little blurry. If your car goes completely kaput, and you need transportation, use your emergency fund to buy something affordable and reliable you can pay cash for. But don't dip into your emergency fund just to upgrade your good car for one with a million bells and whistles. That's

a want, not a need.

And three, is it urgent? Sometimes, you have to act like a grown-up. Every idea that pops into your mind isn't unexpected, necessary or urgent. You can live that way if you want, but the result will be a quickly depleted emergency fund. Then, what're you going to do when a real emergency comes along?

Practice the art of patience. Avoid impulse buys. Urgent things include stuff like a broken air conditioner in the middle of summer, a busted transmission or sudden, unexpected medical expenses. A big sale at Wal Mart? No. Concert tickets? Definitely not. That great new pair of shoes you just saw in a store window? Give me a break!

Your emergency fund is about long-term security, not instant gratification. Don't use it on a whim. But don't be afraid to use it when you really need to!

—Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

Gov. Whitmer to Deliver 2024 State of the State Address on January 24

LANSING – Governor Gretchen Whitmer will deliver her sixth State of the State Address on Wednesday, January 24 at 7:00PM. The address will be held in the Michigan House Chambers in front of a joint session of the Michigan House of Representatives and the Michigan Senate and broadcast live throughout the state.

“Michigan’s story can be seen in our people’s stories,” said Governor Whitmer. “We are a state full of humble, hardworking people with simple dreams for themselves and their families. After one of the most successful years in our state’s history, we’ve delivered on our promises to Michiganders, ranging from record tax cuts for families and free school

meals for students to safer communities and more personal freedoms under the law. I look forward to sharing my vision for how we continue getting things done so everyone can build a brighter future in Michigan.”

During her 2024 State of the State address, Governor Whitmer will lay out her plans to continue building on the historic accomplishments of the first Democratic-led legislature in 40 years. Her proposals will lower costs, continue record investments in education from preschool to college, expand access to safe and affordable homes for Michigan families, keep protecting our seniors, boost our state’s economy to new heights, and so much more.

Lake sturgeon season on Black Lake begins Feb. 3

Anglers may register online to participate

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY – The 2024 lake sturgeon fishing season on Black Lake in Cheboygan County will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 3. All anglers must register online to participate in the fishing season, and those age 17 or older must have a valid Michigan fishing license. The harvest limit for the 2024 season on Black Lake is six lake sturgeon. Officials will close the season when one of two scenarios occurs:

- The sixth fish is harvested.
- Five fish have been harvested at the end of any fishing day.

Fishing hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day of the season. The season will end either at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 7, or when one of the above scenarios is met, at which point anglers will be notified via text message and on the ice by DNR personnel that they must immediately stop fishing for lake sturgeon.

Anyone who wants to participate this year must register online by Feb. 2. Get more registration and season information at Michigan.gov/Sturgeon.



The 2024 lake sturgeon fishing season on Black Lake in Cheboygan County, Michigan, will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 3. All anglers must register online to participate in the season. (courtesy of DNR)

Participating anglers must bring their own bright red flags (1-foot diameter or larger) to hang on their fishing shanties so that DNR personnel can identify those who are sturgeon fishing. Season officials emphasize that anglers are asked to hang one or more flags in highly visible locations on their shanties, because DNR personnel must be aware of which anglers are pursuing sturgeon fishing.

Anyone harvesting a lake sturgeon must immediately contact DNR personnel on the ice. Official registration of each harvested fish

will take place at a DNR trailer located on or near the ice at the end of Zollner Road in the northwest part of Black Lake. Harvest registration may include an examination of the fish’s internal organs and removal of a piece of fin tissue for DNA analysis or aging.

Lake sturgeon rehabilitation efforts in Black Lake over the last two decades have been a successful collaboration between the DNR, Sturgeon for Tomorrow, tribal agencies, Michigan State University and Tower-Kleber Limited Partnership. This population

has increased in the past 20 years due to lake sturgeon rearing and stocking efforts, research and protection of spawning adults, and this trend is expected to continue.

Anglers should be aware of marginal ice conditions on regional lakes so far this year and use extreme caution when fishing. DNR staff will notify participants by email if instructions and procedures change due to ice conditions on Black Lake. The Black Lake sturgeon season starting date will not change.

Blizzard cancellation turns misfortune into blessing

BY DAVE BARAGREY

The weekend blizzard resulted in a number of cancellations or postponements throughout the area. One event that was postponed was the performance at Concord Academy of Boyne of Snow White. The fifth grade class at Concord had planned on selling carnations at the performance to raise money for their spring trip to Mackinac Island. With the show postponed the class faced the prospect of losing the money spent on the carnations.

Kiera Raymond is a first year 5th grade teacher at Concord Academy in Boyne who wanted to plan a hands-on memorable field trip for her students. With the help from her administration they’ve settled on a class trip to Mackinac Island in the Spring of 2024.

Part of the 5th grade Social Studies Curriculum in early American History, and Mackinac Island is a great hands-on, out of classroom experience to see first hand early American life, especially the battles that took place.

“I wanted to create a field trip that parents didn’t have to worry about financially. I set goals with my class that we were going to fundraise all of the funds we needed. We had two goals, the goal of “This is what we need to get there” - \$500 and the goal of “this is above and beyond and we can do some fun things as well as education things (ex. riding bikes or getting ice cream) \$1000. My students wanted to be hands on and earn the money themselves.

We came up with the



idea of selling carnations at our school performances as one of the ways we raised money. As a performing arts school, Concord Academy has a High School Drama performance as well as a Middle/Upper Elementary Drama performance. This past weekend was the High School Drama performance of Snow White, and I had gone and made the investment of the carnations to be able to sell for families/friends to give to performers after the show.

With the blizzard that swept through Northern Michigan, the show was postponed and we were left with 50 carnations that would not last until the postponed date. It’s hard lesson to tell a bunch of 10 and 11 year olds, that our fundraiser actually left us with less money than we started, so I turned to our local Gaylord Helping Gaylord Facebook page asking if anyone wanted to buy the carnations at face value. We bought the flowers from Flowers by Evelyn for \$2 a stem and I was just looking to break even. The community really went above and beyond, I had an individual buy all of the left over

carnations and donate them to Aspen Ridge Retirement home and so many people asking for my venmo or paypal. In just a couple hours, we raised over \$350 for the class trip, and with a grant that I had received from Mackinac State Park, we were for sure going on the trip.

I broke the news to students in class on Friday and they were so excited! We wrote Thank You notes to everyone we could, and posted on the Gaylord Helping Gaylord page our thank you notes. It really is great to see the community step up and support education. Education has been getting a lot of bad press and many people don’t see the importance of work that teachers are doing. It’s refreshing to a part of a community that cares about students and learning. The comments were filled with people reflecting on their class field trips to Mackinac Island as a kid, I read some of the comments to my class and we had conversations that this field trip is more than just a cool trip to an island. It’s something that they’re going to remember for a lifetime.

I am very excited to take my students to Mackinac Island this Spring, some students it will be their first time on the island, others are excited to go to the fort again after having knowledge we’ll learn in class, and many are excited for a day of school out in the sun.

The 5th grade class will continue with another carnation sale at their February performance of Annie, where all of them will be on the stage. The shows are open for the community and they would love to thank you in person for your support:

Annie, Jr!:
Wednesday, February 28
1pm

Annie, Jr!:
Thursday, February 29
7pm

Annie, Jr!:
Friday, March 1 7pm

The performances are held at Concord Academy Boyne, 401 E Dietz Rd. Boyne City

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OBITUARIES (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2)



Isabell Ruby May LaPeer, 93

July 13, 1930 - Jan. 16, 2024

EAST JORDAN

Isabelle LaPeer of East Jordan passed away peacefully surrounded by her family, January 16, 2024.

The family will receive friends Thursday, January 18th from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Spring graveside services will be held in Southern Cemetery.

A full obituary will appear soon.



Angel Bearss, 84

Dec. 29, 1939 - Jan. 13, 2024

CHARLEVOIX

Angel Louise Bearss of Charlevoix passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, January 13, 2024, surrounded by family. She was born December 29, 1939, in Mount Pleasant, MI, the daughter of Allen and Fern (Black) Pease. When Angel was young, her parents moved their family to the Charlevoix area to raise their children. She attended Charlevoix High School, and was wed to James Bearss when the two were still teens. The young couple remained in Charlevoix, and raised four children of their own. Angel

was employed by Charlevoix Public Schools as a bus driver for 31 years while at the same time starting a business with her husband Jim, called Charlevoix Machine Products which they ran until they retired in 2012.

One of Angel's biggest joys in life was her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She spent many precious moments with them, and rarely missed an opportunity to attend their events. Angel and Jim were long-time members at Center Point Assembly of God church in Charlevoix. She was instrumental in the operations of Tabitha's Closet for the church, which was a program that offered free clothing to those in need. She and Jim spent 12 years involved in Servants On Wheels Ever Ready (SOWERS), which is a non-profit, non-denominational Christian couples RV work ministry that provides volunteer help to selected non-profit Christian ministries. She also enjoyed camping with old and new found friends and reading.

Angel is survived by her beloved husband of 68 years, James Bearss. She is also survived by her four children, Steve (Linda) Bearss of Bay City, Randy (Faye Jean) Bearss of Boyne City, Teresa (Gary) Kersting of Boyne City and Karolyn Peebles of Moose Lake, MN; 16 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Leon Pease, Evert Pease, and Bruce Pease; and her sister, Bonita McWatters.

Funeral services will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 20, 2024, at Center Point Assembly in Charlevoix with Pastor Mike Way officiating. Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until the time of services at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Bridge Street Mission, 115 W. Bridge St, Wausau, WI 54401. Jim and Angel supported this ministry run by her niece and husband, which provides quality meals and safe shelter for those in need.

Arrangements are in the care of the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneral-homes.com



Doris Ann Hamlin, 83

July 18, 1940 - Jan. 13, 2024

CHARLEVOIX

Doris Ann Hamlin of Charlevoix went to be with her Lord and Savior on January 13, 2024 following a tough battle with illness. Doris was the oldest of two daughters of Clark and Veleta (Montgomery) Wright from Gaylord.

She enjoyed baking, gardening, and crafting- especially candle making and knitting.

George preceded Doris after 43 years of marriage. She was also preceded by her parents and a stillborn child.

Doris Ann is survived by her daughters Ann Hamlin (Patrick Ederle) and her son Corey Kellogg, as well as her other daughter Helen (Carson) Mantooth and their children: Maggie, Anna, Lilly, Ellie & Danny. She is also survived by her sister Barb (Darwin) Swank, Sister-in-Law Louise (Tom) Hamlin, and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral will take place at St Mary's Catholic Church and will be announced soon.

The family suggests donations in her honor be made to the Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Foundation, St. Mary's school, or Hospice of Michigan.

Arrangements are in the care of the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneral-homes.com



Daniel Brian Rahilly, 82

Jan. 11, 1941 - Jan. 9, 2024

LAWRENCE

Daniel Brian Rahilly passed away suddenly on Tuesday, January 9 at home with his loving wife and trusty hound, Moon Shadow, by his side.

Daniel was born in Charlevoix, Michigan on January 11, 1941 as the only child of Dr. Daniel and Genevieve Rahilly of Mancelona.

On October 24, 1970, he married the love of his life, Sharon Kay (Woodbury) Rahilly. The two were married 53 joy filled years. Daniel was a 1959 graduate of Mancelona High School and attended college at the Soo. His summer job was with MDOT. After two years spent in Germany while enlisted with the Army, Daniel returned to work with MDOT until his retirement in 2002.

Daniel was preceded in death by his mother, his

father, and his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Linda (Woodbury) and Andrew Maxon and his brother-in-law Joseph and Bonnie Woodbury. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, sister-in-law Vicki (Scott) Widener, six nieces and nephews, 10 great nieces and nephews, and 2 great-great nieces and nephews.

Mortensen Funeral Home in Mancelona is handling his cremation. Daniel did not wish to have a funeral service. His ashes will be interred at Fairview Cemetery in Mancelona. Plans for a memorial celebration have not yet been made. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Daniel's name to the charity of your choice.



Jacob Dennis Jensen, 50

Aug. 20, 1973 - Jan. 10, 2024

CHARLEVOIX

Jacob Dennis Jensen of Charlevoix passed away January 10, 2024. He was born August 20, 1973, in Madison, Wisconsin, the son of Dennis Jensen and Geneva (Thayer) Jensen. Jacob loved spending time outdoors; hunting, camping, fishing, motor-sports...he did it all. His favorite thing to do was ride snowmobiles, whether it was just a quick trip, or a weekend riding the trails in the U.P., he was always up for it. His camp in Alba held a special place in his heart, and he shared many memories there with close friends and family. He was also known to enjoy

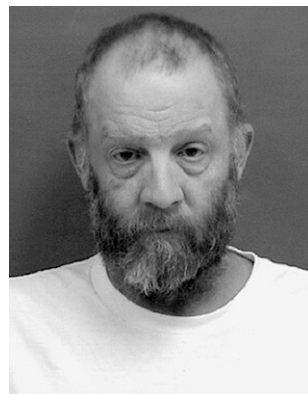
Private family funeral services will be held. Memorial contributions can be given to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516 or wounded-warriorproject.org.

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

Sexual Assault Jury Conviction

On January 10, 2024 Stace Ryan Smith, age 48, of Petoskey and Boyne City was convicted by a Charlevoix County jury of Criminal Sexual Conduct, 1st Degree and Criminal Sexual Conduct, 2nd Degree. The facts which led to the conviction were his sexual penetrations and sexual touching of a child starting when the child was approximately 7 and continuing until the child was approximately 15. Additional evidence was presented for the jury regarding Smith's multiple sexual penetrations of another child while that other child was 9-10 years old.

Both situations involved the victims disclosing the abuse after many years of remaining silent. Such delays in disclosure are far



Stace Ryan Smith

more common than immediate disclosures. Both situations involved a lack of DNA evidence, no video footage was present of the assaults, no eyewitnesses other than the victim observed the assaults, and Smith denied wrongdoing. Despite these issues which are commonly present in cases of this type, justice

has occurred. Smith is due to be sentenced for his crimes in the 33rd Circuit Court for Charlevoix County on February 16th, 2024.

Charlevoix County Prosecutor Christopher "Kit" Tholen prosecuted the case and stated "I am continually in awe of the courage of children and adults who make the choice to confront evil and come forward about such crimes. They have done a great service to our community through speaking up for themselves, taking back the power that was taken from them as children, showing others that speaking up can be done, standing up for others who have chosen to remain silent, and protecting others from abuse."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,

Shame On You Shame on Rep. Jack Bergman for implying, falsely, in a January 4 press release that noncitizens seeking unauthorized entry are responsible for a majority of fentanyl seizures at the U.S. southern border.

In his press release Bergman stated, "During 2023, Border Patrol seized enough fentanyl to kill the entire U.S. population" then followed in the same sentence that "in December alone, over 225,000 migrants

were encountered along the Southern Border".

The facts, according to a CATO Institute report, are that 86.3% of fentanyl drug traffickers convicted in 2021 were U.S. citizens and over 90% of fentanyl seizures occurred at legal crossing points or interior vehicle checkpoints; just 0.02% of the people arrested by Border Patrol for crossing illegally possessed any fentanyl whatsoever (source, 9/14/2023 blog by David J.Bier at cato.org).

It's very unlikely these statistics have changed much in the last 2 years. Rep. Bergman, stop disseminating this kind of party-line disinformation and propaganda that unjustly inflames hatred and fear. Rather, I ask you and Congress to update and improve U.S. immigration laws—you can start by supporting HR 3194, the U.S. Citizenship Act of 2023.

Beth Freeman
Boyne City

PET OF THE WEEK NOVA



Howdy everyone, the name is Nova! I ended up at the shelter due to my high energy. Even though I am energetic, I also love to be around people and to give big slobbery kisses. My last owners had young children, and I was a little too excited around them. I need someone who can give me a lot of exercise, and play fetch with me until I say they can stop! Luckily I'm housebroken and I keep my kennel very clean. I can show you how smart I am and all the tricks that I've learned. I can be particular with what dogs I like. I'm such a sweet and spunky girl who just needs the right people to come around to give me a loving home.



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Items from Tuesday meeting of The Boyne City Commission

- Approved the purchase of a replacement Avalanche Preserve snow grooming machine at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.
- Approved a plan by the Lake Charlevoix Association to revamp and improve the shoreline gardens in Sunset Park. The updates will take place within the current footprint of the existing demonstration gardens. All necessary funding will be raised by the Lake Charlevoix Association.
- Approved an MDOT Agreement to proceed with 0.28 miles of road improvements on portions of Front Street between Main and Second Streets. Bids came in at \$189,470, well below the estimated project cost of \$216,200. A state grant will cover most of the project with the local share estimated at less than \$43,240.
- Approved paying the tuition for Assistant Police Chief Dan Mercer to attend MSU Staff and Command School, a leadership training program.
- Decided to focus more on providing affordable housing by adding that issue as a standing item on the agendas of all future City Commission meetings that are held at 12 noon on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Leaders of local housing organizations will be invited to participate in the upcoming January 23rd meeting.

Low interest loan may help city update & expand sewer system

The Boyne City Commission on Tuesday approved an application for a \$12.8 million loan at 2% interest from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to update and expand portions of the city's sanitary sewer system. The treatment plant was built 20 years ago. The loan would be repaid via revenue bonds financed by a rate increase for sewer customers that would amount to a 3% for three years, followed by an estimated 1% increase in subsequent years. \$5.6 million of the total loan would be used to expand sewer service to unserved areas. The estimated first year additional cost for a typical sanitary sewer customer is about \$3.00 per year. Engineers and other experts told the Commission that the construction, engineering and loan interest rates would only increase in the future.



Boyne Falls Public School

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Elleana Loper

Grade: 9th grade
Parent's Name(s): Jeromy and Amanda Loper
Future Plans: Go to college and hopefully play volleyball at the collegiate level. Currently, undecided for a major.
Favorite Book: The Summer I Turned Pretty by: Jenny Han
Hobbies and Interests: Volleyball, Softball, Skiing, Snowboarding, and Fishing
School Activities: Member of the varsity volleyball team and softball team, member of the Student Council, Class of 2027 Vice President, and a member of the SAFE in Northern Michigan organization.
Staff Comments: Elleana is a quiet, unassuming student who goes about her business without fanfare. She tackles her academic tasks in a steadfast and diligent manner. However, what sets Elleana apart is the fact that I have witnessed several instances when Elleana has been called upon to run an errand, perform a task, or help a teacher/student/or staff member after school hours. Elleana complies and helps without complaint. She goes beyond the typical school day when it comes to her service to our school community. Without a doubt, she lives out the Logger Agreement and especially the tenet of "work as a team." Thank you for setting a good example, Elleana and for building up our Boyne Falls Logger community. Keep up the great work!
Submitted by: Ms. Cindy Pineda

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ECS Middle/High School

LANCER OF THE WEEK



Lauren Rasmussen

Lauren Rasmussen is a fun 8th grade student who enjoys sports! She participates in Basketball, Volleyball, Softball and Track & Field.

Her favorite subjects are English and Math, she says, "I feel like this year I can understand Math a bit more and in English. I enjoy journaling and learning about Grammar."

At school, she knows that she can count on Ms. Wagner, "because she understands some of the things that I'm going through and she's very nice. She was also my volleyball coach."

Outside of school, Lauren enjoys skiing and snowboarding and says, "I like to go shopping my mom and my friends." She also likes going to the movies and attending basketball games.

Our Lancer of the Week is an active eighth grader who participates in ECS athletic and loves learning!
 Way to go Lauren!

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Sunday Jan 21, 2pm - 4pm at Boyne City District Library. Discussion, crafts, and snacks for fans of the Warriors book series. Grades 4-7. Registration required.

CHARLEVOIX BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, January 22, 9am - 2:15 pm at Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 220 W. Garfield Ave., Charlevoix.

CHARLEVOIX FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

Monday, January 22, 5:30pm - 7pm. Event Details Families are invited to the Library for Family Literacy Night! We will be joined by local book enthusiast and former elementary education teacher, Bethany Cooper, as she shares her favorite tips and tricks to inspire kids to get reading. Pizza will be served! This is a family event, all ages are welcome - children must be accompanied by their adult. Registration is required - please register each family member in attendance. Register at <https://data.charlevoixlibrary.org/event/family-literacy-night-7812>

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Thursday, Jan. 25th, 4pm - 5pm. Community Room / Boyne District Library, 201 E Main St. Get crazy with the LEGOS. Snacks provided. Ages 4-14. Registration required.

GAYLORD NIGHT TO SHINE

Night to Shine, our prom for people with special needs, is coming soon. This year it'll be on Friday, February 9 from 6-9pm at the E-Free Church, 1649 M-32 East. For more information and to view volunteer descriptions or to register as a volunteer, honored guest, or caregiver, please register at <https://www.miefree.org/nighttoshine>.

BOYNE CITY SKATES & SLEDS

Skates & Sleds are needed for the warming house at the Avalanche Preserve ice rink and sledding hill. Yes, we know there's not much snow out there right now, but history tells us it won't be long. We are running slim on sleds and skates this year due to many disappearing and breaking. If you have some laying around, please make a kind donation to the Boyne Warming House. We have a new station set up this year in case children show up here without gloves, hats, or socks. It's open for anyone who is in need and also to those willing to add to it. You can drop off at the City Hall, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City.

BOYNE CITY BC BLAZE NEEDS CAMERA EQUIPMENT

BC Blaze, the high school robotics team, doesn't have any type of equipment for photos or videos, other than their own personal devices or ones loaned to the team. I'd like to reach out to the community and see if anyone would be interested in donating any digital camera/video recorder that they may have upgraded to a newer model and no longer have a use for. Our build and competition season is quickly approaching and they're trying to make a "newscast" of the entire season.

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CHARLEVOIX FREE BREAKFAST CLUB

Every Tuesday and Friday, our collaboration of the Free Breakfast Club with Safe Haven Ministries continues. You can come to the Shirley Roloff Center (old Elementary School on Division), between 8-9 and get a free breakfast sponsored by Safe Haven and prepared for you by COA chefs and our volunteers. You may dine in, take out or get curbside pick-up. This will happen at the Shirley Roloff center every Tuesday and Friday that the COA is open for all ages at no cost.

ANTRIM & CHARLEVOIX COUNTIES FROSTBITE TRAIL

The Frostbite Trail is back for 2024. No, that's not just what we're calling a walk in the woods without proper boots—the Frostbite Trail is a winter tasting and food experience hosted by 12 businesses in Antrim and Charlevoix counties. There are 3 more Saturday dates scheduled for 2024: Feb. 10, March 23, and April 20. Visit between 12pm and 6pm to sample a small bite food tasting with a pour of wine, beer, or cider. Cost is \$12 per person at each stop. This weekend's theme is "handhelds," with menus available on the participating location's websites: Townline Ciderworks, BOS Wine, Short's Pull Barn, WaterFire Vineyards, Torch Lake Cellars, Cellar 1914/Shooks Farms, Bier's Inwood Brewery, Folklor Wine and Cider, Lost Cellars, BluDot Farm and Vineyard, Spare Key Winery, and Ethanolology Distilling.

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GAYLORD ZERO TO MASERATI

Roger Kopernik is bringing his popular Zero to Maserati class to Gaylord on March 16th, 10am at Otsego County Library 700 S Otsego Ave. This class is for those who think about goals, but are not writing them down. For those who have an idea or a dream, but aren't sure on how to implement it. For those who want to do more in their lives, but lack the self confidence to try something new. For those who are tired of being on sidelines, but are little afraid of jumping in the mix. For those who have a desire to change, but are looking for help. For those who want to make more money or be rich, but don't think they are able. This class is about the power of your mind, and how to train and control it. And most importantly, this class will be fun and informative. Local successful business owner, Dave Baragrey, will be our special guest.

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN CHILD CARE PROGRAM

The MI Tri-Share Child Care Program help companies retain their employees by participating and pay 1/3 of the cost of childcare, the OCEA (Grant from the State of MI) pays 1/3, leaving the parent only to pay 1/3 of the childcare cost. We are looking for smaller businesses that want to help their employees. Right now, some of the companies participating are Treetops Resort, Albies Foods, Gaylor Insurance. We can help self-employed families by paying 1/3 of cost. They would be responsible for 2/3 of the cost. Non-Profits can participate with this program to help their employees. For more information call 989-731-7510 or email Brandy@Gaylord-Otsego.com

EAST JORDAN TEEN CENTER

The Depot Teen Center Located in the Teen Zone at 214 Main St. Serving 6th-12th Graders throughout Northern Michigan Wednesdays & Fridays after school until 6pm. EJDepot.org. (231) 222-2224. DepotJVTeenCenter@gmail.com

CHARLEVOIX GRIEF, LOSS & BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

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

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Chas Stanek
Boyne City Ramblers
Boys Basketball

The Ramblers beat Kalkaska Blazers last week, 49-39. Chas Stanek led the Ramblers with 19 points, eight rebounds and six steals



Addy Burns
Boyne City Ramblers
Girls Basketball

Boyne City got by a pesky Kalkaska squad, 53-51 on Jan. 9 and then turned around and handled Traverse City St. Francis by 13 points, 59-46 last Thursday night. Ramblers freshman Addy Burns hit the game-winning shot and led all scorers with 13 points.

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WRESTLING

Rayder get two wins in LMC tri-meet

BY GREG GIELCZYK

They came, they saw and they conquered. Yes, that line has been used many times, but in the case of the Charlevoix wrestling team it is certainly appropriate.

An already successful start to the season for the Rayders got even better last Wednesday when they participated in a Lake Michigan Conference tri-meet and came away with wins over Grayling, 43-34 and 46-27 over Traverse City St. Francis.

It's evident the Rayders might just be working on what could turn out to be a special season, but it's still early and there's plenty of challenges remaining

before the big LMC meet at the end of the season.

Charlevoix had five wrestlers finish 2-0 on the day to lead the Rayders' charge, beginning with sophomore Jackson Frey at 106 pounds.

Also winning both of their matches were in order junior Logan Wilks at 157, junior Brady Jess at 175, senior Trevor Streeter at 190 and senior Landon Swanson at 215.

Picking up single wins for the Rayders were junior James Kewagshken at 113, sophomore Max Reynolds at 126, freshman Landon Whistler at 144, senior Jamie Parrish at 150 and sophomore heavyweight Sawyer Blaszczyk at heavyweight.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Charlevoix Rayders named honorable mention in Division 3 state rankings

BY GREG GIELCZYK

Charlevoix's boys basketball team is cruising along with a 9-1 record, and notched its fourth in a row last Wednesday when the Rayders turned back Traverse City St. Francis, 69-55 in a Lake Michigan Conference matchup.

It puts the two teams in a three-way tie atop the conference standings with Elk Rapids as all three are 3-1. St. Francis fell to 4-4 overall.

So, what has been behind the Rayders fast start?

"Big thing is our ball movement," says Rayders coach Anthony Troshak. "Moving the ball on offense. We're pretty guard heavy. Hudson Vollmer, Troy Nickel and Joe Gaffney are our leading scorers.

"Their strengths are their ability to catch and shoot, take people off the drive and then make the right read."

Ryan Pearl kind of holds down the inside spot for the Rayders. The focus is also on defense.

"In terms of our inside game we do a lot of attacking the paint, either with hard cuts or off of a dribble," Troshak explained. "We don't technically have a traditional post player who we're going to throw it into and they're going to do post moves.

"Defensively, the guys are an athletic group, quite a few football players. They're in the weight room and do a lot of speed and agility drills.

"We kind of hang our hat on defense and rebounding. We know we're not big, so we've got to keep other teams to one and done, we can't give them second chance opportunities."

The Rayders edged out to a 19-14 advantage on the Gladiators at the end of the first quarter, and stretched their lead to eight points, 32-24 at the half.

Each team scored 20 points in the third period which left the Rayders holding a 52-44 advantage going into the fourth quarter. Charlevoix out-pointed the Glads, 17-11 in the final eight minutes.

Vollmer had a big game for the Rayders with 20 points and also had four assists. Gaffney added 17 points and four steals, Nickel contributed 14 points and Peyton Scott finished with eight.

St. Francis was led by the game's leading scorer Max Ogden who had 29 points.

"We had a solid start, which is important because St. Francis can be a tough place to play," Troshak said. "All credit to the players. They were focused, they had a tremendous ball movement and the guys played as one.

"Ogden was tough for St. Francis. He made some incredible shots. It seemed like every time we started to pull away he would hit a big shot.

"I thought Logan Wadkins and Vitale Collins did a good job on him in the fourth quarter."

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Ramblers pick up win over Kalkaska

BY GREG GIELCZYK

Overcoming a slow start, the Boyne City boys basketball team gradually picked up a little steam and finished with a 49-39 win over Kalkaska in the Lake Michigan Conference at home last Tuesday.

The Ramblers struggled to find their basketball legs, but still managed to finish with a 13-7 lead at the end of the first quarter. A lot of their problem was being careless with the ball.

"It was a rough game," said coach Rob Jensen. "We came out pretty flat. It felt like we didn't have any energy at all. We turned the ball over way too many times.

"We were just lazy at times, but we played until the end and got the victory. That's all we can really ask for, is a win at the end of the night."

Naturally, the coach would prefer the Ramblers come out locked and loaded, establishing quick command and never letting up through the full 32 minutes.

But, as Jensen said, all that matters is that the Ramblers battled through it and gained the win.

The Ramblers might not have looked like world beaters, but they never relinquished the lead after the first eight minutes and went into the half with a 25-14 edge.

Kalkaska capitalized on the Ramblers' lethargy to keep the game close, though, and enjoyed a 13-8 scoring edge in the third period to trim the margin to just six points. Boyne City outscored the Blazers, 15-12.

Chas Stanek led the Ramblers with 19 points, eight rebounds and six steals. Jaden Alger added 16 points and nine boards, Drew Neer contributed



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10 points and Ryan Spate had eight rebounds and six assists.

The Ramblers thus improved to 6-4 overall and 2-2 in the conference.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Red Devils drop 2 LMC conference games

BY GREG GIELCZYK

There's still plenty of season left before the playoffs start to peek over the horizon, and coach Nate Dzwik believes the East Jordan boys basketball team is heading in the right direction.

Harbor Springs 68, E.J 43

Dzwik felt that way despite the Red Devils latest loss, a 25-point, 68-43 drubbing at the hands of Harbor Springs last Friday night in Lake Michigan Conference action when most games were canceled because of a winter storm.

It would not have been surprising if the Red Devils left their home gym wondering if it would have been better to stay home and prepare for the following week.

But they showed flashes against the Rams, just didn't find the consistency on either end that could have produced a better result at the horn.

Harbor Springs rebound-

ed from a 68-60 loss to Elk Rapids, improving to 3-2 in the conference and 6-4 overall while the Red Devils are 0-3 in the conference and 3-4 on the season.

"The guys are starting to buy in," Dzwik said. "They are making suggestions, positive suggestions like how they think we can tweak the defenses we're running."

"We're an outside shooting team, and when you rely on the perimeter shot you live and die by it. We died by it against the Rams."

"Defensively, we've got to be able to recognize when we're switching from a 2-3 to a 1-3-1 (zone) to a man ... and recognizing that 'Hey, we've got a shooter over here and we've got a rebounder over here.' They do a real good job communicating that."

East Jordan struggled offensively in the first quarter against the Rams and were outscored 18-4. The Rams had a 19-10 advantage in the second period and went into the half with a 37-14 lead.

The Red Devils had a better second half, outscoring the Rams 17-14 in the third. But they still trailed, 51-31 and then were outscored, 17-12 in the final stanza.

Final statistics told the story. The Red Devils shot only 28 percent from the field, and were 0-for-24 from beyond the 3-point arc. They made 13-of-23 free throws.

Harbor Springs knocked down 45 percent of its field goal attempts, including 9-of-23 from beyond the arc while making 5-of-8 of its free throws.

"I was proud of our kids' effort on the night," said Dzwik.

"Credit to them (the Rams), as they hit some really tough shots over some pretty solid defense."

"That got us behind early, and put us in a hole that we just couldn't get out of. It was by far the worst shooting night I have ever seen by us despite them being good shots by the guys we wanted taking the shots."

Angel Delgado led the Red Devils with 10 points, eight rebounds and two steals. William Webb contributed eight points, Trace Wynkoop had seven and Ellis Malpass six.

Rider Bartel had a game-high 21 points for the Rams. Braeden Flynn contributed 14 while Collin Lang and Ryan Novak added 10 each.

Elk Rapids 66, E.J. 53

In a game that was closer than the final score indicated, the Red Devils dropped a 66-53 LMC decision to Elk Rapids on Jan. 5.

After a 12-12 tie at the end of the first quarter the Elks stormed into a 31-24 halftime lead. Each team scored 19 in the third and the Red Devils were looking at a 49-43 deficit.

Webb paced the Red Devils with 16 points, four rebounds and three assists. Lucas Stone knocked down 11 points and Ryder Malpass finished with eight and four assists and two steals.

ASSOCIATED PRESS HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL STATE RANKINGS - 1/15/24

DIVISION 1

1. East Lansing (9-0) -- 72 -- {3}
2. Detroit Cass Tech (9-0) -- 69
3. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (8-1) -- 68 -- {2}
4. Muskegon (6-0) -- 56
5. North Farmington (9-0) -- 55
6. Grand Rapids Northview (6-0) -- 51
7. Detroit U-D Jesuit (9-2) -- 37
8. Dearborn (10-0) -- 33
9. Detroit Catholic Central (8-3) -- 31
10. Ann Arbor Huron (6-1) -- 25

Others receiving votes:

Saginaw Heritage 20, Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice 19, Warren De La Salle 17, Saline 14, Zeeland West 8, **Cadillac 7**, Ypsilanti Lincoln 5, Kalamazoo Central 4, Okemos 3, Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 3, Canton 2, **Traverse City West 1**.

DIVISION 2

1. Grand Rapids Christian (7-0) -- 90 -- {6}
2. Warren Lincoln (7-1) -- 81
3. Benton Harbor (11-0) -- 75
4. Romulus Summit Academy (9-1) -- 69
5. Whitehall (10-0) -- 68
6. Flint Powers Catholic (9-1) -- 61
7. Adrian (8-1) -- 42
8. Yale (9-1) -- 38
9. Dundee (11-1) -- 34
10. Grand Rapids South Christian (7-3) -- 27

Others receiving votes:

Saginaw Arthur Hill 26, Freeland 23, Kingsford 14, Grand Rapids Catholic Central 13, Tecumseh 13, Chelsea 10, Ferndale 8, Bay City John Glenn 8, Flat Rock 6, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep 6, Big Rapids 3, Standish Sterling Central 2, Muskegon Oakridge 2, Onsted 1.

DIVISION 3

1. Riverview Gabriel Richard (9-1) -- 74 -- {4}
2. Iron Mountain (8-0) -- 68 -- {1}
3. Laingsburg (8-0) -- 63
4. McBain (7-1) -- 55
5. Menominee (8-1) -- 47
6. Niles Brandywine (9-2) -- 44
7. Cass City (10-0) -- 43
8. Pewamo-Westphalia (8-1) -- 38
9. North Muskegon (9-0) -- 36
10. New Haven (9-2) -- 30

Others receiving votes:

Jackson Lumen Christi 28, Chesaning 25, **Charlevoix 22**, Sanford Meridian 13, Beal City 11, Centreville 3.

DIVISION 4

1. Wyoming Tri-unity Christian (8-1) -- 74 -- {4}
2. Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart (11-1) -- 64
3. Taylor Trillium Academy (10-1) -- 57 -- {1}
3. Adrian Lenawee Christian (8-2) -- 57
- 5. St. Ignace (6-2) -- 55**
6. Britton-Deerfield (11-1) -- 48
7. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (7-1) -- 38
8. Maple City Glen Lake (6-2) -- 34
9. Munising (8-3) -- 29
10. Petersburg Summerfield (9-2) -- 28

Others receiving votes:

Pickford 25, Dryden 19, **Bellaire 14**, Bellevue 10, Crystal Falls Forest Park 9, Norway 9, Saginaw Nouvel 6, Detroit University Prep Art & Design 6, **Alanson-Littlefield 4**, St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic 4, **Hillman 3**, Lake Linden-Hubbell 3, **Mackinaw City 2**, Eben Junction Superior Central 1, Frankfort 1.

ASSOCIATED PRESS HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE RANKINGS - 1/15/24

DIVISION 1

1. West Bloomfield (3) (7-0) 73
2. Rockford (2) (9-0) 71
3. Detroit Renaissance (10-0) 65
4. East Kentwood (8-1) 52
5. Belleville (7-0) 50
6. Canton (8-0) 44
7. Lowell (7-1) 36
8. Macomb Dakota (9-1) 32 (tie) Byron Center (7-2) 32
10. Grand Haven (8-1) 25

Others receiving votes:

DeWitt 23, Wayne Memorial 19, Holland West Ottawa 14, Saline 10, Lake Orion 8, Rochester Hills Stoney Creek 7, Hudsonville 7, Jackson Northwest 7, Midland Dow 6, Dexter 5, Portage Central 4, Fraser 3, Clarkston 3, Canton Salem 2, Battle Creek Central 1, Muskegon 1, **Cadillac 1**.

DIVISION 2

1. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard (2) (8-0) 70 (tie) Detroit Edison (2) (8-0) 70
3. Grand Rapids West Catholic (1) (7-1) 68
4. Goodrich (9-0) 57
5. Chelsea (7-2) 47
6. Detroit Country Day (8-3) 44
7. Lake Fenton (7-2) 41
8. Frankenmuth (5-2) 40
9. Orchard Lake. St. Mary (9-0) 30
10. Freeland (7-1) 28

Others receiving votes:

Flint Powers 26, Lansing Catholic 18, Portland 14, Negaunee 11, Spring Lake 9, Warren Fitzgerald 9, Redford Westfield Prep 8, Alma 4, Ferndale 3, Standish-Sterling 1, Paw Paw 1.

DIVISION 3

1. Niles Brandywine (2) (7-0) 72
2. Ypsilanti Arbor Preparatory (3) (7-2) 70
3. Michigan Center (10-0) 58
4. Blissfield (6-1) 51
5. Ovid-Elsie (7-0) 44
6. Sanford-Meridian (5-0) 41
7. Lake City (7-2) 39
8. Manton (8-1) 37
- 9. Elk Rapids (8-1) 24**
10. Ewart (4-1) 23 (tie) Hemlock (5-2) 23

Others receiving votes:

Harbor Beach 22, Kalamazoo Christian 20, Bath 19, Grass Lake 18, Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central 12, Bronson 7, Bark River-Harris 7, Jackson Lumen Christi 6, **Harbor Springs 4**, St. Charles 3, Morley-Stanwood 2, New Lothrop 1.

DIVISION 4

1. Ishpeming (2) (6-0) 47
2. Colon (7-0) 39
3. Fowler (8-1) 37
4. Lake Linden-Hubbell (9-0) 32
- (tie) St. Ignace LaSalle (8-1) 32**
6. Lake Leelanau St. Mary (8-1) 22
7. Ironwood Luther L Wright (9-1) 17 (tie) Kingston (8-1) 17
9. Birmingham Roeper (7-0) 16
- (tie) Mio Au Sable (8-0) 16**

Others receiving votes:

Maple City Glen Lake 14, Portland St. Patrick 12, Martin 11, Mendon 10, Baraga 10, Ewen-Trout Creek 7, Roeper 5, **Mackinaw City 5**, Morenci 3, Bay City All Saints 2, Clarkston Everest Catholic 2, Sterling Heights Parkway Christian 1.

BOYS BASKETBALL CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1/15/24

Big North Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Cadillac	5-0	9-0
Traverse City		
West	4-1	10-2
Gaylord	2-3	4-6
Traverse City		
Central	2-3	2-8
Petoskey	1-3	5-6
Alpena	0-4	2-9

Straits Area Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
St Ignace	2-0	6-2
Sault Ste Marie	2-1	4-5
Cheboygan	1-1	7-4
Rudyard	1-3	5-3
Newberry	0-3	3-5

Northern Lakes Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Harbor Springs		
Harbor Light		
Christian	5-1	8-2
Mackinaw City	4-1	7-2
Alanson	4-2	7-3
Ellsworth	2-2	3-7
Wolverine	1-4	1-5
Boyer Falls	1-5	2-6
Alba	0-2	0-2

Lake Michigan Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Charlevoix	3-1	9-1
Traverse City		
St Francis	3-1	4-4
Elk Rapids	3-1	4-6
Harbor Springs	3-2	6-4
Boyer City	2-2	6-4
Grayling	1-2	5-4
East Jordan	0-3	3-4
Kalkaska	0-3	1-8

Ski Valley Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Mancelona	6-0	8-2
Bellaire	6-0	7-2
Onaway	5-2	6-2
Gaylord St Mary	4-2	6-3
Indian River		
Inland Lakes	3-3	4-5
Central Lake	2-4	4-7
Fife Lake Forest		
Area	1-5	2-7
Johannesburg-		
Lewiston	1-5	1-10
Pellston	0-6	1-8

North Star League-Big Dipper

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
St Helen		
Charlton Heston		
Academy	1-0	6-1
Alcona	2-0	8-4
Oscoda	2-1	8-4
Mio	0-1	4-5
Rogers City	0-1	1-7
Whittemore-		
Prescott	0-2	1-8

North Star League-Little Dipper

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Hillman	3-0	9-2
Hale	2-0	4-6
Fairview	1-1	2-7
Posen	0-1	3-5
Au Gres-Sims	0-2	1-8
Atlanta	0-2	0-4

GIRLS BASKETBALL CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1/15/24

Big North Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Cadillac	2-0	6-0
Traverse City		
Central	2-0	3-3
Alpena	2-2	4-5
Petoskey	1-2	6-3
Gaylord	1-2	4-5
Traverse City West	0-2	2-7

Northern Lakes Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Mackinaw City	4-0	7-0
Ellsworth	4-1	6-3
Burt Lake		
Northern Michigan		
Christian	1-1	4-3
Harbor Springs		
Harbor Light		
Christian	2-2	4-5
Alanson	2-2	2-4
Alba	0-2	0-2
Boyer Falls	0-0	0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0	0-0
Wolverine	0-5	0-5

Lake Michigan Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Elk Rapids	3-0	8-1
Charlevoix	3-0	5-3
Harbor Springs	2-1	5-2
Boyer City	2-1	4-4
Grayling	1-2	4-5
Traverse City		
St Francis	1-4	1-7
East Jordan	0-2	3-3
Kalkaska	0-2	0-5

Ski Valley Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Indian River		
Inland Lakes	5-0	5-2
Gaylord St Mary	4-1	5-3
Bellaire	3-1	6-2
Mancelona	3-1	5-3
Onaway	3-3	5-3
Johannesburg-		
Lewiston	2-2	4-4
Pellston	0-4	1-5
Central Lake	0-4	0-7
Fife Lake Forest		
Area	0-4	0-7

North Star League Big Dipper

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Alcona	1-0	6-0
Mio	1-0	8-0
Oscoda	1-1	5-3
Rogers City	0-0	4-1
St Helen		
Charlton Heston		
Academy	0-0	0-5
Whittemore-		
Prescott	0-2	0-6

North Star League Little Dipper

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Hale	1-0	3-3
Hillman	2-0	3-5
Au Gres-Sims	1-1	5-3
Atlanta	0-1	1-1
Fairview	0-1	2-3
Posen	0-1	1-5

Straits Area Conference

Team	W-L (Conference)	W-L (Overall)
Sault Ste Marie	2-0	4-2
Newberry	2-1	5-2
St Ignace	1-1	8-1
Cheboygan	0-2	2-7
Rudyard	0-5	0-7

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Rayders still undefeated in conference

BY GREG GIELCZYK

Charlevoix turned the page on the schedule with a flourish, picking up a pair of wins and pushing two games above .500 and a 3-0 start in the Lake Michigan Conference.

The Rayders latest win was a dominating 55-37 victory over the Kalkaska Blazers that lifted them to a 5-3 mark on the season, and continued their upward trajectory.

“We’ve actually won the games I figured we should be winning, and were in the games that were a little more challenging for us,” Charlevoix girls basketball coach Reece Koepke.

“Especially the starters, the seniors, are really coming along. Abbey Wright has obviously been our main go-to. She’s scoring 22 points a game right now. She’s playing pretty steady.”

Wright had an especially big night against Kalkaska, scorching the Blazers for 28 points and ripping down 12 rebounds to trigger the Rayders attack.

Bayani Collins contributed 15 points and pulled down six boards, while Anna Kemp added seven points, five rebounds and three steals.

Defense played a big role in the Rayders’ win as well, holding the Blazers under double figures in two of the four quarters to enable them to win with ease.

Charlevoix gained a 12-8 edge after the first quarter, and then outscored the Blazers 17-10 in the

second period to build a 29-18 lead at the half.

Kalkaska produced its best quarter in the third with a 13-12 edge, but the Rayders were hardly slowed, taking a 41-30 into the fourth period. Charlevoix finished with a 14-6 advantage in the final stanza.

Koepke says the key to Charlevoix’s success so far has been the cohesiveness of the senior leaders, who have been playing together for a number of years.

“We’re a good half-court team, setting up plays, moving the ball around and knocking down shots,” the coach added. “It’s been fun to watch.

“Defensively, we’ve been working on it. We struggle here and there. Man-to-man is probably our priority. We have trapping zones and throw it in here and there.

“It seems to get a little better and better as we go along. I’ve always been old school in keeping it man-to-man and those kinds of fundamentals.”

Rebounding is starting to get better as well. Early on the Rayders were getting outrebounded by considerable margins, but practice drills have brought it along Koepke says.

“At the end of the day it’s who wants the ball more,” Koepke said. “I think we’ve finally got that in our minds, and our hearts a little bit.

“Go after the ball, dive on the floor and doing all those things. I think that’s turned around tremendously for us.”

BOYS BASKETBALL

Loggers have won 2 of last 3 games

BY GREG GIELCZYK

Boyer Falls is 2-1 in its last three games, and while it’s just a small sample size it denotes real progress after a 0-5 start to the season.

The Loggers bounced back after a 47-31 loss to Wolverine on Jan. 8 with a 61-26 dominance over Petoskey St. Michael last Wednesday night as winter closed in.

“I was very pleased with our defensive effort, and the offense was improved,” Loggers coach Ted Beyer said. “Bryce (Tonsor) had

his best game of the year.”

Tensor scored 24 points to lead the Loggers, followed by Keaton Matelski with 16 and the Loggers got another 10 from JT Greenier.

Boyer broke away from a 6-6 first quarter tie with a 20-5 second quarter that sent the Loggers into the halftime break with a 26-11 lead.

The Loggers outscored Petoskey 23-11 in the third and raced out to a 49-22 lead and then finished the game off with a 12-4 fourth quarter.

Lake Charlevoix Ski Team Results from LMC meet

Results from the Lake Charlevoix Ski Team (co-op of Boyne City, Charlevoix, and East Jordan).

After a long wait and several cancellations, the Lake Charlevoix Co-Op Ski Team competed in the first Lake Michigan Conference meet of the season, held at Nub’s Nob. The team’s young skiers performed well, despite a less-than-ideal preparation due to weather.

On the girls’ side was great skiing by Avery Kita, 2nd in GS and 2nd in slalom. Returning from injury, Ella Doumanian exceeded expectations with a 5th in GS and a 6th in slalom. Good skiing in the meet by Erica Wyglendowski, Addie

Murray, Ruby Tosch, Olivia Dobbins, Addie Murray, and Jess Seltzer. The girls’ team finished fourth overall.

The young LCST boys’ team was led by freshman Wyatt Dionne in the giant slalom with a 10th place finish followed by Finn Tosch in 14th and David Gray in 16th. Strong skiing by Alex Hodgson, Isaac Dionne, Sonny Santino, Owen Chappuies, Wyatt Wildman, and Bennett Fruk.

The team looks forward to more opportunities to train and build for races to come.

Submitted by Christopher Herrmann

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Boyer City Ramblers notch 2 conference victories

BY GREG GIELCZYK

A two-game winning streak has lifted the Boyne City girls basketball team to a 4-4 record overall, and 2-1 in the Lake Michigan Conference where the Ramblers are tied for second with Harbor Springs.

There is plenty of season left, but it’s a good spot for the Ramblers to be in at this early juncture with several challenges lying in front of them.

Coach Mike Wilson has to feel good about the Ramblers confidence level right now, as they eye future opponents and a potential to extend its winning streak.

Boyer City got by a pesky Kalkaska squad, 53-51 on Jan. 9 and then turned around and handled Traverse City St. Francis by 13 points, 59-46 last Thursday night.

Games like Kalkaska are good for a team, not so much in the sense that they can build character, but in learning that they can overcome adversity and grind out a win.

“All the girls played with great intensity, with seven players making into the scorebook,” said coach Mike Wilson. “Great defensive effort was shown by Gabby Dunlap and Addy Patton.”

Ramblers freshman Addy Burns hit the game-winning shot and led all scorers with 13 points. DeLaney Vollmer followed with 11 and Elly Wilcox added nine.

The Ramblers forged a 15-11 lead at the end of the first quarter, but the Blazers came back for a 16-13 edge in the second for a 28-27 halftime score.

Kalkaska carried the



Elly Wilcox boxing out for the rebound. Photo from In Motion Design



Braydin Noble at the free throw line. Photo from In Motion Design

momentum from the second period into the third, outscoring the Ramblers, 15-14 and snuck ahead, 43-42 going into the fourth. Boyne City earned the win with an 11-9 final period.

Boyer City used a strong pressure defense to throttle St. Francis last Thursday,

and again seven players made it into the scorebook paced by Wilcox with 14 points.

Burns contributed 13 while Mackensy Wilson and Delaney Little had eight apiece.

Ellsworth moves to 5-3 with a pair of impressive victories

BY BOB DELONG

The Ellsworth High School girls’ basketball team moved above the .500-mark for the season with a couple victories earlier this month, including a 58-37 win at Alanson and a 46-31 victory at home vs Petoskey St. Micheal.

Against the Vikings, the Lady Lancers ran out to a 34-15 halftime lead and cruised to a 58-37 Northern Lakes Conference win at Alanson. Allison Peters led the Vikings with 11 points

including three triples.

For the Lancers, Kerri DeYoung had a monster scoring game with 19 points and Avery Strange was also in double figures with 10. Ellsworth had five other girls get into the scoring column in this contest. Bella Essenberg scored nine, Ruby Pletcher had eight, Hannah Essenberg scored half a dozen, Nora Purol added four points and Sammie Pallman added a two-point basket.

Later in the same week Ellsworth had a slow start

in a nonleague clash against Petoskey St. Francis, but the Lancers had a great second 16 minutes to win 46-31. The game was tied at 4-4 after one quarter and at halftime Ellsworth only held a 15-11 advantage before, they caught fire in the second half.

Hannah Essenberg scored 10 of her 12 points in the fourth quarter, and the Lancers used a 19-9 edge in the third stanza and a 16-7 final frame to glide to the 46-31 victory.

Besides Hannah Essen-

berg’s great night, DeYoung scored 10 points, Bella Essenberg had nine, Purol scored six, Pletcher had five points and Strange scored four for the Lady Lancers.

Ellsworth is in second place with a 4-1 mark in the conference, with their only league loss coming to Mac City 29-27 earlier this season.

The Lancers only play one game this week as they host fellow Antrim County foe Central Lake in a non-conference clash.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Ellsworth cold shooting hurts in 64-35 loss to Alanson

BY BOB DELONG

After a series of tough losses against good teams, the Lancers ran into a hot Alanson team on the road, and add to that poor shooting, Ellsworth dropped a 64-35 decision to the Vikings. The Lancers have already played six teams with 5 wins or more this season and for the most part, they have been in every game, but a 14-50 shooting, (28%), performance was the down fall against Alanson.

Ellsworth got off to a hot start vs the Vikings, (7-1), who came into the game on a five-game winning streak, and the Lancers led 13-10 after eight minutes of play. However, after hitting five shots in the first frame, including a pair of three pointers, Ellsworth could only make nine more shots the remainder of the game.

Alanson led 26-18 at halftime and they outscored Ellsworth 54-22 over the games last three quarters in route to the easy 29-point win. Chris-

tian Silvers, who scored only six points in the first half, scored 20 second half points for a game high 26. Both Mason Weihenmayer and Donovan Honeysette were also in double figures with 12 and 11 points respectively.

For Ellsworth, head coach James Willingham emptied his bench in the final quarter with the large deficit and eight total players got into the scorebook. Patrick Purol led the way for the Lancers with nine points, Billy Hopp scored six, both Jurgen Griswold and Jack Purol scored five points, Evincio had four points, Ben Strange had a triple, Ezra Wallis scored a basket and Cameron Snyder made a free throw.

Ellsworth will be busy this week playing three games. Monday, they host Central Lake, (4-6), Wednesday they travel to Wolverine, (1-5) and Thursday they travel to a very good Mancelona squad, (8-2), who are tied for the league lead in the rugged Ski Valley Conference.

HOCKEY CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1/15/24

BIG NORTH CONFERENCE		
Team	W-L-Tie (Conference)	W-L-Tie (Overall)
Traverse City Central	5-1-0	7-9-0
Alpena	4-1-0	9-8-0
Traverse City West	4-2-0	6-8-0
Petoskey	3-3-0	8-5-1
Cadillac	2-5-0	6-8-0
Gaylord	0-5-0	3-10-0

STRAITS AREA CONFERENCE		
Team	W-L-Tie (Conference)	W-L-Tie (Overall)
Sault Ste Marie	0-0-0	12-4-1
Cheboygan	0-0-0	3-9-1

GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

BOYNE CITY 4-4		
1/16-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Elk Rapids
1/18-7:00 PM *League game.	A	East Jordan
1/22-7:00 PM	H	Mancelona
1/23-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Grayling
1/25-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Harbor Springs

CHARLEVOIX 5-3		
1/16-7:00 PM *League game.	A	East Jordan
1/18-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Elk Rapids
1/23-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Harbor Springs
1/25-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Grayling

EAST JORDAN 3-3		
1/16-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Charlevoix
1/18-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Boyer City
1/24-5:30 PM	A	Bellaire
1/25-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Kalkaska

ELLSWORTH 6-3		
1/22-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Harbor Springs
		Harbor Light Christian
1/25-5:30 PM *League game.	A	Mackinaw City

BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

BOYNE FALLS 2-6		
1/18-5:30 PM *League game.	A	Mackinaw City
1/19-6:00 PM	H	Cadillac Heritage Christian
1/26-7:00 PM	H	Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian

BOYNE CITY 6-4		
1/16-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Elk Rapids
1/19-7:00 PM *League game.	H	East Jordan
1/23-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Grayling
1/26-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Harbor Springs

CHARLEVOIX 9-1		
1/16-7:00 PM *League game.	H	East Jordan
1/19-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Elk Rapids
1/20-12:30 PM *League game.	A	Bellaire
1/23-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Harbor Springs
1/26-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Grayling

ELLSWORTH 3-7		
1/17-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Wolverine
1/18-7:00 PM	A	Mancelona
1/23-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Harbor Springs
		Harbor Light Christian
1/26-5:30 PM *League game.	A	Mackinaw City

EAST JORDAN 3-4		
1/16-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Charlevoix
1/19-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Boyer City
1/20-4:30 PM	H	Battle Creek St Phillip
1/23-7:00 PM *League game.	H	Traverse City St Francis
1/24-7:00 PM	A	Bellaire
1/26-7:00 PM *League game.	A	Kalkaska

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SYNOPSIS JANUARY 10, 2024

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners met in the Charlevoix County Commissioners room on January 10, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Six Commissioners were present.

Motion approved the agenda as amended.

Motion approved to appoint Pat Harmon as Vice-Chairman.

Approved Meeting Schedule

Audit Committee: 2nd Wed. prior to the day Board meeting 8:30 a.m.
4th Wed. prior to the night Board meeting, 5:00 p.m.

Board of Commissioners: Second Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m.
Fourth Wed., monthly 6:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole: As necessary (no set schedule)

Public Safety/Judicial/Building: First Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m.
And Grounds Committee

Personnel/Internal Government Committee: Third Wed., monthly, 9:30 a.m.

Motion approved the consent agenda as presented.

Public Hearing CDBG Housing Improving Local Livability (CHILL) Grant opened for comments from the floor at 9:44 a.m. With no further comments the public hearing closed at 9:44 a.m.

Motion approved Resolution #24-001, Grandvue Operating Transfer.

Motion approved Resolution #24-002, Approve County Expenditures.

Motion approved to Reestablish the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging Advisory Board. 5.1. Nays – Commissioner Jess.

Motion approved to Reestablish the Charlevoix County Parks Committee. 4.2. Nays – Commissioner Jess and Commissioner Harmon.

Motion approved to Reestablish the Charlevoix County Transit Committee. 4.2. Nays – Commissioner Jess and Commissioner Harmon.

Motion approved to hire a full-time Boyne City Senior Center Coordinator and authorize the Fiscal Officer to amend the budget.

Motion approved Resolution #24-003, Depository Resolution.

Motion approved Resolution #24-004, Publications.

Motion approved Resolution #24-005, Parks Zero Turn Mower Purchase.

Motion approved Resolution #24-006, Parks Equipment Trailer Purchase.

Motion approved Resolution #24-007, Jail Nurse Services.

The meeting was adjourned to the call of the Chair at 10:49 a.m.

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s/Marilyn L. Beebe, Clerk
Wilson Township Charlevoix County

CITY OF BOYNE CITY ORDINANCE 2024-01-006

REPEAL OF CHAPTER 30, Article II – Historic Districts

THE CITY OF BOYNE CITY ORDAINS:

That Article II of Chapter 30, entitled Historic Districts, of the Ordinances of Boyne City are hereby repealed in their entirety. The Historic District Committee is disbanded upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon publication, but not less than 15 days following enactment.

YEAS: Commissioner(s) Nemecek, Farrell, Moody, Pritchard, Lasater
NAYS: Commissioner(s) None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner(s) None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s) None
APPROVED: January 9, 2024

CERTIFICATION

I, Jessica Puroll, City Clerk/Treasurer of Boyne City, certify that this is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the City Commission of Boyne City at a regular meeting held on January 9, 2024.

Tim Nemecek, Mayor
Jessica Puroll, Clerk/Treasurer

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There is a two bedroom,

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The location is exceptional. There are expansive views of the Jordan Valley, a neighboring golf course and driving range. It is just a few miles to the Boat Launch and Beach in East Jordan, the DNR Access and boat launch and more.

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In fact, the time to have a garage sale is before you put your house on the market, not after it is sold! When you decide to sell, start going through your closets and cupboards, eliminating items you don't want to keep.

Do the same in the garage and backyard.

Get rid of, or store, the odds and ends. It's interesting to note that the more someone lives in a home, the more used to the clutter they become.

Unfortunately, closets, cupboards and garages brimming with "old treasures" make a home look small and cramped to a prospective buyer. Sellers should also carefully examine their furniture, and consign items that are not needed to the storage or the garage sale. Most homes occupied by the same owner for several years tend to be somewhat over-furnished. Erring on the side of space, not clutter, makes for a more marketable home.

Another "item" that adds to the clutter of a home are

excess knickknacks. Scrutinize the kitchen for rarely used utensils/gadgets; miscellaneous items in closets and cupboards, even small furniture and throw rugs, that can be neatly stored. Pack or give away clothing that will not be worn as well.

Rearrange and organize. Remove as many articles as possible from the kitchen and bathroom countertops to the cupboards below-they'll still be within handy reach in the newly created space. Organize closets. Clear off your night stands and bureaus.

Size up the arrangement of your furniture-any room for improvement there? Examine the walls and windows. Do they need repainting or new window coverings?

For some expert, objective advice, have your real estate professional go through the home. Realtors know what enhances a property's appearance -- and what hinders it.

One last hint -- don't forget the outside. Sweep the garage and sidewalks, trim the lawn and bushes, wash all the windows, inside and out.

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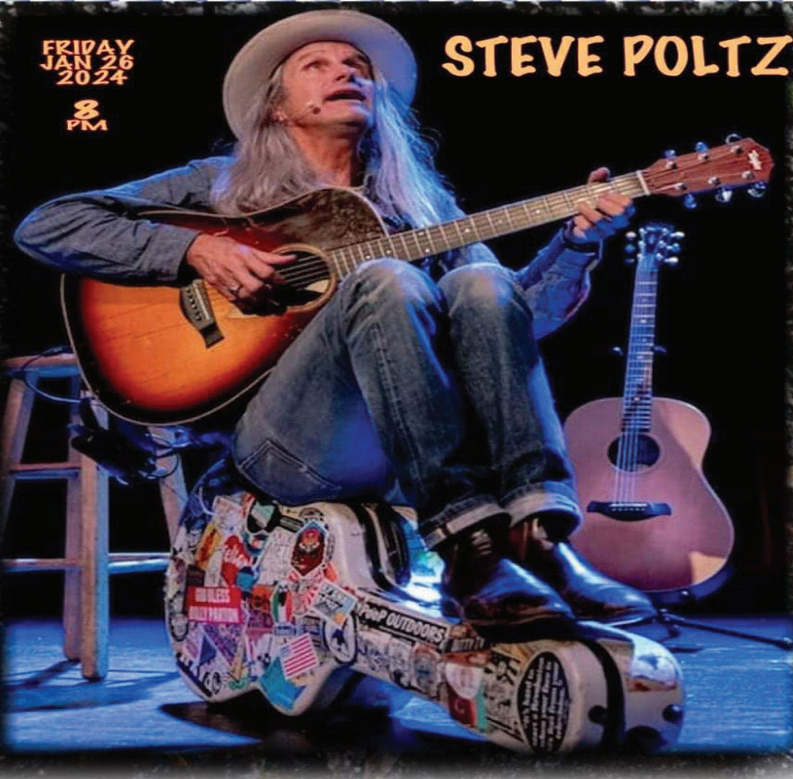



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