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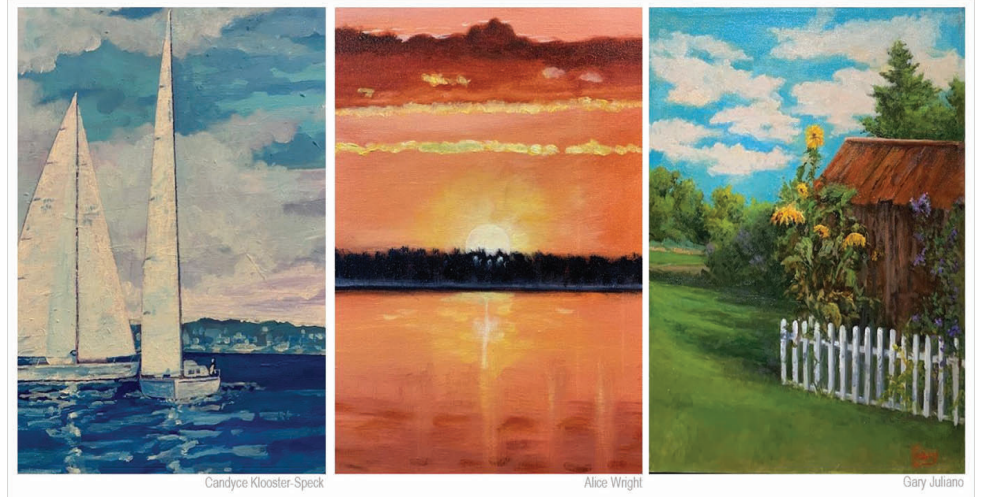
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LOCAL AND AREA ARTISTS FEATURED IN SUMMER SALON AT CHARLEVOIX CIRCLE OF ARTS

CHARLEVOIX — Charlevoix Circle of Arts' exhibit gallery turns sales gallery for summer 2024, with the 5th annual salon-style art sale showcasing regionally inspired work from over 40 local & area fine artists. Summer Salon begins June 28th and will remain up through August 31st as artwork sells, artists will be restocking with new pieces making this a show to frequent. The Summer Salon Open House will be on Friday, July 12th from 5-7pm, along with the Paint Out Event and Wet

SUMMER SALON

Paint Sale & Reception, with complimentary refreshments. The public is welcome, and there is no cost to attend. The public is invited to this popular exhibit/sale.



Charlevoix Circle of Arts is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is located at 109 Clinton St., in downtown Charlevoix. For more information about the exhibit or the Charlevoix Circle of Arts please call (231) 547-3554 or visit our website: www.charlevoixcircle.org.

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State Representative Candidate Forum for 107th State House District

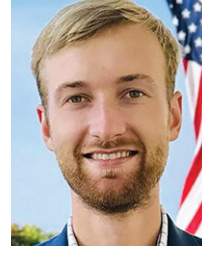
BY DAVE BARAGREY

Three candidates for the Michigan State Representative 107th district participated in a forum Monday night hosted by the Petoskey Chamber of Commerce and Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce at North Central Michigan College. Candidates for US 1st district from Michigan participated along with county commission candidates from Emmet County. The most anticipated group participating were the candidates for the 107th District in Michigan's House of Representatives. Neil Friske (R), Parker Fairbairn (R), Jodi Decker (D) participated.

In Friske's opening statement he said wanted to address the elephant in the



Neil Friske



Parker Fairbairn

He claimed he is innocent of any wrongdoing. In Fairbairn's opening statement he said he would work hard without the drama that surrounds the current state representative. Decker is



Jodi Decker

a mom and a grandma and will work on programs to help families. On education, Friske said he is not in favor of pouring more money into public schools. We have been increasing the amount of money for public schools and the results have not been improving. He stated that parents should be able to choose what type of school fits their family the best whether it is public school, home school or private school.

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South Arm Classic Car Show Almost Here

The 2024 South Arm Classic Car Show is coming up soon in downtown East Jordan. The car show committee is finalizing plans for the annual show that will be held on Saturday, July 13th in Memorial Park with the South Arm of Lake Charlevoix as a backdrop.

Fabulous door prizes, t-shirts, raffle prizes, dash plaques and awards will be given out to car show participants. A special award for Best of Show will be given away at this year's event. An autographed copy of Michigan Native Carl Casper's autobiography "Legendary Automotive King" in a custom walnut box has been donated by Denny Jessick. It will be presented to the lucky Best of Show winner. South Arm Classics Car Show is sponsored by the East Jordan Lion's Club. While enjoying the South Arm Classic Car Show, be sure to check out East Jordan's businesses, restaurants, the Jordan Art Walk and the Don and Eileen Klein Nature Trail/Boardwalk.

For more information on the Car Show email southarmclassics@gmail.com For local information contact the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-536-7351 or info@ejchamber.org

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FRIDAY



**HIGH: 75
LOW: 50**

SATURDAY



**HIGH: 77
LOW: 63**

SUNDAY



**HIGH: 66
LOW: 54**

MONDAY



**HIGH: 74
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TUESDAY



**HIGH: 75
LOW: 56**

WEDNESDAY

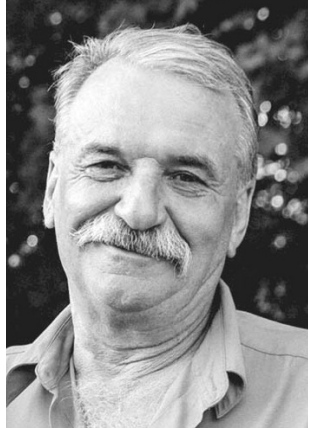


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record temps

Day	Avg	HIGH	Avg	LOW	Record HIGH	YEAR	Record LOW	YEAR
June 27	76	54	94	1991	36	1981		
June 28	76	54	95	1971	41	1992		
June 29	77	54	94	1971	39	1988		
June 30	77	54	98	2018	39	1992		
July 1	77	54	96	1966	37	1960		
July 2	77	54	96	1966	37	1960		
July 3	77	55	92	1955	38	1986		

OBITUARIES



Douglas Allen Stark, 63
(Nov. 1, 1960 - June 21, 2024)
EAST JORDAN

Douglas Allen Stark of East Jordan passed away Friday June 21, 2024, surrounded by his family.

He was born November 1, 1960, to Vernon & Delores (Sulewski) Stark in Toledo, Ohio. In 1971, he moved to East Jordan with his family where they opened Four Seasons Marina. He graduated from East Jordan High School in 1979. He worked for his dad as a marine mechanic and eventually took over the business with his brother Dave. There wasn't a boat he couldn't fix!

In his younger years he was President of the East Jordan Men's fast pitch League and could always be found playing first base. He bowled for many years on the men's league at The Zone. Doug loved to spend Tuesday evenings at the Mallard golfing on the men's league. He was a huge U. of M. fan, along with the Detroit Tigers, and Lions. He loved watching local racing where he would always be in the sea of green cheering on his brother John racing the #57.

On July 9, 2011, at their home, he married Teresa Ann Stanek, she survives. Also surviving is his daughter Hillary (Brian) Cunningham; grandchildren, Jaedyn, Addison and Ryder; siblings, Dave (Cindy) Stark, John (Tina) Stark, Tom Stark, all of East Jordan and Diane (Otho) Frantz of Otisville. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Robert and sister, Judy Dusha.

Doug loved to hang out with his friends and have a good time. Playing tambourine, doing the Dougie Shuffle, and belting out Yellow Submarine. To know Doug meant you knew "The nicest guy your ever gonna meet!"

Funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at 2:00 P.M. at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the Penzien Funeral Homes, East Jordan with a rosary services at 7:30 P.M.



Betty Ann (Wilkinson) Adgate, 97
(June 13, 1927 - June 13, 2024)
WALLOON LAKE

Betty Adgate will be remembered around Northern Michigan as a watercolor artist and art teacher extraordinaire, especially in Boyne City where she taught school for over 20 years. She was adored by all who attended Boyne City schools during the 1960's, 70's and early 80's. She was a versatile student of, and expert in, the arts. In addition to her preferred watercolor, she produced beautiful works in pencil, charcoal, oil, sculpture, pottery, and basket weaving.

While Betty was a talented homemaker and supportive mother, she executed those roles in addition to working a full-time teaching job – and all this during the time that she and her husband, Dee, were entrepreneurs as founders/owners/managers of Thunder Mountain Ski Area during the late 1950's, through the late 1960's.

Betty was born Betty Ann Wilkinson in Jackson, Michigan, on June 13th, 1927, to Roland and Ellen (DeYoung) Wilkinson, and passed away peacefully on her 97th birthday, June 13th, 2024.

Betty is survived by her son, Cary Adgate, his wife Jody, and their children Sterling Adgate (Megan), and Ireland Adgate; her daughter Susan Welborn and her husband Kevin, and their children Alexandra Ryan (Oliver), Amanda Zalis (Ladi) and great-grandchildren Adaline, Emerson, and Amalie.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband Dorian "Dee" Adgate (2005), her parents Roland and Ellen (DeYoung) Wilkinson, her siblings, June Hutchings and Jack Wilkinson, and her parents-in-law Glenn and Olga Adgate.

Betty spent childhood summers on Lake Huron in Oscoda, camping with her family and later in the family cabin on the AuSable River. After graduating from Jackson High School, she earned her bachelor's degree in liberal arts and

education at Michigan State College. She married her college sweetheart, Dee Adgate, in 1950 and they lived in Lansing where their two children, Cary and Susan, were born.

The couple moved to Gaylord 1956, where Betty taught high school English and, together, they founded Thunder Mountain, near Boyne Falls. The family moved to Walloon Lake village in 1962 and managed the old Shadow Trails Inn summer resort for two summers.

The family then moved to a new home they built in Boyne City in 1963 where Betty continued her teaching career, teaching art at Boyne City High School and Boyne City Elementary until 1983. In retirement, Betty created many happy memories for her family and friends at their new Walloon Lake home, built on the site of the former Shadow Trails Inn Resort.

Visitation and a memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 13th, 2024, at 9:30 a.m., with the service starting at 11:00 a.m. at Stackus Funeral Home, immediately followed by interment at Maple Lawn Cemetery.

Betty was a lifetime member of the Walloon Lake Association and, of course, a supporter of the arts in Boyne City. Memorial donations are suggested to Boyne Arts Center (www.boynearts.org) or the Walloon Lake Association (www.walloon.org)



Aaron Dishong, 58
July 3, 1965 — February 27, 2024

ELLSWORTH

Aaron Scott (AD) Dishong of Ellsworth passed away on Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at home surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 3, 1965, in Lakeview, MI to Herbert and Gloria (Abbey) Dishong.

In 1975, Aaron's family moved north to Charlevoix and lived on the shores of beautiful Lake Michigan. He attended Charlevoix schools where he acquired many lifelong friends, graduating in 1984.

On September 14, 1984, he married his one true love, Jill Johnstone. They started their new life together

in Charlevoix. In 1995 Aaron began construction on their forever home on Old Dixie Highway. With assistance from friends and family, barbeques and beer, the home was completed and became a place for many memorable gatherings.

An avid golfer, it was kismet that he spent his career on the golf course; first with the City of Charlevoix and then with the Charlevoix Country Club. When not golfing, watching golf, or thinking about golf, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, attending his nephew's sporting events, entertaining, and enjoying life with family and friends.

Aaron is survived by his wife, Jill, siblings, Curt (Lynne) Dishong of Lakeview, Brenda Dishong of Ellsworth, Sally (Paul) Stripay of Charlevoix, brothers-in-law, Scott Johnstone of Charlevoix, Justin (Kriss) Zuidema of Kenosha, WI, sisters-in-law, Shelly Johnstone of Ellsworth, and Valerie (Mark) Snyder of Charlevoix, brother-cousin, Don Abbey of Lakeview, sister-niece, Terri Teller (Bill) of Lake Orion, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, mother-in-law, Janet Geary, and father-in-law Robert Johnstone.

A celebration of Aaron's life will be held in September.

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



Marvin "Jim" Elzinga Jr., 88
(Dec. 9, 1935 — June 21, 2024)

PETOSKEY

Marvin James "Jim" Elzinga died Friday, June 21st, in Petoskey. He was born December 9th, 1935, in Ellsworth, the son of Marvin and Isabel Elzinga. He graduated from Ellsworth high school in 1952 and subsequently received a degree in accounting from Michigan State in 1956.

Jim Elzinga was defined by his career as an accountant, wedding photographer,

and runner. Though he retired as an accountant from the State of Michigan in 1988, he continued to loyally serve businesses and private clients, with some accounts being maintained for over 50-years and across generations, a testament to Jim's integrity and loyalty.

As a wedding photographer, Jim's patience and attention to detail were put to work in 550 weddings. Jim was fascinated by family lineage and history, which he bore witness to by taking the wedding photos of multiple generations.

Nothing defined Jim more than his love for running. Jim was tireless in his efforts to build an active running community in northern Michigan, for which the region has benefitted from his efforts to make the sport more inclusive to runners of all ages. As an astute keeper of records and journals, Jim's passion for accounting and running found their nexus in 2012 when he crossed the threshold of 40,000 miles of recorded running.

Jim was always a fierce competitor. At the age of 76 he ran 41 road races, winning his age group in 39 competitions. Jim was a northern Michigan running legend, whose camaraderie and supportive presence at local races will be missed.

Jim met his wife Linda Halford in 2007. The couple were active members of the Petoskey community, always eager to help those in need and support philanthropic initiatives. Jim and Linda enjoyed time spent traveling in their RoadTrek van and embarking on various cruises throughout the hemisphere. The pair were a perfect match, who cherished their happy hour rituals and time spent enjoying the beauty of northern Michigan.

Jim passed away at his home, in the caring and loving presence of his wife and daughter, Dr. Wendy (Elzinga) (Dr. Daniel Thomas) Thomas. Jim also leaves behind his Brothers Steven (Nancy) Elzinga of Lambertville and Terry "Chief" (Young) Elzinga of South Korea; two grandchildren Brendon (Karalea Davis) Thomas and Dr. Emily (Dr. Dennis Barbon) Thomas, and numerous beloved nephews and nieces.

A Celebration of Life will be held July 27. Funeral arrangements will be prepared by Mortensen Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Planned Parenthood and Hospice of Michigan.

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

Joyce Marcotte, 83
(Jan. 2, 1941 — June 21, 2024)

EAST JORDAN

Joyce Ann Marcotte of East Jordan passed away Friday, June 21, 2024 at McLaren Northern Michigan. She was born January 2, 1941 in Detroit, the daughter of Arnold and Violet (Groesbeck) Kliener.

Joyce loved the outdoors. She enjoyed camping, fishing and spending time in her garden too. She also liked going to lunch with her friends and swimming. Once the snow began to fly, Joyce would head to Florida so she could enjoy the warmth and sunshine. In her younger days, Joyce enjoyed sewing.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband Walter Marcotte, children James (Dawn) Guthre of Charlevoix and Shari (Joe) Shippy of Commerce Township, and grandson Jace Knapp of Charlevoix. She was preceded in death by her son Wally and daughter Michelle.

A Celebration of Life will be announced in the near future.

Arrangements are in the care of the Ellsworth Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign her online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.



Peter Ance, 78

June 16, 1946 – June 20, 2024

CHARLEVOIX

Peter D. "Lightning" Ance of Charlevoix passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 20, 2024, at Boulder Park Terrace. He was born on June 16, 1946, in Charlevoix, the son of Norman and Ruth (Hansen) Ance.

Peter graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1964 where he participated in basketball, football, ski club, varsity club, and Spanish club. He went on to attend Michigan State University for several years. Many who attended school with him will remember his spot-on impression of JFK, and it was also in these younger years that he developed his love of golf; he even played in the Michigan Amateurs.

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Courtney Sumpter, OTR/L

COMMUNITY LEADER COURTNEY SUMPTER HORSES HEALING HUMANS

BY JOHN KEYSER

Courtney Sumpter, OTR/L is the Founder and Occupational Therapist of Northern Michigan Equine Therapy (NMET), a non-profit, which is amazing in its therapeutic assistance to our Up North community.

A true treasure!

First, here is Courtney's background. She is from the Detroit area, and as a child she had a love of horses and rode as much as she could.

Courtney received her undergraduate and Master's degree in Occupational Therapy from Western Michigan University. During this time, she taught riding and volunteered with therapeutic training facilities, and subsequently was introduced to the Stable Possibilities Program in the Macomb area.

This said, Courtney realized she was an outdoor person and wanted out of the city. She found an opportunity with Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey and moved Up North (very thankfully!).

With her love for horses known within the hospital, one of the doctors mentioned his son had autism and Courtney was able to help the boy with equine therapy. This helped motivate her to open an equine therapy facility as soon as possible.

At the time, before land values have increased so dramatically, Courtney was able to purchase eight acres in the beautiful area between Petoskey, Boyne City, and Charlevoix. She has since purchased additional land and her facility, Northern Michigan Equine Therapy (NMET), now has 38 acres.

NMET is a nonprofit

and is dedicated to "Horses Healing Humans". It is now in its 11th year, and is supported generously by donations and many volunteers. It partners with numerous worthy organizations such as CharEm ISD, Emmet and Charlevoix Court Systems, and Challenge Mountain. There are more than 1,000 therapy sessions annually. With the natural movement and demeanor of a horse, NMET helps those with physical, emotional, and/or mental health needs. NMET is a support system to our community.

One boy had been in a wheel chair his whole life, and thanks to time his riding horses in Occupational Therapy is actually now able to walk. Riding a horse helps develop natural and proper pelvic and arm motions while walking. This is just one story of the success of equine therapy and Courtney's devotion to helping heal humans.

I asked Courtney about her challenges. One big one is the aging of her horses. She will need more in the future, and of course they have to be well suited for equine therapy and are safe and healthy.

Another challenge is more days in a week. There is a wait list now, and Courtney wishes to help everyone.

Courtney is very appreciative of the financial generosity received from our community members and is hoping to be able to offer more scholarships going forward.

This short article does not do justice to the wonderful work of NMET, to equine therapy, horses healing humans, and to Courtney Sumpter. I hope you will visit the website <https://www.nmequine.org/>



Local Girl Scouts earn their Junior Gardener Badges

Getting caught in a torrential downpour didn't dampen the spirits of 12 youngsters from Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore Troops 8784 and 8689 who spent the afternoon of their last day of school working on activities to complete requirements for their Junior Gardener Badge.

Badge completion activities were planned and led by members of the Boyne Valley Garden Club, with supervision by Girl Scout Volunteer Director for Charlevoix and Emmet counties, Tami Whitley, and several other scouting volunteers.

The afternoon began with a flower scavenger hunt in four nearby Garden Club gardens, and continued inside Boyne City's Veterans Park Pavilion with hands-on tasks that included exploring garden design and designing their own dream garden, learning how to choose garden plants, learning about importance of pollinators, and studying water retention properties of various soil types.

Each girl received a work book, created by Boyne Valley Garden Club volunteers, to record the results of each activity. For the final activity, each girl got to plant their own container flower garden to take home and care for.

This Boyne Valley Garden Club activity was coordinated by club members Cyndy Tonkavich and Sue Metzger, and involved many other club member volunteers, including Sharon Kemp, who dashed home and returned with all her guest bath towels for the soaked scouts.

The Boyne Valley Garden Club learned about a similar activity held last year by the Charlevoix Area Garden Club and thought it would be a great way for the Boyne area club to introduce young scouts to gardening activities.

The afternoon ended with Rice Krispie Treats and a Friendship Circle ceremony, involving young and older gardeners alike joining hands and signing the song, "Make New Friends."



East Jordan Music in the Park Welcomes The Crosscut Kings

The East Jordan Music in the Park Concert Series continues this Friday, June 28th featuring the "Crosscut Kings" on the stage beginning at 7:00 PM. Get ready for an evening of great entertainment from well-known and followed musicians Jim Bonney (guitars, vocals) and Charlie "Hipps" Witthoef (harmonicas, vocals). The duos blend of old-school acoustic blues, roots renditions of modern songs, as well as, their own original songs promises to be a wonderful performance for all to enjoy. "Crosscut



Crosscut Kings

Kings" has opened for Laith Al Saade, The Crane Wives, and Rick Estrin and the Nightcats. They have shared stages with Guy Forsyth, Ronnie Shellist and the Chris O'Leary Band.

If you haven't visited East Jordan in a while, plan on coming early to enjoy some shopping and dinner at one of our new businesses or restaurants and visit many long-time favorites as well. Take in the Jordan Art Walk, visit the beautiful new Don and Eileen Klien Nature Trail or see the renovations that have been made to G.A.R. Park. Be sure to bring your own chair or blanket to Memorial Park for the evening concert.

Music in the Park is proudly co-sponsored by the East Jordan Downtown

Development Authority, Jordan River Arts Council and the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce and generous donors.

For more information, contact the Chamber at 231-536-7351 or www.ejchamber.org.

If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the concert series, please make your checks to "City of East Jordan" with "Music in the Park Concert Series" in the memo section. They may be mailed to P.O. Box 499, East Jordan, MI 49727 or dropped off at the East Jordan City Hall.

FORUM, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1A

All candidates commented that less regulation is needed for starting a child care business. Since there is a huge shortage of people providing child care, the state should make it easier. However, Decker suggested that regulation is important for safety of children.

In closing statements Fairbairn said he wants to bring a voice in Lansing back to this district. Decker said she wants to make our area better and will fight to help people that need the assistance of government agencies. Friske said he can run a clean campaign. He was named the most conservative legislator in Lansing.

Overall in my opinion,

Jodi Decker seemed lost. She seemed unsure how to answer a couple of the questions. Parker Fairbairn seemed knowledgeable on most topics. He did a good job of responding to the questions. I found it annoying that he was critical of Representative Friske every time he spoke. I like candidates that focus the positive things they hope

to do. Negative comments turn me cold.

Friske responded to the questions frequently with the belief that government should not be involved in as many things as they get involved in. He is a proponent of smaller government. Actually, I was impressed that Friske held back from responding to Fairbairn's consistent criticism.

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Camp Daggett Unveils Exciting New Events for 2024: Spirit of Daggett Alumni Event and Daggett Camp Out

Camp Daggett is thrilled to announce two brand-new events that will bring together the vibrant spirit of our camp community: the Spirit of Daggett Alumni Event and the Daggett Camp Out. Whether you're a former camper, a dedicated staff member, or new to the Camp Daggett family, these events promise adventure, nostalgia, and a whole lot of fun!



The magic of Camp Daggett by reuniting with old friends, sharing stories, and diving into classic camp activities that bring out the kid in all of us. Attendees can look forward to grooving to live music, testing their aim with archery, getting creative with arts and crafts, embarking on scenic nature hikes, exploring their old cabins, and enjoying a cookout with s'mores by the campfire. Pre-registra-

tion is required, so secure your spot and your t-shirt for tie dying today and get ready for a heartwarming reunion!

The Daggett Camp Out, taking place Labor Day Weekend (August 30, 2024, to September 2, 2024), is an all-ages adventure that captures the essence of Camp Daggett. Whether you're a lifelong camper or new to the community, this weekend is packed with excitement and fun for everyone. Participants will enjoy a variety of land and water activities for all ages, cozy lodging options to suit their needs, and all meals and activities included in one price. Pre-registration is now open, and spaces

are filling up, so don't miss this chance to create new memories and bond with your loved ones in the beautiful surroundings of Camp Daggett.

For more information and to register for these incredible events, visit www.campdaggett.org or email Kayla Kuzel at kaylak@campdaggett.org!

About Camp Daggett

Since 1925, Camp Daggett has been the ultimate destination for adventure, growth, and lifelong friendships. Nestled on the shores of Walloon Lake, our camp offers unique experiences that inspire and connect people of all ages.

Live on the Lake Summer Concert Series Kicks Off on June 27th

CHARLEVOIX – Don't miss out on Live on the Lake, a captivating Summer Concert Series at the Odmark Performance Pavilion in downtown Charlevoix. Situated in picturesque East Park, this venue offers stunning views of the Charlevoix Marina and Round Lake, creating the perfect backdrop for an unforgettable concert experience. With tiered seating and spacious grassy knolls, you'll have ample room to relax with lawn chairs and picnic blankets, making it an ideal outing for the whole family. Grab some delicious carry-out from a nearby restaurant and get ready to enjoy a fantastic lineup of performances!

The series is coordinated by the City of Charlevoix's Downtown Development Authority and made possible by Series Sponsor **Jim Riehl's Friendly Ford of Charlevoix**, Lodging Sponsor **Weatherlane Terrace Inn & Suites**, Creative Partner **Charlevoix Circle of Arts**, and concert sponsors **Kilwin's of Charlevoix**, **The Clothing Company**, and **Biggby Coffee of Charlevoix**. Thanks also to our Community Partner, the **Charlevoix Area Community Pool**. Mark your calendars for these upcoming concerts and visit downtowncharlevoix.com for more info:

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June 27th | 7:00 PM

Experience the emotionally charged songs of singer/songwriter Chris Bathgate, beloved by a strong local and international following.

Immerse yourself in the beautiful harmonies and seamless vocal blend of folk artists Samantha Cooper and Elisabeth Pixley-Fink in **Hearth & Hymn**.

IPR's Sound Garden Project will take over Charlevoix with Sound Samples starting on **Wednesday, July 3rd**. You won't want to miss them planting classical music in unexpected places throughout town. To view the complete

schedule visit: <https://www.downtowncharlevoix.com/ipr>

IPR Sound Garden Project - Kodak Quartet
July 4th | 7:00 PM

Be mesmerized by the passionate and energetic playing of the award-winning string quartet, the Kodak Quartet, in their collaboration with contemporary composers. A special opening act performance featuring students and faculty of the Cummings Quartet Chamber Music Camp, sponsored by the **Dorothy Gerber Strings Program** will take place.

The Hazel James Band
July 11th | 7:00 PM

Indulge in a diverse musical repertoire spanning decades and genres by The Hazel James Band, catering to fans of folk, rock, and more. It is sponsored by **Kilwin's of Charlevoix**.

The Marsupials
July 18th | 7:00 PM

Don't miss the opportunity to witness The Marsupials' one-of-a-kind musical experience, sponsored by **The Clothing Company**.

NOTE: On **Wednesday, July 31st** the **Traverse City Dance Project** returns to Charlevoix! Event details can be found here: <https://www.tcdanceproject.org/events/charlevoixperformance>

Pocket Watch
August 1st | 7:00 PM

Prepare to be captivated by the fusion of old-school funk vibes and new-age jazz sensibility from Pocket Watch, a 6-piece jazz-fusion band from Grand Rapids.

Levigator + Super Nuclear
with special guests **Radio Vision**
August 8th | 7:00 PM

Get ready to be transported by the mesmerizing live shows and ethereal soundscapes of psychedelic rock band Levigator, plus a bonus psychedelic light show by Super Nuclear. Radio Vision will start the fun at 7:00 PM, followed by Levigator at 8:00 PM, and sponsored by **Biggby**

Coffee of Charlevoix.

A special pre-show performance by **The Concert Truck** will occur on **August 8th at 6:00 PM**. The Concert Truck is a mobile music venue featuring **Nick Luby and Susan Zhang** that strengthens communities by redefining the concert experience and making live music accessible to everyone. Presented by the **Great Lakes Center for the Arts**.

Ryan Curtis
August 15th | 7:00 PM

Experience the unique blend of old-school honkytonk and high desert country blues by Ryan Curtis, who is making a name for himself in Alt-Country and Americana music.

The concerts are every Thursday evening from June 27th through August 15th in East Park. Admission is free, ensuring that everyone can experience the magic of live music without any barriers.

For more information about the Live on the Lake Summer Concert Series, including the full lineup and schedule, please visit our website at <https://www.downtowncharlevoix.com/summer-concerts>

Stay connected by following Downtown Charlevoix on social media platforms including Facebook and Instagram for the latest updates and behind-the-scenes glimpses of the performances.

ABOUT CHARLEVOIX DDA

The mission of the Charlevoix DDA is to strengthen the year-round economic vitality of our vibrant historic business district through community efforts, events, and public/private partnerships while fostering a sense of community pride and ownership. For more information about Downtown Charlevoix, visit www.downtowncharlevoix.com. Join the conversation on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram.

OBITUARIES, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2A

For most of his adult life, Peter enjoyed spending his winters in Naples, Florida, and his summers in Charlevoix. When in Florida, he often went to watch the horse and greyhound races at the track. He enjoyed playing cards, especially Bridge, in which he reached the Life Master level of the American Contract Bridge League. He was an avid fan of the Charlevoix Rayders, MSU Spartans, Detroit Tigers, and Houston Astros, and he snuck in a round of golf any chance he could. He looked forward to playing in the annual "Belvedere-Townie Games" every year.

Peter was a one-of-a-kind character, full of wit, and always quick with a joke. He lived his life his way, and was well known to be seen in his Cad-dyshack pants and Frank Sinatra hats. Later in life, he moved to Charlevoix permanently and worked as a Blackjack dealer at Odawa Casino in Petoskey until his retirement.

Peter is survived by his brother, James (Becky) Ance of Petoskey; his nephew, Dillon Ance; his niece, Kelsey Ance; as well as dear friends and caretakers, Liane McGhee and Joe Moore.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A burial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 28, 2024 at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix.

He will be dearly missed by his family and friends. Peter's family asks that everyone remember him by raising a glass and making a toast in Lightning's memory. The next time you see a bolt of lightning, it may just be Pete having one for you! God Speed Lightning! Arrangements are in the care of the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. Please sign his online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

Beatrice Chandler, 67

(Oct. 20, 1956 — June 18, 2024)

BEAVER ISLAND

Beatrice Chandler of Beaver Island, formerly of Gaylord, passed away on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, on Beaver Island. She was born on October 20, 1956, in Aarau, Switzerland, the daughter of Eugen and Dorli (Stirnemann) Walti.

A full obituary will be posted in the near future.

Arrangements are in the care of the Charlevoix Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.

Please sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

ASK LAURA YOUR DOSE OF POSITIVITY AND INSPIRATION

Trusting Your Gut and Finding Clarity

Dear Readers, this week, I shared a bit of wisdom with my son Donny that I think is a powerful reminder for all of us. He was feeling anxious, trying to decide between renting an apartment by himself or renting a house with friends. I told him, "There's no wrong decision here. Both options are great for you. Sleep on it and trust that the right direction will come to you. Trust your gut."



Laura Jasurda

The next day, Donny made his decision to rent a house with his friends. "It feels right to me," he said. "It's less of a big transition."

This experience made me reflect on how often we stress ourselves out trying to figure out the perfect solution. Sometimes, the best thing we can do is step back, give ourselves some space, and trust that the answer will come when the time is right. And often, it does—sometimes in the most unexpected ways.

So, dear readers, if you're facing a tough decision or challenge, remem-

ber that there is no wrong choice. Give yourself the grace to rest and trust that the path meant for you will reveal itself. Believe in your inner wisdom and know that the right answer will come to you.

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.

Boyerne District Library Board Member Opening

The City of Boyne City is looking for a new member for the Boyne District Library Board!

Debi O'Leary, who has served as one of the three representatives for the City of Boyne City, has completed her four-year term, and we need to find an equally impressive replacement. If you're interested in serving and have lived within the city limits for at least a year, please return your

completed application to the Boyne City, City Hall by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 15, 2024 to be considered.

Find the full description of duties and the board member application at www.cityofboynecity.com and on the City's Facebook page.

If you have questions, or would like more information, please call City Hall offices at 231.582.6597

Residents stand up to "Hate over Smashed Cake"

BY MEGAN WILSON

BOYNE CITY – Northern Michigan residents are standing up to hate after an incident that happened at the Boyne City Family Fare.

What began as a routine day of baking has turned into an ordeal after vandals smashed one of the LGBTQ Pride cakes put on display. The baker put the damaged cake on social media, so the vandal's act of destruction would be known. "They hid it and wanted it to be a secret," said the baker. The story doesn't stop there, local resident Carrie Miller was one of many who saw the damaged cake picture and said it felt wrong.

"It just broke my heart," Miller said. "People should be able to celebrate whatever they want to celebrate, whether it's a Pride cake or a birthday cake."

She posted that she would sponsor the purchase of 10 Pride cakes from the grocery store's bakery. Since then, Miller said, "People from as far away as Vermont have reached out to sponsor a cake in solidarity."

When reached for comment Adrienne Chance Senior Vice President, Communications, Executive Director SpartanNash Foundation provided the following statement, "Our Mission is to deliver the ingredients for a better life. No matter the cake, the occasion or the recipe, three core ingredients are central to that better life – respect, kindness and appreciation for individuality."

We are grateful for the outpouring of support for our Associate, and we will continue to foster an environment where every person who walks through our doors feels like they are valued and belong."

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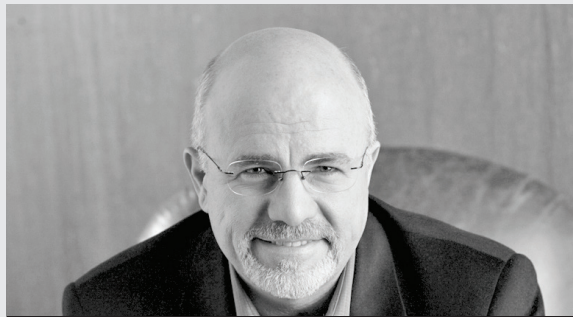
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DAVE

Says...

By Dave Ramsey

He Needs to be Reminded

Dear Dave,

My husband and I both work outside the home, and he has come up with an idea for our fun money. He wants us to set up an account where we both put 5% of our earnings for discretionary spending. The issue in my mind is that he would have a lot more to spend, because he makes much more money than I do. He says he feels he should be able to spend more since he makes more. I'm not a greedy person, and I don't spend money on a lot of frivolous things, but I do think things would be even. I feel we should each put in the same dollar amount—one that's fair to both of us—if we're going to do this. What do you think?

—Val

Dear Val,

This isn't a good plan. I'm sure your husband means well, and that he's really a good guy overall, but it sounds to me like he probably hasn't thought this whole thing through. As they stand now, the details of his idea play out as pretty immature and selfish. And something tells me you wouldn't marry a man like that.

Think about it this way. There are plenty of families out there where only one person works outside the home and generates an actual income. Would it be fair to say that whoever brings home the paycheck is the only one who can

have fun spending once in a while? Of course, not! In most cases, spouses who don't work outside the home take on tons of responsibility and accomplish several things every single day—especially if the couple has kids. If you put a monetary amount on all that, it'd wind up being a pretty nice income dollars-wise.

Remember back when you two got married? If it were anything close to a traditional ceremony, I'll bet the preacher pronounced you two "as one." As in every thing and every way. That means you have one income, a combined income, and it's our income. If you own a home, it's our home. It's not more his home just because he makes more money than you. Our kids, our marriage our everything. Get the picture?

Marriage is not a me proposition. It should always be a we thing. Your husband needs to be reminded of that.

—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.

Boyne City Kiwanis Club Donates to Boyne District Library

The Boyne City Kiwanis Club is delighted to announce they will be making a generous donation from the Boyne District Library. A check presentation ceremony will take place on Wednesday, June 26 at 9:30am at the Boyne District Library, marking a significant contribution to the children's room transformation.

The Boyne City Kiwanis Club has a long-standing commitment to supporting local initiatives that enhance the well-being of youth and families in the Boyne City area. Their dedication to education and literacy aligns perfectly with the mission of the Boyne District Library. The donation from the Boyne City Kiwanis Club will play a vital role in supporting various library programs and services, including children's literacy initiatives, and the much needed makeover of the children's room. These funds will enable the library to expand its reach and impact, ensuring that it

remains a vibrant hub of learning and enrichment for residents of all ages.

"We are delighted that on our 25th Anniversary as a club in Boyne City, we are able to donate \$25,000 for the remodel of the children's room at the Boyne District Library", said Kiwanis Club President Syrina Dawson. "With this \$25,000, we're sowing seeds of imagination, curiosity, and wonder in the hearts and minds of our children. It's an investment in creating a space where stories come alive, where dreams take flight, and where every child can explore, learn, and discover the magic of reading." For more information about the Boyne City Kiwanis Club and opportunities to get involved, please join us on Thursday morning at 7am at the Boyne River Grill.



Time for parades, picnics, and patriotism

More than 150 million hot dogs will be consumed on the Fourth

The Fourth of July is nearly here and, as is the case every summer with this most American of holidays, Independence Day for our country will be marked by parades, fireworks and backyard picnics and barbecues just about everywhere along with displays of the American flag and patriotism.

It's also a time to have the Pepto handy!

More than 80 million Americans will barbecue on the Fourth and more than 150 million hot dogs will be consumed on the holiday. That's roughly one hot dog for every two people in the U.S. A portion of those will be eaten during the famed hot dog eating contest held every Fourth at Coney Island, New York. Multiple champ Joey Chestnut holds the record of 76 hot dogs consumed in 10 minutes. Wow!

The grills will be active on the Fourth with tons of hamburgers, brats, and hot dogs sending their smoke signals into the atmosphere. If you've ever wondered what the most popular side dishes for picnics or barbecues are and you guessed baked beans, you would be ... incorrect!

Actually, the most popular side dish is potato salad, followed closely by baked beans, at least according to this one survey, and then cole slaw, creamy cucumber salad, macaroni salad, and tomato-and-cucumber salad.

Americans will display the American flag on their properties as well as on their T-shirts and hats. They will spend more than \$1 billion on fireworks again this Fourth of July.

Here are some other interesting facts and trivia about Independence Day:

- Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey to be the national animal but was out-voted

JULY FOURTH FUN FACTS



Americans will display the American flag in more ways in more places on the Fourth than on any other single day of the year. (Weekly Choice file photo)

when John Adams and Thomas Jefferson chose the bald eagle.

- Independence Day was first celebrated in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776. The Liberty Bell rang out from Independence Hall in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776. It was sounded to bring the people out to the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence. It was read by Colonel John Nixon.

- On the Fourth of July in 1776, the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress, starting the 13 colonies on the road to freedom as a sovereign nation. The stars on the original American flag were arranged in a circle to ensure that all colonies were represented equally. In the current U.S. flag, there are 50 stars representing the 50 states and 13 stripes representing the 13 colonies.

- There were 2.5 million people living in the United States in July of 1776.

- There are 56 signatures on the Declaration of Independence. They did not all sign at the same time because some were not present. Most historians agree that they all signed by August 2, 1776.

- The most popular patriotic movie is difficult to determine because

there have been so many high-quality movies of that genre made through the years. Movies that are nearly always included near the top rankings: "Saving Private Ryan" starring Tom Hanks (1998); "Patton" starring George C. Scott (1970); "Miracle" starring Kurt Russell (2004); and "Top Gun" starring Tom Cruise (1986). Some older classics that still resonate, though, include "Sergeant York" starring Gary Cooper (1941); "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" starring Jimmy Stewart (1939); "Yankee Doodle Dandy" starring James Cagney (1942); and "The Longest Day" starring John Wayne, Sean Connery, and a host of others (1962).

- Ironically, three U.S. presidents have died on July 4: Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on July 4, 1826, the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence; five years later, James Monroe died on July 4, 1831.

- Calvin Coolidge is the only U.S. president born on the Fourth of July in 1872.

- The first two Liberty Bells were defective, so the third Liberty Bell was rung every Fourth of July from 1778 on, until it cracked in 1835. It has been silent since then.

- In 1777, Bristol, Rhode Island celebrated July 4 by firing 13 gunshots, once in the morning and once again in the evening. Philadelphia commemorated our independence that year with an official Continental Congress dinner, parades, prayers, music, fireworks, speeches, 13 gun salutes, and more.

- In 1778, General George Washington celebrating by giving his soldiers a double ration of rum and having an artillery salute. Benjamin Franklin and John Adams were in Paris, France, and held a dinner for other Americans there.

- 1791 was the year that the name "Independence Day" was used for the first time. It may have been used before then, but that was the first time it was recorded.

- 1801 was the first time a July 4 party was held at the White House.

- In 1805, Lewis and Clark celebrated the first July 4 celebration west of the Mississippi, at Independence Creek.

- The major reason for the U. S. to declare independence was taxation without representation.

- The Star Spangled Banner became the U.S. national anthem in 1931.

—Compiled by Mike Dunn

Ellsworth State of the Community

BY KAREN WALKER

The Village of Ellsworth and Banks Township hosted a State of the Community Meeting June 24th at the Banks Township Hall.

Over two dozen community members attended, hearing presentations by The Village of Ellsworth, Banks Township, and Ellsworth Community School along with an update by the Ellsworth Downtown Development Authority. Attendees also had an opportunity to provide input on possible improvements to the Village's two waterfront parks.

Tim Knutsen from Petoskey consulting firm Beckett & Raeder was on hand to gather public input on the possible park improvements. Knutsen explained the project originally began as an effort to investigate the addition of accessible kayak launches and improve access at both parks.

Survey participants highlighted the need for easier kayak launching and landing, and improved paddling facilities, particularly at River Park as well as playground additions. Participants also expressed a desire for improved paddling facilities and a new walking trail at Community Park. Other ideas for consideration were for concerts



Ellsworth River Park. Photo by: Karen Walker

and festivals, and winter activities at both parks. Respondents also suggested a dog park area at Community Park as well as restrooms at River Park.

This September, the 10th annual Paddle Antrim Festival will once again launch in Ellsworth's River Park with participants paddling up to 42 miles over two days. The route is part of the first state-designated water trail in northern Michigan, a 100-mile route through 12 lakes and interconnected rivers. Mary Faculak, East Jordan Area Chamber President and Ellsworth Downtown Development Authority Chairperson emphasized the festival's importance and the opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy the area's waterways.

Ellsworth School Superintendent Aaron Gaffney reported that school enrollment has been steady with about 240 students currently enrolled in K-12 plus 16 pre-schoolers. The school recently graduated 18 students plus 3 exchange students. Gaffney noted that their biggest challenge is staffing. He explained finding teachers is difficult due partly to the housing shortage for anyone wanting to relocate to the area.

Banks Township Supervisor Alex Busman reported improvements are ongoing at the township hall and that Rushton Road was paved from the township line to the Village line. He stated the township will be asking for two mills at the August primary election for road funding, an increase from the current one mill. The

increased millage would generate about \$250,000, enabling the township to fund one road improvement project annually.

Hugh Campbell, Ellsworth Village President remarked that updates will be made to the town's water well.

Village Council and DDA member Lynn Spearing added that concerns in the Square will resume Wednesday, June 26, at 7 p.m. and continue through August 7th. Additionally, River Park is receiving new playground equipment, funded by a grant from Great Lakes Energy. Spearing also noted that the public input phase for improvements to Community and River Parks was financed by a grant from Rotary Charities.

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Freedom Festival

PHOTOS BY KAREN WALKER



CHARLEVOIX COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Community Grants Awarded

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation, through its Community Priorities grant cycle, recently responded to requests from nonprofit partners addressing important community needs.

Thanks to donors who look to the Community Foundation to make a difference close to home, \$284,435 in grants have been awarded to nonprofits who work to make Charlevoix County a thriving community.

A thriving community includes many things, but a few of the top community needs in Charlevoix County were addressed in big ways during the competitive Community Priorities grant cycle.

Significant support from C3F donors helped to make these larger grants possible, which will help address needs in housing, human services, and education.

Housing North will use their grant toward the Housing Ready Coordinator position in Charlevoix County. A key ingredient missing in most rural communities is community development staff that can work with developers to coordinate partners, incentives, funding, and development opportunities. Communities themselves recognize this gap as well and have been working with Housing North to find solutions. The Housing Ready Program, piloted in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties several years ago, is a step towards this goal. A "housing ready" community is one in which there are opportunities for development that can create a variety of options for all people in the community. With grant funding support, the Housing Ready Program Coordinator will be helping the county fill this gap by guiding projects into the pipeline that address

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this need.

Northern Homes Community Development Corporation will receive two grants: one to help with the organization's strategic planning process, and another to help build a 6-unit apartment community in Charlevoix. This project is a "missing middle" project, meaning that all units will be income and rent restricted to 120% of the area median income (AMI). The apartments are one-story townhouse style apartments with accessibility features that will appeal to families, senior citizens, people with disabilities and roommates. Grant funds will help support this project, which will bring more affordable housing to our community.

A grant to the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan will support the Empowering Bright Futures campaign to secure funds for a new, renovated facility in Emmet County. The full project includes all interior components, security features, technology, privacy measures, children's outdoor play area, and all mechanical, plumbing, and electrical needs. The building exterior and footprint will remain, but the interior will be completely rebuilt to meet codes, create energy efficiency, and enhance WRCNM programs through the customized design, which includes thoughtful safety, privacy, and trauma reduction features for all WRCNM clients and families.

Grants to Great Start Collaborative and North Central Michigan College

will address education needs at both ends of the spectrum. Many local families find themselves forced to choose between providing their child a preschool experience or meeting basic living needs. Paying for vital things like housing, transportation, and food often take priority over preschool tuition. Two government programs (Head Start and the Great Start Readiness Program) provide free preschool to children based on financial need and risk factors. These federal and state funded programs fill to capacity quickly, leaving 40+ children in our area waiting for a preschool opportunity each year. The Great Start Preschool Scholarship Project (GSPSP) fills the state and federal preschool funding gap, and will use grant dollars to provide preschool tuition for eligible children ages 3-5 in Charlevoix County.

NCMC will use their grant toward the Career and Technical Education Enhancement Project, a \$21 million investment to revolutionize education in healthcare, manufacturing, and skilled trades - three pivotal sectors shaping our regional, state, and national economies. This grant will focus on and support the workforce in technology, trades, and manufacturing. C3F is proud to partner with these, and many other, organizations to help address top community needs. In all, 22 organizations received grants through this year's Community Priorities grant cycle, totaling

COMMUNITY PRIORITIES GRANT AWARDS MAY 2024

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| <p>ARTS & MUSIC
Crooked Tree Arts Center
Grant Award: \$3,000
For accessibility improvements in the arts studio classroom.</p> <p>COMMUNITY
Challenge Mountain of Walloon Hills, Inc
Grant Award: \$5,000
To purchase an enclosed trailer for adaptive bikes.</p> <p>EDUCATION
Char-Em ISD
Grant Award: \$10,000
For Great Start Collaborative Preschool scholarships.</p> <p>Miigwech, Inc
Grant Award: \$2,500
For a community dyslexia workshop series.</p> <p>North Central Michigan College Foundation
Grant Award: \$25,000
To support the Career and Technical Education Enhancement Project.</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT
Little Traverse Conservancy
Grant Award: \$7,415
To support the Ecological Conditions and Response program to catalog all life on LTC lands.</p> <p>HEALTH
Beaver Island Rural Health Center
Grant Award: \$5,662
To educate and train Home Health Aides on Beaver Island.</p> <p>McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation
Grant Award: \$3,858
To support the Nurse Intern Program.</p> <p>HOUSING
Housing North
Grant Award: \$50,000
To support the Charlevoix County Housing Ready Program.</p> <p>Northern Homes Community Development Corporation
Grant Award: \$65,000
For predevelopment at Pinebridge Place Apartments.</p> <p>Northern Homes Community Development Corporation
Grant Award: \$7,000
To support the development of a 2024-2028 strategic plan.</p> | <p>HUMAN SERVICES
Boyne Eta Nu Charities
Grant Award: \$5,000
To support the Dress For Chill Project in Boyne Area Schools.</p> <p>Child and Family Services of Northwestern Michigan
Grant Award: \$5,000
To recruit safe and stable Charlevoix County foster homes.</p> <p>Good Samaritan Family Services
- Grant Award: \$7,000
For new signs and a community open house.</p> <p>Kiersten's Ride
Grant Award: \$7,500
To support the Suicide Prevention Conference 2024.</p> <p>Northern Michigan Equine Therapy
Grant Award: \$8,000
To support a farm hand position.</p> <p>POWer! Book Bags
Grant Award: \$5,000
To purchase books for children in partnership with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan.</p> <p>Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan
Grant Award: \$35,000
To support an office for Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Advocacy staff.</p> <p>RECREATION
Charlevoix Area Community Pool
Grant Award: \$10,000
For new controllers to operate the pool systems.</p> <p>YOUTH
Charlevoix Kiwanis Youth Foundation
Grant Award: \$5,000
For the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.</p> <p>President Ford Division DBA Michigan Crossroads Council
- Grant Award: \$2,500
To help Charlevoix County youth in need to participate in scouting.</p> <p>Raven Hill Discovery Center
Grant Award: \$10,000
For a consultant to lead their strategic planning and visioning.</p> |
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\$284,435. This is the highest grant total awarded in a single Community Priorities grant cycle. To see a full list of grants awarded through the Community Priorities grant cycle and to learn more about them, visit the Recent Grants page at www.c3f.org. The next grant cycle at C3F is Geographic Enrichment. Applications will be available after August 1, 2024. This cycle will focus on requests from eligible

nonprofit partners that serve the specific communities of Beaver Island, Boyne City, Charlevoix, and/or East Jordan. Applications are due by October 1, 2024. The Community Foundation welcomes inquiries about applying for grants anytime at acousens@c3f.org. To make a financial gift to support any of these grant funds, please reach out to C3F at 231-536-2440 or visit their website at www.c3f.org. A charitable organization

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

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Wolf survey: Stable population in Upper Peninsula Wolves in northern Lower Peninsula is more of a question mark

The 2024 winter wolf population survey estimate from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources found a minimum of 762 wolves in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. This year's estimate showed an increase of 131 animals compared to the 2022 estimate of 631; however, the results demonstrate a continued trend of statistical stability in Michigan's wolf population.

"This year's survey findings are statistically consistent with our wolf population surveys for the past 14 years," said Brian Roell, the DNR's large carnivore specialist. "When a wild population reaches this stable point, it is typical to see slight variations from year to year, indicating that gray wolves may have reached their biological carrying capacity in the Upper Peninsula."

In other words, Michigan's U.P. wolf population has achieved an equilibrium between availability of habitat and the number of wolves that habitat can support over time.

The survey, completed last winter, found the population distributed among 158 packs in the Upper Peninsula, with an average of 4.8 wolves per pack. This year's survey represents the highest population estimate since



The DNR wolf survey once again reveals a stable population in the Upper Peninsula. (courtesy of DNR)

2012, when the department began doing the semi-annual survey. The survey is conducted during the winter because it relies in part on identifying wolf tracks in the snow.

Prior to the winter of 2007, the DNR sought to count wolves throughout the entire Upper Peninsula.

However, as the wolf population increased, this

peninsulawide survey method became more difficult and time-consuming, especially the process of distinguishing among adjacent packs.

As a result, the department developed and evaluated a different sampling method to reduce the search area and allow additional time to accurately count wolves in

neighboring territories. The new approach uses a geographic stratification – essentially breaking up regions into small pieces and ensuring those regions have representative samples – and produces an unbiased, precise minimum estimate of wolf abundance in Michigan's U.P. during midwinter when wolves are at their lowest point in their yearly population cycle.

The DNR is currently evaluating two other techniques for estimating wolf abundance in the U.P. One relies on a track survey similar to the department's current method. The other uses trail cameras spread across the U.P.

If successful, these additional techniques may have advantages over the current methodology, mainly by decreasing staff time. The camera model would have the added benefit of producing estimates at times of the year other than winter.

Lower Peninsula

At the same time, the department plans to continue its search for wolves in the Lower Peninsula. The last survey for the presence of wolves in the northern Lower Peninsula occurred in 2019. A new survey is planned for early 2025.

Monitoring wolf presence in the northern Lower

Peninsula is significantly different than in the Upper Peninsula because wolves, if present in the Lower Peninsula, are at such low-density levels the track survey protocol used in the U.P. is impractical.

Instead, a targeted search approach based on resident reports of wolves or wolf sign – such as tracks or scat – is used to concentrate efforts in areas more likely to have wolves. The department also plans on testing some new technology using trace DNA collected from fresh tracks left in the snow to verify suspected wolf presence.

Although it is possible that individual wolves currently occupy the Lower Peninsula, as of April 2023, the state's wolf population is not known to extend to that part of Michigan.

During the 2011 targeted winter track survey, and shortly after the 2015 survey period, tracks consistent with a wolf were observed in Cheboygan and Emmet counties. In 2014, biologists from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians captured what appeared to be a wolf on a trail camera and were able to collect a scat sample. DNA analysis of the scat confirmed the animal to be a male wolf.

The last wolf identified in the Lower Peninsula was a male wolf taken in January 2024 in Calhoun County by a coyote hunter. An investigation into the matter failed to determine how the wolf came to be in Calhoun County.

"Research has suggested that there is suitable habitat for wolves in the northern Lower Peninsula," said Roell. "However, this habitat is fragmented and the ability of wolves to travel the landscape among these habitat patches is uncertain. Suitable habitat becomes even more patchy in the more populated southern Lower Peninsula, which makes it unlikely that wolves would establish themselves there."

Wolves in Michigan are currently protected under the federal Endangered Species Act by federal court order. As a result of this status, wolves can be killed only if they are a direct and immediate threat to human life. Because wolves in Michigan long ago attained federal and state population goals, the DNR continues to advocate for returning wolves to state management.

For more about Michigan's wolf population, including the Michigan Wolf Management Plan, visit Michigan.gov/Wolves.

Finding the way out of the Escape Room

BY MIKE DUNN

It's called the Escape Room. It's a popular activity where a small group takes on the challenge of figuring out the right answers to the clues that are available in the Escape Room and thus "escape" within the 60-minute limit.

I had heard of the Escape Room but never participated – until I went out East to visit my twin brothers in Philadelphia in May. Dan and Dave told me they had a surprise for me when I came, and it definitely was.

On the morning of Saturday, May 11, we drove to a plaza near where Dave and his wife Lisa live in King of Prussia, Pa., just outside of the city. The Escape Room was located in the plaza. Dave and Lisa and I took the challenge along with Dan and his 15-year-old son Alex. (Thankfully, Alex was there!)

Our particular Escape Room had an Egyptian "theme" similar to Indiana Jones. There were other themes too, such as spies of the Revolutionary War. This was new to all of us, so it took us a while to find our groove. After about 20 minutes of feeling our way along, we successfully put a puzzle together and discovered our first clue. And then we were on the way!

The last 40 minutes were spent deciphering other clues and coming up pretty quickly with solutions – young Alex was an enormous help, not surprisingly – and, by the time we reached our hour limit, we were within two clues of releasing the "escape" door.

We didn't break out before our time ended but we did have a lot of fun and that, after all, was the idea behind the adventure. We received some conso-



Mike Dunn

lation in knowing that only 40 percent of those who take on the Egyptian room challenge successfully find their way out. They told us that we did really well for a group of "first-timers."

We did our best to find all the clues, but in the end we needed to be "rescued" when our time limit was reached.

This is also true of our lives here in this world. We each have a "time limit" set by God our Creator. It is known only to Him.

Someone once wrote: Our life is a gift from God; what we do with our lives is our gift to Him.

But we have a problem. In a sense, we're all born within the confines of our own personal Escape Room. That's because we are born with the flawed nature we inherited from Adam and Eve. It is a sin nature. The truth is that we all sin, meaning literally we all fall short of the mark. And we all know this, if we're honest.

The Bible says "all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). If we say we have no sin, we actually deceive ourselves. Our greatest problem is that sin separates us from God. Our sin nature prevents us from being in God's presence.

And so, if we die in our state of natural sinfulness when our "time limit" is

reached, we are unable to be where God dwells in heaven. The alternative is facing judgment for our sins separated from God forever.

This is not what God wants. It was never what God wanted. But He did not create us as puppets; He gave us a free will to serve Him or to serve self. Sadly, most people ignore their sins and choose to serve self. They might acknowledge God but they don't serve Him.

God has made a way of escape for those who are willing, however. We must first recognize our own hopeless state. We are prisoners of our sin nature with no way of escape within ourselves. We're utterly and completely hopeless in our natural sinful state. We need a Savior.

And that's why Jesus died on our behalf, paying the penalty for our sins. Jesus made a way of escape for us. Our part is to accept it, to acknowledge our sins and seek the forgiveness from God the Father available through Jesus. And then commit to making Jesus the Shepherd of our lives and follow Him daily. There's no better or happier or more peaceful or more contented way in this world. And following Jesus is the only and only way to Heaven.

As it says in Colossians 1:13, God has "rescued" those of us who have said yes to Jesus "from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves."

Our one hope of escape from the clutches of our sin nature is completely in Him.

Mike Dunn is a pastor as well as a writer, serving the South Evart Free Methodist Church

Charlevoix Rite Aid to Close Amid Statewide Shutdowns

BY LAURA JASURDA

Although it was first suggested that only 12 Michigan Rite Aid locations would be closing, it now appears that all Rite Aid stores in Michigan will be shutting their doors, including our own Charlevoix Rite Aid.

According to a document filed in U.S. bankruptcy court, 12 Rite Aid stores are set to close soon throughout Michigan. However, signs outside a Lansing store imply that all Michigan locations will be closing. The company, headquartered in Pennsylvania, has already closed several locations due to its Chapter 11 bankruptcy, including 19 in Michigan last year.

Rite Aid issued a statement saying it made the "difficult but necessary business decision" to

close all stores in Michigan, where it will exit the market. You can read more about it on MLive at: <https://www.mlive.com/public-interest/2024/06/rite-aid-closing-stores-across-michigan.html>.

This news is particularly hard for the loyal customers and dedicated employees who have supported the Charlevoix Rite Aid over the years. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks and well wishes to the staff at the Charlevoix Rite Aid for their years of dedicated service to our community. Your contributions have been invaluable, and your presence will be greatly missed.

For Charlevoix residents, prescriptions will be automatically transferred to the Charlevoix Walgreens. However, customers can choose to move their pre-



CHARLEVOIX RITE AID
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scriptions earlier to either Walgreens or the Central Drug Store located downtown.

Although we're not sure when the Charlevoix Rite Aid location will close, it was reported when 12 were announced that it would be within 60 days.

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State Representative arrested by Lansing Police

BY MEGAN WILSON

Kornelius (Neal) Friske, 62, a sitting Michigan lawmaker from the 107th House District is facing the possibility of legal charges after Lansing Police Officers responded to reports of a “male with a gun, as well as possible shots fired,” according to Lansing Police Public Information Officer Jordan Gulkis.

Friske was apprehended about 2:45 a.m. Thursday morning and subsequently released later Friday morning. The Ingham County Prosecutor released a statement reading, “The Lansing Police Department responded to an incident on June 19th for a report of a male with a gun, as well as possible shots that were fired. During the course of the initial investigation, law enforcement officers learned of a possible sexual assault of an adult female and they arrested a 62-year old male, Kornelius Friske,” Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney John J. Dewane said. “The Lansing Police Department submitted a warrant request to our office on June 21, 2024, after a review of the initial investigation, I have asked the Lansing Police Department to continue their investigation. Our office will continue to work in coordination with law enforcement on this matter.”

Upon Friske’s release from jail his attorney Edwar Zeineh released this statement, “This is a case that is getting our full attention to show actual innocence, and we will work through that as diligently and ethically as possible.”

In records obtained from Michigan State Police’s criminal background service, Rep. Friske was arrested on one count of felony sexual assault, one count of felony assault, and one count of felony weapons offense. The lawmaker has not been charged or arraigned and it is not clear those are the charges he will ultimately face.

He was released from jail on Friday without charges, however police have requested the he be charged with the following.

- Assault with intent to murder
- Possession of a firearm in commission of a crime

Ingham County prosecutors requested that Lansing

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE NEIL W FRISKE

June 24, 2024

Dear Friends,

I know many of you have been waiting to hear from me personally and I thank you for your patience, prayers, and support during this time. It troubles me to think about how worried so many of you have been, not hearing from me sooner. I extend my heartfelt thanks to my family, friends, and countless supporters who have shown unwavering loyalty no matter the circumstances. This outpouring of love, and God’s grace and strength, is what sustains me in ways that words cannot express. It is what gives me the motivation needed to keep fighting daily.

As Conservative Republicans, we are well aware of the biased media coverage of incidents involving us. Despite their false narratives, I maintain my innocence. Due to the ongoing investigation, there are details that I cannot disclose at the moment. What I can say is that the police were called, resulting in being detained due to false accusations. However, upon initial investigation, no evidence was found to support the claims and I was subsequently released with no charges. I am confident that this investigation will totally exonerate me.

Throughout my time as a State Representative, I have stood solid on my conservative principles and stayed strong voting against any bill that had anti-freedom compromises in the Democrat majority we are in. In addition to the lies and half-truths that my opponent is already spreading, this whole media spectacle has given the people of the 107th district a lot to think about. My faith is that the people will see right through this, as they have seen happening to other patriots like me. I always show up, and I always vote pro-freedom.

I am looking forward to returning to my office this week to continue fighting for our freedoms and serving the great people of the 107th district. I will not back down against the extreme pressures of political lawfare.

Sincerely,



Neal Friske

Friske is always exercising his 2nd Amendment right. We do not have any details, besides what the media sourced, oddly before anyone of us knew anything. We ask everyone for prayers and to stay tuned for updates directly from this campaign or Representative Friske himself. Thank you for the outpouring of concern and unwavering support we have received this morning. Clearly, Rep. Friske is over the target in this race.”

Representative Friske’s opponent Parker Fairbairn released a statement about the arrest which reads in part, “Our country is founded on the principle of being a Nation of laws. At the heart of that principle is the presumption of innocence until proven guilty, and Neil Friske deserves this status as much as the next person. Neil deserves his time in court, and the people of the 107th district deserve better than Neil.”

Jodi Decker-D, Parker Fairbairn-R, and Representative Friske of the 107th district participated in a moderated forum at North Central Michigan College on Monday, June 24. The primary election will be

held Tue. Aug. 6th

Friske released a statement on Monday.

Friske said that he’s received support from voters following his arrest and said that the incident may help increase enthusiasm for his campaign.

“Obviously it’s a very unfortunate situation. But I do believe that, you know, it’s going to help motivate people, and I’m excited about the path forward,” he said.

Friske said that he expects to attend session this week, as the House plans on approving the state’s annual budget.

Friske released a statement saying that he was initially detained “due to false accusations. Following an “initial investigation,” Friske says “no evidence was found to support the claims.”

Friske thanked supporters and said he would continue carrying out his work in the Legislature. “My faith is that the people will see right through this, as they have seen happening to other patriots like me,” he said. “I will not back down against the extreme pressures of political lawfare.”

LEADERSHIP

HAPPY TEAM MEMBERS ARE KEY TO SUCCESS

BY JOHN KEYSER

Retaining our employees, our team members, is vitally important, Turn-over, training new people, getting them to fit in, is costly, significantly so. It is so much better to have a true team, people who like working together, care about each other, communicate well, and even share ideas, advice and feedback.

For years, most of my work was in the corporate world and we focused on maintaining a happy workforce. Sure, fair pay was important, but even more so was treating our people with respect, expressing our appreciation for their work and dedication, asking for the ideas, empowering them, coaching them, helping them be successful, and taking an interest in their well-being. In fact, their pay was less important than these aforementioned practices.

Now I live in a small town, with smaller businesses. We mainly have business owners of shops, restaurants and cafes, real estate and insurance agencies, law and financial firms, farms, churches, and other small businesses.

Some of the business owners here talk about the hourly wage they pay their people and that there is competition as we have more jobs than people wanting to work. While we do differ from the corporate world where pay is not necessarily the key to retention, it is definitely more important here, as many in the workforce are young people saving for college or graduate school tuition, and single moms, and others living almost paycheck to paycheck. This said, even here in small town America, business owners and managers must realize how very important it is to:

- Let our people know they are appreciated and valued
- Ask for their ideas – and that what they think is important
- Help them learn and grow and be successful
- Have a genuine interest in their well-being
- Have regular one-on-one conversations with each



John Keyser

person

- Accommodate their needs by being flexible when we can

Surely, fair pay is important, and every bit as important, actually more important in most circumstances, are being kind, respectful and embodying the above principles and practices, which help us keep our team members – and for them to be proud of and happy to be a part of our business.

Focus on:

- Quality and great service, not cutting costs to make as much money as possible, and
- Contributing to the needs of our community, which means a great deal to our team members, gives them pride.

It means a great deal to have one-on-one conversations with each of our team members, ideally weekly if we can.and ask them how they are doing, and for their ideas and advice. and listen attentively. They will appreciate our asking and we will receive a wealth of good ideas.

Virtually everything can be improved upon!

Happy employees do better work!

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.

Housing North Continues to Expand Housing Ready Program in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties through 2025

TRAVERSE CITY – Housing North is excited to announce the extension of its Housing Ready Program in Charlevoix and Emmet counties, supported by grants from the Charlevoix Community Foundation and the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation. This extension will allow Housing North to continue its vital work in these counties through 2025.

“We are immensely grateful for the support

from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation,” said Yarrow Brown, Housing North’s Executive Director. “This funding enables us to sustain and extend our Housing Ready Program for an additional 2 years, providing essential technical support to address housing needs in Charlevoix and Emmet counties. Our goal is to continue fostering housing development that

meets the diverse needs of our communities.”

“We know from formal data and conversations around the County that a lack of housing that is accessible to friends and neighbors continues to have an impact in our region. We’re proud to participate in one of the solutions to this significant and long-standing problem.” Sara Ward, CEO Charlevoix County Community Foundation

The Housing Ready

Program is designed to remove barriers to housing development and increase the availability of homes across the region. By placing technical support staff within communities, Housing North collaborates with local governments, organizations, and developers to coordinate projects, update zoning codes, and explore new tools for housing expansion. The program has proven successful in enhancing housing development capacity and support-

ing community resilience. “This initiative is critical for economic development, employment, and maintaining our region’s thriving economy.”

“We are pleased to continue our support of this important work. With Housing North’s partnership, we are tackling an urgent community need.” DJ Jones, PHSACF CEO

This work is also supported by contracts for services with some units of government and private donations in both counties. Housing North’s extension of the Housing Ready Program reflects its commitment to addressing the housing shortage in Northwest Michigan. Recent studies indicate that more than 31,000 housing units are needed to meet existing demand, particularly for homes priced below \$250,000 and rental units

costing under \$1,000 per month. The need for housing in Charlevoix County is 2358 units and in Emmet County, it is 3370 units. The program’s success has already resulted in twenty-two zoning ordinances being updated for housing, over two thousand units in the process of being built, and support for five new housing tools demonstrating their impact on the region’s housing landscape.

Founded in 2018, Housing North is a nonprofit organization that works to build awareness, influence policy, and grow capacity and resources for housing solutions in Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford counties. They are also the lead for the Regional Housing Partnership for Region De. More information is available at www.housingnorth.org

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July Calendar Events



ADULT PROGRAMMING:

A CLOUD OVER THE LAND: THE HIDDEN HISTORY OF THE BURT LAKE BAND OF OTTAWA AND CHIPPEWA INDIANS WITH DEBORAH RICHMOND

Wednesday, July 3 • 6:00 pm • Community Room

Deborah Richmond, historian of the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, will share the story of the Burt Lake Band and the event in 1900 that stripped the Band of their reservation land known as the Burt Lake Burnout. This event, in partnership with the Charlevoix Historical Society, will leave you enlightened and moved. No registration required.

SUMMERFOLK CONCERT SERIES: LAURA THURSTON

Monday, July 8 • 6:30 pm (second Monday of the month)
In our Children's Garden (In Our Community Room if Rain)

Laura has her own unique style from a vintage era that will enliven you and have you feelin' fine.

SAYS WHO? WITH AUTHOR ANNE CURZAN

Tuesday, July 9 • 6:00 pm • Community Room

Are you someone who winces at the word "irregardless" or the phrase "between you and I"? If so, this event is for you! Join linguist, radio show host, and University of Michigan English professor Anne Curzan, who will explain the backstory of some of the most common language peeves, based on her new book, *Says Who? A Kinder, Funner Usage Guide for Everyone Who Cares About Words*. No registration required.

BOOKTALKERS: THE HEAVEN AND EARTH GROCERY STORE BY JAMES MCBRIDE

Monday, July 15 • 6:00 pm • Armstrong Conference Room
Registration Required

Set in the 1920s and 30s, this novel by James McBride is the tale of Chicken Hill, a neighborhood of Jewish, Black, and European immigrant families, where the discovery of a human skeleton brings to light small town secrets and the people who keep them.

THE HISTORY OF CHARLEVOIX BRIDGES WITH DAVID L. MILES

Tuesday July 16 • 6:00 pm • Community Room

To mark the 75th anniversary of the official opening of Charlevoix's current Memorial Bridge, the Charlevoix Historical Society will present "The History of Charlevoix's Six Bridges." David L. Miles, Museum at Harsha House curator and award-winning historian, will present this fully illustrated program. It will trace the evolution of Charlevoix's most iconic structure from 1859 to the present. No registration required.

MICHIGAN ROCKS! WITH AUTHOR PAUL BRANDES

Thursday, July 25 • 6:00 pm • Community Room

The State of Michigan is a geologist paradise. Nearly the entire history of the Earth is on display, from 3.6-billion-year-old gneisses to potholes drilled by modern rivers. *Michigan Rocks!* guides the reader to 56 world-class geologic sites scattered from Isle Royale and the Upper Peninsula to Lower Michigan, making this the perfect field guide for amateur and expert geologists alike, and everyone in between. Join geologist and award-winning author Paul Brandes for a presentation on how the book came together, take a virtual visit to selected sites, and a show and tell period using some of the rocks included in the book. Paul will be available to sign books. Books will be for sale for \$20, cash only. *Michigan Rocks!* is a 2024 Michigan Notable Book!

JAZZ @ THE LIBRARY (JATL)

Wednesdays in July (and August) from 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Grandma Geri's Children's Garden (Please bring your own chair)

The talented Jazz at the Library trio, Andy Evans on bass, Jon Lindeneau on drums, and Steve Stargardt on keys, will be performing with special guests throughout the summer. In inclement weather, the concerts take place in the Community Room.

SPECIAL GUESTS:

- July 10: Jack Stargardt on Bass & Nick Birchler on Piano
- July 17: Bill Sears on Sax
- July 24: No Concert - Venetian Week
- July 31: Mike and Michelle Davis on Sax and Flute

BOOK BY BOOK:

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE FOR ADULTS!

June 3 - August 31

Why let kids have all the fun? CPL is here to help grown-ups with the best reading challenge around, just for you! Read or listen to five books between June 3rd and August 31st, submit a completed "I read this!" form (available at the library) and be entered to win amazing prizes, including local gift certificates, fantastic bookish treasure, or a new Amazon Fire Tablet! Winners will be chosen from completed entries in a random drawing on Friday, September 6th at 3:00 pm. You need not be present to win. Enjoy your summer, BOOK BY BOOK.

YOUTH PROGRAMMING:

CRAFTERNOON FOR KIDS: DIY TERRARIUMS

Monday, July 1 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm • Youth Activity Center

Let's create tiny terrariums together! We will provide natural materials and other supplies to build your terrarium, you bring a container – a mason jar or small bowl would be perfect! No registration required. Recommended for ages 6 and up. While supplies last.

READ WITH GEMME

Saturday, July 6 • 11:00 am - 12:30 pm • Youth Department

Reading to a therapy dog is a great way to practice your reading skills while spending time with an adorable pup! Kids can practice reading to Gemme, a sweet Golden Retriever therapy dog, and her owner Karen in the Youth Department. Call the Youth Services desk at 231-237-7350 to schedule a 15-minute reading session with Gemme and Karen!

LEGOS @ THE LIBRARY

Tuesdays, July 9 & July 23 • 1:00 – 3:00pm • Ages 6 and up
Youth Activity Center

Get creative in the Youth Activity Center with other Lego fans! Legos and Duplos will be provided. You can add to your creation each time or make something entirely new! This is a drop-in activity; no registration is required. Recommended for ages 6 and up.

STORY TIME AT THE FARMERS MARKET

Thursday, July 11 • 10:30-11:00 am

All Ages • Odmark Pavilion at East Park

Join our community at the Charlevoix Farmers Market for delicious food, local vendors, and library fun! The Charlevoix Public Library will host a booth during the market from 9am to 1pm – join us for bookish crafts and keep an

eye out for great prizes from the CPL Book Peddler! A fun, interactive story time will take place at 10:30am at the Odmark Pavilion. No registration required.

STORY TIME IN THE GARDEN

Thursdays: July 18, July 25 • 10:30 - 11:00 am

Birth to 6 years • Children's Garden

Join us every Thursday for Story Time in the Garden! Gather with new friends as we read stories, shake our sillies out, sing, dance, and have tons of fun! In the event of inclement weather, story time will take place in the Community Room. Recommended for ages 0-6 years old. No registration required. Please note – story time on June 13, July 11, and August 8 will take place at the Charlevoix Farmers Market. There will be no story time on Thursday, July 4th.

CAMERON ZVARA: COMEDY MAGICIAN & ENTERTAINER

Friday, July 19 • 2:30 pm • Community Room

Join us for an afternoon of amazement and fun with Comedy Magician & Entertainer- Cameron Zvara! Cameron's show is filled with mind-blowing magic, squeaky clean comedy, and tons of audience participation. You do not want to miss out! No registration required.

SENSORY PLAYTIME

Monday, July 22: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm • Ages 3+ • Children's Garden

Children and their parents and caregivers are invited to drop by the Children's Garden and take part in a fun, interactive sensory playtime! Sensory playtime is a drop-in program that includes a variety of stations that stimulate the senses – touch, smell, sight, and sound. Dress for a messy fun time! Recommended for children ages 3 and up. No registration is required.

MINDFUL AND MUSICAL WITH MIRIAM PICÓ

Tuesday, July 30 • 11:00 am

Children's Garden (Community Room if rain)

Since 2015, Mindful and Musical gatherings have used music, yoga, story time and mindfulness to shine a spotlight on kindness, social/ emotional learning, self-care, and the interconnectedness of ALL beings. Grown-ups and their little ones are invited to sing, move & groove, play with instruments, and laugh during this interactive program. Spanish, ABC's, colors, and sign language are sprinkled into each of Miriam's gatherings, as well as many opportunities for family bonding, community-building and new friendships. Recommended for ages 0-6. No registration required.

HIKING ADVENTURE AT SUSAN CREEK

Wednesday, July 31 • 2:00 pm • Meet at Susan Creek Nature Preserve
Registration Required

We're going on an adventure! Meet us at Susan Creek Nature Preserve for an interactive hike with James Dake, Education Director at Grass River Natural Area. James will help us identify various flowers, plants, and trees along the way. This program is off site - we will meet at the parking lot at 10570 US 31 North, Charlevoix, MI 49720 at 2pm. Please bring your own water, sun protection, and insect repellent if desired. Registration is required for this program. Recommended for ages 10 and up.

SUMMER READING CLUB 2024: ADVENTURE AT YOUR LIBRARY

Thursday, June 13 – Saturday, August 3 • Birth – Grade 12

Are you ready for a reading adventure this summer? Visit us at the Youth Services Desk beginning June 13th to pick up your reading log for SRC 2024! Time spent reading this summer means cool prizes for readers ages birth through Grade 12. For more information, contact us at 231-237-7350 or email youth@charlevoixlibrary.org.

For more information, please feel free to contact the Charlevoix Public Library at 231-237-7340 or email us at reference@charlevoixlibrary.org and visit our website at www.charlevoixlibrary.org.

Ellsworth Pig Roast celebrates community with numerous events Decades-long tradition makes its June appearance

BY KATE DELANEY

One small town in Northern Michigan made a splash in attendees memories this June.

Ellsworth Village hosted its 43rd annual pig roast on June 14 and 15 at Ellsworth Community Park.

The event had no entry fee but sold raffle tickets to attendees for the opportunity to win up to the equivalent value of a 100-pound pig provided by Plath's Meats in Petoskey, Tina Sundelius, an event organizer, said.

Sundelius added that there were a good number of people attending this year.

Festivities began on Friday night and featured a 200-foot waterslide hosted by the local fire department, a cornhole tournament and

a cakewalk. A pancake breakfast at the town hall kicked off Saturday morning, followed by a downtown parade, pig roast meal and horse pull.

The event that has been going on since 1981 began when members of the community were cleaning out the town hall, Mary Drenth, a member of the committee, said. "They just started having this community get-together, and it just kind of stuck year after year," she added.

The event has evolved over time, with its initial pig roasting traditions being changed with COVID regulations in 2020. Claudie's Fresh Flaves, a food truck, now provides the food for the event, which includes the large pig roast luncheon.

Music was provided by The Geezers, a band that



5 teams participated in a horse pull contest on Saturday, June 15. Photo by Tina Sundelius.

featured community members.

Five teams competed in the horse pull, a tradition that participants have continued to bring back, Drenth said.

Members of the committee, like Nan Karavas, spent a large part of their time planning and setting up a town-wide scavenger hunt.

With Ellsworth School's Lancer Leap program, students contributed to the hunt by building Lego versions of local historic buildings. Karavas and other members put photos of these projects with a corresponding image of the original building and what it was used for on signs all over Ellsworth.

"The surrounding communities all know about [the event], and then it also brings back families, you know, that have moved away," Drenth said.

Drenth recalled that, while she did not grow up in Ellsworth, her husband and his family were original pig roasters. As part of the festivities, they would stay up the night before the event, preparing and cooking pork meat.

This is a celebration that has been passed down through generations, she added.

For more information about the Ellsworth Pig Roast or to find out how to volunteer, contact ellsworthpigroast@gmail.com.



The 200-foot waterslide draws kids and family members to the event. Photo by Tina Sundelius.

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BOYNE CITY PAVILION SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce Pavilion Summer Concert Series is located at the pavilion in Veterans Park for the 2024 summer season. Concerts will take place each Wednesday evening, 6:30pm-8pm, through August 28.

7/3/2024 - No Concert this week!
7/10/2024 - Billy McAllister
7/17/2024 - Charlie Millard Band
7/24/2024 - Greg Vadnais Quartet
7/31/2024 - James Michael Duo
8/7/2024 - Crosscut Kings
8/14/2024 - Lavender Lions Duo
8/21/2024 - Delilah DeWylde
8/28/2024 - Nelson Olstrom

CHARLEVOIX CHARLEVOIX POOL FUNDRAISER

Break out your island attire for the Charlevoix Area Community Pool's annual fundraiser called "AquaRitaVille." The event is hosted on Thursday, June 27 from 6 to 9pm at the Historic Train Depot and Gardens in Charlevoix. Event features heavy appetizers, a silent auction and cash bar. Local musician Dave Cisco will entertain guests with his melodies of Caribbean music. Event registration is \$100 and all proceeds benefit the Charlevoix Pool, a non-profit organization open to everyone. To make a reservation, call the pool at 814-308-3168. Details at: www.charlevoixpool.org/june-fundraiser-event. A live auction with five adventure packages is underway now at: <https://givebutter.com/c/AquaRitaVille>

EAST JORDAN MUSIC IN THE PARK SUMMER 2024

June 28th – Crosscut Kings
July 5th – Pine River Jazz
July 12th – Two Beats
July 19th – RPM
July 26th – Union Guns
All Shows 7:00 p.m. - Memorial Park Bandshell

CHARLEVOIX JUNE CLASSES AT CHARLEVOIX CIRCLE OF ARTS

June 27th: Polymer Clay Floral Jewelry

CHARLEVOIX EARLY REGISTRATION FOR BIBLE SCHOOL

St. Mary Parish Bible School is June 24-28, 9am - Noon for grades 1-5. Early bird registration is \$35 per child by May 31. \$40 after May 31. Family registration rate available. Contact Liz Gengle with questions, egengle@stmaryschoolcharlevoix.org.

BOYNE CITY REGISTER YOUR PARADE ENTRY FOR BOYNE CITY 4TH

It's time to register your float for the Best 4th in the North! Planning is well underway for the two-day Festival. If you are interested in joining this fun committee, please contact Jessica White at jessicaboyneace@gmail.com

EAST JORDAN SUMMER ADVENTURE CLASSES

Summer Adventure Classes for Kids (SACK) programs #1-9. Classes are scheduled Mondays through Thursdays each week. SACK programs run through August 22. AM classes run from 10:30AM to noon. PM classes run from 12:30PM to 2PM

ELLSWORTH CONCERTS ON THE SQUARE

June 26-Lou Thumser
July 3-Country Thunder
July 10-Cyndel Thompson
July 17-Two Beats
July 24-OJ Adkins
July 31-Strings Attached
August 7-Foghorn Jazz
All Shows 7:00 PM - Ellsworth Community Square

CHARLEVOIX YOUTH GOLF FUNDRAISER

Thursday, June 27 at Charlevoix Municipal Course. Shotgun start at 10am. 4 person 9 hole scramble. \$200 team entry fee includes lunch at Shanahan's Pub after golf. Limit of 16 teams. For more information contact Scott Kelly, 231-547-1144, scott@basesmi.org.

CHARLEVOIX LIVE ON THE LAKE CONCERT SERIES

A free Summer Concert Series takes place in picturesque East Park at the Odmark Performance Pavilion located in downtown Charlevoix. The amphitheater is nestled along the shores of Round Lake overlooking the Charlevoix Marina and offers tiered seating with grassy knolls large enough for lawn chairs and picnic blankets. So grab the family, get some carry-out from a nearby restaurant, and enjoy the show!
June 27, 7pm - Hearth & Hymn
June 27, 8pm - Chris Bathgate
July 4, 7pm - IPR Sound Garden Project
July 11, 7pm - Hazel James Band
July 18, 7pm - The Marsupials
Aug. 1, 7pm - Pocket Watch
Aug. 8, 7pm - Levitator w/ Super Nuclear
Aug. 15, 7pm - Ryan Curtis

EAST JORDAN DONATE CLOTHES

During the month of June, Bright Lights girls youth group are accepting donations of clothing and apparel for all seasons, from girls size 6 through all women's sizes. Apparel could include pants, shorts, shirts, sweaters, dresses, skirts, shoes, purses, outerwear, pj's, belts or accessories. Donations can be dropped off at East Jordan Community Church on Sundays and at Lighthouse Missionary Church or St. Joseph's Catholic Church in East Jordan any day of the week.

CHARLEVOIX FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ANNUAL BOOK SALE

The Annual Friends of the Library Big Summer Book Sale will take place at the Charlevoix Public Library in the Community Room, upstairs in the Friends' on-going book sale room, and outside. Fiction, non-fiction, children's and teen books, CDs, movies, antique and collectible books - something for everyone. The book sale is open during library hours June 28-30. Friday & Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 1-5pm.

PETOSKEY MACKINAW TRAIL WINE RUN 5K

Like Running or Walking? Love Wine? This race is for you! Join us on Saturday, June 30, at 10am for an exciting annual event that features the amazing scenery and landscape of Mackinaw Trail Winery & Brewery. Mackinaw Trail Winery is a family owned business that was founded in 2004 that sits on 30 acres of beautiful rolling hills which is planted with 15 acres of grapes. In its ten years of operation Mackinaw Trail continues to be one of the most awarded and recognized wineries in the state of Michigan. So come out and enjoy some amazing wine! Whether you are looking to run, walk or just enjoy the wine this race is a sure thing for a great time and an incredible experience.

EAST JORDAN MY SISTER'S CLOSET

The Bright Lights girls youth group of East Jordan invites you to the 2nd annual My Sister's Closet, a morning of refreshments, fellowship and free shopping on June 29 from 9am - Noon. The event will be held at Lighthouse Missionary Church, 7824 Rogers Rd. Their goal is to provide ladies of all ages with free, modest, gently-used clothing and apparel that works for them. Ladies, please mark your calendars and invite your family and friends to join you on June 29th for this entirely free event! No donations are required to come and shop.

CHARLEVOIX SUMMER ART SHOW

Saturday & Sunday, June 29 & 30 in East Park, downtown.

EAST JORDAN MONTHLY DINNER FUNDRAISER

The American Legion, Rebec-Hosler-Sweet Post #227 (305 Main Street) hosts a monthly dinner fund-

raiser the 1st Saturday of the Month hosting a Monthly Dinner Fundraiser for the G.A.R. Park upgrades on the first Saturday of each month. 4:30PM - 7PM. Suggested donation: Adult - \$12, Children - \$8, Under 5 Free. Dine in or take-out available. July 6, Aug. 3, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7

CHARLEVOIX SUMMERTIME MUSIC AT THE CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Charlevoix Public Library is once again the place to be for live music in the summer! We are thrilled to announce that SummerFolk and Jazz @ The Library (JATL) continue this summer during June, July and August. Billy McAllister also returns to present Frankie and the Crooners. Concerts are outside in the Children's Garden - bring your own chair! Rain location in the Community Room. SummerFolk Concert Series: Second Monday of the Month beginning at 6:30 pm
July 8: Laura Thurston
August 12: Jessica Dominic
September 9: The Rhythmskool

CHARLEVOIX JAZZ AT THE LIBRARY (JATL)

Wednesdays in July & August from 7 - 8pm
The Library is excited to continue hosting Jazz at the Library (JATL) this summer as it has for many years past, featuring the Steve Stargardt Trio with Andy Evans, bass; Jon Lindeneau, drums; and Steve Stargardt, piano.
July 10: Jack Stargardt on Bass & Nick Birchler on Piano
July 16: Bill Sears on Sax (July 24: Venetian Week: No Concert)
July 31: Mike & Michelle Davis, Sax & Flute
August 7: Rick Stewart on Trumpet & Vocals, Mike Hunter on Trombone, & Bill Sears on Sax
August 14: Nancy Stagnitta on Flute
August 21: Family & Friends
JATL is sponsored by the Dion Family Charitable Fund, Melvy Lewis, Bobbie Rassieur Williams - in memory of Bob Williams, Lynne and Mason Rosenthal, and Patrons of JATL

EAST JORDAN JORDAN VALLEY COMMUNITY BAND

Thursday Evenings in July 11th, 18th, 25th at the Memorial Park Bandshell

ELLSWORTH WATERFRONT PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The Village of Ellsworth values your input. We in the process of making plans to improve our two waterfront parks in the future. We invite you to complete the following survey. www.surveymonkey.com/r/Ells-Park

HARBOR SPRINGS 42ND ANNUAL BLISSFEST

The Annual Blissfest Music Festival is a celebration of music, culture, art, and community featuring a world of diverse and innovative folk, world and roots music, and dance at the Festival Farm in picturesque rural northern Michigan. July 12-14.

BOYNE CITY BOYNE THUNDER FRIDAY NIGHT STREET SHOW

Our downtown comes alive Friday, July 12 as we welcome Boyne Thunder Poker Run families and friends to "stroll the streets" check out some amazing boats, listen to music, enjoy entertainment, children's activities and so much more.

BOYNE CITY 21ST ANNUAL BOYNE THUNDER POKER RUN

Join us for the Boyne Thunder Poker Run that takes our 120 participant boats on a 150 mile journey in Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan. In Boyne City on Saturday, July 13 at approximately 10am you can watch these boats do a parade lap in Lake Charlevoix.

CHARLEVOIX ART & CRAFT SHOW

Saturday & Sunday, July 13 & 14 in East Park, downtown.

EAST JORDAN SOUTH ARM CLASSIC CAR SHOW

The annual show that will be held on Saturday, July 13th in Memorial Park, downtown. South Arm Classics Car Show is sponsored by the East Jordan Lion's Club. For more information on the Car Show email southarmclassics@gmail.com.

CHARLEVOIX FREE SUMMER MOVIES AND FOOD DRIVE

Charlevoix Cinema free summer movies series & food drive lineup. Join us for free weekly movies and bring along a canned/dry good to donate to Charlevoix Rayder Den. We can't wait to see you at the movies!

BOYNE CITY SPLASH PAD

The Splash Pad is open for the season at Peninsula Beach, 310 Front Street. Aside from normal amounts of sand from a user's feet, please do not carry sand or dirt onto the splash pad or its fountains. This can cause issues with clogging and interrupt or delay use of the splash pad.

EAST JORDAN FARMERS MARKET

The East Jordan Garden Club's Farmers Market, held each Thursday from 10AM - 2PM at the East Jordan Tourist Park is open. Fresh veggies, fruit, baked good, handmade items, fresh cut flowers and much more

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CHAMBER CASH RAFFLE

The awesome Charlevoix County Chamber Champion Cash Raffle is underway! Only 400 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. First place is \$10,000, second place is \$2,000 and third place \$1,000. Drawing to be held on November 1st. Tickets available at the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce and from Board Members and at Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce & Board Members. Raffle license #R75404

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CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

The downtown farmers market is held every Thursday thru October 31 on Bridge St. 8am - 1pm. 34 vendors plus music organized by Blissfest Music Organization and sponsored by Pat O'Brien & Assoc. Real Estate.

BOYNE CITY FARMERS MARKET

The market now meets at the Veterans Park Pavilion every Saturday, 9am - 12:30pm. Fresh produce, local artists and live music

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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.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN CHILD CARE PROGRAM

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

EAST JORDAN TEEN CENTER

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

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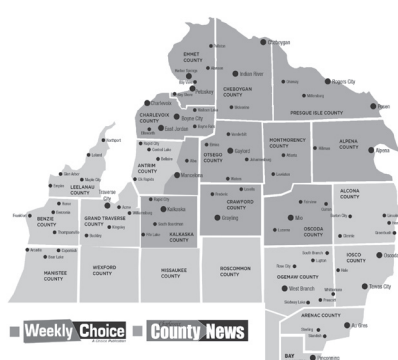
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TRACK

St. Michael Track & Field Completes Another Successful Season Manthei, Bradley, Vandermus Earn All-State Honors

PETOSKEY – St. Michael High School (SMHS), Northern Michigan’s only Classical Catholic high school, announced today that its Track & Field (T&F) teams completed another successful campaign earlier this month at the Division-4 (D-4) State Finals in Hudsonville. For the fourth straight season, Guardian distance runners ascended the podium, earning All-State honors.

First among the All-State performances was a tactically sound 800-meter effort from veteran junior Russell Vandermus. After a patient first lap, he surged into the second, working his way around perhaps the stoutest field ever assembled for a D-4 800, and into medal contention. Although he faltered just a bit on the final stretch, Vandermus held on for eighth, the last rung on the State podium. His program record time of 1:59.3 was just 0.7 seconds out of fourth place and would have been sufficient

to secure a State title many other seasons.

“Russell adhered to his race plan and delivered on his goals,” proclaimed Guardians Coach Larry Rudnicki. “It was a fitting conclusion to his best season yet. He is maturing into a fine runner and I see him as a contender to win the 800 next year.”

Next up was the Guardians’ biggest ‘upside surprise’ of the day – a brilliant, determined 3200 meters from sophomore Cody Bradley in his first-ever State Finals appearance.

There wasn’t much ‘patience’ here – Bradley went straight to the lead pack and settled there, content to let eventual winner, Kalamazoo Hackett’s Marek Butkiewicz, turn up the heat and string out the field. As it sorted out in the later laps, Bradley landed in third, but relentlessly dogged Mason County Eastern’s Alex Tyndall over the final ‘K’ and all the way through the line. Bradley’s



St. Michael Track & Field

third was just 0.2 seconds from Tyndall, breaking his own program record in 9:42.7.

“I loved Cody’s race because of its sheer grit,” commented Coach Rudnicki, “but also because he took on significant risk in vying for second, rather than more comfortably securing third. Had he ‘crashed & burned’ late in the race, there was a pack of guys not far behind, ready to gobble him up. Cody went for it!”

Finally, veteran junior Jane Manthei earned All-State honors in the 3200 for the second straight year, also taking third place. As is her way, Whitmore Lake’s Kaylie Livingston set a blistering early pace, stringing out the field on the first lap, with only Allen Park Cabrini’s Ava Teed willing to give chase. Manthei ended up ‘in space’ in third, easily in front of her pursuers, but unable to reclaim the ground lost early to Livingston and Teed.

“After yet another ‘break out season’ for Jane, that was a frustrating outcome,” conceded Coach Rudnicki. “We tried to ‘race plan’ around such circumstances, but it didn’t play out as we hoped. Even so, we had a whole lot to celebrate this season and third place at State is a worthy accomplishment. We’re always proud of Jane.”

Full results from the D-4 State Finals can be found

at www.athletic.net/Track-AndField/meet/529795/ results.

As is documented in a separate article, the Guardians qualified their largest-ever Ladies team to the T&F State Finals. That article is available at stmichaelchesterton.org/2024/06/21/its-all-about-the-culture-st-michael-track-ladies-send-largest-ever-crew-to-state/

The top race for the Guardians that didn’t ‘make the podium’ was the 400 meters where sophomore Charlotte Yanchulis set a new program record, placing 19th in 64.06, just in front of freshman teammate Veronica Paga, who was 20th in 64.14.

The 4x400 meter relay, consisting of Manthei, Paga, Yanchulis, and Marley Kern, placed 21st in 4:30.3.

The 4x200 meter relay, consisting of Kern, Hannah Ledy, Sydney Feagan, and Ella Nolan, placed 40th in 2:02.9.

“What a blessing it was to bring so many of our young ladies to the State Finals!” beamed Coach Rudnicki. “My hope is that the upward trajectory of our program continues and that many of these same ladies are ascending the State podium next spring.”

“I’d like to thank everyone who made our season successful and memorable! Assistant coaches and parents, thanks for



Cody Bradley Boldly Executes His Race Plan, On His Way to a Third Place Finish in the 3200



Charlotte Yanchulis Anchors the 4x400 Relay

your help, especially with transportation and words of encouragement! I’d also like to thank our generous benefactors, without whom we couldn’t do what we do. I’d also offer my thanks and a fond farewell to senior leaders and four-year runners Catherine Hayes and Sydney Feagan. Ladies, you were foundational to our program and you will be missed!”

“Finally, ‘thanks be to God’ for a season immersed in His goodness. May the Lord continue to richly bless us!”

St. Michael High School is High School with a Higher Purpose and a proud member of the Chesterton Schools Network.

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Kacey Gray
Sullivan Cadarette

Honorable Mention:

Anderson Ward, Brayden Joyce

CHARLEVOIX

Bryce Johnson
Ryan Pearl
Owen Waha
Aiden Speigl

Honorable Mention:

Hunter Lemerand, Troy Nickel, Emmett Bergmann,
Max Batkowski-Reynolds

EAST JORDAN

Korbyn Russell
Lucas Stone
Brenden Aenis
Jake Haley

Honorable Mention:

Ryder Malpass, Eli Burns, Braylon Grybauskas

ELK RAPIDS

Alex Barber
Chase DeAment
Dominic Fortuna
Braden Fluty

Honorable Mention:

Jayden Hresko, Hayden Krause, Nathan Barton

GRAYLING

Corbin Allen
Jake Huspen

Honorable Mention:

Brodie Gross

HARBOR SPRINGS

Caiden Phillips

Honorable Mention:

Greyson Rife

KALKASKA

Evan Hardy

Honorable Mention:

Hunter Semak

ST. FRANCIS

Matthew Kane
Harrison Shepherd
Tyler Thompson

Honorable Mention:

Sam Wildfong
Lance Vos

LAKE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE 2023-24 ALL CONFERENCE SOFTBALL TEAM

BOYNE CITY

Sidney Bush
Delaney Vollmer
Lucy Uy

Honorable Mention:

Morgan Erickson, Katelyn Dittmar, Sadie Kroondyk

CHARLEVOIX

Anna Kemp

Honorable Mention:

Ayla Kemp

EAST JORDAN

Lillian Stone
Alley Whiteford

Honorable Mention:

Lizzie Pop, Sydney Guerriero

ELK RAPIDS

Brooke Fluty
Rhielynn Skrocki
Jillian Moazeni

Honorable Mention:

Haleigh Yokum, Evelyn Bruso

GRAYLING

Jessica Campbell
Cali D'Amour
Anna Wood
Jillian Hartman

Honorable Mention:

Katie Canary, Mandy Andrews, Kylie Tuck

KALKASKA

London Birgy
Aubrey Manchester

Honorable Mention:

Alyssa Colvin, Courtney Borden

ST. FRANCIS

Sophie Hardy
Leah Simetz
Hunter St. Peter
Zoey Jetter

Honorable Mention:

Claudia Harris, Kensley Thorpe, Reese Jones, Hallie Kadiec

ALL-STATE BASEBALL

Selected by Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association

DIVISION 3-FIRST TEAM ALL STATE

Division 3 Coach of the Year: Josh Tremblay-Watervliet

P Grant Bradley Napoleon 12

P Wyatt Mosley Dansville 11

P Josh Kasner Algonac 12

P Bryce Johnson Charlevoix 12

P Chad Brown Hemlock 11

INF Aiden Speigl Charlevoix 11

INF Lalo Aguirre Olivet 11

INF Brodie Gregory Lumen Christi 11

INF Ryan Louch Clare 11

INF Ty Randall Laingsburg 12

INF Wyatt Epple Watervliet 12

INF Ryan Zweng Union City 12

1B Max Hammond Reed City 12

1B Matthew Kane St Francis 11

OF Deshawn Williams Edison 12

OF Austin Humphrey Chippewa Hills 11

OF Drew Deming Brandywine 12

OF Ivan Wilkenson Sand Creek 10

OF JT Hill Onsted 11

C Gunner Carsen Manchester 11

C Ben Myers N. Muskegon 12

C Jayce Sears Lakers 12

U Gabe King Lumen Christi 12

2023 ALL STATE 2ND TEAM DIVISION 3

P Trip Burkett Olivet 10

P Bryce Simpson Algonac 11

P Caleb Jewell Watervliet 11

P Nate Stephens Whiteford 11

P Mario Morales Kalamazoo Christian 11

INF Jalen Steizer Clinton 11

INF Jamier Palmer Brandywine 12

INF Brady Sager Chesaning 11

INF Michael Clare Valley Lutheran 12

INF Marwynn Matthews Edison 12

INF Luke Soper Hanover Horton 11

INF Jordan Jones Edison 12

OF Dawson Doan Hemlock 11

OF Tyler Collins Hanover Horton 11

OF Corbin Allen Grayling 11

OF Dominic Fortuna Elk Rapids 11

OF Jeremiah Palmer Brandywine 12

C Owen Epple Watervliet 11

C Bode Bielas Kingsley 12

C Kash Kalahar Lumen Christi 11

U Logan Tammerine Whiteford 12

1B Nash Wending Chesaning 12

1B Ryan Delora N Muskegon 12

2024 ALL STATE BASEBALL

1ST TEAM - DIVISION 4

Division 4 Coach of the Year: Tony Adams – Norway

P Cayden Smith Beal City 12 P

Sam Vanneste Fowler 11 P

Connor Wallace Inland Lakes 12 P

Brayden Franzel Ubly 11 P

Cole Biaj Norway 11 INF

Grady Pieratt Sacred Heart 11 INF

Cameron Peterson Rudyard 12 INF

Tyler Morehouse Gabriel Richard 12 INF

Abram Coffey Marcellus 9 INF

Jerryd Scheurer St Patrick 9 INF

Benji Allen Glen Lake 11 INF

Aaron Bower Marlette 12 1B

Josh Wilson Beal City 12 1B

Aiden Halliday Sacred Heart 12 OF

Bryan Convertini Muskegon CC 11OF

Carter Lance Fowler 12 OF

Jack Fussman Beal City 12 OF

Jordan Medellion Concord 11 OF

Cameron Varda Norway 10 C

Connor Stempky Sacred Heart 12 C

Mark Nessler Parkway Christian 12 C

Landon Amundson Norway 11 U

Grant Vederode Merrill 12

2023 ALL STATE - 2ND TEAM - DIVISION 4

P Brady Davis Sacred Heart 10

P Cooper Bufalini Glen Lake 12

P George Szep Cardinal Mooney 12

P Callan Hoeffler Maple Valley 12

P Korbyn Russell East Jordan 11

INF Croix Klint Muskegon CC 12

INF Eli Backman Hackett 12

INF Cale Hackeburg Marcellus 9

INF Brayden Crites Mendon 10

INF Kyler Maiorana Parkway Christian 12

INF Aiden Bickel Rudyard 12

INF Owen Baij Norway 10

OF Brendan Aenis East Jordan 11

OF Gavin Prielipp Marion 12

OF Micah Herbst Michigan Lutheran 11

OF Ayden Wilkes Maple Valley 12

OF Micah Lavigne Plymouth Christian 11

1B Dewey Modaff Muskegon CC 12

1B Andrew Rann Hackett 12

C Charlie Thelen St Patrick 10

C Peter Gelsinger Glen Lake 11

C Justin Romel Rogers City 10

U Jackson Kindig Mendon 12

PET OF THE WEEK

JADE



This pretty lady is Jade. Jade originally came to us as a stray and was adopted, she was unfortunately recently returned due to her zest for adventure. Jade is a very smart girl but will take herself for a run given the opportunity. When she was with us previously she did very well with other dogs (she also lived with a dog in her previous home) and seemed to do well with cats. Jade is used to children of all sizes and would fit well in just about any family. Stop by and meet this sweet girl if you are ready to fall in love!



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2023-24 GIRLS SOCCER

DIVISION 2 THIRD TEAM

Gorno, Claire - Gaylord, Forward, 12
Corey, Sadie - Petoskey, Keeper, 11
HONORABLE MENTION
Cole, Lauren - Petoskey, Midfield, 12
Gandhi, Annika - Petoskey, Forward, 11

DIVISION 3 HONORABLE MENTION

Bent, Taylor - Cheboygan, Midfield, 12
Noble, Braydin - Boyne City, Midfield, 11
Boik, Edie - Grayling, Midfield, 12

ALL-STATE SOFTBALL

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Pitcher: Jayden Marlatt, Johannesburg-Lewiston
Position: Gabriella Crumm, Unionville-Sebewaing Area

DIVISION 4-FIRST TEAM ALL STATE

Kadie Kaukola Ishpeming Outfield
Rylee Scheurer Portland St. Pats Outfield
Nicole Barbeau Hillman Shortstop
Abbie Fowler Holton Shortstop
Emily Taylor Beal City Shortstop
Jadyn Samson Mendon Shortstop
Brooklyn Orr Rogers City Shortstop
Saige Miller Fowler Shortstop
Ellery Garver Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart Shortstop
Ryann Robins Holton First
Kallie Smith Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart First
Cienna Nightingale Mendon First
Clare Flory Marcellus Second
Aubrey Weiland Hillman Third
Mairin Wheaton Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart Third
Mikayla LaBounty Michigan Lutheran Third
Kiera McGarvie Kingston Third
Arryana Brown Beal City Third

Reagan Sides Johannesburg-Lewiston Catcher

Grace Thompsen Holton Catcher
Gabriella Crumm Unionville-Sebewaing Catcher

Madelyn Oswald Hillman Catcher

Payton Manninen Ishpeming Pitcher

Jayden Marlatt Johannesburg-Lewiston Pitcher

Kenzie Greene Holton Pitcher
Macy Johnston Beal City Pitcher
Cecilia Conforti Decatur Pitcher
Carsyn Roehrig Gabriel Richard Pitcher
Delaney Gage Marlette Pitcher

Gretchen Weiland Hillman Pitcher

Rowan Allen Mendon Pitcher
Rylie Betson Unionville-Sebewaing Pitcher
Madison Miller Coleman Utility
Sienna Potter Decatur Utility
Zoey Martinez Morenci DP

DIVISION 4-HONORABLE MENTION

Kylee Killeen Gobles Outfield
Ava Gross Coleman Outfield
Sophie Paryaski Plymouth Christian Academy Shortstop
Kennadi Killeen Gobles Shortstop
Ella Newmann Unionville-Sebewaing Shortstop
Delany St. George Kingston Shortstop
Jenna Maki Ishpeming Shortstop
Cassidy Benac Hillman First
Abby Walker Kingston First
Paisely Hansen Fowler First
Kylie Fiting St. Charles Second
Piper St. George Kingston Second
Elizabeth Romitti Norway Third
Abi Yuhaus Bellaire Third
Laci Patterson Addison Third
Brooke Koskela Hancock Catcher
Sage Gauthier Alcona Catcher
Daisy Jackson Gobles Catcher
Chloe Paryaski Plymouth Christian Academy Catcher
Kayla Milarch Buckley Catcher
Sadie Biekkola Hancock Pitcher
Brooklyn Fischer Bellaire Pitcher
Miah Schopfer Alcona Pitcher
Clara Groen Plymouth Christian Academy Pitcher
Maddie Chilson Buckley Pitcher
Savannah Jones Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart Pitcher
Brooklyn Root Burr Oak Pitcher
Katelyn Ruth Hope Christian Pitcher
Maddie Hohne Brown City Pitcher
Sage Myers Frankfort Pitcher
Kamryn Parlin Athens Pitcher
Hailey Hart Onekama Pitcher
Hannah Tahaney St. Joe Michigan Lutheran Pitcher
Jordan Huhn Byron Utility
Ally Butler Mendon Utility

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Position: Jayden Jones, Gaylord

DIVISION 2-FIRST TEAM ALL STATE

Cecelia Thorington Pinckney Outfield
Jenna Kuzara New Boston Huron Outfield
Maddy Anson Orchard Lake St Marys
Outfield Chloe Bruman Imlay City Outfield
Marissa Jackson New Boston Huron Outfield
Ava Coffinger Gull Lake Outfield
Aubrey Jones Gaylord Shortstop
Kaelinn Jozsa Muskegon Oakridge Shortstop
Natalie Donaldson Dewitt Shortstop
London Williams Trenton Shortstop
Payton Schafsnitz Frankenmuth Shortstop
Cate Welch North Branch 1st Base
Ava Forman Three Rivers 1st Base
Madison Clark Muskegon Oakridge 1st Base

Alexis Shepherd Gaylord 2nd Base

Olivia Tiley Airport 2nd Base
Jayden Townsend Portland 2nd Base
Delaney Monroe Vicksburg 3rd Base
Kaley Lamb Escanaba 3rd
Base Riley Rodertson Crosswell-Lexington 3rd Base

Taylor Moeggenberg Gaylord Catcher

Liela Daniels Milan Catcher
Alexa Carter Spring Lake Catcher
Lily Federau Lakewood Catcher
Ashley Stafford Richmond Catcher
Katie Shuboy Richmond Pitcher
Jayden Gohs Goodrich Pitcher
Grayson LaMarche Escanaba Pitcher
Makenzie Cammenga Unity Christian Pitcher
Cailin Knoop Big Rapids Pitcher
Avery Arwood Stevenson-Lakeshore Pitcher
RaeAnn Drummond Airport Pitcher
Jayden Jones Gaylord Utility
Jaiden Griffith Williamston Utility
Anastacia Wachowiak Notre Dame Prep Utility

DIVISION 2-HONORABLE MENTION

Braleigh Miller Gaylord Outfield

Gracie Willea Muskegon Oakridge Outfield
Brooklynn Ringler Vicksburg Outfield
Lucy Whelan Tecumseh Outfield
Ava Mazich Goodrich Outfield
Sophia Kline Harper Creek Outfield
Kylee Hoebek Thornapple Kellogg Shortstop
Maddison Diekman Vicksburg Shortstop
Mia Tribul Orchard Lake St Marys Shortstop
Anne Boutillier Escanaba Shortstop
Hunter Near Coopersville SS Shortstop
Kennedy Halverson Harper Creek Shortstop
Hailey Krruizenga Mason Shortstop
Jenna Ouellette Chelsea Shortstop
Tessa Britt Spring Lake Shortstop
Kieman Bown Dundee 1st base
Kendall Thompson Frankenmuth 1st base
Payton Smith Vicksburg 2nd Base
Ava Siegwald Linden 2nd Base
Pharis Carroll Big Rapids 2nd Base
Annika Segedi Trenton 2nd Base
Ella Vinco Riverview 3rd Base
Avery Wolters Marysville 3rd Base
Lexi Hemker Owosso 3rd Base
Ady Freeman Owosso Catcher
Jenna Kowalski Freeland Catcher
Storm Kentros Detroit Country Day Catcher
Marissa Warren Big Rapids Catcher
Kylee Willea Muskegon Oakridge Pitcher
Jessica Nelson Divine Child Pitcher
Joselyn Dietlin Marine City Pitcher
Addie Taylor Clio Pitcher
Chloe Compau Frankenmuth Pitcher
Kelcey Osborne Muskegon Oakridge Utility
Kianna Vork Hamilton Utility

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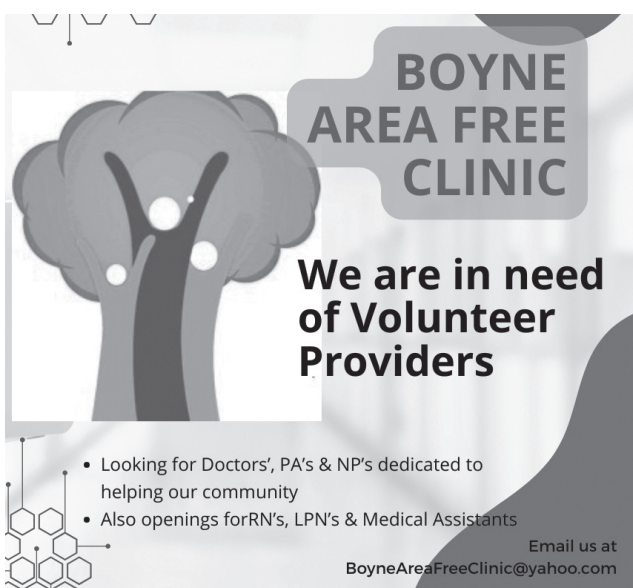
Pitcher: Unity Nelson, Ottawa Lake Whiteford
Position: Ashley Bila, Laingsburg

DIVISION 3-FIRST TEAM ALL STATE

Emily Brown Grass Lake Outfield
Gabrielle Waldofsky Leslie Outfield
Delaney Gross New Lothrop Outfield
Caitlyn Horvath Buchanan Outfield
Grace Chinavare Sanford Meridian Outfield
Sydney Drenth Schoolcraft Outfield
Ashley Bila Laingsburg Shortstop
Hannah Herman Buchanan Shortstop
Grace Chisek Watervliet Shortstop
Marissa Rombach New Lothrop Shortstop
Jalen Fossitt Leslie Shortstop
Kaitlyn Dickey Bath First
Brealy Lasky Bronson First
Lyndsey Lyscas Hemlock First
Rylee Fitzpatrick Grass Lake Second
Sophie Hardy Traverse City St. Francis Second
Brynne Birchmeier New Lothrop Second
Olivia Turner Grass Lake Third
Emma Herremans Ravenna Third
Camile Lozmack Buchanan Third
Breyenn Salts Grass Lake Catcher
Lauren Sunquist Gladstone Catcher
Lydia Wells Bronson Catcher
Allyson Theunick Evart Catcher
Brooke Newberry Lakeville Catcher
Unity Nelson Whiteford Pitcher
Kenna Bommarito Algonac Pitcher
Ada Bradford Leslie Pitcher
Kyrach Gray Evart Pitcher
Madison Jones Clare Pitcher
Alexyn DuBois Hanover-Horton Pitcher
Ashlynn Harris Bronson Pitcher
Lillian Martinez Hemlock Utility
Kendall Phillip Clinton Utility
Chole Parker Niles-Brandywine Utility

DIVISION 3-HONORABLE MENTION

Paityn Enos Reed City Outfield
Cali D'Amour Grayling Outfield
Emmah Hanson Bullock Creek Outfield
Brooke Spitzler Pewamo-Westphalia Outfield
Katherine Hans Wixon St. Catherine Outfield
Madalyn Vilestra Kalamazoo Christian Outfield
Keeley Peace Standish-Sterling Shortstop
Adriana Sackett Manton Shortstop
Kennedy Miller Homer Shortstop
Tessa Kelly Clare Shortstop
Peyton Fether Manchester Shortstop
Hunter St. Peter Traverse City St. Francis Shortstop
Mattisen Tiedt Evart First
Alexis Flint Hanover-Hover First
Jayla Thompson Lakeville First
Izabella Latuszek Laingsburg Second
Taryn Hernandez Clinton Second
MaKenna Matzke Sanford Meridian Second
Anna Zoet Grandville Calvin Christian Third
Mallorie Nevadomski Lakeville Third
Jaylynn Yenna Standish-Sterling Third
Haleigh Yocom Elk Rapids Third
Summer Smith Ida Third
Kayla Newman Beaverton Third
Morgan Hammond Reed City Catcher
Kendal Holzinger Sanford Meridian Catcher
Abigail Whorton Watervliet Catcher
Morgan Conrad Grass Lake Pitcher
Hailee Kara Buchanan Pitcher
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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.

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2024 Jayco Jay Flight 264BH Travel Trailer. Bunkhouse sleeps 8, front bedroom, enclosed underbelly. SALE PRICE \$24,500. MSRP \$37,726. SAVE \$13,226. As low as \$302 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

2024 Jayco Seismic Luxury Series 4113 Fifth Wheel. Toyhauler, 2 Slideouts, sleeps 9, 2 awnings, triple axle, 2 patio party decks, lots of room and a ton of features. SALE PRICE \$116,295. MSRP \$177,822. SAVE \$61,527. As low as \$999 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

2024 Jayco White Hawk 26FK Travel Trailer. 2 Slideouts, front kitchen, full bath, dual entry doors, fireplace. SALE PRICE \$42,995. MSRP \$67,989. SAVE \$24,994. As low as \$417 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

2024 Rockwood Geo Pro G20 BHS. Slideout, bunkhouse sleeps 6, outside griddle under 14' power awning, exterior bike door, power tongue jack, easy to tow. MSRP \$36,230. Sale Price \$29,995. Save \$6,235. 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 2022 Cherokee Wolf Pack 27 Pack 10 Toyhauler Travel Trailer. Garage, party patio, slideout, 2 bunks, sleeps 8, fireplace, outside kitchen. MSRP \$75,681. Sale Price \$39,995. As low as \$319 a month. 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.

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New 2023 Forest River RV XLR Hyper Lite 2513 Travel Trailer. Toyhauler, slideout, electric bunk, insulated floor. SALE PRICE \$53,995. MSRP \$78,264. SAVE \$24,269. As low as \$464 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

New 2023 Keystone RV Arcadia 3550MB Fifth Wheel. 4 Slideouts, kitchen island, outdoor kitchen, tankless water heater, SALE PRICE \$64,895. MSRP \$96,382. SAVE \$31,487. As low as \$559 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

New 2023 Keystone RV Avalanche 360FL Fifth Wheel. 5 Slideouts, sleeps 6, fireplace, Polar Pack All Season Protection. SALE PRICE \$79,995. MSRP \$114,175. SAVE \$34,180. As low as \$693 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

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Used 2017 Winnebago Navion 24G Class C Motorhome. Slideout, sleeps 6, generator, satellite, 2 TV's, 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 2019 Cherokee Arctic Wolf 305 ML 6 Fifth Wheel. 3 slideouts, large pantry, opposing slides for very large living space, automatic leveling, can be towed by light duty truck. Regular \$31,995. Sale Price \$28,995. Save \$3,000. As low as \$259 a month. 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.

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Used 2021 Apex Nano 15X Travel Trailer. 2 queen tent bed, sleeps 6, great shape. Regular \$24,771. Sale Price \$19,995. Save \$4,776. As low as \$229 a month. 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 2021 Forest River RV Flagstaff Micro Lite 25BRDS Travel Trailer. Slideout, bunkhouse sleeps 8, outdoor kitchen, tow with your SUV or Minivan. OUR PRICE \$24,995. LIST PRICE \$28,995. DISCOUNT \$4,000. As low as \$273 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

Used 2022 Coachmen RV Freedom Express Liberty Edition 320BHDLSLE Travel Trailer. 3 slideouts, bunkhouse sleeps 8, outdoor kitchen, kitchen island, fireplace. OUR PRICE \$37,995. LIST PRICE \$42,995. DISCOUNT \$5,000. As low as \$369 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

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Used 2022 Keystone RV Outback 340BH Travel Trailer. 3 Slideouts, bunkhouse sleeps 10, outdoor kitchen, kitchen island, barn slider door, 20' awning, pass thru storage, power tongue jack. OUR PRICE \$39,995. LIST PRICE \$44,995. DISCOUNT \$5,000. As low as \$388 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

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NOTICE

The City of East Jordan Commission Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. has been CANCELLED due to lack of agenda items.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BOYNE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to rules and regulations as outlined in the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance, a public hearing will be held at the regular meeting of the Boyne City Planning Commission on Monday, July 15, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI, to review and consider proposed text amendments to the Boyne City Zoning Ordinance. The legislative intent of this amendment is to establish "food truck" and "food truck court" uses, allow food trucks and food truck courts in the Central Business District (CBD), and establish standards for their use. The proposed amendment is summarized as follows:

- Amend Section 1.40 Definitions to add new terms: Mobile Food Vending Unit and Mobile Food Vending Court and their associated definitions.
- Amend Section 10.20 Principal Permitted Uses to add Mobile Food Vending Units and Mobile Food Vending Courts.
- Add Section 21.83 Mobile Food Vending with development conditions for Mobile Food Vending Units and Mobile Food Vending Courts.

More details on the proposed ordinance amendment are available for review at the Boyne City Planning Department, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and participate in discussion. Any input in regard to the issues will be received in writing by the City Planner's office until 4:30 p.m. on the day of the public hearing or at the public hearing. For further information contact the City Planner's office at 319 N. Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712 or call (231) 582-0343. Questions and comments may also be e-mailed to smcpher-son@boynecity.com.

CITY OF BOYNE CITY CITY COMMISSION MINUTE SYNOPSIS

June 11, 2024 – Approve the absence of Tim Nemecek; motion carried. Approve the May 28, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented; motion carried. Approve the Marina Project Scope Change Directive No. 2 for electrical engineering services with 30% of the total extra charged to Parks and provide input on the project plans and schedules; motion carried. Approve to provide Abonmarche authorization to proceed with issuing the two bid packages with the award deadline to be no later than August 13, 2024; motion carried. Approve to schedule a Special Meeting on Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. to consider a Resolution of Tentative Contract Award for improvements to the City's sanitary sewer system as part of the ongoing Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) project; motion carried.

Jessica Puroll, City Clerk/Treasurer

JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS ACCEPTING BIDS

Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools will receive Bids from qualified Electrical Trade Bidders for new construction and Water Well System upgrades at the Johannesburg Building located at 10854 M-32 East, Johannesburg, MI 49751

A Pre-Bid Meeting will not be held. Sealed Bids may be mailed or delivered in person to Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools, c/o Kathleen Xenakis-Makowski, Superintendent, 10854 M-32 East, Johannesburg, MI 49751. **Bids must be received prior to 1:30 PM local time on July 18, 2024.**

A full description of the invitation to bid is available on the Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools website (www.jlas.org) and State of Michigan Sigma website.

MOTION OFFERED BY: PENZIEN
SECOND BY: MILLER

ORDINANCE #268-A
FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The City of East Jordan Hereby Ordains:

That the Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 shall be amended for operating the City of East Jordan. Ordinance #266, the Budget Appropriations Act of 2023-2024 is hereby amended as follows:

Sec 1: Adoption of Budget

GENERAL FUND 101:	ADOPTED	AMENDED	CHANGE
REVENUE:			
403.000 TAXES-CITY PROPERTY	\$ 1,050,000	\$ 1,064,000	(increase \$ 14,000)
528.000 OTHER FEDERAL GRANTS	\$ 0	\$ 13,000	(increase \$ 13,000)
579.000 STATE-LOCAL COMM STABILIZATION	\$ 70,000	\$ 85,000	(increase \$ 15,000)
675.000 CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS	\$ 30,000	\$ 228,000	(increase \$ 198,000)
675.001 CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS-TRAILS	\$ 0	\$ 1,440,000	(increase \$ 1,440,000)
675.400 GRANTS – ZONING	\$ 15,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 15,000)
698.000 PROCEEDS FR SALE OF BOND/NOTES	\$ 105,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 105,000)
EXPENDITURES:			
ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT 101-191:			
977.000 EQUIPMENT OTHER	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,200	(decrease \$ 500)
ASSESSOR DEPARTMENT 101-209:			
977.100 EQUIPMENT-COMPUTER & SOFTWARE	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	(decrease \$ 500)
ATTORNEY DEPARTMENT 101-210:			
706.000 PAYROLL – ATTORNEY	\$ 14,760	\$ 1,360	(decrease \$ 13,400)
715.000 SOCIAL SECURITY/FRINGES	\$ 1,129	\$ 129	(decrease \$ 1,000)
801.000 PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTUAL	\$ 4,000	\$ 30,400	(increase \$ 26,400)
CLERK DEPARTMENT 101-215:			
977.000 EQUIPMENT OTHER	\$ 3,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 3,000)
TREASURER DEPARTMENT 101-253:			
818.280 CONTRACTUAL SER/IT/COMPUTER	\$ 500	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 500)
860.000 TRAVEL & SCHOOL	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000	(decrease \$ 1,000)
977.100 EQUIPMENT-COMPUTER& SOFTWARE	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	(decrease \$ 1,500)
BUILDING AND GROUNDS 101-265:			
975.300 CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 0	\$ 13,000	(increase \$ 13,000)
ZONING BOARD/COMMISSION DEPARTMENT 101-410:			
818.100 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES/PLANNING	\$ 20,000	\$ 3,000	(decrease \$ 17,000)
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT 101-441:			
818.200 CONTRACTUAL SER/CITY CLEAN UP	\$ 0	\$ 15,000	(increase \$ 15,000)
STREET LIGHTING - DEPARTMENT 101-448:			
926.000 STREET LIGHTING-DEPT	\$ 40,000	\$ 37,000	(decrease \$ 3,000)
RECREATION/PARKS DEPARTMENT 101-751:			
975.290 CAPITAL OUTLAY-SPORTSMAN PARK	\$ 440,000	\$ 533,000	(increase \$ 93,000)
975.291 CAPITAL OUTLAY-RIVER TRAIL	\$ 0	\$ 1,440,000	(increase \$ 1,440,000)
COMMUNITY & SKATE PARK 101-752:			
710.000 PAYROLL-PARTTIME LABOR	\$ 6,000	\$ 16,000	(increase \$ 10,000)
818.270 CONTRACTUAL SER/FLOWERS & LAWN	\$ 3,660	\$ 6,660	(increase \$ 3,000)
931.900 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR GROUNDS	\$ 3,500	\$ 10,500	(increase \$ 7,000)
ELM POINTE RECREATION FACILITY 101-757:			
931.000 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR-BUILDING	\$ 35,000	\$ 28,000	(decrease \$ 7,000)
CIVIC CENTER RECREATION FACILITY 101-758:			
818.000 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$ 0	\$ 1,000	(increase \$ 1,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 1,728,400
		CREDIT	\$ 1,728,400
MAJOR STREETS FUND 202:	ADOPTED	AMENDED	CHANGE
REVENUE:			
546.100 STATE-WINTER SNOW ACT 51	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	(increase \$ 5,000)
EXPENDITURES:			
STREET SIGN MAINTENANCE 474.000:			
943.000 EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$ 500	\$ 5,500	(increase \$ 5,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 5,000
		CREDIT	\$ 5,000
BANDSHELL CONSTRUCTION FUND 403:	ADOPTED	AMENDED	CHANGE
REVENUE:			
675.100 CONTRIB/DONATION-PERFOR.ARTS	\$ 8,000	\$ 13,000	(increase \$ 5,000)
675.200 GRANTS-PRIVATE SOURCE	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	(increase \$ 10,000)
EXPENDITURES:			
977.000 EQUIPMENT OTHER	\$ 6,000	\$ 21,000	(increase \$ 15,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 10,000
		CREDIT	\$ 10,000
INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX CONST FUND 412:	ADOPTED	AMENDED	CHANGE
REVENUE:			
673.000 GAIN/LOSS ON FIXED ASSET	\$ 0	\$ 100	(increase \$ 100)
EXPENDITURES:			
900.000 PUBLISHING	\$ 0	\$ 100	(increase \$ 100)
		DEBIT	\$ 100
		CREDIT	\$ 100
EQUIPMENT FUND 661:	ADOPTED	AMENDED	CHANGE
REVENUE:			
661-000-695.000 BONDS/LOANS	\$ 325,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 325,000)
EXPENDITURES:			
977.160 EQUIPMENT-DUMP TRUCK	\$ 225,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 225,000)
977.300 EQUIPMENT-TRUCK	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	(decrease \$ 100,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 325,000
		CREDIT	\$ 325,000
PERPETUAL CARE FUND 711: ADOPTED AMENDED CHANGE			
REVENUE:			
610.000 FEES-PERPETUAL CARE	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000	(increase \$ 2,000)
EXPENDITURES:			
999.000 TRANSFERS OUT	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000	(increase \$ 2,000)
		DEBIT	\$ 2,000
		CREDIT	\$ 2,000

A Public Hearing will be held on the above 2023/2024 fiscal year budget amendment Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 5:20 p.m. in City Hall, 201 Main Street, East Jordan, MI.

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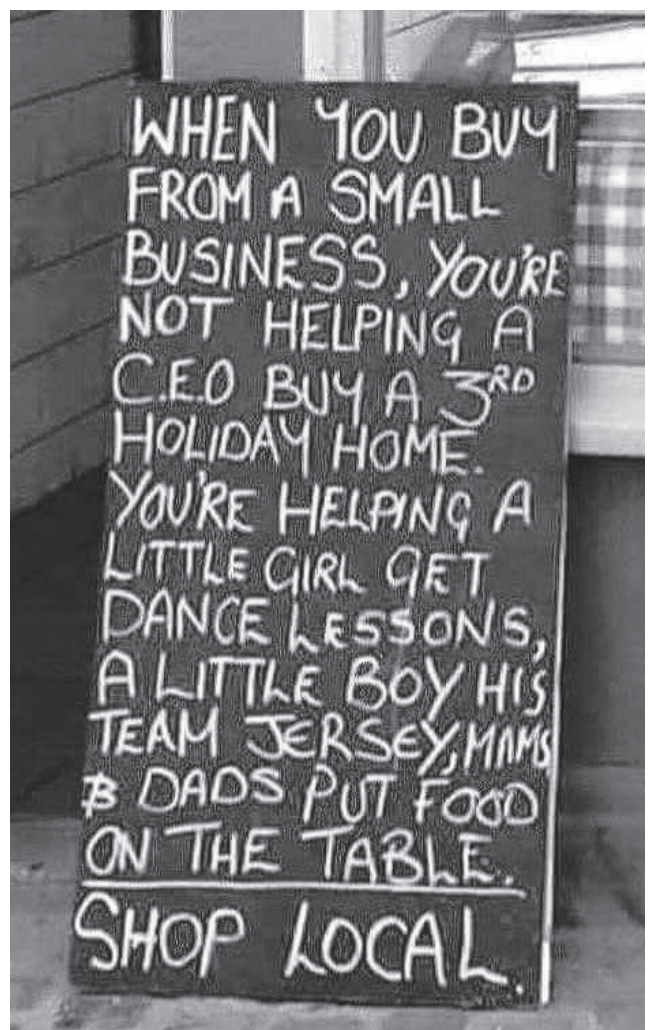
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CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Electronic contract documents can be downloaded for free from the Abonmarche website: www.abonmarche.com/bids or City of Boyne City website: www.cityofboynecity.com. Register on the Abonmarche website to be included on the Plan Holders List. Bidding documents will be posted online on Tuesday, June 25, 2024.

NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID: Interested bidders for Contracts 1 and/or 2 are encouraged to meet at the project site on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 11:00 am ET. Technical questions shall be submitted by Tuesday, July 16, 2024 by 2:00 pm ET via email to: mmorphey@abonmarche.com -and- mrvivas@abonmarche.com.

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This four-bedroom home encompasses just over 1,300 square feet on two levels plus it has a full block basement for lots of storage and work space. The home offers an attached two-and-a-half car garage, a spacious main living room with gas fireplace and a convenient main floor laundry room.

A large 28x30 foot deck is accessed off the kitchen/dining area and overlooks a large back yard and the beautiful Boyne River. The deck has a 16-foot awning to provide shade during hot summer days. The property consists of the lot the home sits on, plus three additional lots. While the setting is pure country, the shopping, dining, Riverside Park and all the amenities of downtown Boyne City just a few blocks away. What an excellent location!

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If you've been paying attention to how much houses are listed for in the neighborhoods you're eyeing and have a realistic view of how much a house will cost you, you're in good shape. But if you're dreaming about that big corner house with no clue about its asking price, you may want to spend some more time becoming familiar with the market and how much houses are going for.

2. Have the money for a down payment and closing costs.

The down payment is a percentage of the value of the property. Freddie Mac says the percentage will be determined by the type of mortgage you select. Down payments usually range from 3 to 20 percent of the property value. Also, you may be required to have Private Mortgage Insurance (PMI or MI) if your down payment is less than 20 percent. Closing costs include points, taxes, title insurance, financing costs and items that must be prepaid or escrowed and other settlement costs. You can expect to pay between from 2 to 7 percent of

the property value. Generally, buyers will receive an estimate of these costs from your lender after you apply for a mortgage.

3. Know how much you can afford.

Freddie Mac says that as a general guide, your monthly mortgage payment should be less than or equal to a percentage of your income, usually about a quarter of your gross monthly income. Also, your income, debt and credit history go into determining how much you can borrow. As a general rule, your debt -credit card bills, car loans, housing expenses, alimony and child support -- should not be more than about 30 to 40 percent of your gross income.

4. Know what additional expenses will come with owning a home.

This includes homeowners insurance, utility bills, maintenance costs -- roofing, plumbing, heating and cooling.

5. Have your credit in good shape and make sure your credit report is accurate.

Potential lenders will view your credit history -- how much debt you've accrued, how many accounts you have open, whether your payments are made on time, etc. -- to determine whether they'll give you a loan. You should get a report from each of the three credit reporting companies: Equifax, Experian, and Trans Union.

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