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Jobs for Michigan's Graduates regional program receives state 'Excellence in Practice' Award

Char-Em ISD, Northwest Ed, Wexford-Missaukee ISD, Networks Northwest, partner to help students succeed in and after high school

CHARLEVOIX - A Northwest Michigan regional program in local schools that prioritizes career and college readiness activities with middle and high school students earned a state-level award of excellence at the Michigan Career Education Annual Conference Jan. 29, 2024.

The Jobs for Michigan's Graduates (JMG) Region 2 program was awarded an "Excellence in Practice" award for its efforts to pair JMG specialists with students to equip them with knowledge and skills to overcome obstacles and achieve long-term success.

JMG Region 2 includes Char-Em Intermediate School District Career and Technical Education Department, Northwest Ed Career Tech Center, and the Wexford-Missaukee Career Tech Center.

Jim Rummer, Director of Career and Technical Education for Char-Em ISD, said the program's curriculum has proven to be highly effective, resulting in an impressive 99% graduation rate. He said the success is attributed to the emphasis on fostering connections with the community, post-secondary institutions, along with business and industry partners, while providing continuous support to stu-



Representatives from Char-Em ISD, Northwest Ed, Wexford-Missaukee ISD, and Networks Northwest receive the Excellence in Practice Award on Jan. 29, 2024, at the Michigan Career Education conference, held in Grand Rapids.

dents throughout their high school career and beyond. "We are grateful for the collaboration with our partner agencies and regional ISDs in achieving the distinguished Excellence in Practice Award," said Rummer. "It wouldn't be possible without our boots-on-the-ground JMG staff members working with students every school day throughout Northwest Michigan."

Jobs for Michigan's Graduates (JMG) is the Michigan affiliate of the national Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) network, one of the largest and most successful student-centered programs that help young people achieve their fullest

potential in education and employment. The regional program is overseen by Northwest Michigan Works!, a program of Networks Northwest.

Each model across grade levels has curriculum/competencies that build to the next in order to help continued student growth and success, explained Susan Ward, Youth Services Regional Director for Networks Northwest.

Ward said there are approximately 675 students directly involved with JMG staff in regional middle and high schools, including alternative education settings. The regional program has been recognized for meeting or exceeding

program metrics for 7 years in a row, including graduation rate, employment rate, positive outcome rate, connectivity rate, and further education rate. Several JMG specialists from the region have also been individually awarded over the past year for their efforts with students.

"I am proud of the work our JMG specialists do every day to serve students and am thankful to work with such supportive school partners," said Ward.

All students are welcome to participate in JMG once they have completed the application process and receive permission from their parents or guardians. Once in the program, stu-

dents are assigned a JMG specialist to assist them in the program and provide supportive services that fit each student's individual needs.

Services may include transportation assistance (gas cards), supplying them with work clothing, tools and other equipment, connecting them to community resources, and helping students advocate for themselves.

"For many students, the JMG specialist also serves as a role model and someone the student can build a relationship with and also receive support," said Rummer. "All of these services and the relationship with the JMG specialist are designed to help break down barriers."

About JMG and Youth Solutions: Northwest Michigan Works! is proud to partner with Jobs for Michigan's Graduates (JMG) in serving the region's youth. JMG is the leading program of Youth Solutions, Inc., a premier youth opportunity organization on a mission to equip young people with the skills to overcome barriers and win in education, employment, and in life.

The JMG program consists of a comprehensive set of services designed to help young people achieve education and career goals. The purpose of this program is to inspire and connect youth to achieve a future beyond imagination.

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record temps

Day	Avg HIGH	Avg LOW	Record HIGH	YEAR	Record LOW	YEAR
Feb 8	25	9	47	2023	-19	1962
Feb 9	25	9	48	1966	-27	1979
Feb 10	26	9	54	2009	-23	1994
Feb 11	26	9	49	1999	-25	1958
Feb 12	26	9	53	1999	-21	1958
Feb 13	26	9	48	1984	-25	2016
Feb 14	27	9	49	2023	-20	2022

OBITUARIES

Diane M. Ayers, 81 Oct. 17, 1942 - Feb. 4, 2024

BOYNE CITY

Diane M. Ayers of Boyne City passed away Sunday, February 4, 2024 at McLaren Northern Michigan.

The family has chosen to remember her privately.

Please share your memories and personal messages with the family on her guestbook at www.gaylord-funeralhome.com



Gregory Gerling, 77 May 8, 1946 - Jan. 28, 2024

BOYNE CITY

“Hey there, Mister!”

Greg Gerling was one of a kind. He passed away on Sunday, January 28, 2024 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, Michigan.

He was funny, handsome, rugged and charming. Greg lived on his terms and for those of you who know him, he probably told you exactly what he thought. If you cared for fishing, skiing, the Boyne Mountain Halfway House warming hut, or Detroit sports then he wanted to talk to you.

He was born and raised in the Detroit area by his parents Lorraine Estelle Bayer/Gerling and Andrew John Gerling. He attended De La Salle High School before joining the United

States Marine Corps. He trained to become a fire-fighter and retired from the City of Detroit fire department.

His outdoor passions led him from metro Detroit to Grayling’s north woods for the famed trout holy water of the Au Sable River. Later he moved to Boyne City minutes away from Lake Michigan, Walloon Lake, Lake Charlevoix, and Boyne Mountain.

He was proud of his grandchildren and daughters, especially their ski racing careers. Andrea (Dave) Nemes has sons Will and Graham. Meghann (Dylan) Valade has Chloe, Ava and Max.

Greg is survived by his twin brother Steve (Carol), sister Susan (Steve), and preceded in death by brother Andy (Karen). He was proud of nieces’ and nephews’ many athletic accomplishments.

Greg died peacefully at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. He didn’t fear diagnoses that might break the average person, besting heart attacks in his 50’s, a stroke in his 60’s and cancer in his 70’s. After each bump he stood up, dusted off, adjusted to his new reality and got back to living. The final straw was no single issue but the result of a life lived and a body that was ready for permanent rest.

We can learn a lot from Greg.

His active and social life kept him going. He didn’t dwell on the past, always looking forward to the water or a morning chairlift. He liked to get out early before the crowds to cut turns in fresh snow and stoke a cooking fire for chili or venison.

People valued his friendship and stuck with him through good times

and bad, showing up after years when he needed help. There are too many people to name but you know who you are and thank you!

His butcher block kitchen table is a fly tying bench featuring his last fly. A vise still pinches a mid-sized barbed hook wrapped with dark thread and soft brown hackle. Those who have also waded Montana and Michigan rivers understand the artistry and confidence required to tie your own flies and use them to land fish. In front of his washing machine you’ll find a ski tuning shop with wax, files and sharp shiny edges on multiple pair of Rossignols. Hopefully he is the last person to keep a small deer rifle and bird hunting shotgun unsecured in his living room. Carpentry tools are organized and featured prominently, ready to help friends with a remodel or repair. His attic is a trove of various weighted fly rods.

It will be a pleasure to share his treasures with others who can continue his legacy.

Greg’s calendar was seasonal. His daily schedule guided by weather and football games. He wasn’t known for sending cards on special occasions but he was thinking about all of us in his own way. Photos of big fish, sunny ski days, daughters’ weddings and grandchildren are hung in small frames or secured with magnets to the refrigerator.

To balance his congeniality, he could be difficult. In his blunt, colorful tone he recently said “I don’t know what happened. I went to bed as Greg Gerling and woke up as Greg the A—hole.”

We will never know which morning or decade he was thinking of but

since his stroke he’s been more relaxed. He made an effort to take his grandchildren fishing and helped his daughters fix up their first houses. Maybe this is the version of himself he preferred and missed. Life is short. We all make mistakes. Don’t wait to set things right.

Winter came late this season and Greg didn’t ski for the first year in recorded history. While his health declined he stayed indoors and was finally rewarded as a dedicated Michigan sports fan watching the Wolverines championship football team and the first Lions playoff run in over 30 years.

A gathering of family and friends took place Friday, February 2, 2024 at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.



Vincent Beilman, 91

Nov. 20, 1932 - Jan. 31, 2024

CHARLEVOIX

Vincent P. Beilman Jr. of Charlevoix passed away January 31, 2024 at the American House in Charlevoix.

He was born November 20, 1932 in Philadelphia the son of Vincent Sr. and Lelia Beilman.

A full obituary will appear soon.

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LEADERSHIP

Asking Purposeful Questions

BY JOHN KEYSER

Leadership is helping others do their best work. The people we work with want to feel appreciated, that they matter, are heard, are important to the team, their ideas are welcomed, and that they are progressing in their careers.



John Keyser

Think about each of those “The best way to help meet each of those” is to ask questions, such as:
□ How are you doing?
□ What are your challenges? Concerns? Needs?
□ How can I help?
□ What are your ideas?
How do you think we can improve as a team? Better serve our clients?
□ What are your business/career goals?
□ What would you like from me?
□ What advice could you offer me?

Sincerely asking these types of questions and then quietly listening to learn will make an enormous difference in peoples’ esprit de corps and productivity. Remember, the best ideas are bottom up, and if we want to know how to improve something, ask those who are actually doing the work.

A wonderful and telling quote which exemplifies this:

“Everything I know I leaned from my six best

friends, whose names are what, how, why, who, when and where.”

Our goals should include setting aside time for conversations with our team members, sincerely asking questions so we may learn about their work, needs and ideas, and figuring out how we can help.

This is highly effective leadership!

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.

COMMUNITY LEADER

JAN BOSS DON'T JUDGE, LOVE!

BY JOHN KEYSER

Mitchell Klooster recommended that I meet with Jan Boss and highlight her very significant contributions to our community, and I do mean very significant! Jan is amazing, totally devoted to helping those who are struggling and are under-resourced, and there are a whole lot more than most of us realize.

Jan grew up on a farm in Charlevoix and attended schools here. When she graduated from high school, she attended Reformed Bible College, now Kuyper College, in Grand Rapids for her degree in Bible and Religious Education. She then moved to Pella, Iowa as Youth and Education Director.

Jan returned here to join her church, Community Reformed, initially as Youth and Education Director and later as Adult Education Director. During this time, she earned her graduate degree in religious education from Western Theological Seminary.

While teaching the Justice for The Poor book course, Jan became even more committed to helping those who are under-resourced – the working poor, and there are a great many who are. A guiding principle of the course is let’s each give up something and pool the money we save to help others.



Jan Boss

This principle has ultimately led to the continued great success of Safe Haven Ministries, serving breakfast, e.g., 135, every Tuesday and Friday to those in need. These meals are totally free and can be eaten at the Charlevoix County Commission for Aging location, Shirley Rolloff Center, thanks to Amy Wieland, another remarkable community leader, or the meals can be picked up.

Jan noted that many like the company, being with others, at the county building. Jan formally

retired from Community Reformed Church about six years ago, though her presence and assistance continues, for sure!

Chips Sauer, the Pastor of Community Reformed Church, has this to describe Jan: “She has modeled and encouraged us to care for the disadvantaged and be a voice for the voiceless. She has invited us to focus on relationships, especially relationships with people who are different from us. She’s counseled, encouraged, mentored and taught hundreds of children,

students and adults. Jan Boss has expressed in both words and actions a love for God and for people.”

Jan marvels at the number of people in our community who give of themselves, and volunteer their time to help others, some examples being cooks and serving meals, and bringing them to those who cannot come, and being at the overnight shelter for men who have no place to sleep in the winter, actively helping with Games and Grubs for children, visiting nursing homes. And the list goes on.....

Jan’s wish is that more people realize just how many in our community are struggling, again, way more than most of us realize, and those who struggle, to be aware of the help available.

A simple yet wise message Jan offers is rather than pay for a latte for the person in line behind us in a coffee shop, pick up the tab of a person behind us in a grocery store we instinctively feel is in need.

Let’s all be thankful for Jan Boss and her devotion to those who struggle and her commitment to help as she can, and let’s be supportive of Safe Haven Ministries and other nonprofits helping our community be so special with our volunteering and or financial support.

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Charlevoix County Community Foundation Welcomes New Trustees

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is kicking off 2024 by welcoming three new individuals to the Board of Trustees; Jim Lentz, Tom Teske, and Dr. Anna Young.

Jim Lentz

Jim Lentz has called Charlevoix home for the last 25 years, after relocating here from metro Detroit in 1999. As a Business Accountant for 33 years, Jim has helped to shape the success of many of our area companies. He served 13 years as the Director of Management Accounting at ALP Lighting-LexaLite, 5 years with ACAT Global, and is now the Controller for Kilwins. Working with area youth has been a big part of his life, coaching many youth sports with a special focus on baseball and softball. He was a Board Member of the Charlevoix Little League for 14 years serving in multiple roles and serves on the Finance Council of the St. Mary Parish in Charlevoix. Jim and his wife Diana, a nurse at Charlevoix Hospital, have been married for 31 years and they have three children, Ben, Grace, and Mary. Ben served on the C3F Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) from 2016-2020. Jim shared, "I was honored to be asked to join the Community Foundation as a trustee. My son's experience as a YAC member was extremely rewarding for him. I am looking forward to joining the Trustee team and giving back to this wonderful community that my family calls home."



Giving Back. Moving Forward.

Tom Teske

Tom Teske enjoyed an impressive career with EJ spanning 46 years. Starting in 1976 in sales near Chicago, Tom became Product Sales Manager in 1986 and relocated to East Jordan.

In 2006, he was named Vice President and General Manager of the Americas, the position he held until his retirement in 2022.

He is currently the principal owner of the business consulting firm Thomas M. Teske & Associates. Tom has served on the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Northern Lakes Economic Alliance, and held leading roles on the City of East Jordan Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and the Jordan River Arts Council.

He has a passion for the natural beauty and outdoor recreation of this region and served as leadership for the Northern Michigan Ski Academy for 25 years.

He currently sits on the Board of Camp Daggett and serves as Secretary for the East Jordan Rotary Club.

"I'm excited to be a part of this amazing group of leaders," said Tom, "and I'm ready to bring my experience to the C3F Board to make a difference in Charlevoix County."

Dr. Anna Young

Anna Young served as a practicing physician in Charlevoix County for more than 30 years. She also worked with the Health Department of North-west Michigan with their Hospice program, served as a physician at Grandvue Long Term Care for 14 years, and is dedicated to working toward strengthening access to health care in our region. Anna served on the Charlevoix Hospital board, helped children in our community through Kiwanis, and served on the board of BASES. Married with two adult children, she is grateful for the wonderful educational opportunities and outstanding natural beauty and outdoor recreation this region offers. As a community leader she is dedicated to both the protection of our natural resources and enhancing educational opportunities for Charlevoix County citizens. Anna shares, "It is an honor to be able to serve on the board of the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and support its mission to improve and enrich the life of all who live in our area."

Keith Carey, Chair of the Foundation's Board, is looking forward to working with the new trustees. "It's always exciting to welcome

new members to the Community Foundation's Board of Trustees. Jim, Tom, and Anna are fabulous additions to our already dynamic Board, each bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience to the table. We are looking forward to doing great things together for the citizens of Charlevoix County."

Including the new appointments, the Community Foundation's Board of Trustees includes fifteen members, representing all regions of Charlevoix County. Other trustees include Monica Peck, Cindy Grice, John McLeod, Dean Solomon, and Erika Van Dam of Boyne City and Boyne Falls; Keith Carey and Jeff Crouse of Charlevoix; Pam Grassmick of Beaver Island; and Jennifer Boyer, Bill Lorne, Angie Nachazel, and Carol Timmer of East Jordan.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is a grassroots charitable organization made up of various funds – all of them established by local donors. Some funds are earmarked for specific causes and others are open-ended to meet changing needs. The funds are held in permanent endowment so they can continue to grow and generate income to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come. For more information about the grant-making process, establishing a fund, or making a gift, please contact the Charlevoix County Community Foundation at (231) 536-2440, or online at www.c3f.org.

ASK LAURA

YOUR DOSE OF POSITIVITY AND INSPIRATION

Lessons in Leadership: From Criticism to Empowerment

Dear Reader, this week's 'aha' moment focuses on lessons in leadership, which began with two defining experiences - the first at a fast-food restaurant and later in a corporate office setting.

At the restaurant, my boss asked me to tape a poster on the wall. Naively, I taped the four corners horizontally with the tape visible. My boss scolded me harshly, making me feel small and stupid. She then demonstrated the 'correct' way, hiding the tape for a cleaner look. Though I learned a new skill, the experience left me feeling belittled rather than guided.

A similar incident occurred in the office. Asked to wrap a gift for our boss's birthday, I did my best, only to be met with criticism and the coworker redoing it herself. Again, the lesson was overshadowed by a feeling of inadequacy.

However, life balanced these experiences with positive ones. Later, I encountered mentors and bosses who believed in me. They offered patience, grace for my mistakes, and encouragement. They spoke success into my life when I doubted myself, a stark contrast to my earlier experiences.

These varied experiences



Laura Jasurda

with leadership have shaped how I lead others. When someone does things differently, I remember the value of guidance over criticism. I've learned to appreciate the lessons from both good and bad leadership experiences.

So, dear readers, think about the leaders who've impacted your life. What did they teach you, and how do you reflect those lessons in your own leadership?

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.

AG Nessel Wraps Identity Theft Awareness Week with Tips on Recovering from Identity Theft

LANSING – To conclude Identity Theft Awareness Week (January 28-February 3) and to provide consumers with the knowledge to recognize and respond to identity theft crises, Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel has re-issued her Identity Theft Recovery alert.

The alert lists steps that victims can take to quickly respond to the crime of identity theft. This crime occurs when an imposter uses key pieces of another's personally identifying information (usually stolen) to commit fraud and other crimes.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) reported that in 2022, it received more than 1.1 million reports of identity theft through its website. AG Nessel would like Michigan residents to not only know the signs that their personal information is being used by imposters, but also know the process for recovering their identity and securing their accounts.

"Having your identity stolen is traumatic and unsettling and can be devastating for your financial well-being," Nessel said. "However, I want consumers to know that there is a path to recovery. My Michigan Identity Theft Support unit provides guidance on what to do as soon as fraud is detected, and my office stands ready to offer support to Michigan residents in those efforts."

The Attorney General's alert recommends taking the following steps as soon as identity theft is confirmed:

- Call the companies where you know the fraud occurred and ask them to close or freeze your accounts.
- Place a fraud alert and get your credit reports. These alerts last for

one year and require you to be alerted whenever you or someone else attempts to open a credit account in your name, increase the credit limit on an existing account, or get a new card on an existing account.

- Report the identity theft to the Federal Trade Commission — the federal government's one-stop resource where they can report it and develop a recovery plan - or call the FTC's ID Theft Hotline at 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338); TTY: 866-653-4261; and report the theft to your local police.

The alert also contains helpful information for reporting stolen mail, ordering credit reports, and contacting the 3 major credit bureaus.

The Michigan Identity Theft Support unit can provide identity theft victims with resources and guidance to help minimize damage caused by this disruptive crime. The Consumer Sentinel Network Data Book contains information the FTC has collected throughout the year on fraud, identity theft, and other consumer protection topics.

Additional information on identity theft prevention for Michigan consumers is available on the Attorney General's website.

Consumers may also contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Team at: Consumer Protection Team P.O. Box 30213 Lansing, MI 48909 517-335-7599 Fax: 517-241-3771 Toll-free: 877-765-8388

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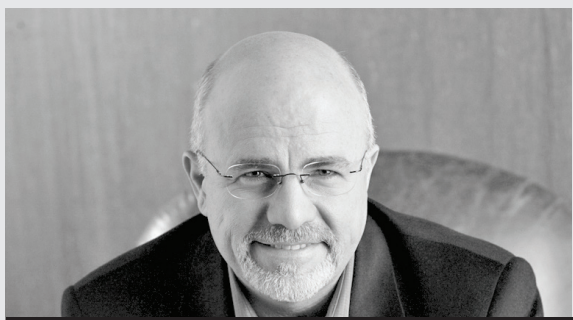
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DAVE

Says...

By Dave Ramsey

A Lesson He'll Remember for the Rest of His Life

Dear Dave,

Our 21-year-old son is in college, and we've always warned him to stay away from credit cards. Despite our warnings, we recently learned he got a store-branded credit card. The good news is he has stayed under the credit limit. The bad news is he has never made any payments on the purchases he made, and now he owes about \$3,800. He's a good student, and my husband and I want to look at this as a young person's one-time mistake. Do you think we should pay off the card for him just this once?

—Melinda

Dear Melinda,

Believe me, I understand you wanting to help him out. It means you've got a good heart, and you love him. No parent likes seeing their child in a bad situation.

There's a reality here, though, I hope you won't overlook. It's *his* debt, not yours. He knew what he was doing when he signed up for that credit card. He knew what it meant, what was expected, and he's the one who should make good on the repayment. There's nothing unfair about that.

Now, you're right. This is a typical young person's mistake. And like a lot of mistakes our kids

make, it's one that's bad and wonderful at the same time. It's bad because if he had just listened to you and his dad, he would've avoided the whole mess. It's wonderful, though, because it gives you two the opportunity to provide him with a real world, teachable moment.

At this point, my advice is for both of you to give him a great big hug, and lovingly explain where he went wrong and why it was a bad idea. If you want, you can even go a step further, and help him find a part-time job if he doesn't have one right now, so he can pay off his debt and get out of this mess. It'll take some planning and discipline on his part, but leave the payments to him. Hopefully, by the time he finishes working his tail off—and scrimping and saving to pay this debt—he will have learned a lesson he'll remember for the rest of his life.

— 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.

Kiwanis Club of Boyne City Announces Scholarship Opportunity

The Kiwanis Club of Boyne City is looking for graduating seniors who reside within Boyne City and Boyne Falls School Districts who have displayed outstanding service in our community

The Kiwanis Club of Boyne City (Kiwanis Club) announces the opening of its scholarship for graduating seniors who display outstanding service in our community and who can serve as a role model for younger students.

The scholarship is open to graduating seniors who reside within the Boyne City and Boyne Falls School Districts. New this year, the application criteria have been expanded to include graduating seniors who may be attending non-traditional educational programming, including homeschooling and online schooling. The Kiwanis Club will award two winners with \$1,000.

"The Kiwanis Club believes in and embodies civ-

ic engagement. We know civic engagement has the potential to initiate change and students-especially those entering adulthood-play an important role in shaping the future of our community and the world," said Kiwanis Club President, Syrina Dawson.

To apply, graduating seniors who plan to attend a college, university, trade or vocational school must submit an application, three letters of recommendation, and a 500-word essay relating their experience in one or more of the Six Objectives of Kiwanis: To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; to encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relation-

ships; to promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards; to develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship; to provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities; and to cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.

"We are delighted to expand our application criteria to be more inclusive to all students residing within the Boyne City and Boyne Falls School Districts and

we look forward to reading about the many young leaders in our community who are taking an interest in their community, giving back, and contributing to the health and wellness of the Boyne community," said Savannah Cool, Scholarship Chair.

Applications have been shared with school administrators and counselors, and are available for pick up from the community board at the Boyne District Library. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 5, 2024 and may be mailed to: Kiwanis Club of Boyne City, Attn. Kiwanis Scholarship Committee, PO Box 458, Boyne City, MI 49712. Winners will be announced by April 17, 2024.

E-Free Church Offers Night to Shine Event

BY MEGAN WILSON

On February 9th, 2024 from 6:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. the Gaylord E-Free Church will be holding its Night to Shine event, which is a Prom celebration for individuals aged 14 and over with disabilities. "I believe that this is our fifth year for Night to Shine, it was an event that was introduced to the church by one of our members," said Laura Distler, Gaylord E-Free Spokesperson. "The Night to Shine event is sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation and several local businesses which have been supportive of the event, including Hogan's Jeweler's, Meijer's, and Treetops Resort."

This is the ten-year anniversary of the Night



to Shine events at the Tim Tebow Foundation, a non-profit organization founded by former NFL player Tim Tebow.

"Guests who attend the event are treated to dinner, we have different activities for them to participate in, including a snack bar, limo rides, games, and karaoke," said Distler. "Caregivers who attend the event go to different stations as well, they are given a recharge

courtesy of volunteers at Treetops Spa while their attendee is taking part in the evening activities."

One of the evening events is a Photo Booth commemorate the occasion, sponsored by Hogan's Jeweler's.

"This was the first time that we participated in the Night to Shine event as a sponsor, we attended one of their meetings this past week," said Debby Collins,

Sales Associate at Hogan's Jeweler's.

"I'm excited to be a part of this event, after the meeting we went to everything looks like it's going to be a lot of fun."

The Gaylord E-Free Church is located at 1649 East M-32, for more information about Night to Shine please go to www.miefree.org or call 989-732-2647.



Students celebrated with Deputy John Morris and other members of the Antrim County Sheriff's Office.



Kroix Whitley and Sydnie Finsterwald read their essays about the importance of positive choices.

Ellsworth Elementary students completed the DARE program

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2020 CHARLEVOIX COUNTY NEWS ALL-AREA GIRLS BASKETBALL DREAM TEAM

East Jordan's Jayden Weber selected Player of the Year

Charlevoix's Marc Sroufe is Coach of the Year



Jayden Weber.



Coach Marc Sroufe

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

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City votes to Temporarily Suspend Short Term Rental Operations

BY KAREN WALKER
The Charlevoix City Council held a special meeting last Friday, April 3rd, to consider an ordinance restricting the use, operation and licensing of lodging establishments within the City. The virtual meeting was held online and by phone via Zoom with approximately 40 people participating. City Manager Mark Heydlauf and City Attorney Scott Howard first presented the ordinance to council members to "Temporarily Suspend Short Term Rental Operations during the State of Emergency" in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19. After much discussion, Council members directed the City Attorney to make

some changes to the proposed ordinance as initially presented, causing the Council to hold a second meeting, the following day, Saturday, April 4th. The revisions included restricting the use of hotels and motels, and ensures travelers staying at these establishments are there for essential services. Further, the ordinance requires all essential businesses comply with health and sanitation practices outlined by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan. City Mayor Luther Kurtz pointed out that Charlevoix values its seasonal residents, and the city is trying to keep everyone safe. The City Attorney informed Council members that the city has

both the right and obligation to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizenry and the ordinance is absolutely an important step towards protecting its residents. Excepted from the ban are rental units used to house economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, individuals who need assistance as a result of the emergency, and people with disabilities. Rentals may also be used to house persons working in COVID-19 mitigation and containment efforts and critical infrastructure workers so long as they comply with the Governor's executive orders relating to COVID-19. The Charlevoix City Council feels that continu-

ing to allow short term rentals would promote the movement of people, exacerbating the spread of COVID-19. And adoption of the Emergency Ordinance was necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. While several meeting attendees voiced concern over enforcement of the ordinance, it ultimately was approved with a lone dissenting vote cast by Councilman Greg Bryan. The ordinance aligns with Governor Whitmer's executive order issued on March 23rd and will be in effect for 61 days or until the governor's executive order, or subsequent orders, is lifted, whichever comes first.

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Health Department offers drive-through testing at Fairgrounds

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan, in partnership with Emmet County, Northern Michigan Medical Center, McLaren Northern Michigan, the Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, and the Petoskey Department of Public Safety will be offering appointment based, drive-through testing at the Emmet County Fairgrounds beginning Wednesday, April 1st. Testing will be scheduled from noon - 4pm Monday through Friday for patients 12 and older. This testing facility is for individuals who have seen their primary care provider, have been determined to meet the criteria for testing, and have a lab slip. The drive-through testing facility will utilize a recently approved FDA testing method with nasal swab. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has created a statewide hotline for COVID-19. The hotline will be open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1-888-635-6138. Additionally, the Health Department has a Public Health Information Phone Line - 1-800-386-5858 and email publichealthinfo@nwhealth.org.

East Jordan Family Health Center employee receives positive Coronavirus test

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

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CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COA CELEBRATION DAYS IN FEBRUARY

Please join us for some fun on our special celebration days in February! Friday, February 9 – Our “Soup”er Bowl Celebration Day Tuesday, February 13 – Our Mardis Gras Celebration Day with Paczkis! Wednesday, February 14 – Our Valentine’s Celebration Day And Leap Into a new month with us on Thursday, February 29 with a Traditional Comfort meal! All COA Offices and Senior Centers are CLOSED for the Presidents Day Holiday on Monday, February 19.

ELLSWORTH TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, Feb. 9. Banks Township Hall. 7 to 8:30pm. Donations will be accepted. All Proceeds will benefit the Upper Chain of Lakes Women’s Club Scholarship Fund and the Antrim Attic. Teams of 1 to 8 People. 5 Categories of 10 questions. Prizes. Snacks and water will be provided. Participants may bring their own drink.

GAYLORD NIGHT TO SHINE

Night to Shine, our prom for people with special needs, is this weekend. This year it will 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 St.

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

BOYNE CITY COMPUTER HELP

The Boyne District Library is offering computer help. 30-minute appointments are open 2pm-3pm on Tuesdays. Computer Help sessions are for assistance with any computer/tech problems. We will find a solution or help guide you to one. Windows, Apple iOS, MS Office, email, digital imaging, internet funk, file format, security, hardware issues, or any frustration. The library is located at 201 E. Main St. Phone 231-582-7861.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation applications are now open for 2024 scholarships. Students may contact their school counselor for more information or visit our website at www.c3f.org/scholarships

BOYNE CITY PASTA DINNER FUNDRAISER

Boyne City Pre-School pasta dinner fundraiser is Saturday, Feb. 10, 5-8pm at the Eagles Club, 106 River St. Suggested donation \$12 for adults, \$7 for children. Raffle auction, Super Bowl squares raffle, music, dancing, photobooth and of course great pasta dinner.

BOYNE CITY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Feb. 15, 5:30 - 7pm at Great Lakes Energy new office building. C-Hosted by Boyne City Public Schools and Char-Em ISD.

EAST JORDAN OPEN HOUSE

East Jordan Trailblazers Open House Saturday, Feb. 17 from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. 5586 Mt. Bliss Road. Come and check us out. 11 a.m. Registration for Safari 11 a.m.- noon Coloring Contest Noon: Snowmobile Safari (weather permitting) All Day Bean Pot 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Concessions inside clubhouse After 3 p.m.- Club Members Only

CHARLEVOIX RING OF SILENCE

The Ring of Silence movie which will be shown February 21 at 6pm at the Charlevoix Cinema. There will be discussions following the movie, with local medical, legal and enforcement officials. The movie is about the problem of human trafficking. Those under 18 will need to be accompanied by an adult. The women of Charlevoix Zonta are constantly working on advocating for women’s and girls’ rights

BOYNE CITY EARLY VOTING

Voting for the February 27, Presidential Primary Election will take place between Sunday, February 17th through Sunday, February 25th at the Charlevoix County Building from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, except February 16. All voters still have the option of voting absentee if you cannot make it in person to vote.

CHARLEVOIX AFTER SCHOOL ART-VENTURES AT CHARLEVOIX CIRCLE OF ARTS

After School Art-Ventures at Charlevoix Circle of Arts January 25th - March 7th. Kids ages 6 - 10 get to be creative, try new techniques and explore a variety of materials. With art show finale. Session of 6 Classes: Date: January 25 - March 7 (no class Feb. 29) Time: Thursdays, 4 - 5:30 pm. Ages: 6 - 12 Fee: \$70 or \$60 for members. Includes all supplies & snack. Limited spots & pre-registration required. Class size limited to 12, minimum of 4 students to hold class.

BOYNE CITY OVERNIGHT PARKING

With the return of winter weather, our Boyne City Police Department is reminding everyone about overnight parking. City Ordinance Sec. 66-92 (b) prohibits parking in or on any city street from 2am-6am. This includes angle and parallel parking in the downtown area. Vehicles found in violation that impede progress of City snowplows or otherwise create a traffic obstruction are subject to being towed at the owner’s expense. Please direct any questions to police@boynecity.com or call our office at 231-582-6611.

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.

BOYNE CITY AVALANCHE WARMING HOUSE

Avalanche Warming House is now open Monday-Friday from 4-9 p.m. and Saturday/Sunday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. The ice skating rink was flooded on Monday, so we expect it to be open soon. Check our Facebook page for updates. We loan sleds and skates for free and warming house attendant Lacy Kotalik has set up a new station in case children show up without gloves, hats, or socks. It’s open for anyone who is in need and also to those willing to add to it. We are always in need of donations of skates and sleds, if you have any that aren’t being used.

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 Ethanology Distilling.

BOYNE CITY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

February 15, 5:30-7pm at Great Lakes Energy new office building, 1323 Boyne Ave. Free admission. You’re invited to an evening of networking at Great Lakes Energy’s new office building, home to the programs and services offered by Great Lakes Energy and Trues-tream, their amazing fiber internet business. Great Lakes Energy is a long-time community supporter and this event will be co-hosted by Boyne City Public Schools and Char-Em ISD.

BOYNE CITY LEGO BUILD

Thursday, Feb. 22nd, 4pm - 5pm. Community Room / Boyne District Library, 201 E Main St. Get crazy with the LEGOS. Snacks provided. Ages 4-14. Registration required.

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.

BOYNE CITY BUSINESS EXPO AND TASTE OF BOYNE

One of the largest business networking events in Northern Michigan is organized by the Boyne Area Chamber and is back by popular demand. April 17 is the 12th Annual Business Expo and Taste of Boyne and will include about 75 exhibitor booths from area businesses and organizations. This exciting event includes great food, networking, music, business exhibits and more, from 3 to 7pm at the Boyne Mountain Civic Center. The public and Chamber members are welcome to attend. Admission is \$10 and includes all Taste of Boyne booths. Boyne Mountain will be providing a shuttle bus to and from all parking lots. Registration is now open for booth space (only available to chamber members in good standing)

BOYNE CITY FACADE GRANT PROGRAM IS NOW OPEN

The Boyne City Main Street Façade Grant program for 2024 is now open. This program provides a reimbursement based, matching grant for façade improvements for building and business owners within the Main Street District. Recommendations for funding grant applications will be made by the Main Street Design Committee to the Main Street Board which will make all final decisions in June, 2024. Applications are due May 1, 2024. Please email bcmainstreet@gmail.com for application and guidelines.

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EAST JORDAN RAVEN HILL WINTER HOURS

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CHARLEVOIX FREE BREAKFAST CLUB TEAMS UP WITH COA

Collaboration Between The Free Breakfast Club & Commission On Aging has begun. Anyone can come to the Shirley Roloff Center (old Elementary School on Division), between 8-9am 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 for all ages at no cost.

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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. DepotVTeenCenter@gmail.com

CHARLEVOIX MONTHLY ADULT 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.

EAST JORDAN CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Cancer and Caregiver Support group meets at 10am the 3rd Saturday of each month at Lighthouse Missionary Church.



Boyne Falls Public School

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Tinly Richards

Grade: 6th Grade

Parent’s Name(s): Russell and Ryan Richards

Future Plans: Tinly would like to have her own salon where she would do hair and possibly photoshoots.

Favorite Book: *The Turtle of Michigan* by Naomi Shihab Nye

Hobbies and Interests: Cheer, Gymnastics, Bracelet Making, 4H, sewing, and entrepreneur activities

School Activities: Winter Recreation, help with Polish Festival

Staff Comments:

Tinly has such a bright and bubbly personality. Her positive attitude and infectious spirit bring smiles wherever she goes. Not only does Tinly come to class with a great work ethic and attitude, she also epitomizes the Logger Agreement through her actions.

Tinly is caring and kind to those around her and is always willing to lend a helping hand. I’m very happy to nominate Tinly for Student of the Week.

Submitted By: Mrs. Ritter

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athlete of the week



Mason Riccinto
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Rambler Wrestling

In the Lake Michigan Conference Tournament last Friday, Mason Riccinto brought home a conference title for the Ramblers at 113 pounds.

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Abbey Wright
Charlevoix Rayders
Girls Basketball

Abbey has been tearing it up this year. In a 49-38 win over conference for Grayling, Abbey notched yet another double, pouring in 32 points, grabbing 12 rebounds and coming away with three steals.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Loggers struggling as season winds down

BY GREG GIELCZYK

The last two games have been a disturbing variation from the previous few when it averaged close to 50 points game, despite losing most of them.

Ellsworth 72, Boyne Falls 20.

So when Boyne Falls traveled to Ellsworth on Feb. 1 the Loggers hoped to do better offensively, and were disappointed when they were defeated, 72-20 in the Northern Lakes Conference game.

And the nightmare started in the first quarter, when the Loggers scored just one point, while Ellsworth buried them by striking for 19 and kept the offense from making a rally.

Ellsworth outscored the Loggers, 20-9 in the second period and cruised into the half with a lopsided 39-10 lead.

But then the rug was really pulled out from under the Loggers when they

were shut out, 19-0 in the third quarter before finishing with a 14-point fourth period.

JT Greenier scored nine points to lead the Loggers.

Part of the Loggers' problem, as it is with some teams this time of year, is they are struggling with players sick and not at 100 percent.

Now that they are in the final month of the regular season, the Loggers know there isn't a lot of time to get healthy and fix their mistakes.

Harbor Light 70, Boyne Falls 30

Another bad start doomed the Loggers in this one when Harbor Light outscored them, 26-6 in the first quarter and then 15-13 in the second to trail, 41-19 at the half.

Keaton Matelski paced the Loggers with 10 points and Greenier added nine.

Boyne Falls is 2-11 overall and 1-9 in the conference.

WRESTLING



Charlevoix Rayder Varsity Wrestling Team

Rayders are Conference Champs

On Friday, February 2nd the Charlevoix Rayder varsity wrestling team competed at home in the annual Lake Michigan Conference Tournament. Charlevoix won the tournament with Grayling taking 2nd Place and T.C. St. Francis taking 3rd. This sealed the overall conference title for the Rayders who were undefeated

in conference dual meets this year. Seniors for all of the schools present were honored at the tournament. Individual conference champions for the Rayders

were: Jackson Fry, 106 lbs.; Logan Wilks, 157 lbs.; Justin Whisler 165 lbs.; Brady Jess, 175 lbs.; and Landon Swanson, 215 lbs. Next up the Rayders

will host team districts on February 7th with Inland Lakes, Onaway and Rogers City, followed by individual districts in Manistique on February 10th.

CHARLEVOIX RAYDER VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Jackson Fry, Sophomore, 106 lbs. 2 and 0, 1st Place, All-Conference

Max Reynolds, Sophomore, 126 lbs. Injured

Kate Matter, Freshman, 132 lbs. 0 and 2

Anthony Wise, Senior, 138 lbs. 4 and 1, 2nd Place, All-Conference Honorable Mention

Landon Whisler, Freshman, 144 lbs. 3 and 1

Jamie Parrish, Senior, 150 lbs. 1 and 1, 2nd Place, All-Conference Honorable Mention

Logan Wilks, Junior, 157 lbs. 2 and 0, 1st Place, All-Conference

Ryan Glass, Freshman, 157 lbs. 0 and 2

Justin Whisler, Senior, 165 lbs. 3 and 0, 1st Place, All-Conference

Brady Jess, Junior, 175 lbs. 4 and 0, 1st Place, All-Conference

Brady Warchol, Junior, 175 lbs. 1 and 3

Trevor Streeter, Senior, 190 lbs. 1 and 1, 2nd Place, All-Conference Honorable Mention

Ben Matter, Senior, 190 lbs. 0 and 2

Landon Swanson, Senior, 215 lbs. 3 and 0, 1st Place, All-Conference

Sawyer Blasczyk, Sophomore, HWT 4 and 1, 2nd Place, All-Conference Honorable Mention

Adam Streeter, Senior, HWT 3 and 2

Connor Ortiz, Junior, HWT 2 and 3

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HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE (HYPERTENSION) STAGE 2	140 OR HIGHER	or	90 OR HIGHER
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BOYNE FALLS 3-12	
2/8--5:30 PM *League game.	A Alba
2/9--8:00 PM	A Petoskey St Michael
2/12--5:30 PM *League game.	A Wolverine
BOYNE CITY 10-7	
2/6--7:00 PM *League game.	H Traverse City St Francis
2/8--7:00 PM *League game.	A East Jordan
2/13--7:00 PM	A Gaylord
2/15--7:00 PM *League game.	H Elk Rapids
CHARLEVOIX 13-3	
2/6--7:00 PM *League game.	A Kalkaska
2/8--7:00 PM *League game.	H Elk Rapids
2/12-7:00PM	A Bellaire
2/15--7:00 PM *League game.	A East Jordan
ELLSWORTH 7-10	
2/7-7:00pm *League game	A Wolverine
2/9--7:00 PM *League game.	H Alanson
2/13--7:00 PM	H Traverse City Christian
2/16--7:00 PM *League game	A Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian
EAST JORDAN 6-9	
2/6--7:00 PM *League game.	A Harbor Springs
2/8--7:00 PM *League game.	H Boyne City
2/12-7:00PM *League game	A Grayling
2/13--7:00 PM *League game.	H Kalkaska
2/15--7:00 PM *League game.	H Charlevoix

GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

BOYNE CITY 7-8	
2/6--7:00 PM *League game.	A Traverse City St Francis
2/9--7:00 PM *League game.	H East Jordan
2/13--5:30 PM	A Gaylord
2/16--7:00 PM *League game.	A Elk Rapids
CHARLEVOIX 8-6	
2/6--7:00 PM *League game.	H Kalkaska
2/9--7:00 PM *League game.	A Elk Rapids
2/12--7:00 PM	H Gaylord St Mary
2/16--7:00 PM *League game.	H East Jordan
EAST JORDAN 7-6	
2/6--7:00 PM *League game.	H Harbor Springs
2/9--7:00 PM *League game.	A Boyne City
2/12-7:00PM 4 *League Game	H Grayling
2/13--7:00 PM *League game.	A Kalkaska
2/16--7:00 PM *League game.	A Charlevoix
ELLSWORTH 10-4	
2/6--7:00 PM	H Mancelona
2/8--7:00 PM *League game.	H Alanson
2/16--7:00 PM *League game.	

BOYS BASKETBALL CONFERENCE STANDINGS

2/5/24		
BIG NORTH CONFERENCE		STRAITS AREA CONFERENCE
Team	W-L (Conference) (Overall)	Team W-L (Conference) (Overall)
Cadillac	7-0 14-1	Sault Ste Marie 4-1 8-8
Traverse City West	5-2 12-5	St Ignace 4-2 11-5
Petoskey	4-3 9-6	Rudyard 3-2 11-4
Gaylord	3-4 7-9	Cheboygan 2-3 9-7
Traverse City Central	2-5 2-13	Newberry 0-5 3-11
Alpena	0-7 5-12	
LAKE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE		NORTHERN LAKES CONFERENCE
Team	W-L (Conference) (Overall)	Team W-L (Conference) (Overall)
Elk Rapids	9-2 10-7	Harbor Springs Harbor 8-1 14-2
Charlevoix	7-3 13-3	Light Christian 6-2 11-4
Traverse City St Francis	7-3 8-6	Alanson 6-2 10-6
Harbor Springs	7-4 10-6	Mackinaw City 6-2 10-6
Boyne City	6-5 10-7	Ellsworth 6-3 7-10
East Jordan	2-7 6-9	Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian 3-6 6-10
Grayling	2-7 6-9	Wolverine 2-7 3-8
Kalkaska	0-9 1-14	Boyne Falls 0-10 3-12
		Alba 0-0 0-5
SKI VALLEY CONFERENCE		NORTH STAR LEAGUE - BIG DIPPER
Team	W-L (Conference) (Overall)	Team W-L (Conference) (Overall)
Mancelona	10-1 13-3	Alcona 7-0 14-4
Bellaire	10-1 12-3	Oscoda 5-1 12-4
Onaway	9-3 12-4	Rogers City 3-3 4-11
Gaylord St Mary	8-4 11-5	St Helen Charlton 2-4 8-7
Indian River Inland Lakes	8-4 10-6	Mio 2-4 7-9
Central Lake	3-8 6-11	Whittemore-Prescott 0-7 2-13
Johannesburg-		
Lewiston	3-9 3-14	NORTH STAR LEAGUE - LITTLE DIPPER
Pellston	1-11 2-14	Team W-L (Conference) (Overall)
Fife Lake Forest Area	0-11 3-13	Hillman 7-0 15-2
		Hale 5-2 7-9
		Posen 4-2 9-6
		Fairview 3-4 4-11
		Au Gres-Sims 1-6 2-13
		Atlanta 0-6 0-10

ASSOCIATED PRESS HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL STATE RANKINGS - 2/5/24

- DIVISION 1**
1. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (15-1) -- 75 -- {5}
 2. Detroit Cass Tech (14-1) -- 69
 3. East Lansing (14-2) -- 62
 4. Dearborn (17-0) -- 60
 5. North Farmington (14-1) -- 48
 6. Grand Rapids Northview (12-2) -- 47
 6. Ann Arbor Huron (13-2) -- 47
 8. Muskegon (11-2) -- 46
 9. Muskegon Reeths-Puffer (14-1) -- 40
 10. Detroit U-D Jesuit (13-4) -- 29
- Others receiving votes: Rockford 12, Saline 11, Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice 11, **Cadillac 11**, Okemos 10, Detroit Catholic Central 7, Saginaw Heritage 4, Ypsilanti Lincoln 4, Troy 3, Walled Lake Central 2, Warren De La Salle 2.

ASSOCIATED PRESS HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE RANKINGS - 2/5/24

- DIVISION 1**
1. West Bloomfield (13-1) -- 75 -- {5}
 2. Detroit Renaissance (14-0) -- 70
 3. Rockford (15-1) -- 65
 4. Belleville (13-1) -- 59
 5. East Kentwood (12-2) -- 54
 6. Grand Haven (14-2) -- 43
 7. Jackson Northwest (12-1) -- 39
 8. Macomb Dakota (14-2) -- 36
 8. DeWitt (14-2) -- 36
 10. Temperance Bedford (11-1) -- 32
- Others receiving votes: Holland West Ottawa 21, Portage Central 15, Grosse Pointe North 14, Wayne Memorial 11, Byron Center 11, Rochester Hills Stoney Creek 8, Midland Dow 5, Saline 4, Muskegon 1, Lowell 1.

- DIVISION 2**
1. Grand Rapids Christian (14-1) -- 74 -- {4}
 2. Warren Lincoln (13-3) -- 68 -- {1}
 3. Benton Harbor (18-0) -- 65
 4. Romulus Summit Academy (13-2) -- 60
 5. Whitehall (16-0) -- 57
 6. Freeland (14-1) -- 42
 7. Grand Rapids Catholic Central (11-4) -- 35
 7. Chelsea (10-5) -- 35
 9. Flint Powers Catholic (13-3) -- 34
 10. Grand Rapids South Christian (11-5) -- 25
- Others receiving votes: Kingsford 21, Saginaw 17, Adrian 15, Ferndale 11, Saginaw Arthur Hill 11, Lansing Sexton 7, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep 6, Flat Rock 5, Dundee 5, Tecumseh 4, Onsted 2, Warren Fitzgerald 1.

- DIVISION 3**
1. Iron Mountain (15-0) -- 74 -- {4}
 2. Laingsburg (15-0) -- 69 -- {1}
 3. Niles Brandywine (13-2) -- 65
 4. McBain (13-1) -- 58
 5. Cass City (15-0) -- 51
 6. North Muskegon (16-0) -- 48
 7. Chesaning (15-0) -- 41
 8. Riverview Gabriel Richard (14-2) -- 40
 9. Jackson Lumen Christi (13-2) -- 30
 10. Pewamo-Westphalia (13-2) -- 28
- Others receiving votes: Sanford Meridian 27, Centreville 15, Menominee 14, Clinton Township Clintondale 12, Beal City 10, Schoolcraft 6, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 4, Grand Rapids Covenant Christian 4, Harbor Beach 2, Concord 1, New Haven 1.

- DIVISION 4**
1. Adrian Lenawee Christian (12-2) -- 68 -- {1}
 2. Taylor Trillium Academy (15-1) -- 66 -- {2}
 2. Wyoming Tri-unity Christian (10-4) -- 66 -- {2}
 4. Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart (15-1) -- 64
 5. Pickford (13-1) -- 44
 6. Munising (13-3) -- 39
 - 7. Hillman (15-2) -- 35**
 8. Maple City Glen Lake (11-3) -- 27
 9. Petersburg Summerfield (14-3) -- 26
 10. Lake Linden-Hubbell (14-2) -- 24
 10. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (12-3) -- 24
 10. Saginaw Nouvel (12-3) -- 24
- Others receiving votes: **St. Ignace 23**, Bellevue 22, Dryden 12, Crystal Falls Forest Park 10, **Bellaire 10**, Norway 6, Genesee Christian 5, Rudyard 3, Baldwin 1, Hillsdale Academy 1.

- DIVISION 2**
1. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard (16-0) -- 72 -- {3}
 2. Grand Rapids West Catholic (13-1) -- 68 -- {1}
 3. Detroit Edison (11-1) -- 67 -- {1}
 4. Goodrich (15-0) -- 61
 5. Frankenmuth (11-2) -- 52
 6. Negaunee (15-1) -- 44
 7. Freeland (13-2) -- 40
 8. Flint Powers (12-1) -- 39
 9. Orchard Lake. St. Mary (15-0) -- 32
 10. Lansing Catholic (10-4) -- 31
- Others receiving votes: Portland 29, Detroit Country Day 18, Chelsea 12, Lake Fenton 12, Tecumseh 11, Hart 4, Alma 3, Redford Westfield Prep 2, Warren Fitzgerald 1, Spring Lake 1, Haslett 1.

- DIVISION 3**
1. Ypsilanti Arbor Prep (12-2) -- 74 -- {45}
 2. Niles Brandywine (12-0) -- 71 -- {1}
 3. Sanford Meridian (12-0) -- 59
 4. Lake City (11-2) -- 52
 5. Blissfield (10-2) -- 49
 6. Michigan Center (15-1) -- 43
 7. Kalamazoo Christian (12-1) -- 40
 - 8. Harbor Springs (12-2) -- 39**
 9. Hemlock (12-2) -- 36
 10. Bark River-Harris (12-2) -- 32
- Others receiving votes: Ovid-Elsie 29, Sandusky 22, **Elk Rapids 11**, Manton 11, Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central 9, St. Charles 9, Mason County Central 5, Saugatuck 3, Morley-Stanwood 2, Bath 2, Ewart 1, St. Louis 1.

- DIVISION 4**
1. Ishpeming (14-0) -- 75 -- {5}
 2. Colon (12-1) -- 66
 3. Portland St. Patrick (12-2) -- 57
 4. Kingston (13-1) -- 53
 5. Lake Linden-Hubbell (14-1) -- 51
 6. Fowler (11-3) -- 50
 7. Lake Leelanau St. Mary (11-1) -- 33
 8. Martin (10-2) -- 29
 - 9. Mackinaw City (13-0) -- 28**
 10. Maple City Glen Lake (11-4) -- 25
- Others receiving votes: Baraga 24, Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart 20, Bloomfield Hills Roeper 19, Clarkston Everest Catholic 13, Mendon 11, Morenci 10, Ewen-Trout Creek 8, Frankfort 6, **St. Ignace LaSalle 5**, Brethren 3, Bay City All Saints 3, Cooks Big Bay de Noc 1.

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		Wolverine 0-8 0-10
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Grayling	4-4 7-7	Alcona 4-4 9-5
Boyne City	4-5 7-8	St Helen Charlton 0-5 0-12
East Jordan	2-5 7-6	Whittemore-Prescott 0-6 0-11
Traverse City		
St Francis	2-7 2-13	NORTH STAR LEAGUE LITTLE DIPPER
Kalkaska	0-8 0-11	Team W-L (Conference) (Overall)
		Hillman 7-0 9-6
		Au Gres-Sims 5-2 10-4
		Hale 4-2 6-7
		Posen 3-4 5-9
		Fairview 1-6 5-9
		Atlanta 0-6 3-6
STRAITS AREA CONFERENCE		
Team	W-L (Conference) (Overall)	
Sault Ste Marie	3-0 7-4	
Newberry	4-3 7-6	
St Ignace	2-2 11-4	
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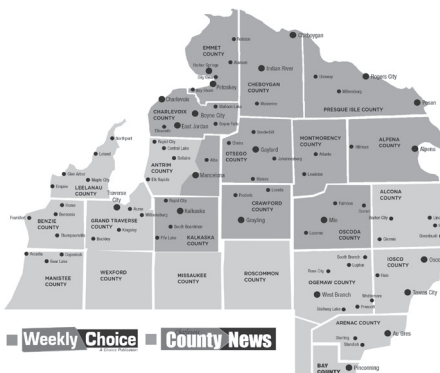
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BOWLING

Ramblers boys improve to 6-1 on the season

Boyne City Varsity Boys Bowling team have a record of 6-1 in the Conference after Saturday's matches held at Northern Lights in Petoskey.

BCHS boys matches of the day brought Petoskey to the lanes against them and they took the win 27-3. Then the boys faced Rogers City in the second match of day and fought hard to take the win with a final score of 17-13.

The boys next meet will be on Feb 10. on their home lanes at BC Lanes against Cheboygan & Grayling.

HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAMES FOR MATCH 1:

Tim Payton – 145 / 165
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BOWLING

Lady Ramblers have convincing win over Grayling

Saturday, the Boyne City Girls bowling team played one match vs Grayling.

The girls swept the baker games with a 158 and a 167.

They continued to dominate into the individual games.

At the end of the day the

Lady Ramblers took the win with a 28-2 victory.

Next week we will be hosting our home matches. Come out and support all of our Rambler Bowlers at BC Lanes on February 10. Matches begin at 10am.

HIGH INDIVIDUAL SCORE FOR THE DAY:

Victoria McGeorge – 222
Lauren LaBute – 211
Marlee Fischl – 146
Whitney Root – 140
Lillie Bennett – 115
Brynn Sero – 89

WRESTLING

Young Ramblers team places 4th Rayders win conference championship

BY GREG GIELCZYK

Charlevoix's wrestling team concluded a perfect regular season Friday night when the Rayders raised the Lake Michigan Conference Tournament championship trophy in their own facility before a standing ovation from their home fans.

A young Boyne City team was fourth, behind the Rayders, runner-up Grayling and Traverse City St. Francis which finished in third place.

For Boyne City, Mason Riccinto bringing home a conference title for the Ramblers at 113 pounds. Deegan Anthony at 132 and Finn Parrish at 144 both came in second in their respective weight classes and earned All-Conference Honorable Mentions.

"We're looking forward to what our kids can do

in the post-season now that it's crunch time," said Ramblers coach Chandler Roberts. "We have a really young team, so there's a lot of learning curves to get through.

"Overall, they're effort was there and I'm real happy with what they've been able to accomplish with a young team. There's were a lot of bright surprises throughout the season.

"A lot of kids who came in as a freshman were wrestling older wrestlers, and some of our returning wrestlers were able to step up and lead. It's been a pretty solid year."

The Rayders went undefeated in dual meet action, and the tournament title gave them the overall championship.

They also crowned five individual champions.

Earning their gold med-

als for the Rayders were seniors Jackson Fry at 106, Logan Wilks at 157, Justin Whisler at 165, Brady Jess at 175 and Landon Swanson at 215.

Finishing second for Honorable Mentions were Anthony Wise was 4-1 at 138, Jamie Parrish went 1-1 at 150, Trevor Streeter also was 1-1 at 190, and Sawyer Blasczyk was 4-1 at heavyweight.

Landon Whisler, a freshman, finished 3-1 at 144.

Charlevoix hosts the team districts on Feb. 7 featuring Inland Lakes, Onaway and Rogers City. Individual districts are Feb. 10 in Manistique.

Boyne City is in the team districts at Gladstone on Wednesday, followed by the individual districts in Grayling on Saturday.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Rayder Girls win 3 out of 4

BY GREG GIELCZYK

A three-game losing streak didn't cause any panic, at least none they would admit to feeling, in the Charlevoix girls basketball ranks and recent events would seem to indicate that there was no need.

The Rayders clicked off a pair of wins last week to again return its program to health and wealth as we enter February and draw closer to the post-season, hitting a three-game winning streak that has pushed their record two games over the .500 mark.

It started with a 49-38 triumph over Grayling on Jan. 25, and concluded with a solid 49-35 win over in-county rival Boyne City in the Lake Michigan Conference.

Sandwiched in between them the Rayders added a 26-16 victory over Traverse City St. Francis. All three were in the Lake Michigan Conference, and lifted Charlevoix's record to 6-3 in the conference. It is 8-6 overall.

Charlevoix 26, TCSF 16

Abbey Wright narrowly missed recording a double double against the Gladiators, scoring nine points and pulling down nine rebounds to lead the Rayders on Feb. 2.

Bayani Collins contributed eight points, and Anna Kemp added seven.

Leading the Ramblers were Brayden Noble with 12 points, followed by Elly Wilcox and Kaelyn Matelski who scored six apiece.

The Rayders finished the first quarter with a 7-2 lead in the low scoring contest, and then was



Abbey Wright



Bayani Collins



Anna Kemp

outscored 4-2 in the second to hold a slim 9-8 halftime lead.

Charlevoix gained a little separation with a 10-6 third quarter that improved its lead to 19-14 and the Rayders outscored the Gladiators, 7-6 in the final stanza.

Rayders 49, Boyne City 35

Wright had a double double with 18 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Rayders against the Ramblers. Kemp also had a double double, scoring 18 points and picking off 10 steals. Karlee Eaton added nine points and seven rebounds.

Kemp sparked the Rayders in the first quarter, scoring nine points and Wright added seven as the Rayders exploded to outscore the Ramblers 21-6.

Boyne City turned around and outscored the Rayders, 11-10 in the second quarter but couldn't get the deficit under double digits as the Rayders led by 12, 31-19 at the half.

The two teams combined for only 14 points in the third period, with the Rayders taking an 8-6 edge and kept their leader at twin figures, 39-25 entering the fourth. Both

teams scored 10 points in the final quarter.

Harbor Springs 52, Charlevoix 43

Despite another double double by Wright, the Rayders tumbled to their third straight loss at the hands of Harbor Springs and saw its record slip below .500 on Jan. 23.

Wright had 20 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Rayders, and Kemp came close with 12 points and nine rebounds with five steals. Collins added nine points, five rebounds and four steals.

Charlevoix 49, Grayling 38

The Rayders turned up the defensive heat to stop their losing streak, handcuffing the Vikings offense from start to finish and evened their season record on Jan. 25.

Grayling couldn't stop Wright, who notched yet another double double, pouring in 32 points, grabbing 12 rebounds and coming away with three steals.

Kemp contributed 12 points, with five rebounds and four steals. Eaton added five points and six rebounds.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

June Kirkpatrick scores 26 in win over Central Lake

BY GREG GIELCZYK

Its roster ravaged by illness, the East Jordan girls basketball team continues to forge ahead on the season and has been rewarded for its grit with three wins in its last five games.

But an inability to make crucial shots betrayed the Red Devils when they played Lake Michigan Conference leader Elk Rapids on the road in their last game.

The Red Devils have been road warriors of late, playing three consecutive games away from home. But their next contest against Harbor Springs on Tuesday night was on their home court.

Despite the ups and downs they've endured this season, the Red Devils have managed to stay above .500 with a 7-6 record overall. They are 2-5 in the LMC.

Grayling 50, East Jordan 38

Not only did the Red Devils miss some key opportunities from the field, but they were only 3-of-16 at the free throw line, which certainly was no help on Tuesday, Jan. 30.

But they managed to keep the game close throughout the first half,



June Kirkpatrick

trailing the Vikings by only two points, 15-13 after one. They edged the Vikings, 9-8 in the second and went into the half with a 23-22 deficit.

Grayling spread the margin out to 37-32 going into the fourth quarter with a 14-9 third period. The Vikings closed out the game with a 13-7 fourth quarter.

June Kirkpatrick scored 17 points to lead the Red Devils, while Lilian Stone added nine.

"I am proud of my girls," East Jordan coach Tim Smith said. "We are just devastated with sickness right now. We had some kids who couldn't go today, and many girls who gutted it out."

East Jordan 51, Central Lake 19

The Red Devils started out slowly, finishing the first quarter with a 9-4 advantage and then outscored Central Lake, 19-4 in the second period for a 28-8 lead at the half.

An 18-7 third period sent East Jordan into the fourth quarter holding a 43-15.

Kirkpatrick had a big game with 26 points for the Red Devils.

"We started slow and couldn't make an open shot," said Smith.

"We played a lot of girls, and got great contributions from everyone."

Elk Rapids 62, East Jordan 30

Playing three games in four nights with a group of players slowed or missing entirely because of illness, finally caught up with the Red Devils when they went up against Elk Rapids on Friday, Feb. 2.

The Elks took advantage of the weary Red Devils immediately, outscoring them, 22-8 in the first quarter and rolled into the half up 34-16 at the half.

Kirkpatrick scored 17 points to lead East Jordan.

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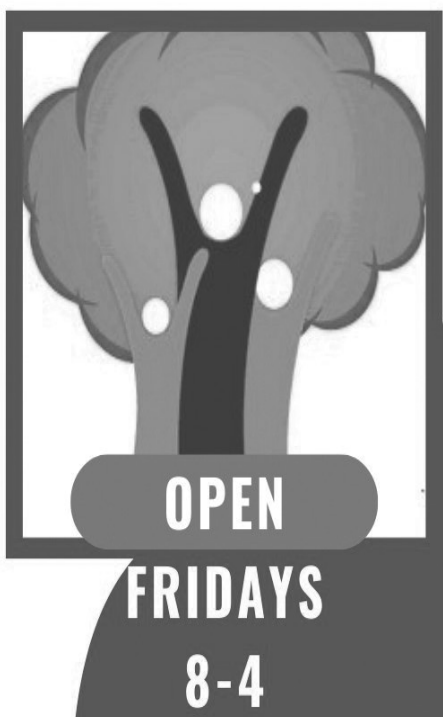
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Boyer Valley Township, Charlevoix County will be accepting bids for Tree Planting and streetscape along US 131 through the Village of Boyne Falls, according to plan. All bids must respond completely to the requirements outlined in the REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. A copy of the RFP may be obtained from the Township Clerk, who may be contacted at 2489 Railroad St, Boyne Falls, MI 49713, (231) 549-3130. Bids that do not conform to the requirements may be rejected. Bids are to be mailed or delivered to the Township Clerk at the above address in a sealed envelope marked **BOYNE VALLEY TOWNSHIP STREETSCAPE** no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 29, 2024. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 11, 2024.

Boyer Valley Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or any part thereof at its discretion, and to waive any irregularities in the bidding to accept the proposal which best meets the needs of the Township, irrespective of price. The Township prepares its specifications to afford all vendors an equal opportunity to compete.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Boyer Valley Township invites all landscaping firms to submit proposals to perform plantings as outlined in plan.

General Information

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RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

2003 Spartan 40 foot Motorhome. Double slideout, Owens 7500 watt quiet diesel generator, diesel pusher rear engine, 32 K miles. Sale Price \$44,900. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2023 Rockwood Ultra Lite 2608BS Travel Trailer. 2 slideouts, Power awning with rain dump and LED, outside griddle, All In One Wi-Fi Booster/LTE Prep & Antenna, outside shower. MSRP \$58,660. Sale Price \$42,995. Save \$15,665. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2024 Cherokee Grey Wolf 26BRB Travel Trailer. Bunkhouse sleeps 10, slideout, outdoor kitchen, 2 entry doors, fireplace, backup camera. MSRP \$48,713. Sale Price \$29,995. Save \$18,718. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2024 Cherokee Wolf Pup 16EV Travel Trailer. All electric, sleeps 5, 2 bunks, On Demand Tankless Water Heater, backup camera, MSRP \$23,954. Sale Price \$13,995. Save \$9,959. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2024 Impression 242RD 5th Wheel. Slideout, sleeps 6, private front bedroom, outside shower, MSRP \$56,546. Sale Price \$39,995. Save \$16,551. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

NEW 2023 East to West Della Terra 180MB Travel Trailer. 1/2 ton towable, slideout, outdoor kitchen, MSRP \$44,437. Sale Price \$26,995. Save \$17,442. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

NEW 2023 Forest River RV Rockwood Ultra Lite 2906BS Travel Trailer. 3 slideouts, sleeps 5, rear living area, kitchen island, fireplace, seats 9

people, two 11' power awnings. MSRP \$96,338. Sale Price \$51,995. Save \$17,341. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

Used 2013 Keystone RV Bullet 204RBS Travel Trailer. Rear Corner Bath Including: Angle Shower, Rear Pantry/Wardrobe, Refrig, 3 Burner Range, Booth Dinette w/Overhead storage and much more. Regular Price \$13,995. Sale Price \$11,995. Save \$2,000. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

Used 2016 Rockwood Mini Lite 2304 KS Travel Trailer. Slideout, air. Regular Price \$14,995. Sale Price \$12,995. Save \$2,000. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

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Used 2017 Winnebago Navion 24G Class C Motorhome. Slideout, sleeps 6, generator, satellite, 2 TVs, 3.0L V-6, 20,500 miles, rear hitch, Inverter with solar panel, much more. Regular \$119,995. Save \$34,000. Sale Price \$85,995. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North,

Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

USED 2021 Coachmen Apex Nano 15x Travel Trailer Expandable. Queen beds fold out at each tent end, sleep 6, Regular \$24,771. Sale Price \$19,995. Save \$4,776. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

Used 2022 Forest River RV Sabre 37FL Fifth Wheel. This is fabulous! 4 Slideouts, sleeps 8, electric auto leveling system, universal docking system, fireplace, outside kitchen & shower, large loft. Regular price \$79,990. Sale Price \$69,990. Save \$10,000. PLUS, Save an additional \$250 when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

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Village of Boyne Falls Budget Hearing

Budget Hearing for the 2024-2025 fiscal year to follow regular council meeting on February 13, 2024.

The Budget hearing will follow the regular meeting at 7:00 PM

Meeting to be held at Village Hall, 2290 Railroad St., Boyne Falls

The Village Council will be discussing the budget for the General Fund, Water Fund, Local Street Fund and Major Streets Fund.

The public is welcome.

Marilyn Cousineau
Village President

AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SOUTH ARM TOWNSHIP, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

The South Arm Township Planning Commission will hold a public on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. at the South Arm Township Hall located at 02811 S. M-66 Highway, East Jordan, Michigan 49727 for the purpose of receiving public comment concerning an application from Richard and Pollyanna Kuhns at 5119 Bellaire Road to rezone their 34 acre parcel of land (Parcel No. 014-035-009-40) from R-1 (residential) to A (agricultural). If you have any questions, comments or would like additional information regarding this request, you can contact John Ferguson in writing at 8354 Mercer Road, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720 or by phone at 231-459-8141.

CITY OF BOYNE CITY

CITY COMMISSION MINUTE SYNOPSIS

January 16, 2024 - Approve to excuse the absence of Sandy Pritchard; motion carried. Approve to move the City Commission 5:00 p.m. special meeting scheduled on Thursday, January 18, 2024 to start at 5:30 p.m. to be held at 319 N Lake Street Boyne City, MI.; motion carried.

January 23, 2024 - Approve the January 9, 2024 City Commission Regular meeting minutes as presented. Approve the purchase of an American Security Cabinets ballot drop box in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,325 plus the cost of shipping, handling, and installation to be purchased in the 2023-2024 fiscal year, and authorize the City Clerk/Treasurer and/or City Deputy Clerk to complete all necessary reimbursement documents. Approve a contract with Gabridge & Co. to provide auditing services in the amount not to exceed \$27,200 for FYE 2024, \$27,700 for FYE 2025, \$28,200 for FYE 2026, \$28,700 for FYE 2027, and \$29,200 for FYE 2028 plus if the City requires that a Single Audit be performed, an additional fee of \$5,000 per year would be charged and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk/Treasurer to execute the documents. Approve to reappoint Greg Vadnais to the Parks and Recreation Commission with a term expiring 12/31/2027. Approve to appoint Skylar MacNaughton to the Parks and Recreation Commission with a term ending 12/31/2027. Approve to appoint Emma Patten to the non-voting position of Student Liaison to the Parks and Recreation Commission with a term ending 12/31/2025. Approve to approve the Special Liquor License Application for Boyne Thunder, the Food Truck Rally and the Sip & Shop event for submission to the state. Approve to approve amendment to BCZO section 24.80(B) as proposed; motion carried. Approve the amendment to BCZO section 4.20(B) as proposed; motion carried. Approve to schedule a special meeting at City Hall in the City Commission Chambers at 5:30 p.m. on February 6, 2024; motion carried. Approve the Poverty Tax Guidelines for 2024 in compliance with MCL 211.7u as presented; motion carried. Approve the Rotary Park Athletic Fields User Reservation as presented; motion carried. Approve request for proposal for design and development of the municipal website as presented and authorize City administration staff to accept and process bids; motion carried. Approve the City of Boyne City utilize the Charlevoix County News as the newspaper of record and allow staff to utilize the Petoskey News Review when needed due to timing; motion carried. Approve the public comment question response process memo with the addition and amendment of ownership. One bullet point being immediate answers owned by City Commission. Second bullet point being research and investigation answers are owned by City Administration; motion carried. Approve to table this agenda item until the February 6, 2024 City Commission meeting; motion carried.

Jessica Puroll, City Clerk/Treasurer

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2009 Ford Edge SEL. AWD, leather. 245 K miles. Sale Price \$5,495. As low as \$199 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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2012 GMC Terrain SLE 2. Rear camera, 175 K miles. Sale Price \$5,495. As low as \$199 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2012 Kia Soul. Cash Price \$6,995. As low as \$199 a month. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2013 Ford Explorer. Sale Price \$6,995. As low as \$199 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2013 Ford F-150 Lariat XLT. 4x4, bedliner, club cab, soft tonneau cover, leather, moon roof, rear camera, 160 K miles. Sale Price \$16,500. As low as \$389 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2013 Subaru Forester PZEV. AWD, 161 K miles. Sale Price \$11,995. As low as \$279 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2015 Chevy Equinox LT. Rear camera, 115 K miles. Buy Here, Pay Here. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2015 Chevy Suburban LTZ. 8 passenger, DVD, rear camera, leather, 208 K miles. Beautiful vehicle! Cash Price \$19,995. As low as \$339 a month. Byrider -

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2017 Buick Envision. AWD, leather, rear camera, 63 K miles. Buy Here, Pay Here. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2017 Jeep Patriot. 4x4, 106 K miles. Buy Here, Pay Here. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2019 GMC Acadia SLE 2. AWD. \$24,995. As low as \$466 a month. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2020 Ram 1500 Classic. 4x4, double cab, rear camera, tow pkg, Leer Topper. 178 K miles. Sale Price \$18,995. As low as \$299 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2021 Hyundai Palisade. H-Trac AWD, leather, 3rd row seats 8, rear camera. 51 K miles. Cash price \$31,995. As low as \$469 a month. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

2021 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited Sport. 4x4, 67 K miles. Sale Price \$37,995. As low as \$619

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2021 Volkswagen Tiguan. \$25,995. As low as \$485 a month. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call Zeke Eberly, 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On, PLUS, get an additional \$50 Gas Card when any vehicle purchase when you let us know you saw the ad in the Weekly Choice.

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TRUCKS

2001 Ram 1500. 4x4, reg. cab, 8 foot bed, V-8 magnum, 130 K miles. Sales Price \$5,995. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Call for more details 627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

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The MLS has become such a standard in real estate that no serious broker would think of trying to sell real estate without it. It would be like an accountant trying to work without a calculator.

About the only residential brokers who might not use the MLS are those who exclusively handle foreclosed properties, or high-end homes owned by celebrities and the like.

The MLS provides a surprising amount of detail, depending upon the area of the country it may include the location

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