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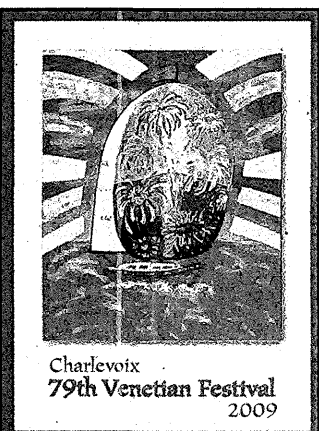
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Charlevoix 79th Venetian Festival 2009

Charlevoix's Venetian Festival July 19-25

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

CHARLEVOIX — The Charlevoix Venetian Festival is July 19-25, with this year marking the 79th year of the festival that brings a week of activities, entertainment, food and fun to area residents and visitors alike.

This year's artwork that represents the festival in posters, brochures, tee shirts and more was designed and created by Pat Dodson. The original will be auctioned off on Friday, July 24.

A street parade and boat parade are sure to please all ages, and again this year are two nights of fantastic fireworks. Live entertainment offers a variety of music from jazz to country rock. Enjoy the Up North Big

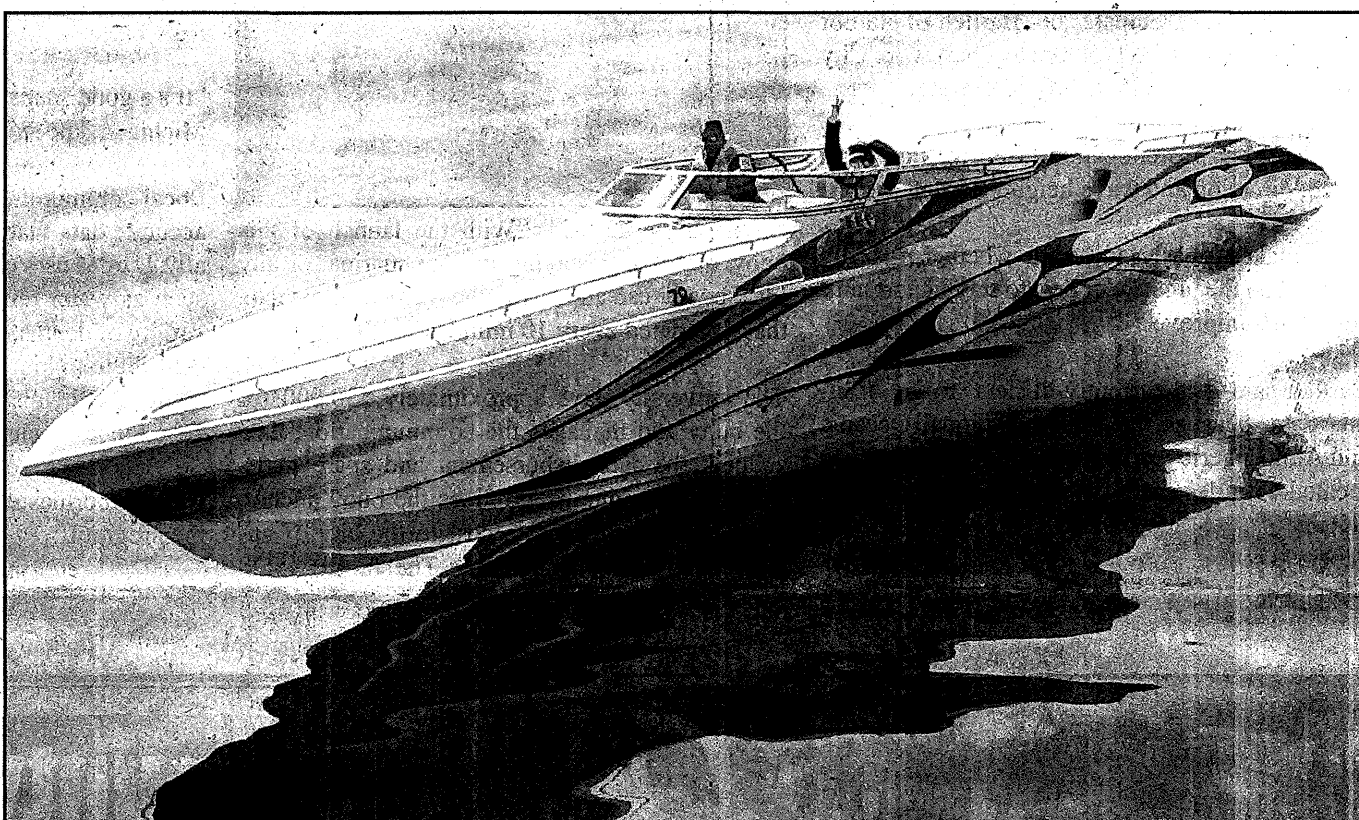
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Forecast: THUNDER in Boyne City this Weekend



Some of the fastest, most powerful boats in the Midwest will join local boaters and their families for a day of fun on the water. Photo courtesy of Boyne Thunder Committee.

6th Annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run Takes to The Water on Friday

By: Jason Crum

The 6th annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run is scheduled for this Friday and Saturday, July 10th & 11th. Boaters from across the Midwest will gather in Boyne City, on the shores of Lake Charlevoix, for some boating fun and to help raise money for Camp Quality USA, an organization dedicated to helping children with cancer.

Some of the fastest, most powerful boats in the Midwest will join local boaters and their families for a day of fun on the water. The poker run starts in Boyne City, and will have stops in Charlevoix, Beaver Island, Harbor Springs and Bay

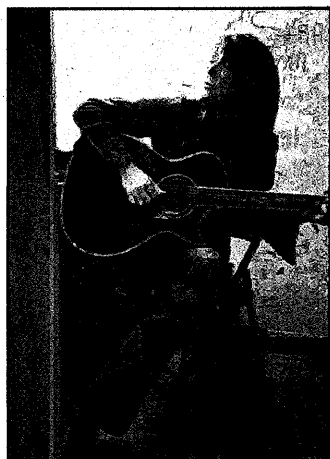
Harbor. At each stop, boaters will receive an envelope with a single playing card. Saturday evening is the culmination of the event with Thunderfest, back in Boyne City, where the envelopes are opened and the best poker hand is declared the winner.

Boyne Thunder has raised over \$140,000 for Camp Quality USA, whose motto is "Letting Kids With Cancer Be Kids Again." The mission of Camp Quality USA is to establish and sustain nationwide community-based camping experiences and ongoing support programs for children with cancer and their families. They have 15 camps established in 12 states, and will have over 700 campers visit this year to enjoy the fun of cookouts, camp-

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A Music, Art & Dance Paradise at Blissfest

By Jim Akans

"Blissfest brings a world of music to our own backyard," states Jim Gillespie,

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EVENINGS AT THE GAZEBO

Enjoy the music and the view every Wednesday at the gazebo in Old City Park every Wednesday evening through August. Concerts

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High Tech Buoy Makes Boating Safer

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

CHARLEVOIX — The University of Michigan is partnering with local communities to provide real time lake conditions through a program that is just a click or two away on a boater's laptop.

The first of its kind in the U.S., the program, known as the Great Lakes Observing System, or GLOS, uses satellite technology to access current lake conditions. A weather- monitoring buoy is provided by the university to cities such as Charlevoix for collection of data.

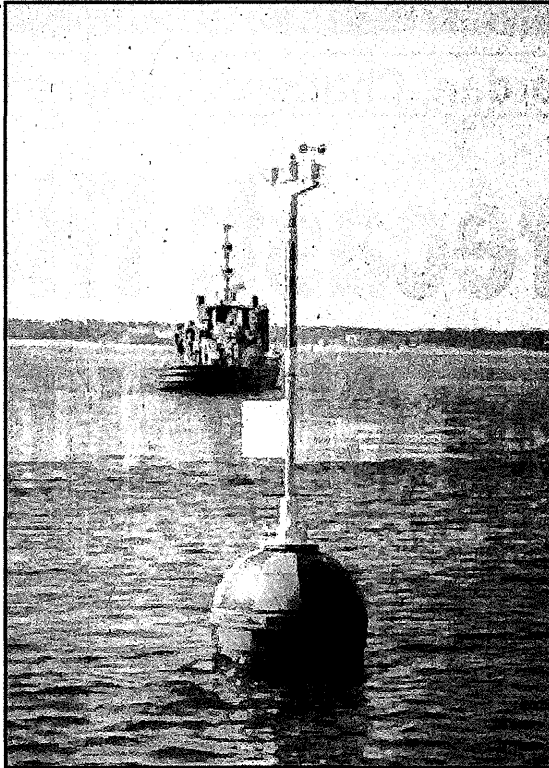
The city of Harbor Springs is working with U of M to encourage other cities to participate in the program. Petoskey, Harbor Springs and Bay Harbor have agreed to participate. Jim Bartlett of Harbor Springs presented the program to Charlevoix City Council members at their July 6 meeting.

The data that boaters can tap into include wind speed, direction and wave height, Bartlett said.

"This makes it easier to decide whether it is safe to travel on the big lake or best to stay in port until conditions improve."

Bartlett said it is currently difficult to get accurate data, because the closest National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration weather buoy is located 45 miles east of Washington Island, Wisconsin.

"That's no where near Little Traverse Bay or



Charlevoix," he said. "With the launch of this buoy, any boater staying in your marina, or any local boater can access (on the web) accurate data that is updated every 10 minutes."

The university pays approximately \$30,000 for the buoy and manages the communication, data acquisition, data disbursement and spare parts. The local community provides the buoy anchor, launch and retrieval at a cost to the city of approximately \$1,500 annually. The funds would come out of the marina fund.

"This makes it easier to decide whether it is safe to travel on the big lake or best to stay in port until conditions improve," says Bartlett.

Bartlett said the buoy could be on the Little Traverse Bay by August 1. Placement of the buoy would be in between Nine Mile Point and Seven Mile Point.

"It's a good snapshot of what's going on, on Lake Michigan," he said.

Local communities benefit by helping to provide accurate data that makes boating safer. Additionally, U of M uses other data generated by the buoy, such as water temperatures at the surface and a variety of depths, current speed and direction that contribute to knowledge about lake water movement and chemistry with a focus on methods to keep the lakes clean, Bartlett told city council.

City harbormaster, Hal Evans, said he supports the program.



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Children's Matinee at Aten Place will Feature Josh White, Jr.

Josh White, Jr. will be performing at Aten Place on Wednesday, July 15th at 2:00 pm in a special Children's Matinee show. Josh is masterful in his ability to entertain the 'single-digit' crowd, and relies heavily on audience participation in his shows. Josh re-released his album, All the Children in 2007, which features all of the favorite children's tunes, such as "One Meatball", "Alan-gator" and the "Unicom".

When Josh is not performing on stage, he is working with communities and schools to help them understand their historical past. In 1993, Josh teamed up with the founder of Story Living, Rändi Douglas, to form an interactive educational outreach instructional curriculum called Living History. The program is based on 40 years of British teaching and research on the use of creative activities as a teaching tool. The process is active, creative and democratic, inviting all participants to exercise their imaginations as they learn. The purpose is to teach history and social studies using kinesthetic and multiple in-

telligence activities. The program involves students in becoming the people they are learning about and allows them to become emotionally involved. This all happens in the classroom with music, imagination and role-playing. The Living History sessions are held in schools from third grade and up, universities, churches, temples, community centers and seminars. The mantra of Living History is "I hear and I forget ~ I see and I remember ~ I do and I understand"

Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. The venue is a ninety-year old oak frame barn with seating for 180, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne Mountain. Tickets for this show are \$3 for children and \$5 for adults. Refreshments will be served following the show. There is also a covered picnic pavilion for those who wish to come early and enjoy the grounds and peaceful setting.



For more information on this summer's schedule go to www.atenplace.com or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 231-549-2076.

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BOYNE THUNDER RETURNS

The roar of thunder returns to Boyne City for the sixth annual Boyne Thunder Poker Run on July 10 and 11. The event, which started as a fund raiser for Camp Quality, has grown into a premier boating event for northwest Lower Michigan and now attracts some of the most awe-inspiring, high performance boats ever to churn the waters of Lake Charlevoix and northern Lake Michigan. The event, a Main Street initiative, has raised more than \$140,000 for Camp Quality, a camp for children suffering from cancer. Downtown Boyne City will again celebrate Boyne Thunder with "Stroll the Streets," an evening of music, and boat and car displays on Friday, July 10, from 6 to 9 p.m. Also that evening, there is a benefit dinner and auction beginning at 6 p.m. in Veterans Park. Tickets are \$50 and are available at the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce office. The poker run begins at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 11, with boaters making stops at Beaver Island, Harbor Springs, Petoskey, and Bay Harbor before returning to Horton Bay for the last card stop. Boyne Thunder concludes Saturday evening with a barbecue dinner in Veterans Park beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets for the dinner are \$35.

BOYNE CITY

CHAMPAGNE CRUISE

One of the best venues to watch the Boyne Thunder event is on the Champagne Cruise, where you are invited to come aboard one of the yachts that have generously been donated for the day by area boat owners. On board you will be served beverages and hors d'oeuvres while you cruise about Lake Charlevoix, viewing all of the action from your vantage on the water. Later, your yacht will join up with all of the other Champagne boats for a "raft off" in Horton Bay. There you will be treated to the arrival and card pickup by all of the Thunder Boats making their last stop. The Champagne Cruise will then visit Sommerset Pointe Yacht Club for a reception. The cost of the Champagne Cruise is \$75 donation to Camp Quality. For more information or to make a reservation, call the Main Street office at 231-582-9009.

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Local Garden Club shares its bounty

EAST JORDAN -- Earlier this spring, members of the Jordan Valley Late Bloomers Garden Club expanded their goal of giving back to the community. In addition to maintaining one of the gardens at the East Jordan Memorial Park, members were encouraged to share the bounty of their personal vegetable gardens with the East Jordan Care & Share Program. It seemed only fitting to incorporate their club's mission of service to include providing fresh produce for the Food Pantry.

And, when the club accepted the City's invitation to adopt a planter box on Main Street for the summer, they continued their theme of community service by planting a variety of herbs to also be harvested for the Food Pantry. Herbs such as chives, sage, thyme, rosemary, nasturtiums, basil, and parsley mingle with colorful annuals and thrive under the care of garden club members who take turns weeding, pruning, and preparing them for delivery.

Other past garden club service projects include



the Hospice and Holiday Auctions, the Jr. Master Gardener's Program, and the Jordan Valley District Library Garden. The club meets monthly throughout the winter, with field trips and special

programs through the summer. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Brenda at (231) 536-2437.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



By Margaret Lasater

Hospice of Northwest Michigan in partnership with the Health Department of Northwest Michigan which serves Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet counties is looking for caring and compassionate individuals who would like to join its family of hospice volunteers.

Hospice will be conducting a volunteer training program starting Monday, July 20, 2009. The session will run for four weeks, meeting Monday and Wednesdays from 10am - 12pm. The classes will be conducted at the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, 220 Garfield, Charlevoix.

The first session will give an overview of hospice and the admission process to the hospice program. Each session will deal with a different aspect of training. These include: grief and bereavement, spiritual care, communication skills, understanding the family, care and comfort measure and ethical issues.

Hospice volunteers provide a variety of services including respite care to the terminally ill and their family. Anyone who has been a caregiver knows how important it is to have some time for themselves and our hospice volunteers provide this badly needed help by staying at home so the caregiver can get away or just rest.

Volunteers provide much help, whether it is with patients, in the office, or helping with fundraising. They are truly the cement of the hospice program and make it unique.

Basic requirements are that volunteers must be at least 18 years of age, had no significant loss in the past year, willing to make a commitment to the hospice program, complete the hospice basic training program and be willing to submit to a background check and drug screening.

To volunteer please call Hospice of Northwest Michigan office at 231-547-7748.

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GET DOWN SWING AND BOOGIE-WOOGIE

Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation's Symphony on the Green Presents music from the WWII era at Pelican Airways Hangar on July 10. Great music and food at \$125 per person to benefit Charlevoix Area Hospital's Community Health Outreach programming.

BOYNE CITY

SWIM SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Boyne Area 4-H Swim School is still taking registrations at the MSU Extension Center, 319 N. Lake St. in the City Hall building). Call 582-6232 for information. 4-H Performing Arts Camp will be held at three locations including July 6-10 and July 13-17 at the City Hall Auditorium in Boyne City. Classes will also be held in East Jordan July 20-24 and July 27-31 and in Charlevoix Aug. 3-7 and the 10-13. The class is taught by Carol Langan-Bissonnet, a veteran of dozens of television and dramatic productions.

CHARLEVOIX

SYMPHONY ON THE GREEN

Tickets are available for this year's "Symphony on the Green" on July 10. The event is sponsored by the Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation. For more information on the event call 231-547-8501. This year's event will help support the Hospital outreach programs.

EAST JORDAN

SOUTH ARM CLASSIC BOAT AND CAR SHOW

Attend the Classic Boat and Car Show on July 11 at Memorial Park from 10am-3pm. Sign up 9-10am no fee to register. Registration applications are available at the Chamber office. If you would like to participate in the South Arm Classic Boat and Car Show call Darrin Podskalny at 231-536-0630 or at darrin@charter.net.

CHARLEVOIX

ART & CRAFT SHOW

Summer in Northern Michigan has arrived and we are proud to invite you to the 41st Annual Charlevoix Art & Craft Show July 11. Over 200 artists and craftsmen fill East Park offering everything from oil paintings to rustic furniture. The whole family can shop and relax while enjoying the views on scenic Round Lake Harbor. If you are looking for a unique shopping opportunity in a one of kind community. For more information contact the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-547-2101.

EAST JORDAN

ANNUAL ARTS INVITATIONAL EXHIBITION

Enjoy the talent of local artists through July 22 at the

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UP-BEAT

The Charlevoix County News makes it a point every week to publish the positive side of news in Charlevoix County. We are surrounded by negative news, but readers find the Charlevoix County News will find a refreshing change especially in today's climate. If you have something positive to share, let us know. E-Mail us at Office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com.

Feeling the Pride of Being an American

By Dave Baragrey 1

I enjoy the local festivities that surround the Independence Day celebrations around Northern Michigan. I love the feeling that my neighbors have as they celebrate the holiday. I enjoy the fireworks displays and it is wonderful to see the volume of visitors to our area enjoying the beauty of the Northern Michigan.

Most of all, I love the music. Watching people of all ages singing God Bless America and knowing that their hearts are swelling with pride warms my heart. Hearing a band play a patriotic song at one of the local celebrations, singing a patriotic song in church on Sunday morning or even watching the concerts on television in cities around the U.S. as they celebrate the nation's birth the music seems to bring everyone together.

Despite the turmoil we are currently facing in our economy and the overwhelming blitz of bad news we are blasted with daily by the news media, this one celebration seems to set aside the negative news and allow us all to celebrate our freedom together, as one nation.

Here is a quote to keep in mind

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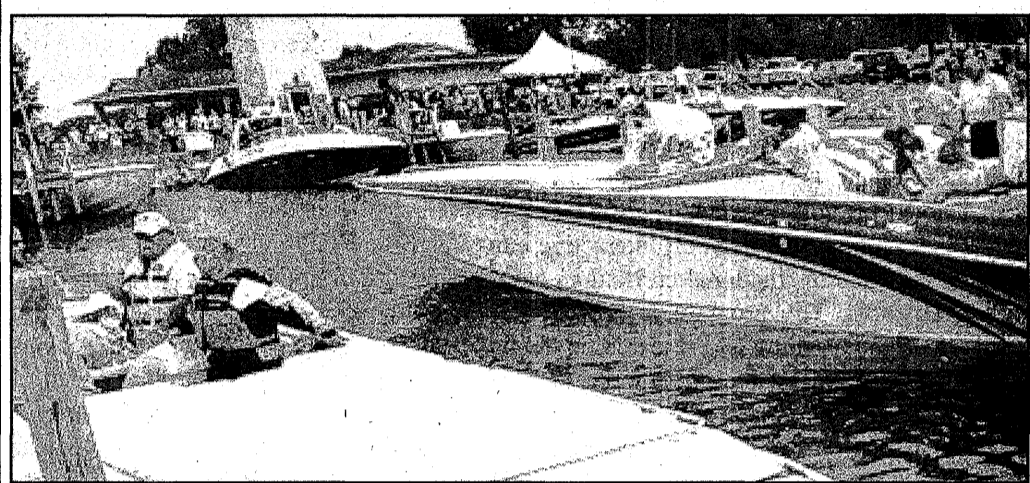
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Boyne Thunder set for this weekend



Poker Run event features high-powered boats with proceeds benefiting Camp Quality

BOYNE CITY – Boyne City Main Street is hosting the sixth annual BoyneThunder Poker Run this Friday and Saturday, July 10-11. Each year, the event brings high-performance boats from across the Midwest to the beautiful shores of Lake Charlevoix.

BoyneThunder begins in Boyne City and continues to Charlevoix, Beaver Island, Harbor Springs and Bay Harbor before returning to the Boyne City marina for the Thunder Feast by the lake. Each boat picks up a sealed envelope with a playing card at one of the six designated stops during the event. The boat with the best



"poker hand" revealed during the Thunder Fest by the lake on Saturday evening is the winner. The boats embark from Boyne City and journey first through Round Lake in Charlevoix, approximately 14 miles. The first designated card stop for the boats is at Beaver Island, approximately 31 miles from Charlevoix. The second stop is Harbor Springs, approximately 36 miles from Beaver Island. The third card is to be picked up in Petoskey, approximately 3 miles from Harbor Springs.

From Petoskey, the boats to go Bay Harbor for the fourth card stop. Bay Harbor will also be hosting a catered lunch. The distance to Bay Harbor is about 4 miles.

From Bay Harbor, the boats go to Sommerset Pointe on Lake Charlevoix for their fifth card stop. The final locale to pick up a playing card is Boyne City, about 4 miles from Sommerset Pointe.

Proceeds from BoyneThunder go to benefit Camp Quality USA, a summer camping experience and year-round support program for children with cancer. Camp Quality is famed for its "Smile Therapy" and is known as a place where "kids find themselves capable of more than they dreamed possible."

For information about BoyneThunder, call (231) 582-9002 or e-mail mainstreet@boynecity.com.

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FARMERS MARKET

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BOYNE CITY

STROLL THE STREETS

Another season of Stroll the Streets fills downtown Boyne City with music and fun every Friday evening from 6 to 9 p.m. through Labor Day weekend. Music will range from traditional folk, blue grass and jazz to rock. Special activities include magicians, caricature artists, face painting and balloon twisting. This event is organized by the Boyne City Main Street Program.

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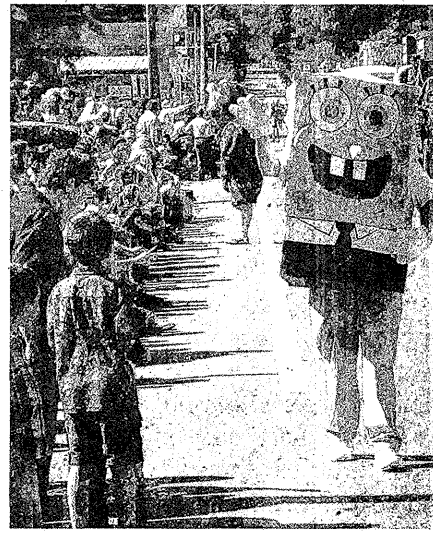
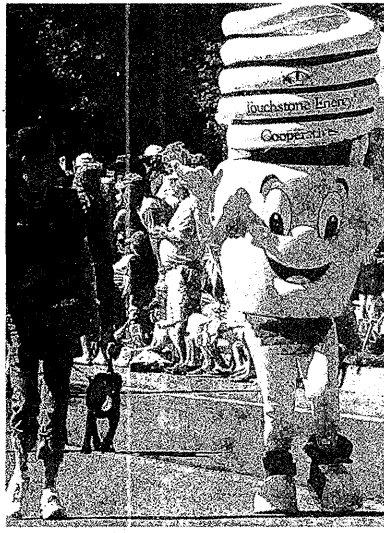
You are invited to visit 6 private gardens and the gardens at Castle Farms on July 15. This year's theme is A Palette of Charlevoix Gardens. Tickets for the Garden Walk are \$10 in advance and \$12 on the day of the walk. Tickets can be purchased in Charlevoix at Consign Design, Round Lake Book Store, Shop of the Gulls and Halfway to the Top in downtown Charlevoix; Esperance, US 31 North, Castle Farms and Marvin's Gardens on M-66; Mary's of Boyne in downtown Boyne City; EJ Shoppe in downtown East Jordan; and from Garden Club members. On the day of the Walk, tickets can be purchased at the gardens. If you wish to order tickets, call 231-237-4294. The Garden Walk is open July 15 from 10am to 4pm.

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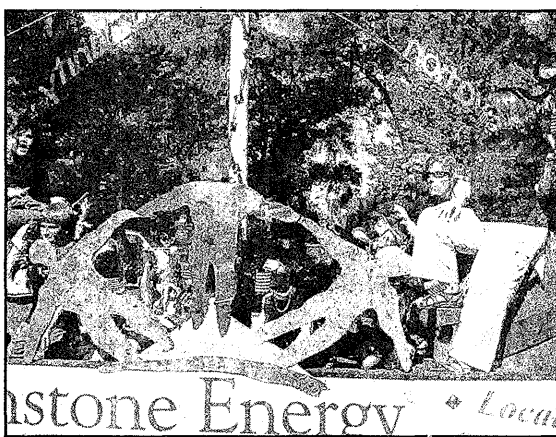
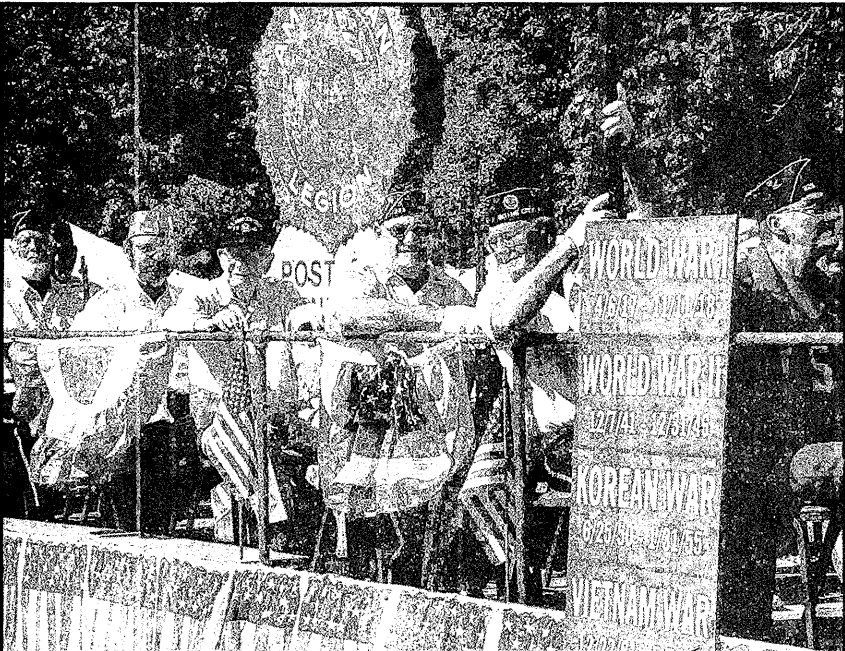
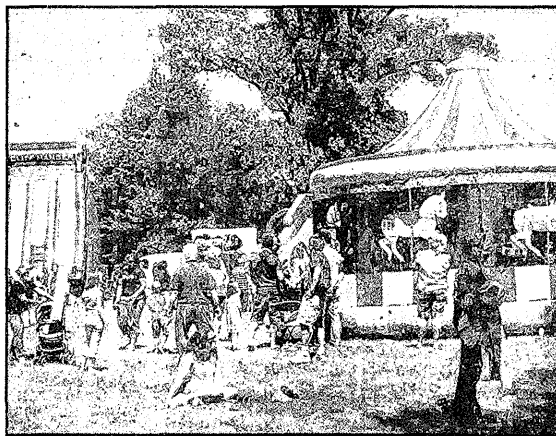
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The Fourth is Fun and Festive in Boyne City



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Dan Turcott at dturcott@boayne.com or call 231-439-4016 for additional details. Tournament dates are July 15 - 19.

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STREET LEGENDS OF CHARLEVOIX CRUISE-IN

Listen to the The Fabulous Oldies but Goodies 50's & 60's Rock "n" Roll Band and enjoy the cars July 17 at 7pm.

CHARLEVOIX

STREET LEGENDS OF CHARLEVOIX 17TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Enjoy the legends of the street July 18 in the park downtown Charlevoix from 9am to 4pm. Enjoy music, contests, drawings and of course the cars. Proceeds from the auction at 3pm benefit Camp Quality. This camp is for children with cancer and offers a support program for families.

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For 79 years Charlevoix has hosted one of Northern Michigan's premier festivals, the Venetian Festival. This year's events are July 19 - 25. Music, food, events, contests, shows with free admission. Capped by a fantastic fireworks display on the Round Lake Harbor at dusk on July 25.

Boyne Thunder in Boyne this weekend

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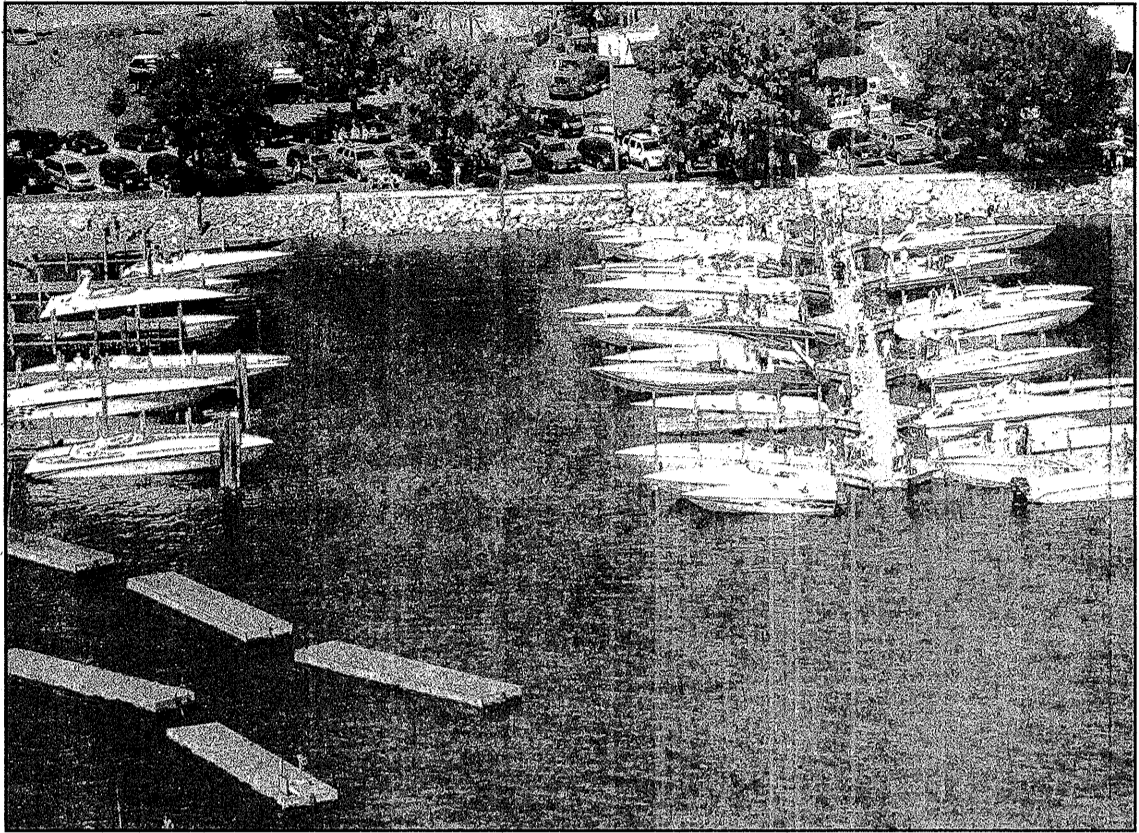
fires, fireworks, outdoor games and events.

Boyne Thunder will also benefit the Boyne City Main Street Program, a grassroots, volunteer-driven program dedicated towards the historic preservation and economic development of Boyne City's downtown

Thunder Boats will begin to arrive in Boyne City on Friday. On Friday night, the fun kicks off with "Stroll the Streets," an evening of music, and boat and car displays from 6 to 9 p.m. Also that evening, there is a benefit dinner and auction beginning at 6 p.m. in Veteran's Park. Tickets are \$50 and are available at the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce office.

Tickets for the Friday evening dinner in Veterans Park are \$50 and available at the Boyne City Chamber office. Downtown Boyne City is also hosting an expanded "Stroll the Streets," with a variety of musical groups playing throughout downtown. There will be high-performance boats on display and activities will be going on throughout the evening.

Saturday morning, the boaters meet for breakfast in Veterans Park, and the event kicks off with all of the boats making a parade lap before heading off on the poker run. The best viewing for the parade lap will be from Veterans Park. Another great way to see the boats is on the Lake Charlevoix Champagne Cruise, which begins



Aerial of Boyne Thunder boats at the City Dock. Photo courtesy of Boyne Thunder Committee.

Saturday at noon. The cost of the Champagne Cruise is a \$75 donation to Camp Quality. For more information or to make a reservation, call the Main Street office at 231.582-9009

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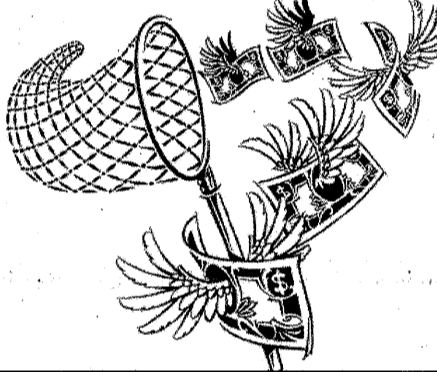
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If you would like more information about the Boyne Thunder Event or the Boyne City Main

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Obesity is not an indicator of psychological suffering. However, psychological communities determined Binge Eating Disorder (BED) describes a certain eating pattern and pathological disturbances. For instance, BED is a sudden, compulsive ingestion of large amounts of food in a short period followed by agitation and severe self-criticism. The diagnostic criterion for BED follows. Eating in a two hour period large amounts of food, feeling out of control, cannot stop eating, eat more rapidly, eat until uncomfortable, eat large amounts of food when not hungry, eating alone, embarrassed by how much you eat, disgusted with oneself, depressed and guilty over eating. There is a distress related to BED and the eating pattern occurs on at least two days a week for six months. Research suggests this pattern begins with obesity, then failed dieting cycles, followed by BED, which affects self-identity. If you suffer from BED bring this to your doctor's attention along with seeking psychological intervention.

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Blissfest ... Continued from front page



Above: Seth and May on stage. Photo courtesy of Blissfest.
Front page photo: Kathy Mattea will perform at Blissfest on Saturday, July 11th. Photo courtesy of Blissfest

founder of the Blissfest music and arts festival. "This gathering of such an amazing level of talent representing an international cultural experience doesn't happen here in Northern Michigan every day."

It has, however, been happening annually at an open air site near Cross Village, just north of Harbor Springs, for the last 29 years.

Blissfest began in 1981, instigated by Jim Gillespie's diverse musical tastes and his desire to assist someone looking for a fundraising event for a charter school.

"At the time," he recalls, "I had been attending Central Michigan University and was involved in establishing the Wheatland Music Festival there, which is the granddaddy of folk and roots music festivals here in Michigan. So Blissfest was created, celebrating my love for bluegrass, Celtic and roots music. The festival survived, the charter school however, didn't."

In the early years, the location of Blissfest

"Blissfest brings a world of music to our own backyard," states Jim Gillespie, founder of the Blissfest music and arts festival.

changed regularly, eventually landing at the present day 120 acre site in Redman Township. The spirit of the festival has remained as true and genuine as the music it features.

"We will highlight over 40 musical acts on three stages," notes Jim. "We promote diversity through music and dance, preserving the traditions of styles such as blues, bluegrass, folk, Irish, and Cajun, and encouraging innovators of those styles. So the festival keeps evolving much like the musical tastes of America."

Peak attendance is anticipated to reach nearly 5,000 people during the three day event, enjoying such musical legends as Kathy Mattea and Loudon Wainwright III, as well as less familiar though equally talented performers such as The

29th Annual Three-Day Event near Cross Village Begins July 10th

John Jorgenson Quintet, Breathe Owl Breathe (who recently appeared in Grayling), and Earthwork Music Artists Seth & Daisy May.

And while the music at Blissfest is extraordinary, there is much more to stimulate the senses.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to attend musical workshops ("we want people to realize anyone can be a musician," notes Jim), a hands-on art camp, indulge in the healing arts and peruse handmade crafts. There will also be plenty of activities for kids, including games and a kids parade, several prizes for attendees including "Best Dressed Camp" (natural and trendy), and a Blissfest Birthday Party celebrating "Blissfesters" with birthdays occurring between July 7th and July 15th.

A festival campground includes rustic sites with access to a solar shower, water outlets, portable restrooms, recycle bins and trash receptacles. For those inclined toward less "open air" lodging arrangements, several nearby communities, including Petoskey, Harbor Springs and Indian River offer many fine motel establishments.

"After 29 years," states Jim Gillespie, "Blissfest has some wonderful history and traditions. For our regular attendees, this has become a reunion event as well as music, arts and dance festival. It's a great way for people to get together, enjoy the arts in the open air, and have fun."

For more information, call 231-348-7047 or visit www.blissfest.org.

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BOYNE FALLS

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

This Michigan PGA sanctioned event July 20 - 22 brings together the most diverse field of talented golfers in the state. Professionals, amateurs, males and females ranging in age from 14 to 84 compete against each other from various tees on The Alpine at Boyne Mountain. Format is 54 holes of stroke play with a cut after the first 36 holes. Past champions of major tournaments from around the state qualify to play in this event. Live scoring is available at www.GolfStat.com or www.michiganpga.com. For more information on the Tournament of Champions event, please visit www.michiganpga.com.

BOYNE CITY

STARTING A BUSINESS?

Classes are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or emailing info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

EAST JORDAN

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

The Jordan Valley Community Band presents Concerts in the Park on each Thursday in July from 7:30pm to 8:30pm at the Memorial Park Bandshell. Rain location Senior Center.

BOYNE CITY

MEETING TO FOCUS ON FUTURE OF BOYNE'S DOWNTOWN

Business owners and residents are invited to attend an evening workshop session focusing on the future of the Boyne City business district. Sponsored by the Main Street / Downtown Development Authority, the meeting is July 23 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the city hall auditorium. In 1995 the City of Boyne City created a Downtown Development Authority (DDA) to help revitalize and enhance our community's central business district. The original DDA plan was for 15 years and during that time much has been accomplished but more work remains. The DDA/Main Street board has started the process, like many other Michigan communities have done and are doing, to extend its program of work for at least another 15 years. Extending the DDA/Main Street will not raise property taxes but will allow the community to continue to direct tax dollars for public projects in the DDA district. For more information about the DDA / Main Street program and the upcoming public meetings, contact the Main Street office at 582-9009 or email mainstreet@boyncity.com.

Letter to the Editor

We've adopted Northern Michigan as our summer home. After nearly 30 years in Arizona we came for a month last year and stayed for 5 months with no doubt we would be back.

Each week I pick up the Weekly Choice. It is my favorite of the free papers. If you published an edition with events for the entire summer I missed it. Last year we found our favorite event. It was the Walloon Lake Flywheeler's annual show. This year it is June 23 - 26.

We had so much fun one day we went back again. This year we plan to camp out so we don't miss anything. Camping is cheap. It is just \$25 for the weekend. Daily admission is still only \$5 for an adult.

Tractors aren't all it is about. There are lots of old small engines, antique household goods, even a vintage fashion show. At the farm the kids can see small animals climb in a wooden shoe and watch their own jump rope being made and take it home for free.

Really good food from snacks to dinners cooked by good farm cooks. The museum always raffles off an Amish-made quilt and I'll bet it is beautiful.

I think it is a bargain weekend and a safe and educational place to take the kids, who get in for free. Parking is also free. There's even a flea market with around 50 sellers.

I'm writing you out of sincere interest in letting others know of a good time.

I'm not a part of any of their committees.

Sharon Redies-Raynor

There are many ways single people can build relationships



FOCUS ON THE FAMILY with Dr. James Dobson

QUESTION: In your book "Love Must Be Tough," you suggested some ways unmarried people can build healthy relationships and not smother each other. Would you share those again and apply the "tough love" principle to those of us who are not married? How does the issue of respect relate to our romantic relationships, and how can we build and preserve it?

DR. DOBSON: The principles of loving toughness are the same for those who are single as for those who have been married for decades. There are circumstances, however, that are specific to the courtship period. Let me cite seventeen suggestions that will help you avoid the common pitfalls among those who are trying to win the heart of another.

1. Don't let a relationship move too fast in its infancy. The phrase "too hot not to cool down" has validity. Romantic affairs that begin in a frenzy frequently burn themselves out. Take it one step at a time.
2. Don't discuss your personal inadequacies and flaws in great detail when the relationship is new. No matter how warm and accepting your friend may be, any great revelation of low self-esteem or embarrassing weaknesses can be fatal when interpersonal "valleys" occur. And they will occur.
3. Remember that respect precedes love. Build it stone upon stone.
4. Don't call too often on the phone or give the other person an opportunity to get tired of you.
5. Don't be too quick to reveal your desire to get married -- or that you think you've just found Mr. Wonderful or Miss Marvelous. If your partner has not arrived at the same conclusion, you'll throw him or her into panic.
6. Most important: Relationships are constantly being tested by cautious lovers who like to nibble at the bait before swallowing the hook. This testing procedure takes many forms, but it usually involves pulling backward from the other person to see what will happen. Perhaps a foolish fight is initiated. Maybe two weeks will pass without a phone call. Or sometimes flirtation occurs with a rival. In each instance, the question being asked is "How important am I to you, and what would you do if you lost me?" An even more basic issue lies below that one. It wants to know, "How free am I to leave if I want to?" It is incredibly important in these

- instances to appear poised, secure and equally independent. Do not grasp the other person and beg for mercy. Some people remain single throughout life because they cannot resist the temptation to grovel when the test occurs.
 7. Extending the same concept, keep in mind that virtually every dating relationship that continues for a year or more and seems to be moving toward marriage will be given the ultimate test. A breakup will occur, motivated by only one of the lovers. The rejected individual should know that their future together depends on the skill with which he or she handles that crisis. If the hurting individual can remain calm, the next two steps may be reconciliation and marriage. It often happens that way. If not, then no amount of pleading will change anything.
 8. Do not depend entirely upon one another for the satisfaction of every emotional need. Maintain interests and activities outside that romantic relationship, even after marriage.
 9. Guard against selfishness in your love affair. Neither the man nor the woman should do all the giving. I once broke up with a girl because she let me take her to nice places, bring her flowers, buy her lunch, etc. I wanted to do these things but expected her to reciprocate in some way. She didn't.
- There are eight more "Love Must Be Tough" principles to be discussed, and we'll take a look at them next week.

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WALLOON LAKE

ANTIQUA TRACTOR ENGINE AND CRAFT SHOW

22nd Annual Show. Arts & Crafts Demonstrations, Basket Factory, Blacksmith, Parade of Power 2 p.m. each day, Music, Huge Flea Market, Saw Mill, Veneer Mill, Food available, Sat. Fashion Show, Old Machinery in operation, Museum, Featuring unstyled John Deere Tractors and John Deere Engines. Show is July 23 - 26.

BOYNE CITY

FRIENDS AND FAMILY FUN FAIR

Friends of the Boyne District Library will be hosting children's games and activities, a children's used book sale, music, clowns, balloons and prizes for all. A crazy quilt raffle will be held at 8PM. July 24

CHARLEVOIX

FIBER ARTS FESTIVAL

If you think of oatmeal when you think of fiber - think again! It's a shopping extravaganza with more than 50 vendors showcasing hand made goods including sweaters, original lace shawls, hats, mittens, and much more. Live animals, interactive demonstrations, Sheep dogs at work, Sheep shearing presentations, Fashion show. July 25 and 26 at Castle Farms.

BOYNE CITY

CHILDREN OF THE WORLD SING IN HARMONY

The Rolnicka Praha Children's Choir and the Kalamazoo Children's Choir join for this concert July 29 at 8pm at the Boyne City High School Performing Arts Center.

BOYNE FALLS

POLISH FESTIVAL

Enjoy the music, parades, contests, carnival rides and the Polka tent at the 35th annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival August 6, 7, 8 and 9

BOYNE FALLS

KID ROCK RETURNS

Kid Rock is returning to Boyne Mountain for a live concert on Saturday, Aug. 15. Tickets go on sale this Saturday, June 27 at 10 a.m. for \$45 each

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First Breezeway Cruise Tremendous Success

The first ever "Breezeway Cruise" held Thursday, June 18, 2009 saw excellent participation, great enthusiasm and wonderful cooperation between local law enforcement, business sponsors and individuals. Car and motorcycle enthusiasts "breezed" the C-48 route from, Boyne Falls to Atwood on a beautiful Northern Michigan evening.

Organized by the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce the cruise highlighted the Breezeway between the towns of Boyne Falls, East Jordan, Ellsworth and Atwood. Special Thank You to Boyne Mountain for sponsoring the "Meet and Greet Reception" with delicious snacks, pizza and awesome chairlift rides. Thank You to Antrim Dells for hosting the end of the cruise party/reception where Ed and Joyce Petter were honored as Banks Township Citizen of the Year. Thank You to Ellsworth Lioness for their assistance at the reception. Thank You to City of East Jordan Police Chief Dan Reese and dept staff, Charlevoix County Sheriff Schneider and Dept. Michigan State Police, Village of Ellsworth Police, Ed Daunter and Dept, Antrim County Sheriff, Dan Bean and Dept for ensuring our safety along the route.

Kudos to the many individuals who greeted participants along the route with waves, signs and applause! The event was a spectacular kick-off to an exciting Northern Michigan Summer! Plans are already underway for the next years 2nd Annual Event!

Submitted by the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce

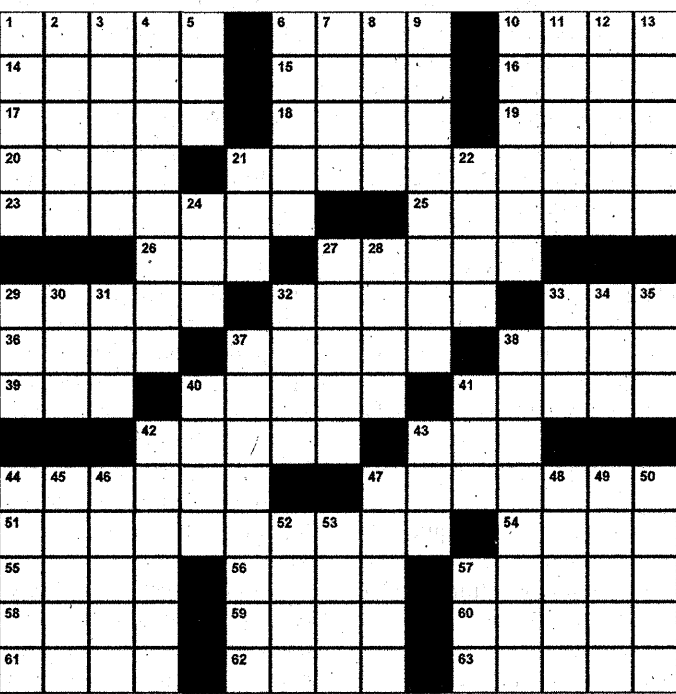
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Celtic Music Takes the Stage at Aten Place



The traditional Irish music trio, Legacy, will perform at Aten Place on Saturday, July 18th at 7:30 pm. The group is making their sixth summer tour of Michigan this July, with more than a dozen appearances from Detroit to Mackinac Island and the Upper Peninsula during their two-week tour of the state. Legacy draws the enthusiastic attention of Irish music fanatics wherever they play. These talented multi-instrumentalists perform a fine mix of instrumentals and songs from the Irish tradition. Their skill is undeniable, their arrangements complex and challenging, and their performances tight and energetic. Legacy is unquestionably in the top flight of bands performing music from the Irish tradition. Their substantial loyal following is both well-earned and well-deserved.

For the summer of 2009, the band is performing in the classic power trio format (An Tríreád). Valerie Plested (fiddle, vocals) is among the finest and most expressive young talents in the American Irish. An exceptional musician, Justin Murphy's (flute, whistles, guitar, bodhrán, vocals) powerful tone on

the flute and swaggering rhythm have been compared to such contemporary notables as Seamus Egan and Frankie Kennedy. At the heart of this trio configuration, Michigan native Don Penzien's (guitar, bodhrán, whistles, vocals) DADGAD guitarwork provides the solid, driving rhythms that have long been a hallmark of Legacy performances. Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. The venue is a ninety-five year old oak frame barn with seating for 180, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne Mountain. All tickets are \$10 at the door. Tickets go on sale at 6:00 pm the day of the concert, with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. Aten Place is a non-profit endeavor, and no food or beverage is sold on the premises. Many patrons bring snacks and desserts to share at intermission. There is also a covered picnic pavilion for those who wish to come early and enjoy the grounds and peaceful setting. For more information on this summer's schedule go to www.atenplace.com or call Bill or Maxine Aten at 231-549-2076.

Venetian Festival ... continued from front page



Photo of 2008 Venetian Queen - Alyssa McCormack (Right). 1st Runner Up - Katherine Forrester (Center), 2nd Runner Up - Shauna Spencley (Left)

Band, Mitch Ryder & the Detroit Wheels, Chris Dominic and more.

The Venetian Games start the week off with soccer, basketball, running, sailing, and golf and tennis tournaments. Kid's Day at Lake Michigan Beach offers low and no cost children's entertainment, and don't forget the carnival.

Most events take place within waterfront parks, Round Lake Harbor and Lake Charlevoix.



2009 Venetian Festival Original Artwork by Pat Dodson to be auctioned off Friday, July 24

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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

The nation's largest, most successful nonprofit event, the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, is coming to Charlevoix County for the 4th annual event. More than 5,000 communities have already started fighting back against cancer through Relay for Life, and Charlevoix County will join in this worldwide movement to end cancer from 10 a.m. August 15 to 10 a.m. Aug. 16 at Castle Farms. Activities will include a cancer survivor celebration and victory lap, a luminaria ceremony to help honor and remember everyone touched by the disease and a Fight Back ceremony to empower community members to take action against cancer. Anyone interested in learning more about this moving, 24-hour experience should contact Lindsey Malpass-Skop at 231.536.7959 or visit <http://www.relayforlife.org/>. If you have a question about cancer or Relay, contact the American Cancer Society at 1.800.ACS.2345. The Society provides patient support and information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week because cancer never sleeps.

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A Mammoth Adventure

By Jim Akans

The third installment of Blue Sky Studio's Ice Age series hit the theaters perfectly timed to soothe the first tinges of "summer break boredom" among the young school-aged and advanced toddler crowd. Actually, the film tied box office ticket sales on its opening weekend with Transformers 2, a summer blockbuster aimed at easing teenage doldrums. That's a pretty good showing for an animated movie with a prehistoric cast.



Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs is Big on Family Fun

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (aka Ice Age 3) follows a troupe consisting of Manny and Ellie (husband and wife Mammoths expecting their first offspring), a weary Saber Toothed Tiger named Diego, and a couple of chat-box Aardvarks, Crash and Eddie.

This motley crew discovers a hidden, tropical world beneath the ice age landscape where their pal Sid (a male Sloth who longs to be a mother) is being held by an angry dinosaur. Add one street-wise, Captain Jack Sparrow (Pirates of the Caribbean) inspired weasel named Buck to guide the unlikely group trying to save their friend, and the adventure begins.

It's a fairly entertaining trek, with the familiar voices of Queen Latifah, Ray Romano, Denis Leary and John Leguizamo (the voice of Sid... you'll know it when you hear it), and excellent quality animation that makes it look as though a group of stuffed animals has come to life on screen. As with

most animated films these days, the dialog is aimed at the younger viewers but there are a smattering of lines pointed toward oldsters in the audience just to keep things lively.

Scattered throughout the film is a secondary storyline about two squirrels, male and female, competing over a precious acorn while flirting with the prospect of falling in love. It's a bit like Road Runner & Wiley Coyote blended with Pepe Le Pew & Penelope the Cat (google it if your too young to remember). It's a theme that has appeared in each of the Ice Age installments, and does add an amusing dimension to the primary story line.

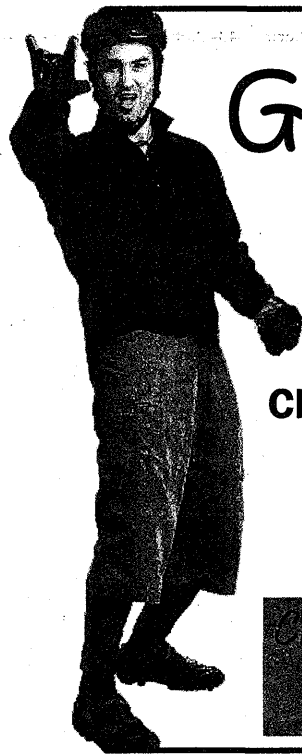
The film is rated PG-13 for a few off-hand gender references, but it is unlikely younger viewers will experience anything inappropriate in this movie. This is definitely family fare, and may even encourage some budding curiosities to inquire about the Ice Age and the names of those prehistoric animals on the screen.

If there is a youngster in your midst who is getting fidgety, Ice Age 3 is an enjoyable, wholesome way to spend a few hours at your

local theater, giving them something to giggle at while exploring an ancient world on a mammoth adventure.

EXIT COMMENTS:

- "Very funny...like the baby dinosaurs the best," Audrey - Gaylord
- "The dinosaurs were fun" Ryan & Avary - East Jordan
- "Enjoyed it...better than the second installment" Christie - Indian River
- "I liked the squirrels," Benjamin - Southfield
- "Good movie, wonderful story," Pat - Grayling



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EAST JORDAN

CHILDREN'S PLAY GROUP

The library and the Women's Resource Center collaborate together to promote reading to young children during play group. Mary Sivula, leader of the play group and Library Assistant, Robin Moyer implement the program. It is a free program available for children from birth to four years old and is held every Wednesday from 9:30am to 11am in the library's community room. Activities, games and projects are offered for children.

EAST JORDAN

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BOYNE CITY

ARTSY BENCHES APPEAR AROUND BOYNE CITY DOWNTOWN

Three new benches from the American Red Cross have been placed in downtown Boyne City. The benches are hand-painted and will be auctioned off this summer as part of the "Garden Party - Benches Take Root," fundraiser for the Northern Michigan chapter of the Red Cross. The benches are located at Pat O'Brien Real Estate, 128 Water St.; Boyne Arts Collective, 210 Lake St.; and the Boyne Chamber, 28 S. Lake St. The benches were painted by Boyne City artists, Chris Knight, Anne Thurston and Jerry Douglas. Other benches and chairs are on display throughout Charlevoix, Antrim, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties until August 1, when they will be moved to North Central Michigan College in Petoskey where they will all be displayed for the days leading up to the auction. The auction event, supporting local Red Cross programs, will be held Wednesday, August 5 at the college. If you are interested in sponsoring a bench, the Red Cross invites you to contact Bess Bleyaert at 231-348-7666 or via email at bess@arcnlm.org.

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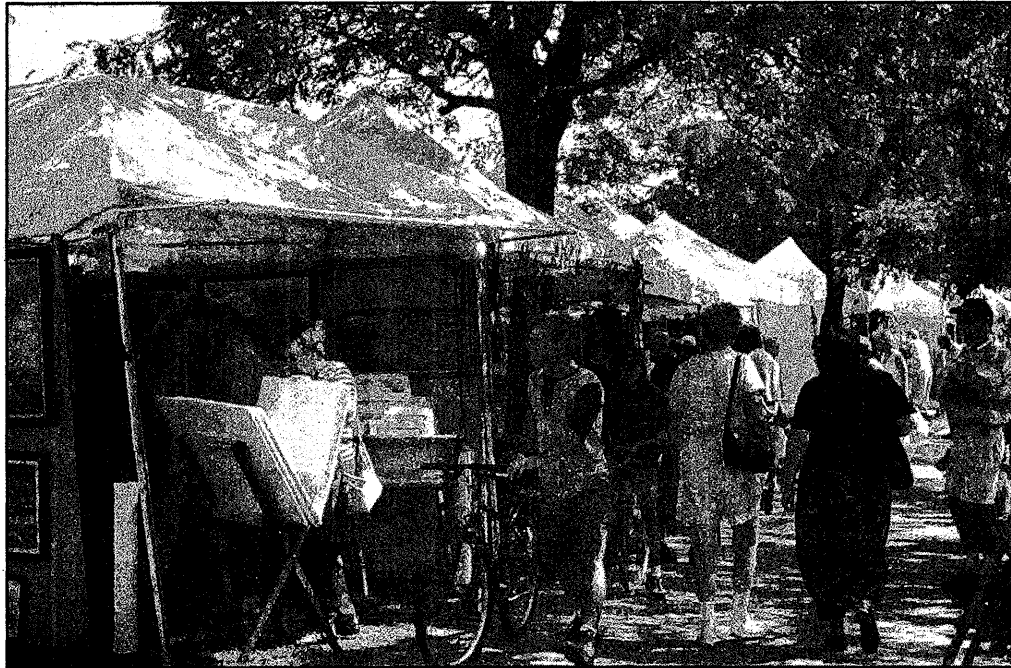
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Enjoy the Charlevoix Farmers Market held every Thursday through September 24th, from 9am to 1pm in downtown East Park. All products sold are locally grown & produced. From just picked flowers and produce to baked goods and canned items, there will be something for everyone!

Charlevoix Art & Craft Show This Weekend



A beautiful day and ice cream ... what more could anyone want?



41st Annual Event Features Many Unique Products

By Brittney Moody



Charlevoix's 41st Annual Art & Craft Show will be taking place 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, July 11 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, July 12 in East Park by the waterfront.

"There will be upwards of 150 vendors," said Bethany Pearson of the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce.

With a handful of local artists and many vendors from downstate and even other areas the United States, there will be a something for everyone.

"We will have everything from lawn ornaments to dog clothes to pottery," said Pearson.

Shelly Ferguson, the finance and events coordinator for the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce noted, "There's just a huge mix in the show - it's a good one," Ferguson said.

Along with vendors selling their arts and crafts, some will be demonstrating their abilities while the craft show is taking place. Ferguson used the example of painters and jewelry makers as being

some who will be attracting attention with their demonstrations.

"It's such a well established show; people mark their calendars to attend this event annually," said Ferguson.

The show is planned to have many unique products featuring ceramics, hand-woven rugs, hand blown glass creations, oil paintings and much more. The view along the waterfront, along with the variety of arts and crafts available should make the show a great success.

"Hopefully we have a beautiful weekend for it," Ferguson noted.

CharlevoixArtsPhotos - courtesy of Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce

Charlevoix County Records

District Court

The following cases were recently decided in the 90th District Court for the County of Charlevoix:

Jeaneshia Tinay Cole, 27, Charlevoix. Malicious destruction of building. Sentenced to pay \$400 in fines and costs and \$244.65 in restitution. Sentenced to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, perform five days of community service work, six months on probation.

Brandon Gene Diller, 28, East Jordan. Possession of marijuana on school property. Sentenced to pay \$1,000 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for six days, serve 14 days on work release, 325 days held in abeyance, 20 days of community service work, one year on probation.

Keith Alan Carley, 40, East Jordan. Possession of marijuana. Sentenced to \$450 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for one day, 89 days held in abeyance, six months on probation.

Nicholas Nathaniel Inman Simons, 19, Scottsdale, AZ. Minor in possession of tobacco and possession of operator's license while revoked. Sentenced to pay \$500 in fines and costs.

Tait Oliver Sayles, 39, Elmira. Driving without license. Sentenced to pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Michael John McCarry, 55, Boyne City. Marine safety - impaired. Sentenced to pay \$830 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, five days of community service work, six months on probation.

Sandra Gail Thomas, 55, Charlevoix. Reckless driving. Sentenced to

pay \$930 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, five days of community service work, six months on probation.

Guy Terry Foss Jr., 22, Charlevoix. Malicious destruction of property. Sentenced to pay \$500 in fines and costs and \$148.45 in restitution. Sentenced to 93 days in jail with credit for one day, 85 days held in abeyance, seven days of community service work, six months on probation.

Assumed Names

The following businesses recently filed with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office for an assumed name for doing business: Seven Petals Yoga, 01250 Snyder Road South, Boyne City, by Rebecca Andrews.

Marriage Licenses

The following people have recently filed for marriage licenses with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office:

Paul Brandt Dysart, 25, Fairfax, VA and Katrina Ellen Pahn, 26, Fairfax, VA.

Matt Edward Evans, 31, Charlevoix and Ellen-Grace Elizabeth Foltz, 25, Charlevoix.

Jason Daniel Lewellen, 30, Charlevoix and Donna Ellen DesRochers, 24, Charlevoix.

William Joseph Hutchinson, 63, Walloon Lake and Kathy Dolores Hutchinson, 51, Walloon Lake.

Boyne City Police Department Weekly Report for June 30-July 6, 2009

Offense	Amount	Offense	Amount
Burglary-Forced Entry	1	Vehicle Unlocks	2
Assault	3	Civil Dispute	5
Parking Violations	2	Threats Complaint	1
Boating Violation	1	Traffic Violations	11
Attempt Suicide	2	Lost/Found Property	8
Damage to Property	4	Assist other Agency	2
Fraud-Retail	3	Health & Safety	1
Fireworks Complaint	1	Suspicious Situations	5
Noise Complaint	1	Disturbance/Public Peace	5
Animal Complaint	6	General Assistance	7
911 hangup	1	Accident-Other	1
Alarms-False	1	Non-Traffic Accident	2
Larceny	3	Hit & Run Accident	2

East Jordan Police Department Weekly Report for June 26-July 1, 2009

Offense	Amount	Offense	Amount
Traffic Offenses	8	Public Peace Disturbance	1
Open Door	1	Keys Locked in Vehicle	2
Health & Safety	1	Fraudulent Act - Checks	2
Assist Citizen/Business	4	Purchase Permit	1
Assist Other Departments	8	Private Property Accident	2
Parking Violation	4	Public Relations	1
Lock/Unlock Parks	29	Trespassing	1
Suspicious Sit/Vehicle	3	Sex Offender	
Animal	2	Address Verification	1
Civil Dispute	3	DWLS Arrest	1
Larceny	4	No Ins on M/V Arrest	1
Threats	1	Forgery of Lic Plate Arrest	1
Illegal Fireworks	1	Fail to AppWarrant Arrest	1

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The 'Bird Man' of East Jordan

Joel Evans noticed the plight of eagles seeking nesting places and went to work on a solution

By Mike Dunn

EAST JORDAN—Joel Evans has made his home in East Jordan all his life. He and his wife Mary have raised five children and Joel, now retired, owned and operated a lumber company and home center in town for more than four decades. He presently serves as a Charlevoix County commissioner. For all the hats Evans has worn, though, he may be best known these days for his tireless efforts to help eagles in the Jordan Valley and surrounding areas find suitable nesting.

Evans, a nature lover all his life with a deep appreciation of wildlife, decided to take a proactive approach to a dilemma he became aware of some years ago while hunting in the wetlands of the Jordan Valley.

He noticed an eagles' nest had fallen from its perch high above in the branches of a large tree. The nest had become quite heavy as the eagles had added material to it year after year that it literally broke the branch it was resting on. The eagles then built another nest in a nearby tree but the same thing eventually happened a few years later.

"Then they went to another tree in same area," said Evans, continuing the story. "They built their nest and kept adding to it but the snows came and the rains came and made it quite heavy and that one came down, too.

"The bottom line is that the big trees in Michigan are on the decrease and eagles are on the increase. That's just a fact. The state offers a perfect habitat for eagles but they need places to put their nests. As I watched what was happening there in the woods, I thought to myself, 'I've built so many bird-houses in the past, why not build a bird-house for eagles?'"

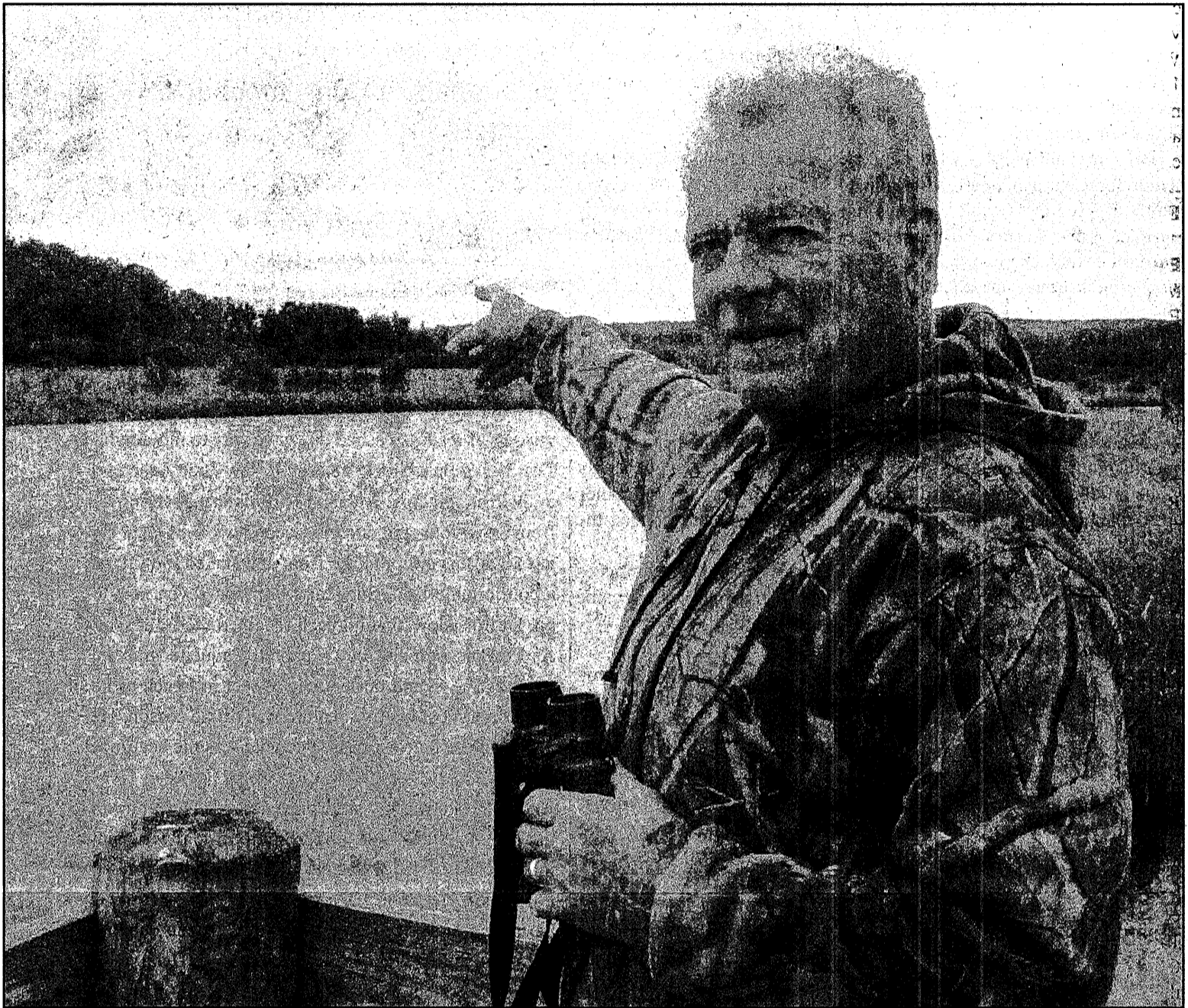
Evans, who had already constructed some smaller platforms, approximately 12 feet high, for osprey, made plans to build three taller platforms that would one day hopefully serve as places where eagles could put their nests.

Funding the operation himself at a cost of approximately \$1,500 per platform, Evans purchased three telephone poles, some treated lumber and all the other material required to construct three platforms that would stand 55 feet high, a height Evans reckoned would be appealing to the eagles.

"I built three heavy-duty platforms, probably sturdy enough to hold a small car as far as weight goes," he said. The height of the platforms was limited by the length of the 60-foot poles, but as it turned out, it was high enough to suit the eagles.

"They love to be way up high so they can view the area," Evans noted. "The higher I could make the platforms, the better."

Evans received permission from the



Joel Evans points to the location of the 55-foot platform in the nearby wetlands where the eagles have made their nest and are raising their young. (photo by Mike Dunn)

Department of Environmental Quality and from the City of East Jordan to set the three platforms about 300 yards apart in the same area of the valley where he had seen the eagles putting their latest nest. Consumers Power generously donated an earth-moving machine and an operator to come to the valley and set the poles.

Once the platforms were erected in 1997, all Evans could do was wait and hope the eagles would eventually use one of the them for nesting. While waiting, he did his best to make the platforms appealing to the majestic birds.

"After I bought the poles, I went out to the valley and found one of the nests that went down to the ground so I could study it," Evans said. "I took it apart with my hands to see the structure of it."

Armed with that knowledge, Evans gathered small pieces of wood and branches and began to create small nests on the platforms. "I simulated the starting of an eagles' nest, thinking back to when I had seen the eagles build their nest over the top of one that was started by a red tail hawk," he said. "I thought maybe that would encourage them to nest."

At first, all the eagles did was roost on the platforms. That is, until their third nest went crashing to the ground the same way the previous two had.

"They roosted on the platform for about three years before they finally nested on it," Evans said with a broad smile. "Once the third nest went down, that platform was the spot they picked. I'm thinking they became accustomed to it over time, so when they were looking for a good place to nest, they started to haul their stuff to it. It was really

"We can have more eagles here in this state than anyplace in the country. Alaska is first (in eagle population), Florida is next and we're getting right up there. The population is growing fast and they need nesting. That's why I continue to promote this." -- Joel Evans

exciting when I would see them bringing the branches for the nest."

In 2000, the eagles of Jordan Valley finally had a new nesting spot, one that would withstand the ravages of seasonal weather and the increased weight of the nest as the eagles continually added material to it year after year. Today, the nest on Evans' platform stands about 4 feet high and weighs more than 300 pounds. The platform has a protective shield around it to protect the eagle eggs from bobcat, mink or other predators and a copper wire is in place to serve as a ground for lightning.

Just this spring, two male eaglets were born to the adult eagles and Evans has enjoyed gauging their progress with a pair

of field glasses from the observation dock in Sportsman's Park. Evans also helped the DNR recently to put bands on the eaglets and take blood samples.

"The main reason for that is to check the blood for heavy metals or anything toxic," Evans said. "That's one way of determining the quality of the water in Lake Charlevoix and the Jordan River. Since the eagles eat a lot of fish, their blood is a great monitor for telling what's in the water."

After placing the eaglets in specially designed sacks and lowering them to the ground, the DNR also measured the wing span of the eaglets (36 inches) and their weight (7 pounds).

"They're fairly easy to handle if you cover their head and hold their feet," Evans said. "They're not too aggressive. When you're holding their feet, you have to be careful because their claws are looking for something to grip into."

Evans said the adult eagles watched overhead from about 100 yards while the operation took place. "They made the little chirp stress call they make but they didn't come after us," he said. "After we put the eaglets back in the nest and walked away, they came to see if everything was OK. Once they discovered that the eaglets were fine, everything was back to normal."

One of the most gratifying aspects of the eagle platform for Evans is how it has brought attention to the plight of the growing population of eagles in northern Michigan.

"We can have more eagles here in this state than anyplace in the country," Evans said. "Alaska is first (in eagle population),

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post script by Mike Dunn

The saga of Sara and Mallory

It wasn't a nationally televised sporting event or even a regional event that stirred a great deal of interest. When the Central Washington University softball team played host to Central Oregon for the Great Northwest Conference championship and the opportunity to advance in the NCAA playoffs on April 28, 2008, there were fewer than 100 people in the stands.

And yet something that occurred on the field that day has resonated with people across the country, touching hearts and providing a sterling example of selflessness that transcends sports.

I became aware of the story of Mallory and Sara one day last week while paging through a copy of Sports Illustrated. Before I finished the story, I was dabbing tears from my eyes while walking on a treadmill at the Powerhouse Gym in Gaylord and hoping others didn't notice.

If you're not familiar with this wonderful story of sportsmanship, I dare you to read it or watch the events retold on youtube without shedding a tear yourself.

Here, in a nutshell, is what happened. Sara Tucholsky, a 5-foot-2 senior for Central Oregon, came up to bat in the top of the second inning of a scoreless game with two runners on base. Tucholsky, to the surprise of everyone on her team and even to herself, hit a ball harder and farther than she ever had in her life. Her drive to left-center field didn't touch down until it had gone beyond the 215-foot sign for a home run.

It was Sara's first-ever home run at any level of play, including youth leagues, high school and even practice, and she was naturally excited, especially doing it in the conference championship game. Sara was so excited, in fact, that she missed first base.

After rounding the base, Sara's base coach yelled for her to come back and touch first and that's when it happened. Sara's cleat got caught in the infield turf as she was turning around and she tore her right knee up. Groaning in pain, she crawled back to first base and hugged the bag.

Central Oregon now had a dilemma. If any of Sara's teammates helped her in any way, Sara would be called out. If a pinch runner came in, Sara's home run would be ruled a two-run single.

There didn't seem to be any other solution.

Enter Mallory Holtman and Liz Wallace of the Central Washington team. Mallory, a slugging second baseman who happens to be the all-time leader in home runs in the conference, asked the umpire if there was any rule against her and a teammate carrying Sara around the bases.

So Mallory and Liz, the shortstop, went to Sara and asked if it was all right to give her a lift. Sara, now in tears, said yes and thanked these two angels from the opposing team.

Together, Mallory and Liz picked Sara up and carried her around the bases, taking time for Sara to touch each base with her left foot. The result of this act of sportsmanship was Central Oregon having three runs on the scoreboard instead of two and Sara getting credited with the first and only home run of her college career. (With a torn ACL, Sara's softball career was finished no matter what the final outcome of the game.)

Two factors add to the luster of this amazing act of sportsmanship: The losing team would not only miss out on the conference title but would be eliminated from the NCAA playoffs as well; and Mallory was a senior and playing in what could be her last game.

As it turned out, Western Oregon won the game 4-2 and Central Washington's season was over.

If Mallory hadn't responded as she did, no one would have noticed. The outcome wouldn't have been any different, as things unfolded. If she hadn't helped an opposing player, Mallory would have done only what was expected. This was, after all, a championship game and Sara's mishap, though unfortunate, did benefit Central Washington.

Because Mallory took it upon herself to see beyond the circumstances of the game and help someone in need, the story made national headlines. One of the chief reasons it has resonated is that people wonder what they would have done in the same situation. Through her deed, Mallory Holtman has touched a collective chord. By living out the biblical admonition to treat others as you would want to be treated, she has unwittingly inspired thousands to do the same.

Thank you, Mallory.

Those interested in learning more about this incident can find lots of information online. There is also a youtube clip showing Sara being carried around the bases.

Northern Michigan Speedway

Noeske rolls to Factory Stock win

Midseason Championships provide excellent holiday entertainment on moonlit night

By Mike Mathu

ELMIRA -- With the Fourth of July landing on a Saturday night for the first time in 11 years, it was a special evening at Northern Michigan Speedway. Midseason Championship races and preliminary action were sandwiched around an entertaining intermission as a sun-splashed day gave way to moonlight. The 25-lap Pure Stock V8 feature saw Brad Leach go to the front on lap 2 with Jim DuBois maneuvering up from a row four start and into second two laps later. By lap 5 DuBois swept to the front and staked himself to a comfortable lead. Suddenly with just seven laps to go, DuBois slowed and Leach regained the front spot. As DuBois dropped out, Chantell Paquette grabbed second. She would not be able to reel in Leach as he went on to post his first feature win of the season. He also won the four-car dash. Paquette was the heat race winner.

Andy Noeske was a visible presence as a new entry in the Factory Stock field. Sporting a camouflage paint job, Noeske started with a dash win but was outgunned in the heat by Nick Kanazziz. The 20-lap main saw Noeske take the lead on lap 1 with Kanazziz tucking in behind and Delbert Dell securing third. Dell would fade by lap 9 but Noeske and Kanazziz would charge on with Noeske ahead all the way to the finish line. Nathan Embree finished third.

A limited Limited Late Model class still sported plenty of variety. John Clawson earned fast-qualifier honors, Tyler Noeske won the dash, and Mick Pieri claimed the heat. The trio popped up again in the 20-lap feature as Noeske passed Pieri for the lead on lap 5, but ultimately it was Clawson tracking down Noeske and going to the front on lap 9, then on to the checkered flag. Noeske held steady and finished second.

Joe Noeske built momentum from a strong heat win and took the initial lead in the 20-lap Pro-4 finale. Jim DuBois locked in right behind him but he would need a bold move, going low in turn three with four laps to go to take the lead. Not anticipating DuBois underneath, Noeske turned into the No. 26 car and the two momentarily tangled. DuBois came out in front and continued on for the midseason championship win. Michael Evans took third behind Noeske, but Noeske did win the dash.



The unpredictable Pure-4 20-lap headliner had Ty Phillips passing Chad Bernadyn on lap 2 for the lead, but that was quickly challenged. On lap 4, Mark Tompkins tried to go under Phillips in turn four but a collision brought out the only caution flag of the race and Phillips was placed back in the front for the restart. George Finney pursued and then overtook Phillips at the midway mark, with Alicia Vanniman grabbing second two laps later. Finney was steady down the stretch for the win. Eric Burke was third. Finney and Scott Norman were heat winners. The dash went to Daniel Loshaw.

The second half of the season begins Saturday night with a two-man Pure Stock V8 race and the return of Modifieds scheduled. Time trials begin at 5:30 p.m. with racing at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Seniors are just \$8, children 5-to-12 are \$5, and under 5 are free. N.M.S. is located 8 miles west of Gaylord on M-32, then 4.5 miles north on Camp Ten Road at Huffman Lake Road.

* 20-Lap LTD LATE MODEL Feature: 1. John Clawson, Sault Ste Marie; 2. Tyler Noeske, Vanderbilt. Heat: Mick Pieri, Sault Ste Marie. Dash: Noeske. Time: Clawson(15.36).

* 20-Lap FACTORY STOCK Feature: 1. Andy Noeske, Vanderbilt; 2. Nick Kanazziz, Bellaire; 3. Nathan Embree, Vanderbilt. Heat: Noeske. Dash: Kanazziz. Time: Kanazziz (16.40).

* 20-Lap PRO-4 Feature: 1. Jim DuBois, Indian River; 2. Joe Noeske, Vanderbilt; 3. Michael Evans, Wolverine. Heat: Noeske. Dash: Evans. Time: DuBois (16.67).

* 25-Lap PURE V8 Feature: 1. Brad Leach, Wolverine; 2. Chantell Paquette, Gaylord; 3. Mick Pieri, Sault Ste Marie. Heat: Leach. Dash: Paquette. Time: DuBois (16.84).

* 20-Lap STOCK-4 Feature: 1. George Finney, Bellaire; 2. Alicia Vanniman, Bellaire; 3. Eric Burke, Bellaire. Heats: Finney; Scott Norman, Frederic. Dash: Daniel Loshaw, Vanderbilt Time: Burke (18.80).

'Bird Man'

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Florida is next and we're getting right up there. The population is growing fast and they need nesting. That's why I continue to promote this.

"This is something anybody or any group can do. A birdwatching group or a conservancy or environmental group or a community or a city that would like to put up an eagle platform, I have all the information they need to get started."

Evans has spoken to civic groups and other organizations about his experiences with the eagles and he has been in contact with the Grand Traverse Conservancy and with folks in Bay Harbor about possibly constructing platforms in wetland areas at those locations.

The platform Evans constructed in the Jordan Valley more than a decade ago is proof positive that the plan works.

Something else Evans likes about how things have turned out is that the people in the East

Jordan community have the opportunity to view the eagles from a perfect vantage point on the Sportsman's Park dock.

"People can pull into the park and walk on the observation deck and look about 300 yards out to find the platform in the wetlands," he said. "You can sit on a picnic table and watch the eagles with field glasses. It's just a great experience for the community. We've had groups like the Friends of the Jordan River here and different classes from school.

"It did my heart good the other day. A couple of ladies in wheelchairs were here and I saw them as they were coming out on the deck so they could watch the eagles."

Organizations interested in contacting Evans either as a speaker or for information about building platforms for eagles or osprey can contact him at (231) 536-7073.



Joel Evans of East Jordan stands on the observation dock of Sportsman's Park overlooking the Jordan River. (photo by Mike Dunn)

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OFF TO A FLYING FOURTH!



The field of the 2009 Boyne City Fourth of July 10K road race is off and running Saturday. More than 600 runners participated in either the 2-mile race or the 10K race. (photo by Mike Dunn)

Boyne City road race draws large field

More than 600 runners participate in annual event, raise thousands for town fireworks

By Mike Dunn

BOYNE CITY – A field of more than 600 runners participated in the annual Boyne City Fourth of July road races here Saturday. Sunny skies and near-perfect early-morning conditions beckoned runners from all over the area and many others who happened to be visiting over the holiday weekend or were in the north country on vacation.

The 2009 field was well above the 450-plus runners who took part in the 2-mile and 10K races last year and the 2009 event also

“I think people really enjoy the course we have here where they get to run by the lake.”

*-- Race co-director
Bill Bryant*

brought in more money for the town's fireworks.

“We're very pleased with the turnout,” said Bill Bryant, who is co-director of the race along with wife Barb. “It's a beautiful day and that certainly helps. And I think people really enjoy the course we have here where they get to run by the lake. And they like some of the things Barb has added in recent years like the raffle. It keeps them coming back.”

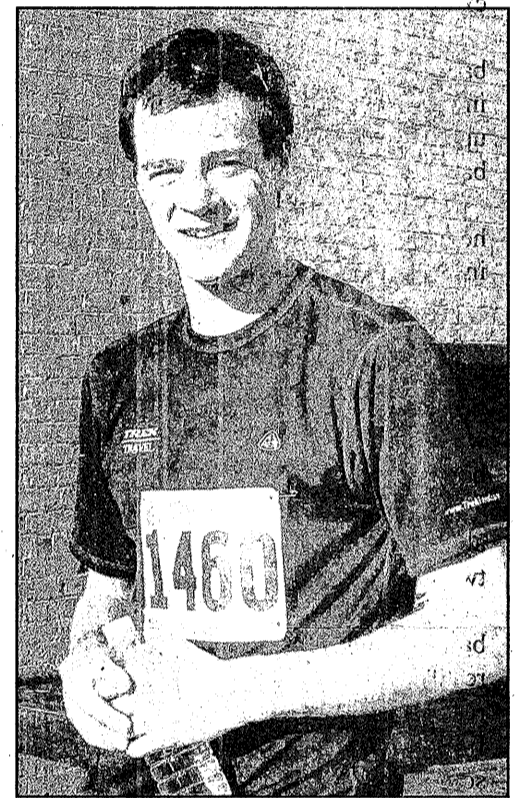
Two runners who sort of talked each other into taking part in this year's 10K race were eventual 2009 female champion Jessica Holder of Dover, Ohio and Lindsay Way of Mt. Pleasant, who would come in third among the females.

Holder and Way were both in the Boyne City area over the holiday weekend spending time with family. The good friends talked about maybe doing the 10K together on Saturday and ultimately decided to make a go of it.

Holder, 24, a medical school student in her third year at Ohio State University and a former cross country runner for Denison University in Ohio, showed fine form, crossing the finish line in 38 minutes, 11 seconds. It was good for 13th place overall in addition to being first among the ladies.

Way, 20, a Mt. Pleasant High graduate who currently runs cross country and track for Albion College, came in 29th overall in a time of 41:06. The second-place finisher among the ladies was 15-year-old Natalie Rose Brogan of East Lansing, who came in 21st overall in 39:41.

“I'm surprised by my time,” said a smil-



In photo at top left, Boyne City 10K female champion Jessica Holder of Dover, Ohio, left, and third-place female finisher Lindsay Way of Mt. Pleasant display their medals; 10K runner-up Chris Burke of Ann Arbor, above, enjoys a refreshing bottle of water after completing Saturday's race; 10K champion Ryan Linden of Rochester, left, speaks with his girlfriend shortly after crossing the finish line, ahead of the rest of the field; 10K runners, including John Cronley of Geneva, Ill., pushing a double baby carriage, at left below, approach the finish line Saturday. (photos by Mike Dunn)



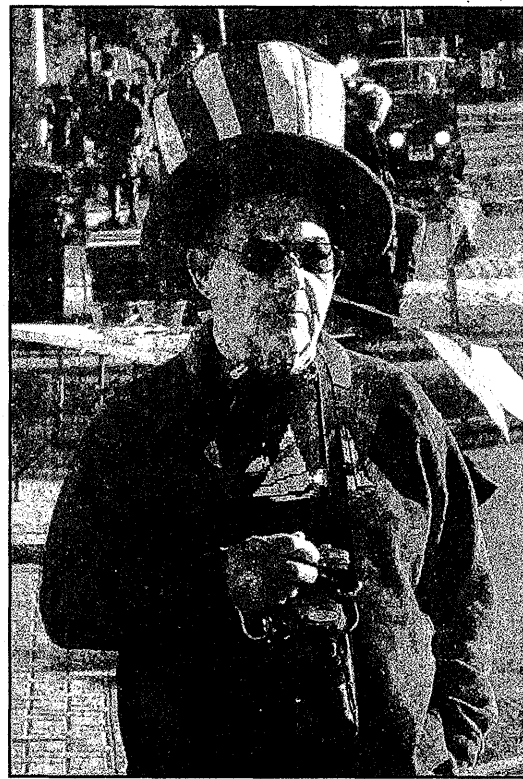
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East Jordan Woman's Softball

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Village Graphics.....	6 - 0
Main Street Hair Cottage.....	4 - 2
Olstrom Excavating.....	4 - 3
East Jordan Iron Works.....	4 - 4
Murray's Body Shop.....	2 - 4
Boh Welding.....	2 - 4
Hellebuyck Masonry.....	0 - 6
Lyle Loveless Custom Builder.....	0 - 6



PATRIOTIC TOP HAT ...

Dick Salzer wasn't afraid to show his patriotic side when he came to Boyne City early on the morning of the Fourth to take photos of his grandkids participating in the annual 2-mile road race. Salzer lives near Cincinnati but he and his wife love to spend the summers in the Village of Charlevoix. He bought his fancy red, white and blue hat in Branson, Mo. to show off during the annual Horton Bay parade. "They're not having the parade this year but I decided to wear the hat anyway," he said with a laugh. (photo by Mike Dunn)

SPORTS BRIEFS

Jordan Valley boat and car show Saturday

EAST JORDAN – The annual Jordan Valley Classic Boat and Car Show takes place on Saturday, July 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Memorial Park in East Jordan.

For more information contact Darrin Podskalny at (231) 536-0630 or by e-mail at darrinpod@charter.net.

Charlevoix Blue Chip Football Camp

CHARLEVOIX -- The second annual Charlevoix Blue Chip Football Camp will take place Wednesday and Thursday, July 15-16, for students entering grades four through eight. The camp will be held at Charlevoix Middle School from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Camp check-in will begin Wednesday, July 15 at 5:30 p.m.

Director of the camp will be William Cleaver, a former St. Mary and Gaylord High School head coach who compiled a 78-34 record over the past 11 years.

The purpose of the camp is to develop football skills in all aspects of football – passing, catching, pass coverage, pass drops, blocking, tackling and position techniques.

Pre-registration fee for camp is \$40, which includes a T-shirt. Mail completed registration, including fee to P.O. Box 1171, Gaylord, MI 49734. Make checks payable to Blue Chip Football Camp. Registration the day of camp is \$45. From every registration, \$5 goes toward Charlevoix's Pop Warner Program.

In addition to Cleaver, other present and former Gaylord High School, Charlevoix High School and college coaches will be present.

Campers must bring gym shoes or football cleats and workout clothes.

For more information, contact William Cleaver at (989) 614-6026.

East Jordan hosts Hoop School July 13-16

EAST JORDAN – The annual girls basketball camp for those entering third- through eighth-grade is slated for Monday through Thursday, July 13-16. Hoop School '09, under the direction of Sara Heise, extends each day from 1-4 p.m. The cost of the camp is \$45.

Mackinaw triathlon set for July 26

MACKINAW CITY – The annual Mackinaw Multi-Sports Mix Triathlon takes place on Sunday, July 26, starting 8 a.m. at Waywatum Park (located under the water tower next to Shepler's Ferry).

The event features an 800-meter swim, a 30-kilometer bike and a 5-kilometer run. For those who prefer not to swim, there is also a course featuring a 2-mile run, a 30K bike and a 5K run. There is also the option of just doing the 5K run.

Kenny Krell of 3 Disciplines Racing, which is hosting the event, calls the Mackinaw Multi-Sports Mix "a great escape race right in the middle of the season." It is a biker's race with a scenic course winding along both lakes with a clear view of the other competitors. One nice aspect of the swimming portion of the event, says Krell, is that "you can easily see down 30 feet to the bottom." The 5K run is flat and fast.

The entry fee is \$70 prior to July 24. On the weekend of the race, the fee is \$90. It is \$5 less for those 17 and under or 55 and older. Packet pickup takes place the day of the race from 6-7:30 a.m. A \$10 one-day USAT license is available for all participants who are not USAT members.

For more information or to register, call (231) 546-2229 or visit www.3disciplines.com.

Walloon Lake antique tractor show July 23-26

WALLOON LAKE – The 22nd annual Walloon Lake Antique Tractor Engine and Craft Show is slated for Thursday through Sunday, July 23-26, starting at 9 a.m. each day.

The show includes a parade of power daily at 2 p.m. along with blacksmith displays, arts and crafts demonstrations, old machinery in operation, unstyled John Deere tractors and engines, music, saw mill, veneer mill, and a huge flea market.

For information, call Dave Korthase at (231) 582-6076.

Alpenfest Run set for July 18

GAYLORD — The 33rd annual Alpenfest Run takes place this year on Saturday, July 18, in conjunction with the annual Alpenfest celebration. The event features a 10-mile run, a 4-mile run and a 1-mile fun run and starts from the downtown pavilion on Court St. at 7:30 a.m. The entry fee is \$20 for the 4-mile or 10-mile races and \$7 for the 1-mile fun run.

Registration sheets are available at the Otsego County Community Center on Center St. For more information, contact Otsego County Parks & Rec at (989) 732-6521.

Those who will be participating now have the option of raising money for cancer research at the same time.

Pledge sheets are available and participants can collect individually or as part of a team. For information or to make a pledge, contact Dan Smith at (989) 732-1441.

Petoskey soccer team camp July 20-24

PETOSKEY – The Petoskey Team Camp 2009 for boys and girls teams is slated for Monday through Friday, July 20-24, at the Click Road fields. The camp, hosted by Petoskey soccer coach Scott Batchelor, goes from 6-8 p.m. daily.

The \$75 registration fee is due by July 3. Teams are asked to bring their own ball. For information, visit the Petoskey Youth Soccer Association (PYSA) Web site. Make checks payable to Petoskey Soccer and send to Scott Batchelor, 3852 Powell Road, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Timbertown Festival 3-on-3 hoops

LEWISTON — The annual Timbertown Festival in Lewiston will include a 3-on-3 basketball tournament for the second year in a row. The event will be held in conjunction with the festival on Saturday, Aug. 1, in downtown Lewiston.

Games are slated to begin at 10 a.m. The male and female age brackets are divided from third through 12th grade and there is an adult division as well. The four-player team registration fee is \$60 before July 19 and that includes a T-shirt for each player. After July 19, the fee is \$80 and does not include a T-shirt. On-court registration can be done on Friday, July 31, from 6-7:30 p.m.

For information and registration forms, visit www.lewistonchamber.com. Registration forms are also available at Lewiston True Value Hardware and Lumber.

Area businesses wishing to help sponsor the event and have their name on the official T-shirt can e-mail montmor1@nemichigan.com.

Vanderbilt seeking basketball coaches

VANDERBILT – Vanderbilt High School is currently taking applications for the positions of head varsity coach of the boys and girls basketball teams for the 2009-10 school year.

All interested candidates should send a letter of application to the superintendent's office no later than Monday, Aug. 31. Interviews will be conducted in the early part of September.

The address: 947 Donovan St., Vanderbilt, MI 49795. For information, call (989) 983-2561.

East Jordan 5K run/walk slated for Aug. 22

EAST JORDAN – The annual East Jordan "South Arm Shuffle" 5K run/walk is slated for Saturday, Aug. 22, at 8 a.m. The event, hosted by the East Jordan Lioness Club, begins and ends at the Community Park. Proceeds from the event benefit the Lioness Community Projects.

For more information or to register for the walk log on to ej5k.cccwif.com.

Wolverine seeking basketball coaches

WOLVERINE – Wolverine is currently taking applications for the positions of varsity boys basketball coach, JV boys basketball coach, middle school boys basketball coach for the fall, and middle school girls basketball coach for the fall.

Interested candidates should send a resume to Athletic Director Al Thomas, Wolverine Community Schools, P.O. Box 219, Wolverine, MI 49799.

For more details, contact Thomas at (231) 525-9050, ext. 125.

Cheboygan Salmon Tournament set for Aug. 1

CHEBOYGAN – The 11th annual Cheboygan Salmon Tournament is slated for Saturday, Aug. 1. There will be a shotgun start at 6 a.m. with all boats launching from the Cheboygan River. The boats are due back in the harbor by 2 p.m. The weigh-in station opens at 1 p.m.

Captains may check in starting at 4 p.m. on July 31 at the tent at Gordon Turner Park. Each captain must be registered and checked in by 6 p.m. The mandatory captains' meeting take place in the tent from 6-7 p.m. Four dinner tickets will be received for captain and crew at check-in. The dinner, including beer, pop and various foods, extends from 5-9 p.m. under the big tent.

The prize money (based on 100 boats) is divided among the top 20 finishers. The top prize is \$3,000 with \$1,700 for second, \$1,200 for third, \$800 for fourth, \$600 for fifth, etc. There is also prize money for the largest salmon by weight (top prize \$1,000), largest steelhead (\$300), largest lake trout (\$300) and largest brown trout (\$300). There is also a \$250 prize for the mystery weight fish.

The entry fee of \$175 includes the four dinner tickets for July 31. For information or to register, call Steve at (231) 818-1235 or Pete at (231) 627-5143.

Swinging for Wish golf scramble Sept. 21

GAYLORD – The "Swinging for a Wish" golf scramble is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 21, at the Tom Fazio course of Treetops Resort. The event raises money for the Make-A-Wish foundation of Michigan.

The four-person scramble begins at 10:30 a.m. For details, call Michael Rey at (989) 731-8828 or send an e-mail to mrey@treetops.com.

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The Charlevoix County News offers readers a forum for announcing upcoming events. Send information about upcoming golf outings, soccer tournaments, auto shows, softball tournaments, road races, youth events, etc. and the News will get the word out in Sports Briefs.

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Holiday road race ...

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ing Holder. "The course was pretty flat up until the fourth mile and then it turned out to be downhill at the end, which was really nice."

Holder, who admitted to "wanting to win it," could tell she was leading among the ladies at the turnaround point in the course.

"I was feeling pretty good at that point but I was pretty glad when I finally saw the finish line," she added with a chuckle.

Way's goal coming into the race was to break 40 minutes and she came pretty close, finishing in 41:03 while claiming third among the ladies and also earning a medal for being first in her age group.

"I like the course," said Way, who had run it once before. "It's not too hilly and it's downhill at the end. It's really pretty running by the lake and the weather today was perfect."

Her strategy was to keep a realistic pace and she did, averaging 6:37 per mile.

"I knew Jessica and one other girl was ahead of me but I wasn't worried about that," she said. "My main goal was seeing how close I could come to breaking 40 minutes. I was happy with my time."

The overall winner of the 10K race was Ryan Linden, 27, of Rochester Hills in a time of 32:51. Chris Burke, 23, of Ann Arbor was runner-up in 33:36 with Jordan Eccleston, 19, of Sterling Heights (33:39) in third, Josh Eccleston, 19, of Sterling Heights (34:11) in fourth and Jacques Henning, 28, of Harbor Springs (35:05) in fifth.

Linden, who is training for the New York City Marathon in the fall and also helping his girlfriend Desiree prepare for the world championships in Berlin, Germany later this year, was vacationing at his family's cottage by the lake during the holiday weekend.

He had run in the Boyne City race a few times in the past, including a second-place finish in 2007, and decided to participate again this year and use the 10K distance as a gauge for his own training timetable.

"I basically wanted to see where I'm at training-wise and this was a good way to do it," Linden said. "I wanted to finish in 32:45 and I was really close to that. It was a nice, enjoyable run and winning makes it a little sweeter."

Burke, a med school student at Brown University, had edged Linden to win the 10K race two years ago. This time the roles were reversed, though.

"I haven't been training like I used to, so considering that I'm pretty happy with my time," said Burke, who was visiting his parents Tom and Pat at the family cottage over the weekend. "I saw Ryan before the race and he looked like he was really fit so I figured he'd be tough for anyone to beat this year. I tried to keep him in sight but he got off to a quick start and put some distance between us."

"I had to push it at the end to stay in second. There was a guy (Jordan Eccleston) coming up fast behind me and he almost caught me."

Eric Budy, 16, was the victor in the 2-mile race, finishing in 10:42, with Mitch Newbauer, 17, of Libertyville, Ill. (10:53) in second and Andrew Plude, 15, in third (11:03). Matt Shaw, 19, of East Jordan (11:05) was fourth with Luke Hawley, 15, of East Jordan (12:00) in fifth and Rick Hawley of East Jordan (12:28) in sixth. Lauren Cagnon, 16, of Waterford (13:00) was the female champion, coming in 13th place overall out of the 277-person field.

Ken Ames, 52, a road race veteran competing in the Boyne City 10K race for the second straight year, was 44th overall in 42:45. He echoed the comments of many following the race.

"It's a great course," he said. "I do this just for fun. It's a nice event to be part of, especially with all the kids who run in it, and it's a scenic view along the lake."

The races drew runners who were visiting the area from as far away as Santa Maria, Calif., Goodyear, Ariz. and Alpharetta, Ga.

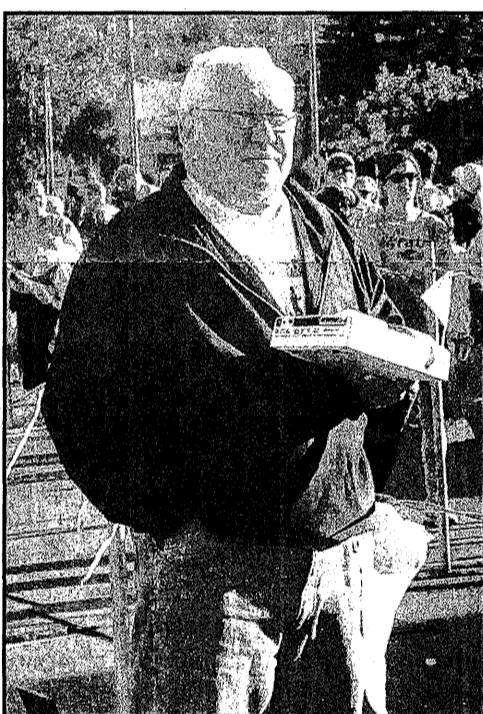
Ken Krell of 3 Disciplines Racing, which set up the electronic chip timing system and recorded all the results for the event, was pleased with how the event flowed.

"To get 100-plus runners more than last year on the Fourth is tremendous," he said. "The course is really situated in a beautiful location downtown by the waterside and that's certainly part of the attraction. Plus, more people are staying in state now because of the economy and that might have had an impact on the numbers."

The road races were followed by the annual Fourth of July downtown parade at 10 a.m. The popular "Stroll the Streets" festival continued all day, culminating in the fireworks display at night.



Young runners are chomping at the bit as they anxiously await the start of the 2-mile run in Boyne City Saturday. (photo by Mike Dunn)



Bill Bryant, co-director of the Boyne City holiday road races along with wife Barb, stands at finish line greeting runners and providing times. (photo by Mike Dunn)



Saturday's road race was so exciting it even turned the head of a well-groomed, friendly canine. (photo by Mike Dunn)



Nearing the finish are 10K competitors, from left, Patrick Palajac of Dearborn, Gregg Matekel of East Jordan and Cari Olson of Petoskey. Closing in on the trio is Curt Lawson. (photo by Mike Dunn)



"Running is Relative" for one extended family that participated in the 2-mile run Saturday. The Voigt Racing crew included family members from Essexville, Bridgeport, Lewiston and Fenton. (photo by Mike Dunn)



Grace and William Voigt of Essexville cross the finish line in a dead heat Saturday after completing the 2-mile course. (photo by Mike Dunn)

Boyne City 10K Road Race

Top Finishers:

1. Ryan Linden, Rochester Hills 32:51
2. Chris Burke, Ann Arbor 33:36
3. Jordan Eccleston, Sterling Hts 33:39
4. Josh Eccleston, Sterling Heights 34:11
5. Jacques Henning, Harbor Spgs 35:05
6. Kreg Hatfield, Flint 35:24
7. Robert Cameron, Brighton 35:31
8. Jim Harrington, Petoskey 36:51
9. Samuel Bavillacqua, Blmton, IL 37:08
10. John Person, Williamston 37:26
11. Brian Kalsbeek, Grandville 37:50
12. Phil French, Howell 38:03
13. Jessica Holder, Dover, OH 38:11
14. Benjamin Kendell, Hunt Woods 38:53
15. Mason Przybycz, Caledonia 38:56
16. Mike Deschrymer, GR 38:59
17. Ryan Book, Boyne Falls 39:12
18. Joe Potter, North Muskegon 39:30
20. Greg Janicki, W. Bloomfield 39:36
21. Natalie R Brogan, E Lansing 39:41
22. Jonathon Dammeyer, Leo, IN 39:57
23. Parker Settle, Greenwood, IN 40:06
24. Ryan Stephens, Saline 40:14
25. Cherie Salmeto, Pinckney 40:21

Other local finishers in top 50:

29. Lindsay Way, Boyne Falls 41:06
37. Jane Stieber, Boyne City 42:24
38. Steve Van Dam, Boyne City 42:26
40. Dan Smith, Gaylord 42:33
41. Matthew Bolinger, Wolverine 42:36
44. Ken Ames, Gaylord 42:45
45. Eric Leaman, Boyne City 42:52
50. Robert Grove, Boyne City 43:42

2-Mile Run:

1. Eric Budy, No Town Given 10:42
2. Mitch Newbauer, Libertyville, IL 10:53
3. Andrew Plude, No Town Given 11:03
4. Matt Shaw, East Jordan 11:05
5. Luke Hawley, East Jordan 12:00
6. Rick Hawley, East Jordan 12:28
7. Adam Janicki, W. Bloomfield 12:30
8. Mitchell Hoffman, No Town 12:44
9. Eric Leonard, Niantic, IL 12:56
10. Ryan Kruzal, Brighton 12:58
11. Don Krudy, Lewiston 12:59
12. Sam Grossmeyer, No Town 12:59
13. Lauren Cagnon, Waterford 13:00
14. Kaitlyn Arnold, Petoskey 13:02
15. Troy Polmetsch, Northville 13:05
16. Kerry Kruzal, Brighton 13:07
17. Carlos Sarmientos, Novi 13:16
18. Joseph Bevilacqua, Blmton, IL 13:19
19. Matt Fogo, Boyne City 13:23
20. Tyler Williams, Goodyear, AZ 13:27
21. Nate Hamilton, No Town 13:28
22. Matt Raymond, Fenton 13:34
23. John Nantau, Waterford 13:34
24. Ethan Book, Boyne Falls 13:46
25. Morgan Posthuma, Ada 13:52

Other local finishers in top 51:

29. Jason Scott, Petoskey 14:26
31. Garrett Fogo, Boyne City 14:29
33. Lindsey Mansfield, Boyne City 14:30
38. Lisa Maginity, Boyne City 14:48
41. Kevin Lange, Boyne City 14:55
51. Gabe Hawley, East Jordan 15:21

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Real Estate Corner

By Marty Moody

This week's focus on Real Estate pertains to the home buying process.

There are a few aspects that are universal when entering into the purchase of a home. Probably the biggest mistake that a potential home buyer makes is not knowing how much home you truly can afford.

The way to arm yourself with the best guess on how much you can afford, is to get pre-qualified with a lender that you are comfortable working with. A qualified mortgage loan officer will be a wealth of knowledge and can help you establish your limits and send you off with a number you can be confident to purchase up to.

One caveat to remember, the loan officer can tell you what number they will be willing to lend to you, it is up to you to do your own homework and know what payment figure you are comfortable in handling. You and only you know your financial picture and future, so be honest with your lender and yourself, and you can look forward to successful home ownership.

The next big mistake is one that hits home a lot in today's market, and that is assuming that all foreclosures are great deals. Nothing could be further from the truth. True there have been some incredible deals out there, but you must do your home work once again.

An example would be whether or not to buy that foreclosure that needs the total overhaul. Say you can pick a home that

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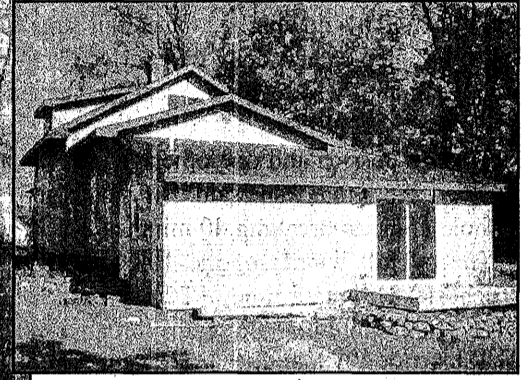
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Recently Remodeled, 4-Bedroom Home Waiting for a New Family

By Jim Akans

This is an exceptional opportunity to own an impeccably remodeled home in Boyne City at an extraordinary price.

Perfect for the growing family, the home features approximately 1,450 square feet of living space, exquisitely accented with warm, dark wood trim contrasting neutral interior paint and carpeting...providing a wide open canvas for the new homeowner to establish their personalized décor.

The main living level includes a large living room area, master bedroom and bath, main bath, second bedroom, kitchen and dining area.

The wonderful remodeling work shines in the kitchen, which has a bright and cheerful ambience highlighted by an abundance of white cabinetry, a wrap-around countertop design that features a snack bar area, and a full compliment of white appliances including refrigerator, range/oven, microwave and dishwasher. Gorgeous, easy to care for vinyl flooring complements the kitchen and dining areas.

The main level bath has also been beautifully remodeled, with furniture style vanity, large linen storage area, tub and shower.

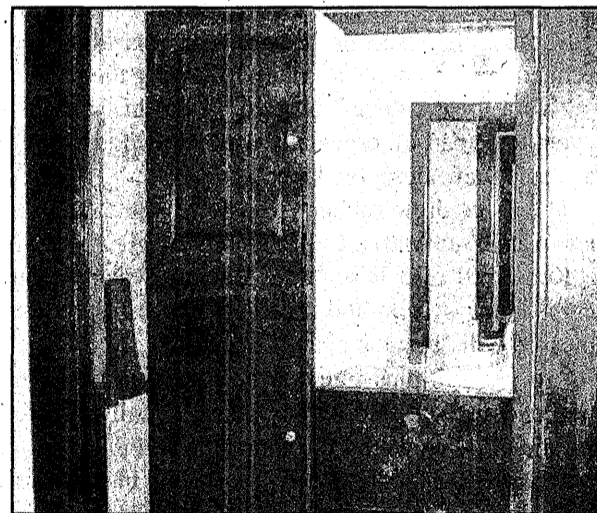
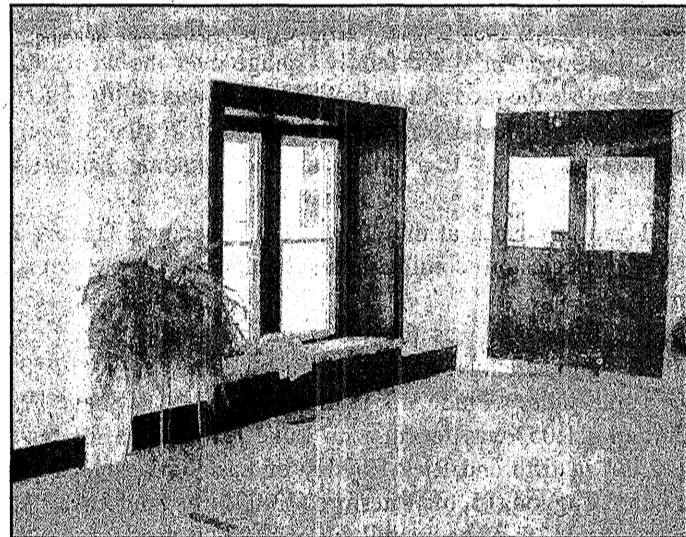
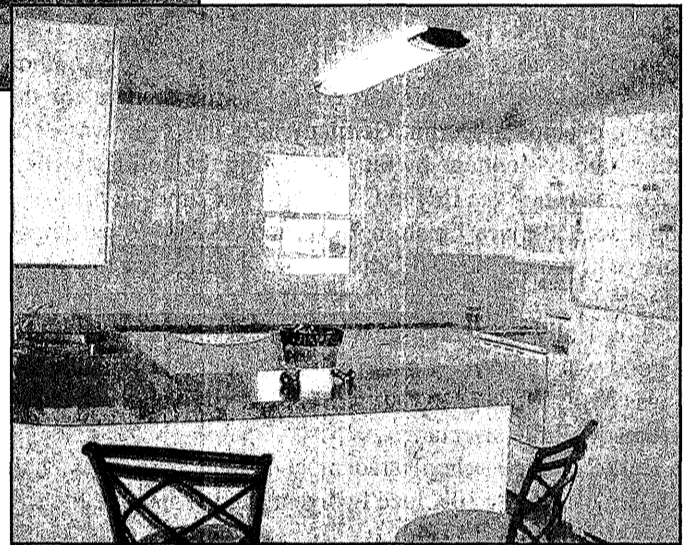
There are two good-sized bedrooms on the

second level, with quaint, custom built-in storage drawers to allow extra floor space... The wall and ceiling angles in the upstairs bedrooms create a palette for unique, inspired interiors.

The home is built on a full basement, providing lots of extra storage space. Utility equipment and laundry (the home comes with washer and dryer) are located in the lower level, helping to maximize the main level living areas.

The exterior of the home features low-maintenance, vinyl siding, a charming, covered front porch, recently re-shingled roof, thermal custom replacement windows, and rear deck for enjoying the backyard views. At 87' x 132', the lot is generously size for in-town living, offering plenty of room for kids (and adults) to play.

The downtown Boyne City business district is just a short stroll away, allowing easy access to dining, entertainment, and of course, the beautiful Lake Charlevoix shoreline.



needs a 'little' fixing up for \$45,000, but you don't plan on doing the fixing up on it, you plan to hire out the work. By the time you are done getting the home gutted and put back together, you have invested another \$70,000 (might sound like a lot, but a total redo adds up in a hurry) into the project, and it took a lot of your time and effort getting it done.

You may have been better off finding something in the extended price range of \$115,000 (adding your costs together), that was either already remodeled, or one that didn't need much of anything done to it.

Bottom line in this scenario is when you're not doing the overhaul yourself it may make better sense to look for something that already fits your needs. There are a lot of very nice homes out there at some very attractive prices right now. So remember, you don't have to jump at the first thing you look at. Take your time and

find what fits your needs.

One more mistake, and this can be a costly one, is not having an inspection done. This is a very simple step, and can be completed in a number of different ways. The best and generally the safest way to rest assured would be to hire a professional inspector. A good professional inspector will go through the home and inspect all aspects of it, from the plumbing and electrical, to the foundation and structure. They should provide you with a detailed report of what they have inspected and what if anything of issue they have found.

The hope is to not find anything major, which is good for you; the buyer. A good share of the time the inspector will point out simple fixes, such as outlets not being grounded properly, drains working slowly, and minor fixes of that nature. But, if and when a major issue is found, you can

safely walk away from the transaction and save yourself a lot of trouble. Although in order to safely walk away from the transaction, you needed to have an inspection listed as a contingency in your original offer to the seller.

Now for those of you that think you want to tackle your own inspection, you can do it, but be sure you know what you're looking for. Bottom line, definitely have an inspection, the investment is just too large not to know what you're getting into.

These tips should help you have a very safe and happy house hunt. Looking for your dream home is suppose to be a great experience, and it truly can, just remember to take your time and follow the old Boy Scout motto, "be prepared". Happy house hunting!

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