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Subject: What’s Up with the Weather?

On February 5, National Weatherperson’s Day recognizes those in the fields of meteorology, weather forecasting and broadcast meteorology as well as volunteer storm spotters and observers.

Celebrating the special day at the Traverse City Senior Center at 9 a.m. on February 3 will be Joe Charlevoix, Meteorologist for WBPN/WTOM TV 7&4. Joe grew up in the Upper Peninsula, received a degree in Broadcast Meteorology from Valparaiso University in Indiana then interned in Chicago. Eventually, he made his way back to Michigan and the Traverse City area which he has called home for nearly 16 years.

During this fascinating presentation, Joe will be explaining forecasting, how it’s done and how it’s changed over the years. Additionally, he will talk about special weather phenomenon around the world and in our area including the late start to winter this year and what the weather could be like in the coming months. Joe will also touch on how participants can volunteer to become storm spotters. Participants can learn even more during the question and answer period.

Advance registration requested for this unique opportunity. For questions, please call 231-922-4911 or email dmikowski@grandtraverse.org

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