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**Local hospital foundation announces its first ever Farm-To-Table fundraising event**

*Proceeds to benefit Charlevoix Hospital's surgery and lab renovation project*

CHARLEVOIX, MI – A unique Farm-to-Table dinner has been organized in support of Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Foundation. The event will be held Thursday, July 28 at the Jordan Valley Barn in East Jordan.

Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the hospital's surgery suite and laboratory renovations, which are currently underway. The project will add a third operating room, new pre- and post-operative patient rooms, and an overhaul of the entire surgery and laboratory units to better accommodate the rapid growth in outpatient procedures. This important project will meet the growing needs of the communities, and is part of the hospital's continual effort to provide high-quality, compassionate care close to home.

Caterer Mike Everts of Blackbird Gardens and Real Food Dream Kitchen is creating a delectable, one-of-a-kind four-course meal, all from locally sourced ingredients. "We'll have gazpacho, then a family style main course of roasted lamb and seared walleye with several sides, followed by a European-style salad course, wrapping up with a delectable basque cake with spruce tips, fresh strawberries, and white balsamic sauce," said event organizer and board member Charlotte Diller. "The night promises to be a wonderful experience infused with local flavor while also giving back to an important patient need in our area.

Doors open at 5:30pm with wine and appetizers, followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Brief presentations by several hospital speakers will share with guests the importance of the evening and the project it benefits.

Tickets are \$125 per person, a portion of which is tax deductible, and can be purchased by contacting the Foundation office at 231-547-8501. Seating is limited and reservations are needed by Wednesday, July 13.

Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization working to raise and manage funds to benefit Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital. For more information about the Hospital and Foundation please visit [munsonhealthcare.org/charlevoixhospital](http://munsonhealthcare.org/charlevoixhospital).

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**About Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital**

Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital is a 25-bed, critical access hospital located in Charlevoix, Michigan. Part of the Munson Healthcare system, the hospital was established in 1919 and serves Charlevoix and northern Antrim County residents as well as thousands of vacationers each year.

**For more information** on both Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital and the Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital Foundation, visit [munsonhealthcare.org/charlevoixhospital](http://munsonhealthcare.org/charlevoixhospital).

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