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Gravling's Drake Dunham is the player of the year Andy Moore is Coach of the Year



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## Inside Northern Michigan Master Gardener **Association (NMMGA) Awards**

The Northern Michigan Master Gardener Association (NMMGA) received numerous honors at the Northwest Region Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Recognition event, held recently at the Mitchell Creek Nature Sanctuary in Traverse City.

Three trainees and new NMMGA members, Mike Costa, Mark Priest and Kris Whittet, were recognized for receiving full certification in 2024.

NMMGA members who achieved Gold status this year for completing more than 1,000 hours of volunteer service were Susan Affholter, Linda Guthrie and Babette Stenuis Stolz. NMMGA members who have already reached Gold status include Nancy Cunningham, Ginny Heinritz, Sue Jordan and Sally



Susan Affholter (left) accepts the 2024 Master Gardener of the Year for the Emmet/Charlevoix/Cheboygan area. Presenting the award is Nate Walton (right), **Consumer Horticulture Educator with Michigan State University Extension. Photo courtesy: Frances Paris** 

VanDomelen.

NMMGA is an active chapter in the Northwest Region with seven members named to the 2024 Top 10 list of volunteers: Ginny Heinritzi, Susan Affholter, Midge Stewart, Frances

Paris, Babette Stenuis Stolz, Nancy Zuker and Kris Whittet.

Polly Cheney and Midge Stewart were honored for completing 500 hours of volunteer work with NMMGA projects, and

ica Farrier earned their Advanced Master Gardener status for completing more than 100 hours of volunteer service and 25 hours of continuing education. Longtime member and past NMMGA president, Mary Baker, was bestowed MSUE-MG emeritus status. As president of the local NMMGA, Susan Affholter was asked to submit the name of someone in her chapter worthy of being named Emmet County Volunteer of the Year.

Beth Cowie and Mon-

"Frankly I really could not single out one person from our chapter," Affholter

"So many of our members are real contributors and many, I know, fly under the radar.

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## Newly elected Hayes Township Supervisor Conklin files lawsuit against township board

BY KAREN WALKER

Tensions escalated in Hayes Township as newly elected Supervisor William Conklin filed a lawsuit against the township board over changes to Planning Commission terms. The legal dispute, which has garnered significant community attention, stems from a decision made at the November 11 meeting of the Hayes Township Board of Trustees.

Outgoing Supervisor Ron VanZee and the board approved adjustments to the terms of six Planning



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Commission members, citing the need to align them with the Michigan Planning Enabling Act. The act requires staggered three-year terms for commissioners, but the board found that multiple terms were set to expire simultaneously. Their resolution realigned terms to expire staggered.

Critics, including Conklin, argue that the timing of the changes—after the election but before he was installed as supervisor—was a calculated move to limit his ability to recommend replacements. Three members whose terms were originally

set to expire in April 2025 will now serve longer, pushing potential changes beyond Conklin's first year in office.

Conklin feels his campaign philosophy is contrary to the township board's philosophy and he should be able to represent the voters' interests in advancing the planning commission philosophy that he campaigned on.

VanZee, who still serves as the township's zoning administrator, defended the board's decision. "The

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Holiday Merchant Open House & Hot Cocoa Contest

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## **Jubilee of Trees for**

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**IMPORTANT** With the weather forecast

501 C3's to THURSDAY, **DECEMBER 12TH.** 

We apologize for the hassle and inconvenience, but the safety of everyone is most important. Please help spread the word.



## FJR Secures **Grant for Pavilion** Riverboat Exhibit

EAST JORDAN — Friends of the Jordan River Watershed (FJR) has received a \$20,000 grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation to update the Jordan River flatboat exhibit and pavilion on its grounds. The exhibit, originally dedicated in 2010. features an authentic flatboat used by Dr. David Pray on the Jordan River and has become a key historical and educational attraction.

Dr. Pray was president of the forerunner to the FJR, the Jordan River Watershed Commission, in the late 1960s, leading to the Jordan River becoming Michigan's first designated wild and scenic river under the state's 1972 Natural Rivers Act.

The updates aim to preserve and enhance the

SNOWFALL

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## News

**THURSDAY** 



LOW: 25

**FRIDAY** 



**HIGH: 29** LOW: 27



**HIGH: 33** HIGH: 41 LOW: 32 LOW: 36



LOW: 31

**OBITUARIES** 

**MONDAY** 

**HIGH: 40** 

**HIGH: 33** LOW: 27

**TUESDAY** 

WEDNESDAY



**HIGH: 29** LOW: 27 record temps

Day	Avg HIGH.	Avg LOW	Record HIGH	1 YEAR P	lecord LOV	/ YEAR
Dec 5	33	21	62	2001	2	1964
Dec 6	33	21	58	2001	13	1964
Dec 7	33	21	53	1951	12	1954
Dec 8	32	20	49	1966	6	1983
Dec 9	32	20	53	2023	3	1962
Dec 10	32	20	53	2015	10	1958
Dec 11	31	19	47	2021	13	1977



Gilbert C. Redmer, **82** 

Nov. 21, 1942 - Dec. 1, 2024 **BOYNE CITY** 

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith"; 2 Timothy 4:7

Gil was escorted into the presence of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday evening December 1st, with his loving and adoring family present at his home.

He was born on November 21, 1942 the 3rd of 5 children to Grace (Schumacher) and Ewald Redmer in Hazel Park, Michigan. In 1948 Ewald bought a farm on Nelson Rd in East Jordan and moved the family there, where Gil would graduate High School in 1960.

On June 23rd, 1961 he married Loretta Musser also from East Jordan. They had 3 children, Gilbert Jr, Laurel (Laurie) and Raquel, and in 1967 Rose Hayes became the "big sister" to these 3 when she came into the family. They were married for 19 years. On August 27, 1987 Gil married Sheila Rajkovich, and son Nick became "little" brother to the family.

Gil was highly skilled and talented in the tool and die trade, so much so that in 1969 the owners of Altair Tool and Die located in Mt Clemens, Michigan offered him an opportunity to have his own stamping facility when he told them he was moving back to Northern Michigan from Warren instead of losing him altogether. He managed that branch of Altair, which had grown to over 60 employees, until 1984. He opened his own Tool and Die business, Boyne Precision, when Altair sold to a bigger corporation. In 1993, Interlock Corporation located in Westland, Michigan recruited him and hired him to manage a branch of their company at the old Altair site in Boyne along with keeping his own business running. That plant ended up employing over 100 employees until Framatome Connectors from France purchased Interlock in 1998, and would subsequently move the facility to various parts of US and Mexico in early 2000's. Boyne Precision remained in business until the mid 2010's.

Gil never considered himself fully retired and those close to him knew he always had a "hot job" to

do. He instilled an incredible work ethic in his family and always taught: "there is a right way, a wrong way, and the Redmer way."

Gil had immense pride in his grandchildren. He had an especially fond relationship with his grandson "big Andy" and his cousin Marty Schumacher whom he always looked out for until Marty's passing.

Along with his business acumen, in his younger years through the 70's and 80's, he used his athletic ability in playing and coaching teams in the local softball and basketball leagues in Boyne City. Break times at Boyne Precision often involved some intense basketball games amongst Gil's employees and himself and brother Gary who was his right hand man at BP.

He was a loyal member of Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City, and served as a trustee for several years. He loved landscaping, cooking, animal watching, fishing, watching any professional Detroit sports team, and was a huge University of Michigan fan. (Truth be told, he also enjoyed MSU) He was always at his grandsons football, basketball, and baseball games in Boyne, and had a pointer for them after each contest, (and always in between).

Gil leaves behind to carry his torch and legacy, his wife and heartbeat Sheila (gramma). Children Rose Kolinske and husband Robert, Gil Jr and wife Terrie, Laurie Bogema and husband Jon, Raquel Fair and husband Chris, Nick and wife Emilea. He also leaves behind his brother Gary Redmer and wife Margaret, brother-in-law Leo Danforth, and sister Cyndee Deyoung. His real pride and joy were his grandchildren: Nick Erber/ Lapierre (Michael), Lindsey Randstatler (RJ), Rebekah Moes (Nick), Lisa Redmer, Stephen Redmer (Sabrina), Michael Bogema, Big Andy, Jacob Fair (Stephanie), Caleb Fair, Abbi Fair (Kris Trevino), Jordan Fair (Kara), Caden Rajkovich, Conner(boy) Rajkovich and Abbey Wright, and Camryn Rajkovich. He was blessed with several great grandchildren: Bella, Ellie, Lizzie, Maddie, Jason, Braylon, River, Sophia, Noah, Alice Mae, and Maggie along with several

nieces and nephews. Gil was preceded to heaven by his parents Ewald and Grace Redmer, sisters Yvonne Schadei and Faith Danforth, and brotherin-laws Werner Schadei and Doug Deyoung, and as mentioned earlier, his dear cousin Marty Schumacher Visitation is 10:00-11:00 am with Funeral Service immediately following Saturday December 7 at Christ Lutheran Church in Boyne City.





**SUNDAY** 

**Donald Craig** Goodrich, 63

Sept. 21, 1961 - Nov. 27, 2024 **EAST JORDAN** 

Donald Craig Goodrich died Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at his home in Jordan Township in Antrim County.

He was born on September 21, 1961, in Detroit, the son of Donald Frank and Jeanne (Addington) Goodrich.

Donald served in the United States Army from 1980 to 1986.

He married Mary Coots on April 24, 1990, in Macomb County. They moved to the East Jordan area in 1994.

Donald enjoyed hunting, fishing and generally being outdoors. He loved spending time with his family. He loved being a papa! He had been a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Hazel Park.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Goodrich of East Jordan; five children, Michael (Jessica) Dwornick of Elmira, Jesse (Jessica Somero) Coots of Waterford, Donald Frank Goodrich of East Jordan, Dawn (Jeff) Kraemer of East Jordan and Travis (Felicia Filipiak) Goodrich of East Jordan; 12 grandchildren; two sisters; and several nieces and nephews. Donald was preceded in death by his parents and

four sisters. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at the Penzien Funeral Home in East Jordan. Rev. Bart Adams of the Lighthouse Missionary Church officiated with interment following at Ellsworth Cemetery, Banks

Township, Antrim County. Memorial contributions may be directed to donor's choice.



**Rosemary (Hypke)** Barnadyn, 99

Jan. 27, 1925 - Dec. 2, 2024 **BOYNE CITY** 

Rosemary (Hypke) Barnadyn of Boyne City passed away at The Brook on December 2, 2024.

A funeral mass officiated by Father Dennis Stilwell will be on December 10, 2024 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Boyne Falls, Michigan at 11:00 AM. A visitation will begin at 10:00 AM. Burial will be at St. Augustine Catholic Cemetery in spring 2025.

Full obituary to come. Arrangements are in the care of Stackus Funeral Home.



**Jerry Walter Kerr, 80** Sept. 12, 1944 - Nov. 27, 2024 **BOYNE CITY** 

Jerry Walter Kerr of Boyne City, and formerly Hillsdale, Michigan, entered God's eternal kingdom on November 27, 2024.

Jerry was born to Norm and Martha Kerr on September 12, 1944. He grew up in Middletown, Ohio. After high school, Jerry went to Western Michigan University.

There he made lifelong brothers in the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and met the love of his life, Peggy Wolfe, whom he married on December 28, 1968.

In 1980, Jerry and Peggy bought Watervliet Foundry and relocated operations to Kalamazoo, Michigan. Jerry built the foundry into a thriving business and he cared deeply for his employees. He gave many of them chances and opportunities that they would not otherwise have had. Jerry and Peggy initially lived in Hudson, Michigan and ultimately moved to Hillsdale, Michigan where they raised their family until their final move to Boyne City in

2015. Left to celebrate Jerry's life are his wife of nearly 56 years, Peggy, daughter and son-in-law Cari and Tim Hunt, daughter and son-in-law Kelly and Mike Martin, and his pride and joy- his granddaughters Katie, Alison, and Maddie and his dog Buddy. In addition, he leaves behind his oldest sister Barb Alder and his youngest sister Cathy Kerr, who held a very special place in his heart.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, brother Tom Kerr, sister and brother-in-law Nancy and Ivan Thompson, and brother-in-law Doug Alder.

Jerry's favorite place to be was with family. He was a jokester who also loved Corvettes, reuben sandwiches, and The Ohio State Buckeyes. Most importantly, he instilled in his family the importance of always helping others. Jerry's legacy will live on through his wife, daughters, and granddaughters. Services for Jerry will

take place on December 6, 2024, at 11:00 AM at the Boyne City First Presbyterian Church. The visitation will begin at 10:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, me-

morials may be made to the Boyne City First Presbyterian Church.

Arrangements are entrusted to Stackus Funeral Home.

## Margo Lame, 98

Dec. 16, 1925 - Nov. 29, 2024 **CHARLEVOIX** 

Margo Huguette Lame of Charlevoix passed away on November 29, 2024. She was born on December 16, 1925, in Montreal, Canada, the daughter of Leon and Emma (LaBerge) Allard.

A private family Mass will take place in the near future.

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

Sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com



Linda Ingalls, 76

Sept. 23, 1948 - Nov. 29, 2024

**ELLSWORTH** 

Linda Rose Ingalls of Ellsworth passed away at home on Friday, November 29, 2024.

She was born on September 23, 1948, in Charlevoix Michigan, the oldest of 5 siblings, daughter of Henry and Rose (Ross) Klooster.

Linda grew up in Norwood, Michigan, where she attended and graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1968. She married Everett Ingalls on June 1, 1973, at the Charlevoix Reformed Church. They made their home on the family farm between East Jordan and Ellsworth.

She was a member of the Wesleyan Church in Ellsworth, where she taught Sunday school and played the organ for many years. Her love for God never failed, even as her health did. She wore out numerous bibles in her last years, just carrying them around to be sure they were not far away.

Linda enjoyed the animals around the farm, especially her chickens. She was devoted to helping with the harvest from the garden, and loved canning all the

bounty of the season.

Her biggest joy came from her family. She couldn't wait for birthdays, holidays, and for any opportunity to visit with loved ones. She especially loved her children and grandchildren; always eager to babysit the grandkids at a moment's notice.

Linda is survived by her husband Everett Ingalls, of Ellsworth; three sons, Mitch, Mike, and Matt (Theresa) all of Ellsworth; 3 grandchildren, Annabell, Cody, and Emma; and

many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers; Gary, Gerald, and Mike Klooster; and sister Shelly Dorland.

A funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 4, at the Ellsworth Wesleyan Church with Pastor Chris Wallace officiating. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 3, at the Ellsworth Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes, and again on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of services at the church.

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

Please sign her online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com



Clifford Bye, 94 (May 4, 1930 - Nov. 27, 2024) **EAST JORDAN** 

Clifford F. Bye of East Jordan passed way Wednesday, November 27, 2024. He was born May 4, 1930 in Bendon, the son of Henry and Helen (Haywood) Bye.

He proudly served in the United States Navy and went on to graduate college. Clifford was a dedicated employee of General Motors as a data processor for many years until his retirement in 1989. Upon retirement he moved north to East Jordan and became active in the community. He was a member of the East Jordan Lions Club and also the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Clifford enjoyed many activities the outdoors offered, including hunting, fishing, and jogging.

Surviving is his wife Maxine (Kirby) Bye, his son Nels (Marsha) Bye of Hillman, four grandchildren, three great grandchil-

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## News

COMMUNITY LEADER

## **SUSAN PULASKI**

## **OUR YOUTH ARE OUR FUTURE**

BY JOHN KEYSER

Thank you, Michigan Trooper Corey Hebner for recommending that I meet Susan Pulaski. They work together with important community initiatives to help educate our high school students in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet counties to remain alcohol, tobacco and substance free.

Susan is the Community Health Supervisor at the Health Department of Northwest Michigan and also Project Director of SAFE in Northern Michigan; a substance use prevention coalition.

She has a true passion for this mission and helps contribute to the success of the coalition.

Susan grew up in our area, then received her undergraduate and master's degrees in counseling at Central Michigan University and immediately became involved with helping with the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana use with our students.

Susan is a devoted family person, happily sharing her life with her husband, Jeff. Together, they have three adult children and a delightful grandson who brings them endless joy. Susan enjoys gardening, boating and biking in her free time.

A crucial factor in the success of the coalition is SAFE's commitment to



**SUSAN PULASKI** 

training student leaders who educate and spearhead initiatives among their peers. This approach proves effective.

Students who excel in classrooms, on athletic fields, and in student councils earn respect for their talents in music, art, theater, and various activities. Through their community involvement, they come to appreciate the significance of discipline and strong values, both during their time in school and beyond. Many find fulfillment in helping their fellow students embrace these

principles as well.

As noted, this successful approach is led by students. Susan and her team mentor around 130 student leaders, with an additional 30 to 40 joining each year as seniors graduate out of the program. Replacing outgoing students has not been a challenge, as the program is valued and held in high regard within their schools.

The challenge Susan and her team encounter regularly is primarily financial. Providing education and training for these student leaders requires substantial funding. They consistently write grant proposals to secure state and federal support, allowing them to take these leaders to conferences and meetings in Lansing, Washington, D.C., and beyond. These experiences are invaluable, as recognition from key state and national leaders boosts their efforts and provides a platform for exchanging effective ideas from other regions.

Staying drug-free is vital

Staying drug-free is vital for youth as it supports their physical and mental health, fosters healthy relationships, enhances academic success, and helps them avoid legal and financial consequences. By promoting resilience and serving as positive role models, drug-free individuals contribute to safer communities and better future opportunities.

Susan is passionate about her work with her team to develop leadership skills in high school students, who will become our future community leaders. She greatly values the collaboration with 12 school districts across our three counties and numerous community partners. Susan, her team, our Health Department of Northern Michigan, and SAFE in Northern Michigan are genuinely creating a positive impact both now and for the future. We are very grateful for their efforts!

#### LEADERSHIP

## WE ALWAYS WANT IDEAS TO MAKE THINGS BETTER

BY JOHN KEYSER

Striving to improve is the path to success. To do so, we want ideas – and very definitely from our team members!

Yet, some of our team members may be hesitant to share ideas, thinking that is not my job, or they weren't asked, or what if it is not a good idea, or my leader may receive negatively.

Actually, I have coached or mentored a number of excellent people who I feel should be even more successful than they are and should advance to higher levels within their organization. They are intelligent, hard-working, reliable, great teammates, and they are not about themselves. They care about the success of their team.

A common denominator in these people is that they struggle with self-confidence. They are hesitant to speak up, to offer their ideas. They do their job very well, and help their teammates do very good work, as well.

The best ideas are bottom-up ideas and our organizations do even better when ideas flow up, rather than simply having a culture of top-down directives.

Leaders make things better, and so can everyone else. Anyone, whether an owner, another manager, an executive assistant, a trainee, a receptionist can be alert to possible improvements, be it reducing costs, saving time, streamlining a procedure, a potential new service or product to offer clients, ideas for promotion of our company in our community, a new prospective customer, and how to draw closer to our present customers.



John Keyser

If we are alert, see something or think of something that might make things better, then speak up, tell your leader.

Concerned that your idea might not be a winner? That is okay, everyone has ideas, some great, some not great at all. It is said that failure is a door we go through on the way to success.

Everyone's job, no matter what our position, is to help our organization be successful.

Unfortunately, there is no easy way to instill self-confidence in our team members, but it is important that we catch them doing good work, every day. This will help.

And our regularly one-on-one conversations, letting them know we care about them and their well-being, and that their ideas matter to us, will certainly help.

John 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. John is a graduate of Georgetown's Institute for Transformational Leadership and Life Purpose Institute. His wife, Kerry, teaches at St. Mary School in Charlevoix and heads Encounter School of Ministry, Charlevoix campus.

VETERAN OF THE MONTH - DECEMBER 2024

## **BRIAN JOSEPH ANTHONY**

The Veteran of the month for December 2024 is Brian Joseph Anthony.

Born January 12, 1958 in South Haven Michigan, to parents Donald and Alvina Cornstalk Anthony. Starting school in South Haven, Brian would later transfer to Holy Childhood in Harbor Springs Michigan. Growing up there he worked with his father as a commercial fisherman.

On June 20, 1976 in Detroit Michigan he would enlist into the United States Army. After basic training, he would qualify expert with the M-16 rifle, and receive the second class badge with Hand Grenade. Brian would then be assigned as a Cannon Crewman to A Battery, 2nd Battalion, 320th Field Artillery, 101st Airborne Division, stationed at Fort Campbell Kentucky.

On June 20, 1979 at Fort Campbell, after completing his 3 year service he would receive an Honorable Discharge and awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the rank of Specialist 4.

Brian would return home and for several years would own a commercial fishing business.

On March 19th, 1984, at Camp Grayling, he would enlist into the Army National Guard. There he received training as a Firefighter, and assigned to the 1440 Engineer Detachment. During his enlistment his unit would be called to active duty in support of Operation Desert

Shield/Storm.
On May 28, 1985 in
Charlevoix Michigan he
married Diane Reibel.
August 30, 2001 at Fort

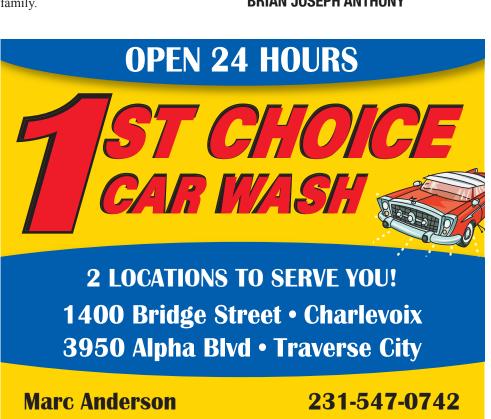
Sheridan Illinois, Brian completed 20 years of Military Service, was given an Honorable Discharge with the rank of SGT E-5, and awarded the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal; Army Service Ribbon; Army Lapel Button; National Defense Service Medal.

Brian loved music, especially country, and the Beatles. He also played guitar in a band with family members. As an avid outdoorsman, he loved to hunt and fish. Brian was a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and worked in security at the Odawa Casino in Petoskey.

On December 23, 2023, Brian Joseph Anthony answered the final call and is being honored by his wife Diane, his children, and family.



**BRIAN JOSEPH ANTHONY** 





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# Happy Friendsgiving!

Ellsworth Elementary celebrated the school's November themes of gratitude and kindness with a special Friendsgiving lunch!

What a special day it was to see the students faces light up as they saw their friends and family walk in to join them for a delicious Thanksgiving feast. Each student was able to invite one special person and the rooms were filled with chatter and laughter as they enjoyed lunch and an activity together.

Big THANK YOU to



Mrs Sponable, Ms Rosa, Ms Polly and Ms Ashley for preparing an amazing

meal and shout out to all the staff and teachers who helped decorate and serve.

Happy Thanksgiving from Ellsworth Community School!



**Cameron Snyder sitting next to Alex Mustafa** 



## Ellsworth Community School Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding academic achievement:

## HIGH SCHOOL

Cole Abney Jayden Brusse Ainsley Chellis Josiah Chellis Zander Chellis Harrison Cooper Kerri DeYoung Gabriella DiMario Korbin Drenth Hannah Essenberg Isabella Essenberg Nolan Essenberg Kyley Fuller Jaquenji Gibson Trey Hickman Calista Hoeksema Daulet Karassay Jasmin Kaufmann Ariana Koons Evincio LaCount Annemae Manders Max Muladore Isabella Oviedo Jakob Pahler Ruby Pletcher

Jack Puroll
Nora Puroll
Lauren Rasmussen
Jonas Scott
Mason Seese
Cameron Snyder
Chance Solomon
Danika Solomon
EllaMae Sponable
William Sponable
Benjamin Strange
Julia Sundstrom
Brooklyn Swenson
Ella VanderArk
Wesley VanderArk

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

Makell Williams

Klovre Bruce Emma Carr Charis Chellis Ryder Chellis Lillian Coen Eleanor Cooper Mason Dawson
Zeppelin Dawson
Asher DiMario
Hazel Faivor
Scarlett Faivor
Kaden Gomery
Mackenzie Harmon
Garrett Keast
Ava LaCroix-Carr
Carme Manders
Abigail Mann
Carter McDuffie
Braelyn McLean
Amelia Michanowicz
Lillian Mosley

Julian Mosley
Julia Nagy
Madelyn Nagy
Samuel Nelson
Abigail Persons
Brendon Potter
Zoey Reese
Bailey Strange
Makenzie Talbot
Chloe Teuthorn
Thomas Teuthorn
Kingston VanMeter

## ASK LAURA

YOUR DOSE OF POSITIVITY AND INSPIRATION

## Your Environment Matters: Building Better Habits for 2025

Dear Readers, let's continue our discussion on creating habits, inspired by James Clear's Atomic Habits. This book has been such a game-changer for me, and it feels especially relevant now as we start thinking about 2025, New Year's resolutions, and setting goals.

One concept Clear emphasizes is the importance of creating the right environment for the habits you want to build—or break. Your surroundings play a powerful role in shaping your behavior. For example, if you're trying to quit smoking, it's not ideal to spend time in places where smoking is prominent or to surround yourself with heavy smokers. Instead, you'd benefit from being around non-smokers and spending time in smokefree environments.

This idea has really hit home for me, especially as I focus on drinking more water and taking my supplements consistently. Clear suggests laying out the amount of water you want to drink each morning. I took this a step further by also setting out my supplements. Now, every morning, I measure the water I plan to drink into my bottle and place it next to my coffee pot along with my daily supplements. Throughout the day, as I pass by the counter, I'm reminded to drink my water and take my supplements. When I've taken them, they go back in the cabinet, and I reset the process the next morning.

This simple environmental tweak has made such a difference!

Changing your environment can also help with hobbies or goals. Want to practice the guitar more?



Laura Jasurda

Place it somewhere you'll literally have to step over it each day. This way, it's always in your line of sight.

The reverse is also true—adjusting your environment can help remove habits you want to quit. For example, if you're trying to cut down on video games, unplug the system and store it in a cabinet after each use. When it's not readily accessible, you'll feel less tempted to play.

So, here's my challenge to you this week: Take a few minutes to identify two habits you want to add or remove from your life. Then, think about what changes you can make to your environment to set yourself up for success. Small tweaks can lead to big transformations as we prepare for 2025!

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.

# PET OF THE WEEK ANNA MAE

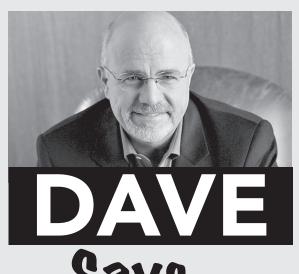


Hi guys!! I'm Anna May and I'm SO excited to meet you! I just love people! I am still learning manners and how to control my excitement so you may see me quite literally jump for joy at times, I promise it's something I'm working on though. I just need a nice human to come along and teach me some basic etiquette. I'm still young and very eager to learn!

You may wonder why I'm a year old and don't have much training, well, I have spent almost my whole life in shelters. I was brought to a shelter out of town at about 4 months old and that's all I've ever known or been exposed to. I'm learning to go on walks now and how to walk nicely and the people here say I'm a quick learner! Unfortunately since shelter life is all I know, I can be standoffish with other dogs, mostly females. Who wouldn't be a little reactive to a bunch of strangers yelling at you though?! I'm sure with the right human and some patience we could work through this. I haven't experienced those little fuzzy things called cats so I'm not sure I'd want to coexist with any, but again, maybe it's something I could learn to live with. Give me a chance and I promise to be the best girl I can be!



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Says...

By Dave Ramsey

## Your Income is the Key

Dear Dave,

I have \$100,000 in student loan debt. Since the amount is so large, is there a special place in your Baby Steps plan for

Dear Jules,

I hope you have a nice, large income with which to fight that big pile of student loan debt. I've seen even worse situations, though. I've talked to people who went \$200,000 into debt for a four-year degree in a field where they'll make \$45,000. Yes, that kind of thinking and behavior is out there, and it's ridiculous.

The fact that it's a large amount of student loan debt doesn't change anything. Baby Step 2 is where you pay off all debt except for your home. So, don't let this student loan debt hang around for years and years. You've got to get focused and intense about getting control of your money. That means living on a strict, basics-only monthly budget. After that, start throwing every nickel and dime you can scrape together, and save toward paying off those student loans as fast as possible.

Your income is your largest wealth-building tool, Jules. You can't save, and plan for the future, when all your money is flying out the door to pay off debt.

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are completely debt-free, and we're saving up for our

first house. We currently have about \$140,000 in savings, and we'd like to buy a home with cash when the time is right. Where should we put our money, so it will work for us while we save more? -Andy

Dear Andy,

If I were in your shoes, and maybe looking at a window of three or four years, I'd just park the cash in a good money market account. You won't make a lot off it, but your money will be safe. I mean, all you're looking for is a smart place to stash it for a little while.

When it comes to long-term investing, I'm a big fan of growth stock mutual funds. The problem with that in your situation would be the volatility of the market. By the time you've saved up more money, and spent time deciding on a house, the market may be

You two are in a great place financially right now. With the path you're on, just imagine how incredible it will be in a few years to have a new home and be debt-free!

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



## Little Traverse Choral Society Plans Holiday Concerts

The Little Traverse Choral Society, assisted by the Crooked Tree Arts Center School of Ballet, will present a pair of elegant holiday concerts this Saturday and Sunday, December 7 and 8, at Zion Lutheran Church in Petoskey and the First Presbyterian Church in Harbor Springs.

The theme of the concerts is "peace, love and light." Maestro André Strydom has used that theme to select songs of Christmas, Hanukkah and the feast of Shabbat, along with Hebrew folk music and a South African Zulu prayer for peace. The ballet students will be featured throughout the program. Handbells, brass, flute, clarinet, guitar, a piano duo and percussion will further enhance the musical experi-

The Saturday night program at Zion Lutheran in Petoskey will begin at 7:30 p.m. Sunday's performance at the First Presbyterian



Church in Harbor Springs will begin at 3 p.m.

The Choral Society, 60 voices strong, has been a staple of the northern Michigan community since 1989. The Society is a publicly supported nonprofit organization funded by the generosity of audiences and other supporters including the Michigan Arts and Culture Council, Michigan

Arts and Culture Network, and the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation.

Heather Raue founded the Crooked Tree School of Ballet in 2003 to train young people for careers in ballet and alternative dance techniques. Students have gone on to dance professionally around the country.

Choral Society Music Director André Strydom, born in South Africa, is currently director of music ministries at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Petoskey, as well as chorus master for Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra Chorus. He has performed extensively as piano and organ soloist and collaborative pianist.

## **Ellsworth Community School Athletic Inaugural Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony**

ELLSWORTH — Ellsworth Community School is proud to announce the induction of its inaugural class into the Ellsworth Athletic Hall of Fame.

The induction ceremony will take place on Monday, December 16, 2024, in the Ellsworth High School gymnasium. The event will be held between the girls and boys varsity basketball games, beginning at approximately 6:45 PM, 10 minutes after the conclusion of the girls game.

This historic event celebrates the rich legacy of Ellsworth athletics by honoring five distinguished individuals whose contributions have left a lasting

impact on the school and community.

#### **Inaugural Inductees:** • Harold Edson

A trailblazer in Ellsworth athletics, Harold was a standout athlete and coach who played a pivotal role in the school's early basketball success. His dedication to sports and community set the foundation for future generations.

## • Ike Boss

A legendary girls' basketball coach with 24 seasons at Ellsworth, Ike amassed a remarkable 409-124 record, earning numerous championships and Coach of the Year honors.

## Hugh Campbell

A beloved business teacher and coach, Hugh guided Ellsworth teams to regional championships in basketball and state semifinals in baseball, earning statewide recognition for his coaching excellence.

## • Hud Drenth

Known for his multisport achievements, Hud excelled in basketball, track, and baseball, earning accolades at both the high school and collegiate levels.

## Angie Peterson

One of the greatest athletes in Ellsworth history, Angie was a multi-sport star who set records and led her teams to incredible success, inspiring future generations of athletes.

Each inductee's biography and achievements will also be featured on the school's new touchscreen digital trophy case, located in the gym lobby, and accessible online for the community to enjoy. The ceremony will feature a formal presentation for each inductee, including the reading of a short biography and the presentation of a commemorative award. Following the ceremony, a dessert reception will be held in the high school cafeteria, offering attendees the opportunity to celebrate with the inductees and their families.

## **OBITUARIES CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2**

dren, and stepson Mitchell Dougherty. He was preceded in death by his first wife Bethel (Groesser) Bye, daughters Sherry Bye, Lois Banks, son in-law James Banks and sister Patricia Kilcherman.

Interment will take place in Sunset Hill Cemetery at a future date.

Arrangements are in the care of the Ellsworth Chapel of Mortensen Funeral

Please sign his online guestbook www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com.





David L. Bordas, 78 (Jan. 20, 1946 - Nov. 23, 2024)

## **CHARLEVOIX**

David L. Bordas of Charlevoix passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, November 23, 2024. He was born on January 20, 1946, in Vanderbilt, Pennsylvania, the son of John and Johanna (Wisilosky) Bordas.

David graduated from high school in Connellsville, PA, and enlisted in the United States Navy in

1964, which was something he had always dreamt of. He served for 10 years in the Navy – serving one tour in Vietnam from 1970 to 1971 – and then served in the Coast Guard 12 years before retiring as Senior Chief Petty Officer in 1986. He took great pride in his job as a Damage Controlman and instructed others in welding and fire safety. He frequently visited the Penn Rose Diner near the base in Philadelphia, and it wasn't just because he liked the food; one of the waitresses, Linda Teal, had caught his eye the very first time he visited in 1971. The two would become husband and wife on November 4, 1972, at the Naval Base Chapel in Philadelphia, and they would go on to raise their two children together. They moved many times during his career; from New Jersey, to New York,

to Charlevoix, to Nantucket, to Oklahoma City, and finally back to Charlevoix where they would plant their roots. Upon his retirement from the Coast Guard, he worked for a short time at Kit-Carson Lumber, and then at Harbor Industries as a mill worker for 20 years.

Dave loved his family and spending time with them more than anything else...they were his world. He was a simple, humble man, and was never one to boast about his accomplishments. He enjoyed traveling across the world and was able to visit Hawaii, Australia, Tahiti, Ireland, Haiti, Japan, the Philippines, and Normandy, which was one of his most cherished trips with his son David. He was also an avid reader and loved to learn as much as he could through books as well as through watching documentaries. He liked

to sit at home and watch birds and other wildlife out the back window. Dave had been a member of the Fleet Reserve Association for many years and was a member at the First Baptist Church in Charlevoix. In years past, he had been a member of the American Legion in Vanderbilt, PA, the VFW in Charlevoix, and the Charlevoix Rod and

Gun Club. Dave is survived by his beloved wife of 52 years, Linda Bordas; his two children, Dawn Smith of Erie, PA, and David Bordas of Peekskill, NY; his sisters, Joan (Edward) Stanko of Scotia, NY, Marlene Riginn of Vanderbilt, PA, and Vicky (Ron) Basinger of Scottdale, PA; his grandchildren, Branden (Ariana) Smith, Kennedy Bordas, Kyleigh Rohler, Reagan Bordas, and Ashlyne Rohler; and his great-grandchildren, Brayden, Sophie, and Ben Smith.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his brothers, Bobby Wisilosky, Richard Bordas, and John Bordas.

A funeral was held on Saturday, November 30, 2024, at the First Baptist Church, 6781 M-66, Charlevoix. David was laid to rest at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly,

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 5014 Hagerstown, MD 21741.

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

Please sign his online guestbook at www.mortensenfuneralhomes.com

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**PETOSKEY** 

## **SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE NEEDS GIFTS**

The Petoskey Salvation Army Angel tree needs gifts for local children. Angel Tree gifts are often the only Christmas presents that the applicant's children receive. Parents must often make difficult decisions on whether they should put food on the table, keep the lights on, heat their home, have a roof over head, have adequate medical care or have presents for their children on Christmas morning. The Salvation Army not only assists with gifts, but also provides food vouchers to Oleson's Food Stores so families can enjoy Thanksgiving and Christmas meals together. Considering the high rate of inflation, Holiday Assistance will be even more in demand and more critical to the families served this year.

**EAST JORDAN** 

#### **JUBILEE OF TREES** FOR 501 C3'S

NEW DATE!!! Thursday, December 12 at the Boathouse on Lake Charlevoix. We still have room for 7 decorated Christmas Trees and 2 Gift Baskets. If you would like to donate a 1' - 4' Decorated Christmas Tree or a Gift Basket for the event please contact Shannon at the Chamber Office - 231-536-7351 How the event works:

- · Anyone can donate a tree or basket (business, individuals, clubs, churches, organizations).
- Trees & baskets will be auctioned off (silent auction).
- Winner of the trees & baskets will then choose from a list of Chamber Member 501 C3 organizations to donate their bid money to.
- Winner of the tree or basket gets to take home the tree or basket. The event will also include the Holiday Business after Hours. Proudly Sponsored by EJ. Donations will be accepted at the door to be divided between East Jordan Care & Share Food Pantry & Ellsworth's Good Samaritan Food Pantry. Food, Christmas Joy, Networking and Fun

**BOYNE CITY** 

## **SIP & SHOP HOLIDAY** BAZAAR

Friday, December 6, 5pm - 9pm at Veterans Park Pavilion 207 N Lake St. Join us for the 3rd Annual Sip & Shop Holiday Bazaar, hosted by the Boyne City Farmers Market at Veterans Park Pavilion. Shop for unique gifts, including artwork, crafts, artisan foods and wine, to impress all your friends and family this holiday season. Local wineries will be on hand to add some cheer.

**CHARLEVOIX** 

## **FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE CONNECTION**

Friday, December 6. First Friday Coffee Connection at Biggby Coffee of Charlevoix

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**CHARLEVOIX MERCHANT OPEN HOUSE** 

#### Saturday, December 7- Holiday Merchant Open House & Hot Cocoa Contest. All Day- Merchant Open House. 10:30am- Holiday Movie at Charlevoix Cinema II. Sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank- Bring 1 non-perishable item for admission.

12pm-4pm- Hot Cocoa Trail

#### **BOYNE CITY JUDY KUHEANA MEMORIAL BENEFIT BREAKFAST**

Judy Kuheana Memorial benefit breakfast held on Saturday, Dec. 7, 8-10:30am. There is also a silent auction with beautiful wreaths and other items donated by local businesses and individuals. All proceeds from both the breakfast and silent auction will benefit Boyne area food pantries through the Manna Food Project. Latin American breakfast buffet at Red Mesa Grill, 117 Water St. Cost of \$12. Children 12 and under \$6.

**BOYNE CITY** 

#### **HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW**

45th Annual Holiday Craft Show at Boyne City High School, Dec. 7, 9am - 3pm.

## **BOYNE CITY**

**HOLIDAY PARTY** Friends of the Boyne River Holiday Party Saturday, Dec. 7, 6pm at Boyne City Hall Commission Chambers, 319 Lake St. Chicken and BBQ provided. Please bring your favorite side dish, appetizer or dessert and a holiday glass. Non-alcoholic beverages provided. Alcohol permitted. Please RSVP by Friday, Nov. 22 to assure enough seating. Call or text Julie, 231-758-0739 or email friends-

**EAST JORDAN** 

boyneriver@charter.net.

#### LIGHT UP EJ CHRISTMAS **PARADE & BLOCK PARTY**

Tree lighting & parade on Friday, Dec. 6, 6:30pm. Santa & Mrs. Claus visits at the Foundry Craft Gallery Block Party. After the parade. Live reindeer, DJ, frozen turkey bowling, live nativity, raffle, soup cookoff, family ornament making, cookies & treats.

Evening events from 9-11pm All EJ Teen Dance at the Teen Zone Adult Comedy at the Foundry Craft

Christmas Trivia by M.O.M.S. Christmas Caroling and Karaoke at the Jordan Inn.

#### **ELLSWORTH BAND CONCERT**

The Ellsworth Middle/High School band concert is Tuesday, December 10 at 6:30pm

**CHARLEVOIX** 

## **BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

Wednesday, December 11, 5-7pm. Charlevoix Holiday Business after Hours. The Ugly Sweater Party! Come dressed in your best ugly sweater for a chance to win a prize! Fun, food, games & networking at the Charlevoix Yacht Club.

**BAY HARBOR** 

#### **MESSIAH BY** CANDLELIGHT

Join us on Thursday, December 12th and Friday, December 13th for a cherished decades-long holiday tradition as the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra presents a concert featuring Handel's masterpiece, Messiah. The performance will be at 7 p.m. on both nights at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts, 800 Bay Harbor Dr., Petoskey. Tickets from \$35 - \$65 are available at www.glcorchestra. org. The concert is free for veterans, active service members and students 18 and under by calling 231-487-0010.

**CHARLEVOIX** 

#### DONATE TO THE **FOOD PANTRY**

Please consider donating to the **Charlevoix Community Food Pantry** this holiday season. Our community has seen an increase in need this year. We are asking our community to please help us with monetary donations to prepare our pantry for the holidays. We would like to provide holiday meal kits for those in need, with your monetary donations we are able to purchase food from The Manna food bank at a greatly reduced cost, thus making your donation go further.

**EAST JORDAN** 

#### CHRISTMAS ON THIRD STREET

Join in an outdoor Christmas celebration on Friday, December 13, 6-8pm. A free community event. A walk through story of Christmas with live animals, kids craft, wagon rides, snacks, hot cocoa, fire pits, roast marshmallows. Corner of Third and Nicholls Streets, 301 Nicholls St.

**EVELINE TOWNSHIP** 

#### **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA 2024**

Eveline Township Cemetery, 5150 Ridge Road, East Jordan. Saturday, December 14th at 12:00 noon. Please join Chief Shawano Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and township residents as we honor and remember our 58 veterans buried in Eveline Township Cemetery. It is a rewarding experience to place a wreath on their graves and reflect on their service and sacrifice for our Country. This will be our 8th year. This year, we have enough wreaths for every veteran, so just come and help. We appreciate your sponsoring wreaths in years past and upcoming years.

**CHARLEVOIX** 

#### **COOKIE WALK**

St. Mary School Cookie Walk will be held Saturday, December 14, 4:45 - 5:30pm & Sunday, December 15, 8:45 - 9:30am and 10:45 - 11:30am at St Mary Parish Center. Quart bag \$10, gallon bag \$15.

**ELLSWORTH** 

## HALL OF FAME

The induction ceremony to Ellsworth Community Schools Hall of Fame is Monday, December 16 at 6:30pm.

**ELLSWORTH** 

## **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

The Elementary school Christmas program is December 18, 5:30pm.

**EAST JORDAN** 

## **VISIT SANTA WITH FREE COOKIES & HOT COCOA**

Join us at the Jordan Inn on December 7th, 14th, and 21st from 3 PM to 6 PM for free cookies and hot cocoa. And, of course, snap a pic with Santa. While you're here, pick up your perfect Christmas tree from the Lions Club of East Jordan.

**EAST JORDAN** 

## **CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE**

East Jordan Lion's Club will be selling Christmas Trees from 3 - 6 pm every day at the Jordan Inn, 228 Main St.

**ELLSWORTH** 

## **CHRISTMAS BREAK**

Ellsworth students have a 1/2 day of school December 20 then remain on Christmas break until school resumes on January 6.

**CHARLEVOIX COUNTY** 

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**BOYNE CITY** 

#### **MARKET AT THE VETERANS PARK PAVILION**

Join us every Saturday at Veterans Park Pavilion from 9am-12pm to shop local vendors. Northern Michigan's most talented farmers, bakers, entrepreneurs and artists create a market unlike any other in the region. Live music brightens up the morning starting at 10am

**EAST JORDAN** 

#### **ROTARY CLUB MEETINGS**

The Rotary Club of East Jordan has updated dates and times for their monthly meetings. The Rotary Club will meet the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 12:15 PM and the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 5:15 PM. Both meeting times and dates will be at the Friends of the Jordan River Watershed Building (FRJ). The club is always looking for new members. If you are new to the area or have always wondered how to get involved with Rotary, contact the Chamber Office and we will get you the contact information. 231-536-7351.

**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** 

## THE DEPOT **TEEN CENTER**

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

**CHARLEVOIX** 

### **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**

meets at 10am the 3rd Saturday of

ary Church.

**Cancer and Caregiver Support group** each month at Lighthouse Mission-



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**Boyne Falls Public School** 

## **STUDENT OF** THE WEEK



## Calli Silva

**Grade:** 8th Grade

Parent's Name(s): Carrie and KC Novak **Future Plans:** 

Calli is thinking about becoming a photographer Favorite Book: The Brave by James Bird

**Hobbies and Interests:** 

Sports and spending time with friends School Activities: Volleyball, Basketball, Softball

**Staff Comments:** Calli consistently puts forth her best effort as a student and an athlete. As an 8th grader, Calli plays on

both the middle school and varsity high school teams. When she is not practicing or playing in a game, you can find her attending other students' games.

By enthusiastically participating in sports and cheering on her fellow Loggers, she fosters a sense of community and school spirit. Calli encourages her peers to engage in activities and strive for their personal best.

Because of her drive to succeed and her ability to inspire others, I've chosen her as this week's Student of the Week.

Submitted By: Ms. Julie

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## athlete of week



Jakob Pahler Ellsworth High School

Foreign Exchange student Jakob Pahler, from Sweden, made his American high school debut with nine points in the final frame and had a team high 20 points overall.

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# WEEKLY CHOICE & CHARLEVOIX COUNTY NEWS NAME 2024 BOYS SOCCER ALL-AREA



# Grayling's Drake Dunham is the player of the year Andy Moore is Coach of the Year



DRAKE DUNHAM - PLAYER OF THE YEAR

## BY BEN MURPHY

With the fall high school sports teams wrapping up their respective seasons in recent weeks, it's time for the Weekly Choice and Charlevoix County News to announce their all area teams. This week we will look at the 2024 Soccer Dream Team.

The player of the year award goes to Grayling's Drake Dunham. The senior helped lead the Vikings, who had the most success of any team in the area this fall. He had 11 goals and nine assists for them, while seeing time at center midfield and on defense. He also had an impressive knack for converting penalty kicks.

Winning coach of the year is Grayling head man Andy Moore. The Vikings impressively went 18-4 overall and won a piece of the Northern Shores Conference as well. Alpena's Gregg Supiran also joins the coaching staff, getting recognized for the Wildcats' above .500 season that

saw them play many close games, including five draws.

Joining Dunham on the first team are teammates Bela Von Lampe, Jordan Peters and Alex Moore. Von Lampe was a prolific scorer for Grayling, netting 23 goals and getting 11 assists as well. Peters was Grayling's impressive junior goalkeeper, getting 18 wins, including 14 shutouts and three more contests where he just gave up one goal. Moore is also a junior and had a solid season at defensive midfield, getting two goals and 20 assists.

Moving over to Charlevoix, they had junior Charles Kelly and senior Matthew Jarema make the first team list. Kelly only played half the season at forward, but still managed 11 goals and four assists. Jarema was the team's best defender and also chipped in with two goals and nine assists.

Boyne City had one player make the first team list. Senior Peter Mastin was taking part in his first high school soccer season, but took to the sport quite well, earning first team all-conference and helping set the tone for the team in practices and games all season

all season. Looking at Alpena, they had quite the year too, getting nine wins and five ties. They had senior Jack Supiran earn first team honors, he had six goals and a program single season record 18 assists. Teammate and fellow senior Keller Skiba also gets first team honors, he led the team in goals with 19 and he also had five assists. The third Alpena player on the first team is junior Owen Kaiser; he managed to get nine goals and seven assists.

Gaylord had juniors
Lucas Hella and Matthew
Vanderveer make the first
team. Hella led the young
Blue Devil squad in scoring
with seven goals and three
assists. Vanderveer was a
top midfielder for the team,
and he had a special skill of
winning 50-50 balls. Rounding out the first team honorees is Petoskey senior
Finn Yurek.

## PLAYER OF THE YEAR Drake Dunham

## BY TODD VANSICKLE

Grayling senior Drake Dunham is The Weekly Choice soccer player of the year.

Dunham helped lead the Vikings to an 18-4-0 winning season, both on offense and defense.

Dunham and his brother Grant were captains of this year's team. It was Dunham's first year as captain.

"He really took that leadership role and thrived in that position by having daily talks with the team," Grayling's coach Andy Moore said. "He is an unselfish player and led the team on and off the field this year. I think he's a

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## **DREAM TEAM BOYS SOCCER FIRST TEAM**



**Drake Dunham (12) Grayling** 



**Bela Von Lampe (10) Grayling** 



**Jordan Peters (11) Grayling** 



Alex Moore (11) Grayling



**Peter Mastin (12) Boyne City** 



Lucas Hella (11) Gaylord



Matthew Vanderveer (11) Gaylord



Charles Kelley (11) Charlevoix



Matthew Jarema (12) Charlevoix



Jack Supiran (12) Alpena



Keller Skiba (12) Alpena



Owen Kaiser (11) Alpena



Finn Yurek (12) Petoskey

## **DREAM TEAM**

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great player of the year. I have known the kid and his brother for years, and he does anything for the team."

Throughout the season, Dunham said he would remind his teammates to focus on their "great season."

"I tried to keep the peace," he said.

On offense, Dunham had 11 goals and nine assists. He started the season on offense, but later moved to defense. He played center midfielder before a formation change moved him to defense, according to his coach.

"The team was better with him at defense," Moore said.

Moore said.
Dunham played center
defense on a team with 14
shutouts, including nine in

Dunham was charged with taking all of Grayling's penalty kicks. The most critical penalty kick came against Elk Rapids on September 9 when he found the back of the net to score his team's conly goal for the win 1.0

only goal for the win, 1-0.

"We hadn't beat Elk
Rapids in 15 years," Dunham said. "It was a lot of
pressure for anyone to take
that shot. I just went up

and took a deep breath and it went in. We then played eight solid minutes of defense to win the game."

Dunham made all of his PKs this season and only missed two last year, he said.

"You don't get kids like that who play that hard and have that much knowledge of the game," Moore said. "Anytime we had a PK, he took it and was cool as a cucumber. I know he was super nervous, but you never could see it."

Dunham will now swap out his cleats for bowling shoes as that season gets under way. In the fall, he plans to attend Northwestern Michigan College, where he plans to continue playing intramural soccer. Being named player of the year is something ap-

preciates personally, he said.
"It is not something that everyone gets," Dunham said. "All the hard work I put in this season it gave me awards, but it also led us to being a good team

coach of THE YEAR Andy

Moore

BY TODD VANSICKLE

Grayling soccer coach Andy Moore has been named Weekly Choice coach of the year for the second consecutive season.

The Grayling Viking soccer team finished with an 18-4-0 overall record and made it to the second round of the MHSAA district tournament, where they lost to Kingsford, 0-1.

"It was really easy to coach these guys," Moore said of this year's team. "Everybody was coachable, they worked hard every day. A lot of times you have to motivate kids. These guys were easily motivated. It was a wonderful season to have these guys and were great to coach."

The first nine games of the season, the Vikings shut out their opponents and it didn't lose a game until facing Marquette, 0-1, in the Alpena Sunrise Side Challenge Cup.

"That actually got pretty nerve wracking," Moore said. "We were kind of happy we were scored on to put that in our past, but that that was pretty awesome."

The Vikings would go on to win the tournament — a highlight for the Viking coach, he said.

"We've been there
[Alpena tournament] for
the past four years and battled hard and never saw re-

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## 2024 CHOICE PUBLICATIONS ALL-AREA **BOYS SOCCER DREAM TEAM**

## DREAM TEAM BOYS SOCCER SECOND TEAM



**Cameron Baker (12) Grayling** 



Gibsen Barnett (12) Gravling



**Brody Cobb (11) Grayling** 



**Benjen Sheaffer (12) Charlevoix** 



Felix Bair (11) Boyne City



Will Mastin (12) Boyne City



Kaleb Werth (12) Alpena



**Drake Wheelock (12) Alpena** 



**Brady Shepherd (11) Gaylord** 



**Gavin Koetje (11) Petoskey** 

## **DREAM TEAM**

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sults, and to get results this year was pretty special," Moore said. "We had a great tournament; a lot of fun."

Moore has been the coach for the Vikings for the past five years and has a 64-39-5 overall record. During that time, the soccer program has grown and proven to be a conference contender. The Vikings finished 11-1-0 in the Northern Shores Conference this season sharing the title with soccer powerhouse Elk Rapids, (8-1-0).

"Tying for the conference title was pretty special," the Viking coach said. "We worked hard for it."

On September 9, the Vikings beat Elk Rapids, 1-0, on the road on a penalty

"Beating Elk Rapids was a big deal for us," Moore said. "When I took this job five years ago, that was one of things we talked about. Not only just competing with Elk Rapids, but going out and beating them. And I knew this team was the one that would beat them. We had a belief that we were going to

win, and we did. So that was exciting,'

In the first round of the districts, the Vikings knocked off Houghton, 6-1, at home. The coach said he was impressed with the win, despite not having a lot of information about the Upper Peninsula team.

"We watched film, but we didn't have a whole lot, so it was one of those unknown games," Moore said. "For us to come out and make a statement was pretty awesome to do."

Moore said he has coached some of this year's players since middle school.

Now that the soccer season is finished, he will switch hats and start coaching wrestling for the 14th season. Over the years, he said he has grown as a coach.

"I started coaching with an iron fist," Moore said. "As I evolved, I am getting the kids more involved in some decisions, and I think that really helps the team.'

During the first two years that Moore started coaching soccer, he said the team struggled with numbers. He credits having a junior varsity program and his veteran players.



Grayling coach Andy Moore speaks with his players during halftime of a match earlier this season. (Photo: Todd VanSickle)

"I think success as a team always helps bring kids out to play, but I also think it's the character of the players I have," Moore said. "The leaders I have on the team have helped recruit more players to the team. I think that's more important than

the success." Moore will be back next year coaching the soccer

"My son will be a senior next year. I'll be there for that, and from there we'll probably play it year by year," Moore said. "I love

coaching the game of soccer. It's fun and challenging, all the same.'

He said being named the Weekly Choice Coach of the Year validates the work that he puts into the team throughout the season.

"It's nice to be recognized," Moore said. "It's more stressful to win. And so get nominated for an award like this, it's special. It's nice to be recognized by people for the hard work that I put in every day in practice for the kids."

#### **FIRST TEAM**

Drake Dunham (12) Grayling - Player of the Year Bela Von Lampe (10) Grayling Jordan Peters (11) Grayling Alex Moore (11) Grayling Charles Kelly (11) Charlevoix Matthew Jarema (12) Charlevoix Peter Mastin (12) Boyne City Jack Supiran (12) Alpena Keller Skiba (12) Alpena Owen Kaiser (11) Alpena Lucas Hella (11) Gaylord Matthew Vanderveer (11) Gaylord Finn Yurek (12) Petoskey

## **SECOND TEAM**

Cameron Baker (12) Grayling Gibsen Barnett (12) Grayling Brody Cobb (11) Grayling Felix Bair (11) Boyne City Will Mastin (12) Boyne City Kaleb Werth (12) Alpena Drake Wheelock (12) Alpena Brady Shepherd (11) Gaylord Gavin Koetje (11) Petoskey

## **HONORABLE MENTION**

Alpena: Jared Johnson Boyne City: Mason Vadnais, Dylan Pellerito Charlevoix: Emmett Bergmann, Matthew Jarema Cheboygan: Brady Lockwood, Trenton LaHaie Gaylord: Houghton Dreffs Grayling: Grant Dunham, Brett Peterson, Owen Lewicki Petoskey: Sam Nemec

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**BOYS BASKETBALL** 

## Ellsworth boys stop Central Lake, 78-52

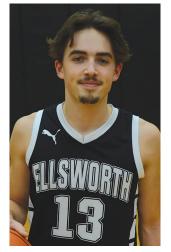
BY BOB DELONG

The Lancers and Trojan athletes know each other very well to say the least. Not only are the Ellsworth and Central Lake high schools separated by only 8.2 miles, these two school's co-op in several sports, including football, cross-country, track and golf. Last week the boys' varsity basketball teams got together in both team's season opener in Ellsworth, and after a slow start, the Lancers pulled away with a convincing 78-52 victory on their home court over Central Lake.

Last season, Central Lake won the season opener between these two schools 60-42 on their home court and later in the year, Ellsworth won a nail biter 50-48. This season, these two teams only play one game unless they meet in the MHSAA playoffs, so until then, it's the Lancers who have the bragging rights over their Antrim County neighbor.

Both teams lost 1,000 scorers due to graduation, Ellsworth lost Patrick Puroll and Central Lake lost the dynamic back court combination of Garrison Barrett and Drayten Evans who both also broke the 1,000 mark in points.

The game started out "back and forth" with each



**Evincio LaCount** 

team taking their turn at the lead. The Trojans led after one period of play, 14-13, eight thanks to four points each by Grant Miller and Nolyn Whisler and Central Lake was also a perfect 8-8 from the free throw line. In the second stanza, Ezra Wallis scored seven points, including a three and Josiah Chellis and Ben Strange also each hit a triple and the Lancers used a 23-14 advantage to take a 36-28 lead at the intermission.

After the break, Miller had nine third quarter points for Central Lake, including a three in the third quarter, but the rest of his teammates added only a basket and Ellsworth took that opportunity to take control of the game with a 19-point period. Seven different Lancer's scored

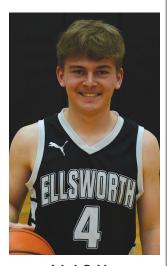


**Ezra Wallis** 

in the quarter, including four by Evincio LaCount and Ellsworth took a 55-39 lead and the Trojans could not draw any closer over the remainder of the game.

Foreign Exchange student Jakob Pahler, from Sweden, made his American high school debut with nine points in the final frame and had a team high 20 points overall as the Lancers pulled away with a 23-13 final frame leading to the 78-52 final. Both La-Count and Wallis scored in every quarter and added 16 and 14 points respectively for Ellsworth, Strange added nine points, (all on threes), Cam Snyder had seven points, Jack Puroll scored five points, Chellis had four and Skyler Seaney scored three points as eight different Lancers got into the scorebook.

James Willingham, head coach for Ellsworth, now in his third season, said, "we started slow in the first quarter, but I like the way



**Jakob Pahler** 

that we got it going over the last three quarters. This team worked hard over the summer and it shows, I am proud of them."

The Lancers continue non-conference play this week with a couple tough contests. Ellsworth plays at powerful Bellaire, (21-5 last season), and Friday they host Buckley, (15-10 last year), before starting Northern Lakes Conference play on December 9 against Harbor Light Christian.

Miller led all scorers for Central Lake with a game high 21 points, Whisler was also in double figures with 10 points, Brady Roggenbeck had five points, and Mason Henderson, Riley Shafer, Isaiah Huckle and Jamison Pringle all added four points for the Trojans. Central Lake, who hit their first eight free throws in the game, made only five of their last 14 tries from the charity

**GIRLS BASKETBALL** 

## Hopp takes over Coaching Ellsworth Girls Basketball

BY BOB DELONG

Nick Hopp, who has been the Ellsworth Athletic Director for the last two vears will now also lead the Ellsworth High School girls' varsity basketball team as head coach for the 2024-2025 season. Chad Pletcher, who was the coach of the Lancers for the last couple years was 12-9 overall and 9-3 in Northern Lakes Conference games in 2023-2024 Hopp, who was previously the AD at neighboring Central Lake, has had various coaching jobs over his career, including five years as a head coach of a girls' varsity basketball team in South Carolina before returning to Michi-

The Lady Lancers lost 4 leaders from last year's team to graduation. However, Ellsworth have returning seniors Isabella Essenberg and Samantha Pallman and fellow senior Kyley Fuller returns after not playing last season. The Lancers also have exchange student Yazmine Kaufman playing this year, and five under classmen round out their 10-player varsity roster. Ellsworth also has 10 JV players, so the two teams certainly have good numbers for this year and the future looks bright for Ellsworth.

Ellsworth's season starts this week and the



**Nick Hopp** 

first-year coach Hopp will take on the two longest tenured coaches in the always tough Ski Valley Conference, Pat Schultz, (7 years), from Gaylord St. Mary and Brad Fischer, (15 years), from Bellaire.

Tuesday of this week, the Lancers will host the Snowbirds in the first of two non-league clashes, and Thursday they will play at Bellaire against the Eagles. The following week on Friday the 13th of December, Ellsworth will travel to Harbor Springs to take on Harbor Light Christian at the Solid Rock Center in their first Northern Lakes Conference clash.

The league race should be a good one, six time league champion Mackinaw City has graduated their two all-conference players and the league should be wide open, with multiple teams, including Ellsworth in the mix.

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Sealed bids are now being accepted by the City of Boyne City for the 2025 - 2027 Boyne City Maple Lawn and Wilson Cemetery Grounds Maintenance Services. Bids will be received in a clearly marked envelope labeled - "Cemetery Grounds Maintenance Services", until 2:00 P.M., local time, January 8, 2025 at the Boyne City - City Hall, 319 North Lake Street, Boyne City, MI 49712 at which time they shall be opened and read. The City of Boyne City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any irregularities in their best interest. Complete specifications are available at City Hall or online at www.cityofboynecity.com.

Jessica Puroll Boyne City Clerk/ Treasurer

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Charlevoix Township is currently working on its proposed 2025-2030 Parks and Recreation Plan.

The Charlevoix Township Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the draft plan at a special meeting on December 16, 2024, at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held at 12491 Waller Road, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Written comments can be submitted via email to consultant Ken Lane at klane@bria2.com or comment can be given verbally or in writing at the public hearing.

The draft plan is available for review and download on the homepage of the Township website at www.charlevoixtownship.gov or may be reviewed in person the Charlevoix Township Hall, 12491 Waller Road, Charlevoix, MI 49720; or at the Charlevoix Public Library, 220 Clinton Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

## Village of Boyne Falls

Water	Service	Application

Parce	il ID:			
1.	Name			_
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4.	To be constructed at:			_
5.	Service to be connected on: Month	Day	Year	_
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6.	All privilege fees must be paid in advance entitle the applicant to connect to the Vill Materials, labor, and actual hook-up are thincluded in the privilege fees.	age system.		
7	Privilege fees: \$1,500			Non-Villag
		SIZE	Village Resident	Resident

	SIZE	Village Resident Fees	Resident Fees
Connect to Water (minimum 1")			
Fire service connection (Min. 6")			
Total Due	Total Pre	epaid	

**Applicant Signature** 

Date

The minimum size mains permitted are 6"

- When a new service is to be connected to the Village water system, a fee is charged before the permit is issued. This access or privilege fee is a one-time charge to "buy-in" to the Village water system.
- This access fee does not cover the cost of installing the service. Various contractors are available who can excavate and install the pipes. The Village and County will then inspect to assure it meets Village requirements, but will not do the excavation, plumbing or restoration.
- The Village will install the water service line from the watermain to the property line. The property owner is then responsible for installing and maintaining the service line to the
- 4. Request for extensions to the water system must be accompanied by sealed engineering drawings which, in turn must be approved by the Village at the owner's expense.
- 5. All non-traceable service lines (plastic, PEX pipe) must include a tracing wire. Tracing wire must be at a minimum #12 coated solid wire.

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ALPENA. NEWS FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHER AND WRITER. We are expanding our coverage in the Alpena area and have an opening. We are adding a writer/photographer to our staff of the Weekly Choice. Nice extra income for a few hours of work. You will need dependable transportation and a digital camera. Writer/Photographer will attend local events in Alpena, Hillman, Rogers City, Atlanta and nearby for photos and report on local events. This is an independent contractor position. E-mail Office@WeeklyChoice. com or call Dave at 989-732-8160. Weekly Choice

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FEATURE STORY WRITER. Writing experience preferred. The Weekly Choice, a Locally owned "Positive News" weekly paper is distributed all around Northern Michigan including Alpena, Gaylord, Petoskey, Cheboygan, Grayling, Indian River, Mackinaw City, Onaway, Lewiston, Mio, Mancelona, Kalkaska and everywhere in between. Freelance writer will supply articles and photos. \$35 per story plus \$10 for photo(s). Email Resume Dave Baragrey. Office@Weekly-Choice.com

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## MUSIC

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## CITY OF BOYNE CITY CITY COMMISSION MINUTE SYNOPSIS

November 26, 2024 - Approve the November 7, 2024 special meeting minutes as presented; approve the November 7, 2024 closed session meeting minutes as presented; approve the November 12, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented; approve the November 12, 2024 closed session meeting minutes as presented; approve the re-appointment of Rod Cortright and Allen Sturza to the Airport Advisory Board as Ex Officio members to three year terms ending August 24, 2027; approve a motion opting out of the requirements of PA 152 of 2011 for 2025 for Employer Paid Health Insurance State Compliance and authorize the City Clerk/Treasurer to sign and submit the resolution as presented; approve the proposed policy for Non-profit Collection Bins located at Boyne City City Hall and authorize City administration staff to begin implementing it; approve Fire Chief Dennis Amesbury and City Administration staff to apply for the 2024 cycle AFG Grant in the amount of \$325,000 with a local match of \$16,250; approve the attached resolution supporting the Boyne Area Heritage Center's efforts to obtain a raffle license and authorize staff to complete and submit the necessary paperwork; motion carried. Approve to deny the easement and to have examination be done on other remedies that are less invasive; motion not carried. Approve to table this agenda item; motion carried. Approve to award Contract 1 to Elmer's Crane and Dozer Inc, as recommended by C2AE for sanitary sewer and related system improvements and extensions, including water system extensions in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,531,024.11 to be followed immediately by the necessary change orders reducing the overall project by approximately \$997,079, furthermore, a change order of \$5,000,000 removing all sewer sanitary aspects of this contract extensions that would not be repayable to the State if that ordinance is not satisfied or obtain the 50% requirement connection; motion carried. Approve to table this agenda item; motion carried.

Jessica Puroll, City Clerk/Treasurer

## NOTES OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Positive Notes of Encouragement are free in the Weekly Choice, Charlevoix County News and Michigan MoneySaver. Birthday, Anniversary, Wedding, Congratulations or just a Positive Note all are free. E-Mail your Note of Encouragement to Office @ WeeklyChoice.com

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2024 Cherokee Grey Wolf 26 LK Travel Trailer. Slideout, outdoor kitchen, sleeps 4, fireplace, outside storage, outside shower. MSRP \$48,186. Sale Price \$27,995. Save \$20,191. As low as \$249 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

2024 Cherokee Wolf Den 17EV Travel Trailer. All electric, lightweight for easy towing. MSRP \$25,004. Save \$10,009. Sale Price \$14,995. As low as \$169 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.Petoskey-RVUSA.com.

2024 Cherokee Wolf Pup 16 FQW Travel Trailer. Outside mini kitchen, lightweight and easy to tow, power awning. MSRP \$37,385. Sale Price \$21,995. Save \$15,390. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www. PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

2024 Cherokee Wolf Pup 16EV Travel Trailer. All electric, sleeps 5, 2 bunks, On Demand Tankless Water Heater, backup camera, MSRP \$23,954. Sale Price \$13,995. Save \$9,959. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

2024 Coachmen RV Catalina Trail Blazer 26TH Travel Trailer Toy Hauler. Sleeps 4, outside shower, Wi-Fi booster & extender, optional party deck. MSRP \$39,431. Sale Price \$29,995. Save \$9,436. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700.

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2024 Forest River RV Rockwood Mini Lite 2516S 2 Slideouts, 19' power awning with LED lights, dual entry doors, outdoor griddle, 200W roof solar panel. MSRP \$51,571. Sale Price \$33,995. Save \$17,576. As low as \$459 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

2024 Jayco Eagle 312BHOK Travel Trailer. 3 Slideouts, bunkhouse sleeps 9, outdoor kitchen, fireplace. SALE PRICE \$57,495. MSRP \$91,435. SAVE \$33,940. As low as \$558 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www. NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM.

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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.Northern-Michigan RV.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.

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.

2024 Rockwood Geo Pro G20 BHS. Sleeps 6, slideout, exterior storage, power awning, outside griddle, 200W solar panel. MSRP \$36,230. Sale Price \$23,995. Save \$12,235. As low as \$239 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

2024 Rockwood Mini-Lite 2109 S Travel Trailer. Slideout, 14' power awning, outside griddle, roof solar panel, power tongue jack. MSRP \$40,571. Sale Price \$28,995. Save \$11,576. As low as \$259 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www. PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

2025 Jayco Seismic Luxury Series 4113 Fifth Wheel Toy Hauler. This luxury Fifth Wheel Toy Hauler is the top of the line. 2 Foldout decks, 2 Slideouts, 46 feet long, sleeps 9. Luxury furniture, luxury appliances, luxury everything, plus the garage is large enough to haul all the toys you want. MSRP \$174,995. Sale Price \$137.995. Save \$37,000. As low as \$1,195 a month. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700.

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Just arrived. 2018 R-Pod 179 Travel Trailer. Slideout. Great shape. Sale Price \$12,995. As low as \$149 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www. PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

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 \$37,995. Just reduced \$2,000. As low as \$319 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www. PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

NEW 2023 Forest River RV Rockwood Ultra Lite 2906BS Travel Trailer. 3 slideouts, sleeps 5, rear living area, kitchen island, fireplace, seats 9 people, two 11' power awnings. MSRP \$96,338. Sale Price \$51,995. Save \$17,341. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

Used 2012 Puma 26 RLSS Travel Trailer. Large Slideout, power jack, sleeps 6. Regular \$9,995. Sale Price \$8,995. Save \$1,000. As low as \$179 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.Petoskey-RVUSA.com.

Used 2013 Keystone RV Bullet 204RBS Travel Trailer. Rear Corner Bath Including: Angle Shower, Rear Pantry/Wardrobe, Refrig, 3 Burner Range, Booth Dinette w/Overhead storage and much more. Regular Price \$13,995. Sale Price \$11,995. Save \$2,000. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www. PetoskeyRVUSA.com.



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Used 2015 Starcraft AR-ONE 25BHS Wide Body Travel Trailer. Bunkhouse sleeps 8, slideout, One-piece, seamless rubber roof, Regular \$13,995. BLOWOUT PRICE \$12,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.Northern-MichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

Used 2016 Rockwood Mini Lite 2304 KS Travel Trailer. Slideout, air. Regular Price \$14,995. Sale Price \$12,995. Save \$2,000. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.PetoskeyRVUSA.com.

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Used 2019 Forest River RV R Pod RP-171 Travel Trailer, Wert bath, Easy to tow, only 2,342 lbs. For a sturdy one-of-akind travel trailer, choose the R-Pod by Forest River. Regular \$14,995. BLOWOUT PRICE \$13,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www. NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

Used 2020 Jayco Eagle HT 312BHOK Bunkhouse Travel Trailer. 3 Slideouts, sleeps 8, outside kitchen, private bunkhouse, stainless steel appliances, LED fireplace. Regular \$43,995. Save \$11,000. Sale Price \$32,995. As low as \$369 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.Petoskey-RVUSA.com.

Used 2022 Rockwood GEO Pro G16BH Travel Trailer, Bunkhouse Sleeps 4, slideout, outside griddle. Regular \$31,648. Sale Price \$21,995. Save \$9,653. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskev. 231-347-3200. www.Petoskey-RVUSA.com

Used 2023 Rockwood Geo Pro 19 BH Travel Trailer. Sleeps 6, outside griddle, power awning, bunk beds. Lightweight and easy to move and tow. Regular \$33,225, Sale Price \$21,995. Save \$11,230. As low as \$229 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200. www.Petoskey RVUSA.com.

Used 2024 Jayco Seismic 359 Toy Hauler Fifth Wheel. 2 Slideouts, Party Deck with steps, fireplace. The Jayco Seismic 359 is a toy hauler RV that can sleep up to 8 people. It has a 102-inch wide body, two slideouts, two awnings, and two air conditioners. The Seismic is designed for all-weather camping and has been tested in zero-degree temperatures. MSRP if new \$120,234. BLOW-OUT PRICE \$69,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.NorthernMichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed

Used 2024 Jayco White Hawk 26FK Travel Trailer. 2 Slideouts, dual entry doors, rear private bedroom. MSRP if new, \$54,801. Regular \$40,995. BLOWOUT PRICE \$38,995. Northern Michigan RV. 277 Expressway Court, Gaylord. 989-448-8700. www.Northern-MichiganRV.com. MON-SAT: 9AM - 5PM. Closed Sunday

## **SERVICES**

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#### **SNOWMOBILES**

2015 SKI-DOO MXZ TNT 900 Ace snowmobile. 15.861 miles, very good condition, extras. Asking \$4,200. Gaylord. 586-839-3449. No text.

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2011 Chevy Suburban. 7 passenger, leather, captain chairs, moon roof, DVD, 199 K miles. Sale Price \$8,995. As low as \$199 a month, Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2012 DODGE DURANGO. AWD, 178 K miles. Sale Price \$7.995. As low as \$199 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2014 Chevy Equinox. 188 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call\ 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2014 Kia Soul. Rear camera, 106 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2015 Dodge Journey R/T. Leather, sunroof, AWD, 109 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call\ 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2015 GMC ACADIA SLT. AWD, 3rd row seat, tow pkg, rear camera, 93 K miles. Sale Price \$8,995. As low as \$189 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing, 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent

2015 Nissan Murano Platinum. AWD, leather, double moon roof, 141 K miles, Sale Price \$9,995. As low as \$199 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2016 Buick Encore. AWD. Leather 181 K miles Sale Price \$8,995. As low as \$189 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2016 CHEVY TAHOE LTZ. 4x4, 58 K miles. \$39,995 obo. 5 year warranty. 231-944-2025

2016 Ford Explorer. Leather, 3rd row seat, rear camera, 132 K miles. Sale Price \$12,995. As low as 286 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing, 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2018 Jeep Renegade Sport. 4x4, 134 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call\ 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

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rear camera, 187 K miles. Sale Price \$12,995. As low as \$289 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. We rent vehicles.

2020 Ford Escape Titanium. Hybrid, leather, rear camera, 77 K miles. \$21,995. As low as \$345 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

We are accepting Bids for re-roofing the Shirley Roloff Center at 13513 Division St., Charlevoix, MI.

The Bid Specifications can be found on our website at: www.charlevoixcounty.org under the "Bids and Proposals" tab. You can also contact Trent Brisboe from Tremco Roofing via email at: TBrisboe@tremcoinc.com. Pre-bid walk-through is December 11th at 11:00 am. Bids are due by January 9th, 2025, by 11:00 am. Bids will be read publicly Friday, January 10th, 2025, at 10:00 am at the Shirley Roloff Center in the Commissioner's Room.

## WILSON TOWNSHIP **ACCEPTING BIDS SNOW REMOVAL**

Wilson Township is accepting bids for snow removal at the township park for the 2024-2025 winter season. The park is located at 02530 Fall Park Road, Boyne City, MI 49712. Bids will be opened during the Wilson Township Board of Trustees meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 5:00 PM. Eligible bids must be received by 5:00 PM on December 10, 2024. For questions regarding bid specifications, contact Supervisor Todd Sorenson by phone (231) 582-1033 ext. 2.

Please bid on a per plow basis:

- Parking lot to be plowed whenever there is 3 to 4 inches of snowfall.
- The parking lot will be plowed a minimum of 60 minutes before any scheduled meeting at the township hall. In the event of a special meeting, Wilson Township will provide notification 72 hours in advance of the meeting if the parking lot needs to be plowed.
- The walk to the door of the township hall will be cleared by the contractor.
- The pathway to the lake will be plowed as needed.
- A plow pipe will be used anytime the parking lot is not frozen solid.

Submit bids to the following address: Wilson Township ATTN: SNOW REMOVAL BID P.O. Box 447 Boyne City, MI 49712

UTILITY TRAILERS. Starting as low as \$2,995. Only \$69 a month. Petoskey RV USA. 2215 US 31 North, Petoskey. 231-347-3200, www.Petoskev-RVUSA.com.

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**TRUCKS** 

2006 Ram Mega Cab. 1500, topper, tow pkg, 8' box, regular cab, 250 K miles. Sale Price \$5,995. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2011 Ford F-250 Super Duty. 6.7L Power Stroke Diesel, soft tonneau cover, tow pkg, 296 K miles. Sale Price \$16,495. As low as \$350 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700.

2012 Ram 1500. 4x4, double cab, 5.7L Hemi, 136 K miles. Sale Price \$11,495. As low as \$269 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2013 GMC SIERRA 2500 HD, 4X4. 119,400 miles, 8.5 foot V-Plow and salt spreader. \$14,500. 989-350-2828

2014 Chevy Silverado 1500. 4x4, tow pkg, double cab, 250 K miles. Sale Price \$9,995. As low as \$249 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700.

2015 Chevy Silverado 1500 LS. 4x4, double cab, tow pkg, 121 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call\ 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2015 Chevy Silverado 1500. ARE topper, roof rack, slideout tray in box, 167 K miles. Sale

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2017 Chevy Colorado. 4x4, Diesel, club cab, rear camera, hard tonneau cover, tow pkg, 200 K miles. Sale Price \$16,995. As low as \$379 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2017 Ford F-150 XLT. 4x4, quad cab, 204 K miles. Sale Price \$14,995. As low as \$349 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2017 GMC Sierra 1500. 4x4, quad cab, soft tonneau, tow pkg, bedliner, 223 K miles. Sale Price \$15.995. As low as \$359 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2019 Ford F-150. Reg. cab, 8 foot bed, tow pkg, bedliner, rear camera, 111 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2020 Ford F-150 XLT. 4x4, club cab, tow pkg, soft tonneau cover. rear camera. 140 K miles. \$25,995. As low as \$399 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 31-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

## **SEEKING BIDS**

Gaylord Community Schools will receive Bids for prepurchase of a Packaged Spark Ignited Engine-Driven Generator Set and Automatic Transfer Switch to be furnished and delivered to the Gaylord Community Schools Board Office / Early Childhood Center building located at 615 South Elm St., Gaylord, MI 49735.

Sealed Bids may be delivered in person to Gaylord Community Schools, c/o Joe Hart, Business Manager, 615 South Elm Street, Gaylord, MI 49735. Bids must be received prior to 10:30 AM local time on December 19, 2024. Bids will be opened publically and read aloud at 10:30 AM local time on December 19, 2024, in the Board Meeting Room in the BOECC building, 615 South Elm Street, Gaylord, MI 49735. The Owner will not consider or accept a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission. Post Bid Interviews with the apparent low Bidder(s) will be scheduled following receipt of Bids. All Bids will be evaluated at a later date.

More information can be found on our website: https://www.gaylordschools.com/our-district/request-for-

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

**CITY OF BOYNE CITY BOYNE CITY, CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, MICHIGAN 2024 LOCAL STREETS PROJECT** 

**General Notice** 

City of Boyne City (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project: 2024 Local Streets Project 23-0449

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Boyne City Hall, Office of City Clerk, located at 319 N. Lake St., Boyne City, MI 49712, until Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Project includes the following Work:

Single course chip seal and fog seal on Vogel Street from Jefferson Street to Call Street. Single course chip seal and fog seal on Front Street from Main Street to Water Street. Single course chip seal and fog seal on Main Street from Park Street to East Street. Single course mill and resurface with 1.5" of asphalt, pavement repair and hand patching as needed, remove and replace curb ramps as needed on Water Street from Lake Street to East Street and on Main Street from Lake Street to Park Street. Two course mill and resurface with 3.5" of asphalt, pavement repair and hand patching as needed, remove and replace curb ramps as needed on Pleasant Street from Division Street to Cedar Street.

## **Obtaining the Bidding Documents**

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from C2AE's Project Share Web site for bidding purposes only; contact bidding@c2ae.com at C2AE for logon information and to register as a plan holder. It is the Bidder's responsibility to determine/evaluate the capability of his equipment to provide/download documents that are accurate for size, scale, and content.

Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated C2AE site in either electronic or paper format. The designated Web site will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated Web site. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated Web site. The

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

C2AE 814 S. Otsego Avenue, Suite B Gaylord, MI 49735 989-732-8131

Bidding Documents may be examined at the following locations:

Office of the Owner, Boyne City Hall, Office of City Clerk, 319 N. Lake St., Boyne City, MI 49712, Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 9:00am-4:00pm.

Builder's Exchange of Northwest Michigan – Builder's Exchange are authorized to share the Bidding Documents with other exchanges.

Construction Association of Plan Room - Bloomfield Hills

City of Boyne City Website - http://www.cityofboynecity.com/

Questions regarding the Bidding Documents may be addressed to Erik Cronk, at bidding@c2ae.com.

## **Pre-bid Conference**

A pre-bid conference will not be conducted for this Project. Notes to User—Owner should determine if it is desirable to require attendance (mandatory) at the Pre-Bid Conference. Coordinate with the Instructions to Bidders. Choose the appropriate following paragraph and delete the paragraph not used.

## Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

## This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Boyne City Michael Cain Title: City Manager Date: November 21, 2024

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## TRUCKS (continued))

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

2021 Ram 1500 Classic. 4x4, double cab, rear camera, 5.7 L Hemi, 96 K miles. \$34,995. As low as \$519 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2022 Ram 1500 Lone Star.
Double cam tow pkg, rear camera, 60 K miles. \$29,995. As low as \$469 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

#### **VANS**

2010 GMC Savana Van. Stabilitrak, extra long, high miles. Sale Price \$5,995. As low as \$199 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2014 Ford Transit Connect XLT. Roof rack, 3rd row seat, rear camera, 134 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2016 Ford Transit Connect. Cargo van, 255 K miles. Sale Price \$9,995. As low as \$249 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2017 Chrysler Pacifica Limited. Leather, seats 8, 147 K miles. Sale Price \$12,995. As low as \$289 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. www.rivertownautosales.com. Need a car a day or a week. We 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan. Remote start, 105 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call\ 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2017 Ford Transit 250 High Top Cargo Van. Rear camera, 197 K miles. Sale Price \$16,595. As low as \$359 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2017 Ram Promaster 2500. Mid roof, high miles. Sale Price \$8,995. As low as \$279 a month. Rivertown Auto Sales & Leasing. 989 VFW Rd, Cheboygan. 231-627-6700. Need a car a day or a week. We rent vehicles.

2018 Ram Promaster 1500 Cargo Van. FWD, 3.6L, 95 K miles. \$19,995. As low as \$319 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2019 Chrysler Pacifica. 4 captain seats, Stow-N-Go, rear camera, leather, 96 K miles. Very Nice! \$21,595. As low as \$339 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200.

2019 Dodge Grand Caravan. 4 captain chairs, 7 passenger, Stow-N-Go seats, 107 K miles. Byrider - 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2021 Chrysler Voyager. Cash Price \$20,995. As low as \$345 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

2021 Chrysler Voyager. Leather, Stow-N-Go seats, rear camera, 93 K miles. \$23,995. As low as \$369 a month. Petoskey Auto Sales & Rental, Byrider. 2215 US Hwy 31 N, Petoskey. Call 231-347-3200. Buy. Finance. Drive On.

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exhibit. The project will include repairs to the exhibit space, addressing a roof leak, replacing glass panels with tempered, anti-glare glass, and implementing durable, year-round display elements. Digitization of historical photographs has already begun to protect materials from seasonal damage.

Enhancing this exhibit provides an opportunity to

share the rich history of the Jordan River, flatboats, and trout fishing culture, further amplified by the new Don and Eileen Klein Nature Trail that connects visitors to this living piece of local heritage.

FJR has enlisted Keeney Swearer of Intentional Design Studio to lead the redesign, ensuring the exhibit's resilience and historical accuracy. The majority of the funds will cover design, lighting, and exhibit construction, with

additional funding allocated for research and narrative development.

## About Friends of the Jordan River Watershed

Friends of the Jordan River Watershed is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the protection, preservation, and stewardship of the Jordan River and its surrounding watershed. Through education, advocacy, and community engagement, FJR works to safeguard the natural beauty and ecological integrity of this vital resource for current and future generations.

#### NMMGA CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"Today, we are recognized as consultants to the Emmet County and City of Petoskey parks and recreation boards. We have revitalized the gardens and plantings at the Emmet County Fairgrounds in Petoskey, and this year hosted a Smart Gardener informational booth at the **Emmet-Charlevoix County** Fair in August. Our chapter has also added value to the Mackinac Island Lilac Festival with the addition of Smart Gardening informa-

"In addition, NMMGA was a major sponsor at the statewide Master Gardener

Conference in Interlochen this summer, not only financially but also with volunteers and participants."

Affholter took all of this leadership into consideration in suggesting the entire NMMGA board be named 2024 Master Gardener of the Year for our area. Board members include: Susan Affholter, Polly Cheney, Beth Cowie, Frances Paris, Kim Stevens, Midge Stewart and Babette Stenuis Stolz.

In offering congratulations to all those recognized this year, Affholter said, "Let's keep educating our community to mitigate climate change, to provide habitat for 'all of our relatives' ... the insects, birds, critters, micro-organisms ... and to enhance the aesthetics of our community."

Further information about NMMGA projects, membership, Smart Gardening, and upcoming events including the group's annual spring plant sale can be found on the group's website, www. northernmichiganmastergardenersassociation.org

For anyone interested in becoming a Master Gardener, MSU Extension is offering a 10-week Foundations on Gardening online course this winter, Feb. 13-April 17.

Details are available at www.canr.msu.edu/courses/ foundations-of-gardening

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adjustments were necessary for compliance and better term management," he said. He also criticized Conklin's lawsuit, stating, "I find it very interesting that the incoming supervisor would sue the township, which means he's basically suing every resident of the township. When really, the supervisor's role is to bring the township together."

The controversy came to a head at a special board meeting on November 25,

where the trustees met with township attorney Todd Millar to discuss the pending litigation. Dozens of residents attended, with many voicing support for Conklin.

"Congratulations on your big win and thank you for your commitment to turning this township around," said resident Luanne Kozma during public comment. "I think the board bet that you wouldn't hold them responsible for their illegal actions. I think they were wrong."

Following public comments, the board entered

a closed session with the township attorney. Conklin recused himself due to a conflict of interest. When the board emerged, they announced their decision to uphold the resolution adjusting the Planning Commission terms and to defend their actions in court.

Conklin expressed disappointment, stating that he would have dropped the lawsuit if the board had reversed its decision. "This was an opportunity to correct an improper action and move forward collaboratively, but the board chose otherwise," he said.

## REAL ESTATE FEATURE



## Boyne City home offers comfort and small-town charm

BY JIM AKANS

This week's feature listing is a Boyne City home, built in 2019, which offers modern design and amenities in a neighborhood location just minutes from downtown.

This three-bedroom home features approximately 1,120 square feet of beautifully designed and appointed living space. Interior highlights include a spacious, open concept layout with a kitchen that has lots of cabinet storage and counter space, living



area with abundant natural light, main floor laundry, three good-sized bedrooms and central air conditioning The property offers plenty of space for a garden, play area and more. The location is close to downtown Boyne City with a won-

derful array of shopping, dining and entertainment as well as nearby parks, schools and Lake Charlevoix.

What a great move-in

ready home and location!

This fantastic home is located at 337 Bailey Street in Boyne City and is listed at \$220,000. For more information visit jennifer-burrgroup.com or to arrange a home tour, call Jennifer Burr, Realtor, at Coldwell Banker Schmidt in Boyne City, 231-675-0157 or email at jennifer.burr@cbgreatlakes.com



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Just because it is a foreclosed property, does not automatically guarantee that it will be a good buy. There are several factors to consider before choosing a property and making an offer. This will help ensure that a choice will be the right one.

## Purpose

Is one an investor or looking for a home to live in? Depending on the intended use for the property, the buying criteria may be somewhat different. Investors usually are planning to either rent the property or resell it. The primary consideration is positive cash flow, or the ability to

profit from a resale.

Owner-occupant buyers who intend to buy a fore-closed home to live in are not concerned about rental cash flow. Their priorities are correlated to the size of the home and the location. They too should be very mindful of other criteria that will have a big impact on the purchase after it is completed.

## Location

If an investor, the most common mistake is location. The property choice should be influenced by an investment plan. If intending to rent the

property, choose a home that does not have too much competition in the immediate area.

One of the things that led to a high foreclosure rate among investors during the last years of the housing boom was investors who bought properties for rental, in areas where there were already many vacant rentals on the market. It will force rent rates down, or vacancy rate will be higher. If planning to resell, the same rule applies. A property may look very cheap, but if there is too much competition for rental or resale, it is going to reduce cash flow or force to lower the selling price.

Owner-occupants need to choose locations occupied by more owner-occupants then there are tenants. Buying a home to live in, in an area with lots of rental properties, will likely cause the home value to remain lower. Preferably, stay in an area that is made up of a high majority of owner-occupants. This will help ensure that the property value will remain stable or go up, not down.

## Afford

Investors want positive cash flow. Owner-occupants need affordable payments. Investors should know before buying, what the rental rate or resale value would be. Then determine an offer price that insures costs will not exceed the likely cash flow or resale value.



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