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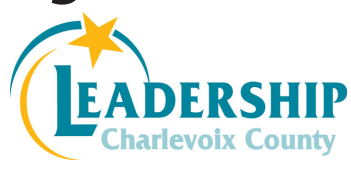
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You're Invited to the 'Boyne City Connection' Bike Route Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

To our valued supporters of Leadership Charlevoix County Class of 2023, We are delighted to announce that our Community Service Boyne City Connection Bike Route Project is completed! We want to extend our warmest invitation to you for our upcoming 'Ribbon Cutting Ceremony' at our Boyne City Connection Trailhead Sign installed at Veterans Park, just outside of Boyne City Hall. As a respected member of our community, your presence would add immense value to this significant occasion. This ceremony signifies that our Boyne City Connection Bike Route through



downtown Boyne City will be officially open for everyone to enjoy, just in time for summer! Light refreshments will be served, and there will be opportunities for photographs and interactions with fellow guests. Please feel free to bring your bike if you want to experience the route! We hope you can join us for this special occasion and look forward to celebrating this milestone with you.

Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 10:00am
Veterans Park in Boyne City
207 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712



"DWAM"

What is it and how does it affect me?

Water System Project
Public Information Meeting
Tuesday, June 4 at 6pm
Boyne City Hall

If you received a letter from the City of Boyne City referencing "Drinking Water Asset Management (DWAM)" and grant funding that will lead to "potholing" in your yard, or are just interested to learn more, we are here to answer any of your questions. The state has awarded Boyne City a grant to have inspections performed to both better understand and improve our water distribution system, and you are invited to attend an informational meeting to discuss this topic and get your questions answered.

Please come to the second floor Commission Chambers at the Boyne City, City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, on Tuesday June 4th at 6PM for answers to any questions you may have regarding the process.

Representatives from the City, it's engineers and the contractor will be in attendance to answer questions about the project.

If you can't attend in person, you can join the Zoom meeting by using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83843483317?pwd=anE0iFZuDb3uTS915m-lpYMBB4m3Xqy.1>

Or enter the Meeting ID: 838 4348 3317 and Passcode: 850481 at www.zoom.us/join

You may also contact Boyne City Public Works and Utilities Director Doug Varney directly at 231.582.6656 #CleanWater #DWAM #ImprovementsInProgress

East Jordan Music In The Park Concert Series Kicks Off

The East Jordan Music In The Park Concert Series kicks off this Friday, June 7th with the fabulous Soul Xpress 8 piece band. The concert begins at 7:00 PM in the Memorial Park Bandshell located on the gorgeous South Arm of Lake Charlevoix. The extremely popular and mega talented band will perform a high energy show that promises to get the audience dancing and ready for a Northern Michigan weekend.



The band is well known throughout the state and has performed at Venetian Festival, Aquapalooza and countless other festivals and events in Michigan. Bring your own chairs and blankets and get ready to "Get Down and Get Funky" with The Soul Xpress Band at East Jordan's first 2024 Music in the Park Concert, Friday, June 7th at 7:00 PM in the Memorial Park Bandshell. Soul Xpress ignites crowds with their showmanship, funky grooves and high

energy music. Check them out on YouTube.

Music In The Park Concert Series is proudly Co-Sponsored by East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce, East Jordan Downtown Development

Authority and Jordan River Arts Council. The concerts are made possible by donations from businesses, organizations and individuals. For more information contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351.

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MONDAY




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TUESDAY



HIGH: 69
LOW: 54

WEDNESDAY



HIGH: 71
LOW: 58

record temps

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June 7	72	49	92	2021	34	1977
June 8	72	49	92	2021	26	1983
June 9	72	50	91	2020	33	1958
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June 11	73	50	91	1973	30	1980
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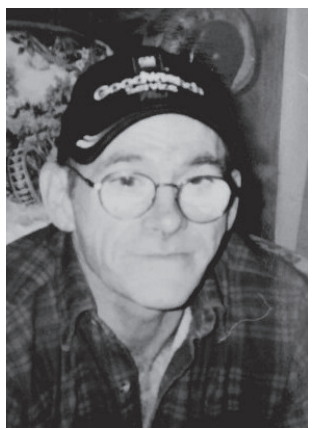
OBITUARIES

Louise Sofia "Fia" Desch, 96 CHARLEVOIX

Louise Sofia "Fia" Desch of Charlevoix passed away on Monday, June 3, 2024 at home.

A full obituary and service details are incomplete at this time and will be updated.

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



Howard "Fuzzy" Lake, 77

Oct. 27, 1946 - May 31, 2024
EAST JORDAN

Howard "Fuzzy" Lake of East Jordan died on Friday, May 31, 2024, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility, East Jordan.

He was born on October 27, 1946, in Hastings, Michigan, the son of Alfred Austin and Helen S. (Soville) Lake.

He worked 30 years at Harbor Industries in Charlevoix.

Howard enjoyed spending his free time at Northern Michigan Speedway and watching NASCAR and Andy Griffith.

He is survived by son,

Steve (Amy) Lake of East Jordan, Michigan; five step-children, Larry (Katie) Ward of Bailey, Michigan, Robin (Jason) Wilbur of Delton, Dale Sharp of Kalamazoo, Michigan, Nick (Laurie) Sharp of Cheboygan, Michigan and Willy (Tiffany) Sharp of Pueblo West, Colorado; numerous grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren; four siblings, Peg Mishler of Hastings, Michigan, Lyle Lake of Gun Lake, Michigan, Bob Lake of Wolverine, Michigan and Shirley (Ted) Hunt of Boyne City, Michigan; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parent; four siblings, Ed Lake, Janice Lake, Bill Lake and Raymond Lake.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, June 29, 2024, from 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. at 4445 Miles Rd. East Jordan on June 29th.



Richard Joseph O'Leary, 75

Sept. 5, 1948 - June 3, 2024
EAST JORDAN

Richard Joseph O'Leary died Monday, June 3, 2024, at his home in Eveline Township.

A funeral mass will be held on Saturday, June 8,

2024, at 12:00 Noon at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan. The family will receive friend on Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan with a rosary service at 7:30 P.M.



Walter Benny Kucharek, 99

Dec. 14, 1924 - May 31, 2024
BOYNE FALLS

Walter Benny Kucharek of Boyne Falls passed away at his home on May 31, 2024.

Son of Joseph and Josephine (Organek) Kucharek, Walter was born on December 14, 1924 in Gaylord, Michigan. He grew up in Boyne Falls and graduated from Boyne Falls High School in 1944.

After graduating he enlisted in the United States Army and went to Camp Blanding in Florida for boot camp. He served as a private in WWII in Germany and received a Purple Heart.

On September 1, 1956, he married Marion Blaz in Detroit, Michigan.

Walter worked as a carpenter. He worked for Crescendo Homes in Detroit and then was part owner and operator for Metro Truss

building trusses. After retirement he helped his wife Marion and daughter Kathy with their deli and bakery store, Kowalski Store.

He enjoyed playing horseshoes and old Ford tractors. He also loved to deer hunt and was a good shot.

Walter was a lifelong member of the VWF. He was very involved in the VA and helped build and remodel VA buildings and halls around the state of Michigan.

Walter loved to help everyone out. He was the best host and when he and family would gather at the cottage, he made sure everyone had good food, good beer, and a good time.

He is survived by his sons Dan (Brenda) Kucharek and Robert (Donna) Kucharek; his grandchildren Tom, Joe, Laura, and Adam; his siblings Don (Bev) Kucharek, and Betty Florek; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Walter is preceded in death by his wife Marion Kucharek; his daughter Kathy Herman; his son Tommy Kucharek; and his siblings Edwin, Victor, Rudy, Richie, and Julie.

Those wishing to make a charitable donation in Walter's memory are asked to consider the Tunnels to Towers Foundation.

A funeral for Walter will be officiated by Father Dennis Stilwell on June 7, 2024, at 11:00 AM at Stackus Funeral Home in Boyne City, Michigan. Visitation will begin at 10:00 AM. Burial will be at the Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit, Michigan on June 10, 2024 at 2:00 PM.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.



Vera Coser, 86

June 29, 1937 - May 29, 2024
BOYNE FALLS

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Vera Coser of Boyne Falls, Michigan, who passed away peacefully on May 29, 2024, at the age of 86 only one month shy of 87, in her house with her daughter by her side.

Vera was a very sweet person, talented and very modest person, loving mother, loving wife, sister, devoted all her life to her family, friends and her work. She was a nurse in a children's hospital for many decades, always trying to help, to comfort patients.

When she retired, she helped neighbors and friends with medical treatments or simply helped them by being very kind and supportive. She comforted her son-in-law when he was terminally ill by being a great nurse on his side.

She is survived by her daughter Ina Heaton and her niece and nephew. Preceded in death by her husband for 57 years George Coser, her son-in-law Michael Heaton, her sister, and her parents.

Rest in peace my dearest mama, you were the best mom in the world, I will miss you forever.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.



David William Johnson, 72

Jan. 20, 1952 - May 27, 2024
BOYNE CITY

David 'DJ' Johnson of Boyne City passed away on Monday, May 27th, 2024 at Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix, Michigan.

David was born on January 20th, 1952, in Petoskey, Michigan. The son of Helen (Crouterfield) Chappell and Floyd Johnson. He graduated from Boyne City High School. David worked thirty-two years at Industrial Magnetic Inc. as a machinist. David enjoyed being outdoors; hunting, fishing, or finding mushrooms.

David is survived by his two children Jason (Hailey) Johnson and Adam Johnson; and his four grandchildren.

David is preceded in death by his mother Helen (Crouterfield) Chappell; fathers: Floyd Johnson and Richard Chappell.

A celebration of life will be held later this summer.

Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.



PET OF THE WEEK

SIRI

Hey Siri- oh wait, I'm Siri... I am a Chihuahua mix of sorts but do not worry... I am the sweetest "chihuahua" you will ever meet. I can be timid with strangers upon first meeting, but give me a few treats and that'll change quickly. I hope you don't mind if I hop up in your lap for kisses and cuddles, because I can't get enough! Those furry things the humans call cats can be a little scary, and I can occasionally be selective about the dogs I hang out with. Stop by and say hello, I would love to be your new best friend!



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LEADERSHIP

Create A Family Atmosphere

BY JOHN KEYSER

It is important to recognize the vital importance of a business's organizational culture. It is the spirit of their people. Are they engaged, excited about and have pride in their work, their team members and the business with whom they work – and, really, are they happy?



John Keyser

Happy employees do better work. Unfortunately, extensive surveys reveal that about half of the people working do not feel as if they have a helpful manager and do not feel they are fully engaged. This is sad – and it is costly. The most important person to someone in business is their immediate boss. Generally, people don't leave their business; they leave their boss. People who are not happy may or may not quit, for certain though, they lose enthusiasm and may even tone down their effort. They do not do their best work. A business owner and other managers absolutely need to be caring leaders. We need highly effective leadership throughout our business, and this takes ongoing training, oversight, and accountability. Then our business can shine, consistently, year after year.

- Ask people about their family and lives, letting them know we care about their well-being
- Grab a coffee together
- A handwritten note
- Our soft skills, smile, tone of voice, using a person's name – these mean a lot
- Ask for and encourage people to honestly share their ideas, advice and feedback
- Listen with our full attention, to understand and learn
- Catch people doing good work
- Celebrate successes, large and small
- Help people learn, develop, and be successful. This is what they want
- Thank people for their work and dedication
- Help people feel good about themselves. This is leadership!

Creating and maintaining a "family" atmosphere in our business means everything, and these are just some principles and practices. And, certainly, ask our people for their suggestions. They will be appreciative and we will gain valuable ideas.

Hope this is helpful. We love successful businesses with enthusiastic teams. Know we are rooting for you.

John and his wife, Kerry, live in Charlevoix, was a senior executive in the corporate world in NYC, Chicago and DC, 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.

- Treat people, each one of them, with appreciation, respect, and dignity
- Communicate by speaking with them directly and regularly, and not simply by email, newsletters, and conference calls
- Regularly have one-on-one conversations with as many of our people as possible
- Lead with humility and empathy

COMMUNITY LEADER

PATRICK McCLEARY

TIRELESS DEDICATION TO OUR COMMUNITY

BY JOHN KEYSER

Mitchell Klooster recommended that I meet Patrick McCleary, as he is a wonderful community leader, which he surely is. Patrick has been involved and held membership in a wide variety of local, State and National historical groups over the years. With the passing of the COVID years, Patrick has returned to a full annual schedule of class instruction and speaking engagements, all aimed at educating the public on the value of history preservation, research, and exploration.

Patrick's principal current involvements are:

- Boyne Heritage Center – Board Member and Director of Collections
- The Charlevoix County History Preservation Society – President
- The Charlevoix County Genealogical Society – Five years as Past-President

Patrick is a fourth generation Boyne City native. At the age of ten, he became enthralled with history after discovering a Bible with family notations dating back into the 1700s. His grandmother and he began their first family tree at that time, and other than during his college years at Northern Michigan University, he has worked on family and local history endeavors. After college, he returned to Boyne City and later moved to Petoskey. However, his historical ties remain with Boyne City and Charlevoix County. At present he is an Administrative Assistant at North Country Community Mental Health.

At one point, Patrick was researching and writing quarterly newsletters for three different history-related organizations. He also enjoyed compiling



Patrick McCleary

and submitting biological material on our Charlevoix County Civil War veterans to both State and National publications, as well as locating the descendants of hundreds of pre-1920 "rescued" photographs. This has enabled him to gain a wealth of wonderful information about our area, including our people, going back numbers of generations, including our earliest pioneer residents.

Patrick is very proud to have played even a small role, as he describes, in the modern-day concept of shared collections and collaborations between historical groups and individuals. Not all that many years ago, most owners of private and public collections, libraries and even genealogical societies, historical societies, and museums tended to foster a "me-mine-ours" mentality, meaning that many felt in sharing their

collections they were losing ownership and control of that material. Today we see a much better understanding on everyone's part that sharing our collections does not detract from what each group or individual has, and by working together we glean new information and further the historic value for everyone involved.

Patrick strongly advocates that whenever possible research should include connecting with people of the area, their stories and the events of their lives and how also they changed and developed the region.

The community in general is more responsive and forthcoming with their contributions when they feel they are being received, cared for, displayed (when possible) and used in a way that further benefits the overall understanding of our shared, historical past.

Patrick currently con-

ducts four classes each year at the Boyne District Library with focus on various aspects of genealogy, family history and local history. In each class he has the opportunity to work with a remarkable group of regular attendees, in addition to a growing number of beginning researchers.

Later this year, Patrick will also be speaking on the history of the Boyne River; the early Boyne City telephone system and its operators; the history of the Wolverine-Dilworth Hotel; and the "how-to" of researching historic homes and properties.

Briefly, here are some of Patrick's suggestions to assist historically based groups and organizations better succeed:

- Advanced planning is definitely key
- Get your message out well in advance
- Photos, particularly early pictures attract attention and help tell the story
- Put in the hours yourself
- Push yourself and your group to make every event special and memorable
- Speak what you think. Stand by what you believe to be right. Do not simply be a "yes" person
- Encourage collaboration with other groups and organizations
- Have specific goals, not "umbrella" concepts
- Frugality in the public's eye is responded to much better than lavish expenditures for things that could be done in alternative, less expensive ways

Thank you, Mitchell, for recommending that I meet and write about Patrick. He surely is an outstanding person, dedicated to our community!

EARLY DEADLINES

For the June 20 issue:
Deadline will be **Saturday, June 15**

For the July 4 issue:
Deadline will be **Saturday, June 29**

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BAY VIEW OPENS 2024 SEASON WITH FREE CONCERT JUNE 16

The Bay View Association, dedicated to enriching the human experience through a focus on the arts, education, religion, and recreation, kicks off their summer of concerts June 16 with “Free For All,” a collection which, like its name, invites anyone who wish to join in the celebration of music in the historic community this summer. A variety of pieces will be performed, many centered around a joyous welcome to summer.



Bay View's opening concert is free to all this year and commences at 8pm on Sunday, June 16 at 8pm in Hall Auditorium. (Photo Credit: A. Boyer)

Audiences will find themselves drawn in by vocal pieces “Ain’t a That Good News” featuring Soprano Risa Renae Harman, performances by the Festival Choir and local chamber choir Noteable. Ludwa will later serenade the audience with his rendition of “Leningrad”

by Billy Joel, a song about the cold war and friendships that transcend borders and national allegiances. Other showpieces in the set include “An American in Paris” with faculty clarinetist Spencer Prewitt and

newcomer Hee-Kyung Juhn on piano.

The Bay View String Quartet will return to the stage with a lively work called “Skylife”.

Audiences will also get a sneak peek at “Dueling

Pianos Vol. II,” a faculty recital performed by Patter-son-Robards Piano Duo on the following Wednesday, June 19.

While no tickets are needed for Opening Night, tickets to the rest of the season are on sale to the public now at www.onthestage.tickets. Details and more information at <https://www.bayviewassociation.org/performingarts/>. The in-person Box Office outside of Voorhies Hall opens June 17 and hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon, or purchase tickets one hour before ticketed events at the performance venue.

General questions should be directed to the Music Festival Office at 231.347.6225 or chris@bayviewassociation.org.

ASK LAURA YOUR DOSE OF POSITIVITY AND INSPIRATION

Harnessing the Power of Your Brain

Dear Readers,

This week, I’d like to share something fascinating that I recently learned. Did you know that the Reticular Activating System (RAS) is a crucial part of our brains? The RAS is a bundle of nerves located in your brainstem, and it plays a significant role in increasing alertness, attention, and consciousness. It acts as a filter for the information that aligns with our desires.

Let me give you an example: Imagine you’ve never noticed a blue Honda in your neighborhood, but you decide you want one. You start thinking about a blue Honda regularly, visualizing it, and talking about your desire for a blue Honda with others. Suddenly, you start seeing blue Hondas everywhere! This phenomenon is the RAS at work. It’s not that the blue Hondas weren’t there before, but your RAS is now filtering in the information that aligns with your newfound desire.

I’ve proven this concept over and over again in my life. If the RAS can be scientifically proven to increase alertness, attention, and consciousness to filter the information that aligns with our desires, then why not apply it to other areas of our lives, like our dreams and goals?

Instead of believing that certain things will never happen, what if we identified what we wanted, visualized it in our minds, believed it was possible,



Laura Jasurda

and talked about it regularly? Maybe, just maybe, dear readers, we would see our dreams and goals come to life, just like we do with the blue Honda.

So, let’s challenge ourselves to harness the power of our RAS. Identify your dreams, visualize them, believe in them, and speak about them often. You might be surprised at how your focus and attention can turn these desires into reality.

Wishing you all a week full of newfound awareness and exciting possibilities!

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.

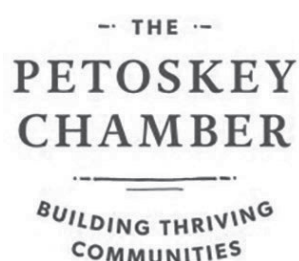
Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce

2024 Super Summer Raffle. (#R75374)

Drawing will be held at the chamber at 3:00 p.m. on July 15, 2024

The Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce’s Super Summer Raffle is back, and it is bigger and better than ever before. The prizes this year are set up like great staycation packages where you can enjoy all that our area has to offer. Only 1000 tickets have been printed, and there is no limit as to how many tickets an individual may purchase.

First prize is a family adventure package which is valued at over \$1,500 and includes four bicycles; a four-person, 1 ½ hour tubing trip at Big Bear Adventures; a gift certificate for a family fishing charter; a gift cer-



tificate to stay at Jellystone Park in Petoskey; and a gift certificate to Bearcub Outfitters.

Second prize is the beautiful Bay Harbor package that includes a one-night stay and spa package from the Inn at Bay Harbor as well as gift cards from NOMAD. and Maple + Batter. It also includes a Gypsy

Distillery gift basket. This package is valued at over \$900.

Third prize is an overnight Odawa package and includes a stay at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey as well as a gift certificate to Sage Restaurant and free play vouchers for the Petoskey casino. This package is valued at over \$400.

Tickets may be purchased online by visiting www.petoskeychamber.com. You may also stop by the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 401 East Mitchell Street in downtown Petoskey to

purchase them in person with cash or a credit card. Finally, you can give us a call during our business hours to purchase tickets over the phone. Call us today at 231-347-4150.

Three winners will be drawn randomly on Wednesday, July 15 at the chamber at 3:00 p.m. The winners need not be present to win.

Proceeds from this raffle will benefit the chamber’s program of work building thriving businesses and thriving communities.

Call the chamber if you have any questions at 231-347-4150.

Housing North Chosen to Lead Creation of Regional Housing Plan in NW Michigan

In September 2022, the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) launched its First-Ever Statewide Housing Plan, aiming to tackle housing challenges and enhance the availability of safe, affordable, and sustainable housing options for all Michigan residents. Housing North has been selected as the Regional Housing Partnership lead for Northwest Michigan to drive this initiative forward.

Housing North is responsible for bringing together stakeholders across Northwest Michigan to create a comprehensive Regional Housing Plan. This plan will align with the Statewide Housing Plan’s priority areas, goals, and strategies, but it will be tailored to the specific needs and challenges of the region.

“We are actively working on a timeline for implementing the plan,” said Zachary Sompels, Charlevoix County Housing Ready Program Coordinator for Housing North. “The draft plan has been out for public comment since September. Once finalized, we will submit it to MSHDA to support future projects in our region.”

Based on feedback sessions and meetings, the top priorities in the plan include:

- Increasing access to stable, affordable qual-

ity housing for households with extremely low incomes.

- Expanding the supply of affordable and attainable housing for all residents.
- Enhancing middle-income and workforce housing options.
- Improving the housing ecosystem’s efficiency through enhanced collaboration.
- Promoting equitable and comprehensive local planning and zoning practices.

“As a dedicated advocate for Charlevoix’s needs, I’ve been attending these meetings to address issues such as housing stock, the housing ecosystem, and streamlined funding opportunities,” added Sompels. “Our goal is to leverage the partnership between Housing North and Charlevoix to secure more state funding and foster a vibrant, year-round community.”

For more information, visit the following links:

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Next week we will be publishing photos of the graduates from Boyne City and East Jordan High Schools.

Ellsworth High School Class of 2024

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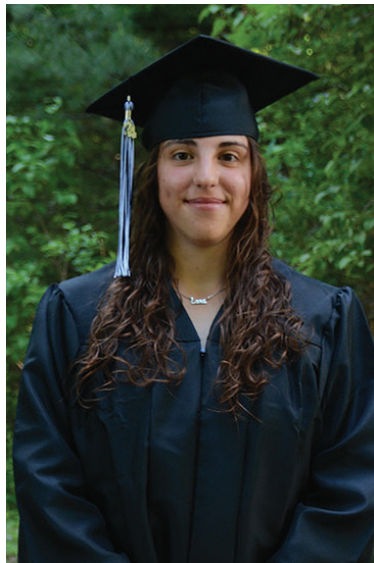
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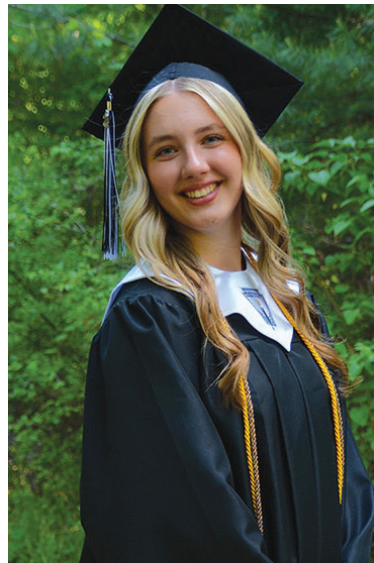
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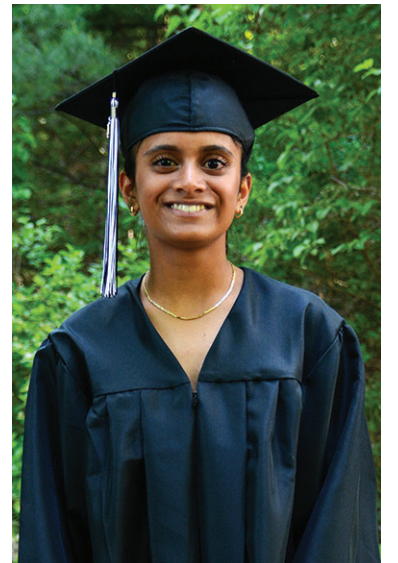
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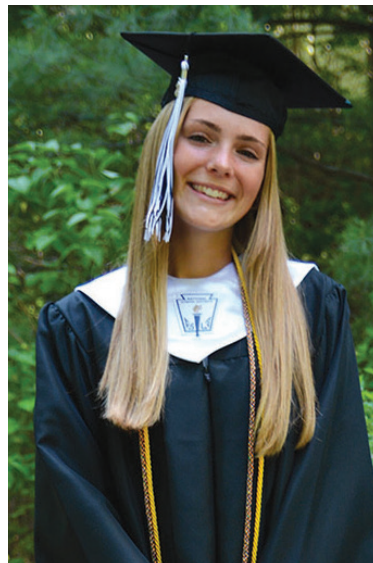
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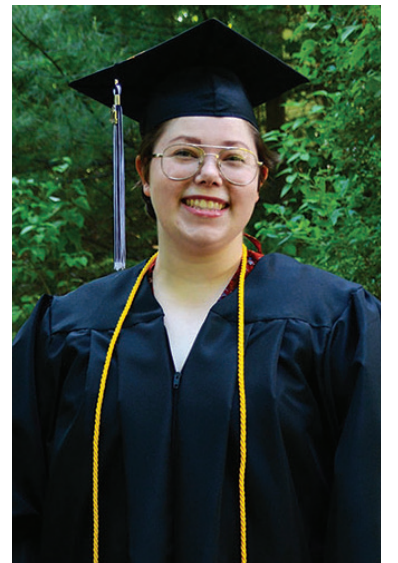
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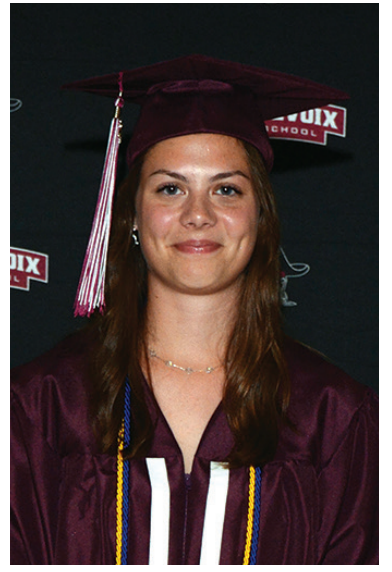
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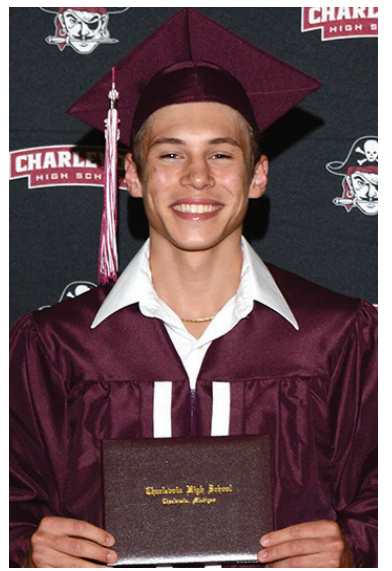
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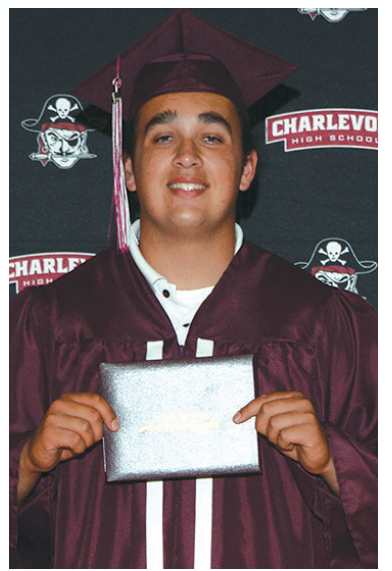
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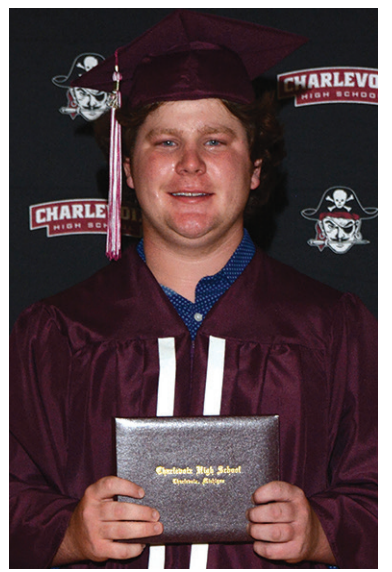
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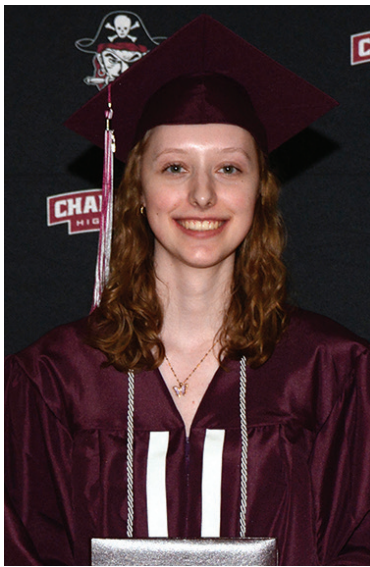


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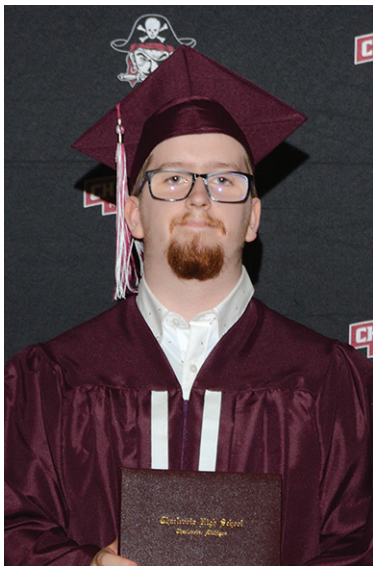
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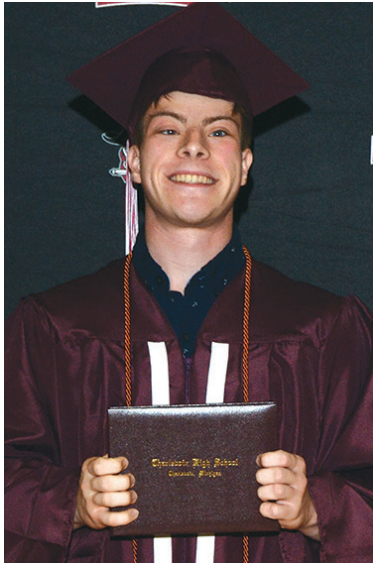
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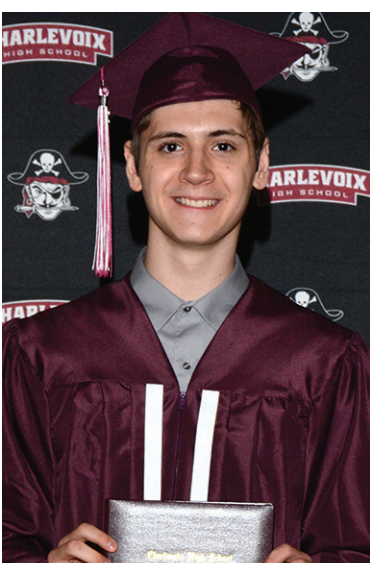
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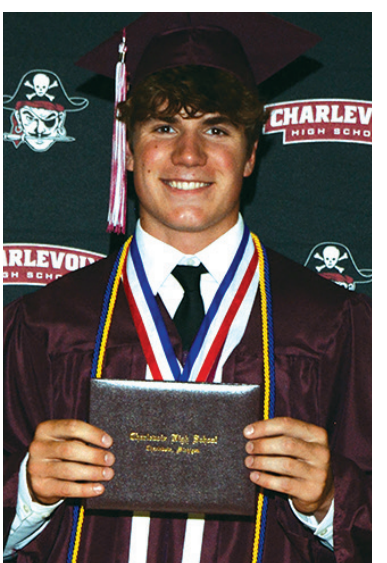
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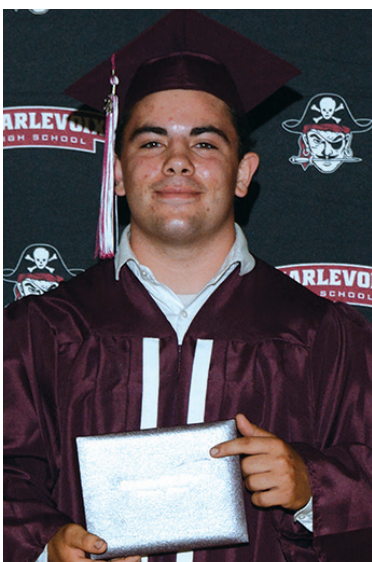
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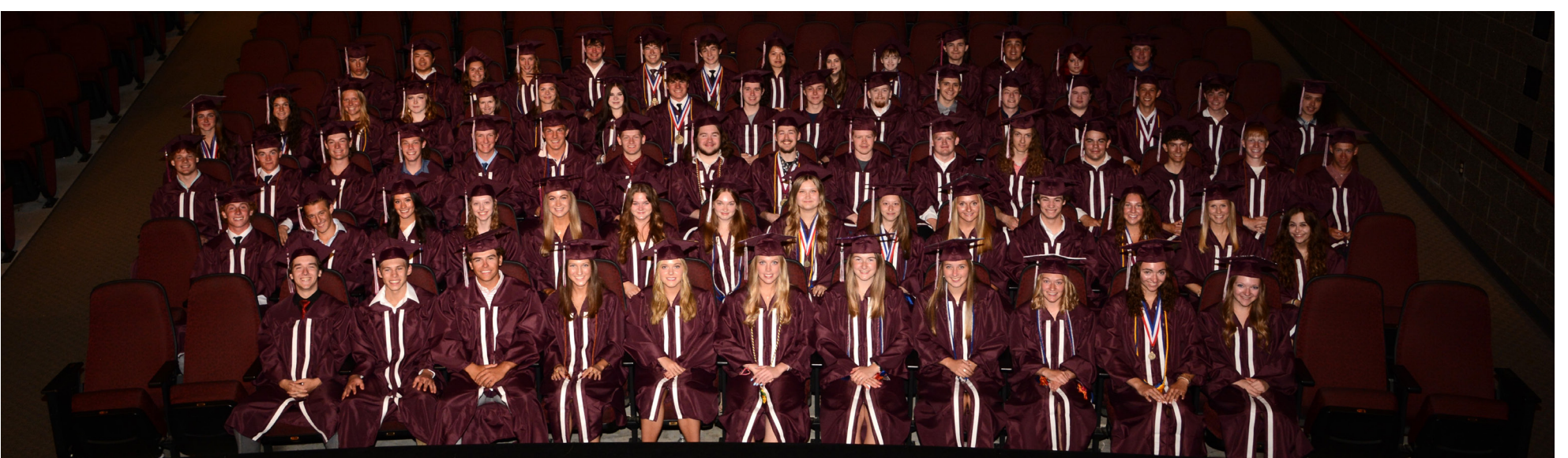
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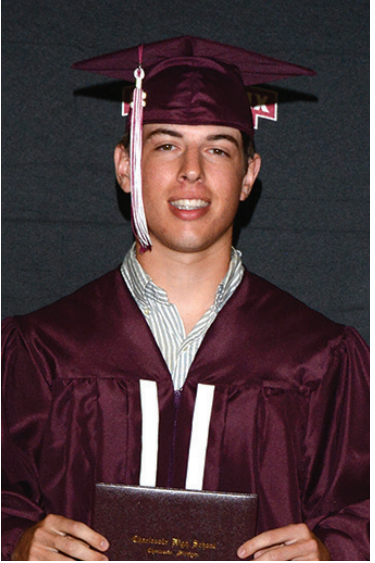
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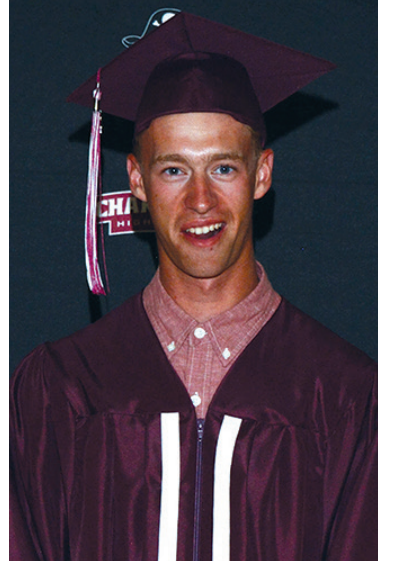
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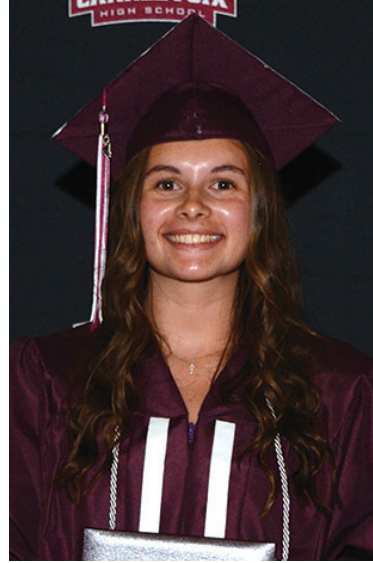
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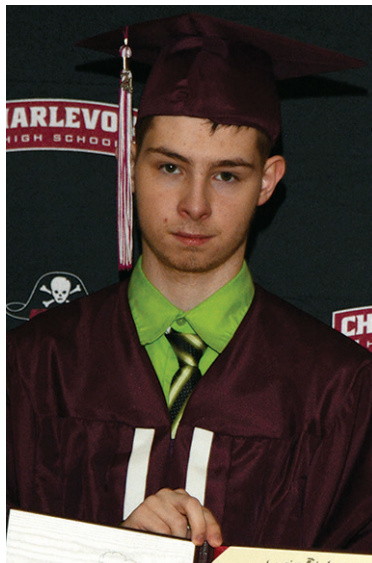
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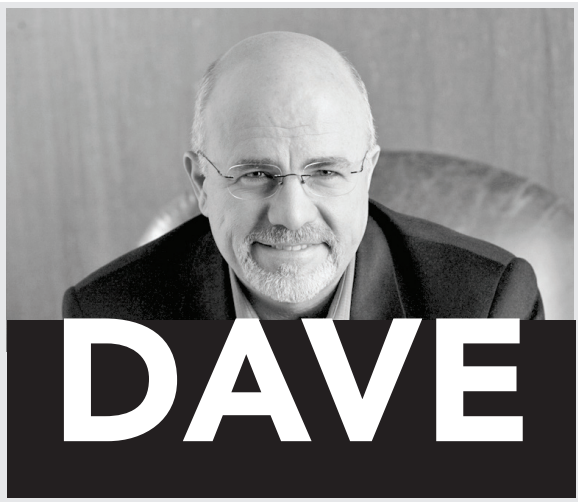


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Says...

By Dave Ramsey

This is Way Out of Line

Dear Dave,

I'm trying hard to get control of my money and get out of debt, but I had a situation come up the other day, and I really don't know what to do. I'm one of four brothers, and our parents' fiftieth wedding anniversary is early next month. My two oldest brothers got together and made plans for a party without consulting the rest of us. They want everyone to chip in \$1,000 to help pay for things. I love my mom and dad, but the only savings I have is \$1,000 in my beginner emergency fund. Will you tell me how to address this situation?

— Ronald

Dear Ronald,

I'm going to be blunt here, okay? Since you weren't asked about any of this ahead of time, and had no say in anything, fair would be for you and your brother who weren't consulted to pay zero. Zilch.

Planning something that expensive without consulting everyone involved well ahead of time—and expecting them to lay out \$1,000 without warning—is way out of line. And don't let your older brothers lay a guilt trip on you, either. This

has nothing to do with how much you love your parents, being greedy or anything like that. It has everything to do with consideration and communication, or in this case, a lack of these on their part.

If I were you, I'd let your oldest brothers know exactly what your financial situation is like right now. Explain what you're doing and why you're doing it, then let them know in a nice, but firm, tone you'll give them whatever you can scrape up, but you won't be chipping in anything close to \$1,000. Oh, and I'd tell them next time they hatch up a big, expensive plan like this, to check with all their brothers way ahead of time.

Best of luck, Ronald. I'm sorry you have to deal with this.

— Dave

*Dave Ramsey is an eight-time No. 1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions.

Whitefish Fest returns to Torch Lake again June 8-9

ALDEN – 6th annual Torch Lake Whitefish Fest returns the 2nd weekend of June at Depot Park in downtown Alden. Presented by Blue Ribbon Events, this kickoff to summer time brings out all the locals to socialize and shop.

Perfect time to SHOP Local, SHOP Handmade and SUPPORT a dream with over 3 dozen handmade artists and makers as they take over the lake-side lawn with interesting creations and gift ideas for graduation and Father's Day gifts. Artists will be open Saturday & Sunday 10 am to 5pm daily with selected artists staying open late.

Each year, a fishmonger arrives with tasty fresh, flash frozen, smoked fish from the Great Lakes. Adriana will have a fabulous selection of Massey Fish from St Ignace. Smoked fish dip pate and spreads, laker chunks and smoked salmon are just a few of her offerings. Michigan Donut Hut and Koolaroo Kettle-corn will also have fresh, piping hot donuts, kettle-corn and even frozen slushies available to enjoy by the lake. You can even shop for gourmet, handcrafted jerky!

This event is anticipated not only by local shoppers but attending artists. Each year, many artists return, making it easy to add



that perfect touch to your home. You can expect to see basket maker Cheryl Brown along with fiber artist and cuddly critter creator Kathy Amerman who crochets many animals in the amigurami method. The spoon lady, Karen Barden, will return with new spoons, mirrors and functional kitchen tools. Renee Booker is back with her permanent jewelry collection. Addy Cadwallader returns with his wood home & lawn decor and birdhouses. Local Salty Blue creator June has some fabulous new Larimar and blue stone jewelry perfect for going out on the lake. Fluid artist A. Clark Designs will have new furniture, clocks, charcuterie trays and other fun resin art. Let's not forget about Bear! Local legend Bear upcycles logs, stumps, burls and more into rustic, lodge furniture.

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Upper Chain of Lakes Women's Club Scholarship Awards

The Upper Chain of Lakes Women's Club is pleased to announce that it awarded scholarships to two graduating seniors this year.




Norma Phillips, Club President, presented an award to Bobby Paalman of Ellsworth on May 16th.



Robin Sommers, Club Member, presented an award to Sarah McGuire on May 23rd.



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East Jordan's Jayden Weber selected Player of the Year

Charlevoix's Marc Sroufe is Coach of the Year

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY - Another great season of basketball for our Northern Michigan area. While there continued to be struggles 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 Raiders put together the best season in the area over the winter months, finishing 15-5 overall, going a perfect 14-0 in Lake Michigan. See ALL-AREA BASKETBALL - Page 1B

CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING, APRIL 3 & 4, 2020

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 Heydlauff and City Attorney Scott Howard first presented the emergency 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 4 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 continuing to allow short term rentals would promote the movement of people, exacerbating the spread of COVID-19. And adoption of the Emergency Ordinance was necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens.

While several meeting attendees voiced concern over enforcement of the ordinance, it ultimately was approved with a lone dissenting vote 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.

Health Department offers drive-through testing at Fairgrounds

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan, in partnership with Emmet County Northern Michigan Center, McLaren Northern Michigan, 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 1. 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 1-888-385-6138. Additionally, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan has a Public Health Information Phone Line - 1-800-386-5859 and email publichealthinfo@nwheel.th.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 28th, 2020 and is doing well with mild symptoms at this time. Direct colleagues of this employee have been under "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 Belleaire and East Jordan Family Health Centers have taken significant measures to prevent the transmission of Coronavirus within our facilities. The health center will continue these daily prevention efforts and will continue to monitor the Coronavirus situation in our workplace and throughout northern MI. As a result of these proactive measures, employees and patients of Belleaire and East Jordan Family Health Centers remain at a low risk for exposure to the Coronavirus.

All staff of the Belleaire 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.

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SALE \$42,422*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$840 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2019 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 SHORT BOX #B1983
 CREW CAB, 4WD, 1-OWNER, NEW BRAKES, REMOTE START
SALE \$28,130*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$557 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2022 CHEVROLET BLAZER PREMIERE #B1852A
 1 OWNER, AWD, BOSE AUDIO
SALE \$34,994*
 FINANCE FOR 72 MOS. @ \$605 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2022 GMC SIERRA 1500 LIMITED #B2041
 REGULAR CAB, LONG BOX, VINYL FLOORS
SALE \$31,963*
 FINANCE FOR 72 MOS. @ \$553 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2022 BUICK ENVISION PREFERRED #B2157
 2.0L TURBO, AUTOMATIC
SALE \$27,576*
 FINANCE FOR 72 MOS. @ \$477 /MO.



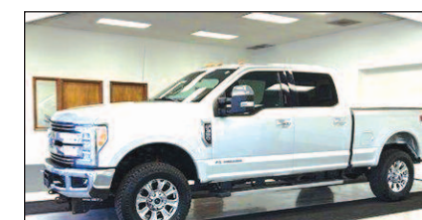
CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2021 GMC SIERRA 1500 DENALI #B2186A
 6.2L V8, 4X4, CREW CAB, SHORT BOX
SALE \$48,843*
 FINANCE FOR 72 mos. @ \$845 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2023 GMC SIERRA 1500 ELEVATION 3SB #B2026A
 CREW CAB, SHORT BOX, 4X4
SALE \$50,452*
 FINANCE FOR 72 MOS. @ \$873 /MO.



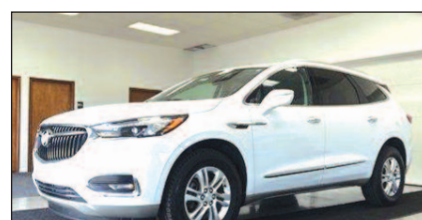
CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2022 CHEVROLET BLAZER LT W/2LT #B2111A
 1 OWNER, HEATED FRONT SEATS, LOW MILES
SALE \$29,106*
 FINANCE FOR 72 MOS. @ \$504



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2017 FORD F-350 SUPER DUTY SRW #B2197A
 1-OWNER, POWER SUNROOF, LEATHER
SALE \$49,930*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$989 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2014 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLT CREW CAB #B2221A
 TONNEAU COVER, BOSE AUDIO, HEATED FRONT SEATS
SALE \$19,995*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$396 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2020 BUICK ENCLAVE PREFERRED #B2147A
 FWD, BLUETOOTH, HEATED FRONT SEAT
SALE \$21,371*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$424 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2015 RAM 1500 LARAMIE LONGHORN #B2067B
 CREW CAB, 4WD, 1-OWNER, PWR. SUNROOF.
SALE \$18,306*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$363 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2017 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 LT Z71 #B2215A
 4WD, HEATED FRONT SEAT, BLUETOOTH
SALE \$22,549*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$447 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2015 GMC SIERRA 2500HD DENALI #B2176A
 NAVIGATION, BLUETOOTH, 4WD
SALE \$29,046*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$575 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2019 FORD F150 XL SUPERCREW #B2180A
 1-OWNER, HANDSFREE BLUETOOTH, RUNNING BOARDS
SALE \$28,994*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$574 /MO.



CERTIFIED PRE-OWNED
 2016 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 LTZ #B2133A
 CREW CAB, SHORT BOX, 4WD, NEW TIRES, TONNEAU
SALE \$23,945*
 FINANCE FOR 60 MOS. @ \$474 /MO.

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