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By Jim Akans

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**TIMELESS FUN at the 79 Year-old Venetian Festival**



**Week of Pageantry, Games & Entertainment at Charlevoix's Premier Summer Event**

By Jim Akans

"We call it a big-time festival with a small-town appeal," states Dan Barron, president of Charlevoix Venetian Festival, Inc. "We have something for everyone, with entertainment for people of every age musical taste, fifteen sporting tournaments, firework displays, parades and activities for the kids."

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We're talking about a lot of people. Dan estimates that over the week long event approximately 100,000 people will pass through the Venetian Festival gates.

"This is a hometown celebration," Dan notes. "In addition to being an annual event for local residents, it is a time when friends and families return to the area and make the Venetian Festival a part of that occasion. There are more family and class reunions based around the festival time than at any other time of the year."

The Venetian Festival began in 1930, starting out as a post-race parade of sailing vessels from the Chicago and Belvedere Clubs, lit by candles as they circled the harbor. A Venetian Boat Parade continues today on Round Lake Harbor, being a closing highlight of the Festival on Saturday evening.

But there is much more.

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**Fresh Water Studio and Boyne Arts Collective Celebrate Ribbon Cutting at New Facilities**

By Brittney Moody

Living in a small town has its fair share of ups and downs, yet one thing a small town like Boyne City has to

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### EAST JORDAN

#### EARTH TONES MUSIC GARDEN DEDICATION

Jim Cooper, well-known mallet percussionist from the Chicago area, will join the musical line-up at Raven Hill Discovery Center this coming Friday evening, July 17th at 7 pm. We are excited to have so much talent gather to dedicate our new outdoor Earth Tones Music Garden.

### CHARLEVOIX

#### STREET LEGENDS OF CHARLEVOIX CRUISE-IN

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

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# Earth Tones Music Garden at Raven Hill

A summer evening of celebration has been planned to honor Raven Hill Discovery Center. For the past eighteen years Raven Hill Discovery Center has been providing life-long connections for children and adults that link science, history and the arts in a hands-on learning environment.

Summer Magic 2009: "Earth Tones Music Garden", sponsored in part by WCMU Public Radio, will take place on the grounds of Raven Hill on Friday, July 17, 2009. At 7 p.m. the festivities begin (\$20 per person--reservations encouraged) in air-conditioned comfort. Guests are invited to explore indoor and outdoor exhibits and enjoy wine & hors d'oeuvres, demonstrations of Hot Glass beads and scientific glassblowing, a silent auction, live music from the new Earth Tones Music Garden with Tom Kaufmann and Friends, Jim Cooper on the Vibraphone, the Petoskey Steel Drum Trio and Sweetwoods Recorder Ensemble.

Of special interest will be the new outdoor exhibit, Earth Tones Music Garden that connects the science of sound and the history of instruments to the art of music. Earth Tones does not refer to colors, but rather to the deep and rich sounds that emerge as visitors use the earth as sounding boards and resonating chambers and earth materials to generate beautiful melodies with wood, metal and stone instruments. The Earth Tones musical instruments include a 40' friction harp, stone lithophone, Amadinda, whale drum, slap tubes, giant chimes and more, all which

can be played separately or used in concert. The garden is made possible by a 2008 grant award from Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

In addition to Earth Tones Music Garden, guests can explore Jurassic Park, wander through the six civilizations of the Ancient World, climb the maple-shaped Tree House, see the power of the Energy House, go back in time to the one-room schoolhouse, quiet minds in the Labyrinth, check out the medicinal and turtle gardens, discover nature's creations in the trees along the Taxi Trail, interact with hundreds of hands-on museum exhibits and pet or hold exotic animals. More than 129,000 visitors have experienced the wonders at Raven Hill Discovery Center.

Located between East Jordan and Boyne City, Raven Hill Discovery Center is surrounded by forests, fields, swamps and ponds in a rural setting of more than 150 acres. It is adjacent to Little Traverse Conservancy's Raven Ridge Nature Preserve. Open seven days a week from Memorial Day through Labor Day, Raven Hill Discovery Center is also open all year on weekends and always by appointment.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION or TO PURCHASE TICKETS, CONTACT: 231-536-3369 or [www.ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org](http://www.ravenhilldiscoverycenter.org)  
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## Jim Cooper appearing at Earth Tones Music Concert

On July 17th at 7 pm, well-known Chicago-based musician, Jim Cooper, will be joining Tom Kaufmann & Friends, the Petoskey Steel Drum Trio and the Sweetwoods Recorder Ensemble at Raven Hill Discovery Center's major fundraiser: Earth Tones Music. A Musser mallet percussionist, Jim plays the vibraphone, an instrument popularized by the great Lionel Hampton. Jim has performed with such jazz artists as Jeff Haas, Ira Sullivan, Bob Dogan, Wilbur Campbell, Gene Esposito, Art Van Damme, Dave Bennett and the Grand Rapids Jazz Orchestra among others. He has also performed at the Chicago Jazz Festival, Sutton's Bay Jazz Festival, The Allegan Jazz Festival, as well as in many concerts, festivals and clubs throughout the country. For more information about the evening's festivities or to make reservations, please call 231-536-3369 or email [info@RavenHillDiscoveryCenter.org](mailto:info@RavenHillDiscoveryCenter.org)



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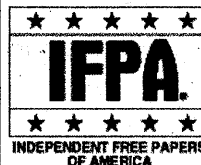
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## Family Physician of the Year, 2009

By Jane Booze

Another Hometown Hero: Dr. Mitchell Carey, family physician at the East Jordan Family Health Center, and the 2009 Michigan Academy of Family Physicians' Family Physician of the Year.

Dr. Carey completed his undergraduate work at Grand Valley State College and went on to Wayne State School of Medicine. He finished his residency at Saginaw Cooperative Hospitals. He was also a participant in the National Health Service Corps, which obliged him to practice for a period of time in a medically underserved rural community.

And so after completing his residency, Mitch and Nancy Carey began looking at options. They liked

**"I get a kick out of new babies," Dr. Carey said – this time with enthusiasm. "Every one's special, every one's fun. Makes your mood float up for a few days."**

Flathead Lake, near Missoula, Montana. There were high hills overlooking the lake, rolling hills and cherry orchards – and they realized they loved it at least partly because it looked like Traverse City. So they began looking a little closer to home and found the East Jordan Family Health Center.

That was in 1979.

Lots of physicians have come and gone since then, but Mitch Carey has a ready answer for why he stayed: "Come and see for yourself."

Pressed, he adds, "I like the fact that it's fairly community-based. You get to know people's names. In a large city – especially in emergency rooms – you don't see the same people twice."

"I've delivered babies whose babies I've delivered – a second generation," Dr. Carey said. Besides, he admits he's laid back. "I like being able to pull out of my drive in the morning and drive 15 miles and see maybe 15 cars. I don't miss traffic."

Since 1979, everything's gotten a lot bigger – I used to carry snowshoes around in my car in case

I went in a ditch in a five-mile stretch of M-66 where no one lived in the winter," Dr. Carey said. "But I don't think the people have changed very much. They're still pretty open and friendly."

Medicine has changed, of course. Dr. Carey said a lot of people are looking for more specialty care.

"But those aren't necessarily the ones I see – I see people who want a doctor who will sit down for a few minutes. There's still a need for general practice," he said. "If I had it to do over again, I would still go into general practice. I like the diversity. I kind of like family practice – the idea that you can see anything in your office. For such a little practice in a small town, we've seen some fascinating things. You don't know what's coming down the pike – or how fast!"

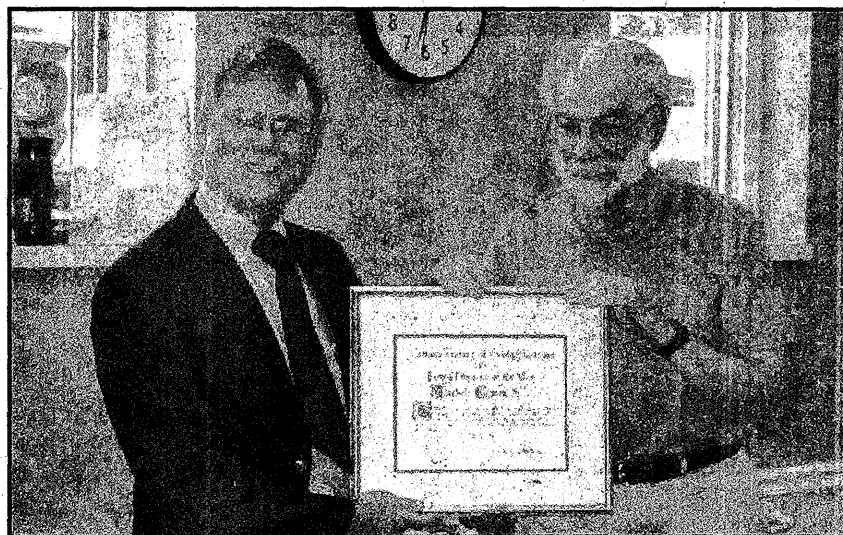
"I may have had other medical opportunities – I never looked," he said.

Dr. Carey's contentment with and commitment to East Jordan has now brought a new honor to it. It isn't every small town who can boast a Family Physician of the Year.

"I expect it is a big honor," Dr. Carey said, as if he hadn't thought of that, exactly. "I think it's good for East Jordan. What can I say? It's not exactly what I'm about."

What he is about is compassionate patient care, delivering generations of babies, and little carpentry on the side. He admitted his first response to hearing about the award was not effusive. The Academy had an award presentation planned at the same time he and Nancy were planning to attend a wedding. So the Academy kindly changed their presentation to accommodate the Careys, and on June 25, at the East Jordan Family Health Center, Dr. Mitchell Carey was presented with his award by past Academy president Dr. Louis Zako.

Because Dr. Carey completely agrees with the phi-



Dr. Carey (on the left) receiving the award on June 25 at the East Jordan Family Health Center from Dr. Louis Zako, former president of the MAFP.

losophy of life summed up in the phrase, "Keep a low profile," he still can't drum up too much excitement over the award.

"There are a lot of people out there who are smarter and better looking," he said.

"It wasn't because of my political activities or brilliance. I got strong supporting letters," Dr. Carey said, and pointed out what he sees as East Jordan Family Health Center's real shining lights: Dee Hawley, Dan McKinnon, the administration and all the excellent staff who may go unrecognized, but whose contributions are inestimable.

For now, while Dr. Carey remains modestly grateful for the honor of the award, it won't have a real impact on his practice.

"I plan on staying in East Jordan for awhile," he said, adding prosaically, "I'm not retiring until my mortgage is paid off."

That's the low profile talking. He's really here for the love of it, and it's that which made him Family Physician of the Year in a lot of East Jordan hearts and minds ever since 1979. Maybe mostly the parents and second generation parents.

"I get a kick out of new babies," Dr. Carey said – this time with enthusiasm. "Every one's special, every one's fun. Makes your mood float up for a few days."

## FAA approves Charlevoix airport grant

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

CHARLEVOIX — The city airport received approval for a \$1,157,480 grant from the Federal Aeronautics Administration to improve the city airport. Airport manager, Matthew L. Bailey, said notice from the FAA arrived Monday, July 13. "The funds from the federal government will help with the airport expansion plans," Bailey said.

Of the \$2.5 to \$3 million estimated cost of airport renovation and expansion, 95 percent is covered by the federal grant, Bailey said. The state of Michigan will fund another 5 percent, and the local municipality pays the remaining 2.5 percent. Under the scenario of a \$3 million project, the city would be responsible for \$75,000.

Bailey said the city airport would bring in revenue from increased sales of fuel when the expansion is complete. The expansion of the airport is not to bring in larger planes, he said.

City council recently gave the go-ahead for a design engineering firm to evaluate the needs of the airport and draft a plan. Until that is accomplished, the city is not certain what the project will entail. However, Bailey said the airport needs new snow removal equipment, the terminal needs expansion, entry gates will be secured, runway lightning protection installed and energy saving lighting will replace the current lighting. The airport master plan needs updating as well, he said.

"We hope to finalize the design late this year and then put out for construction bids the beginning or middle part of next year," Bailey said.

The airport is hosting an open house from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 18. Food will be served and information about the airport provided.

Right: Matt Bailey, Charlevoix Airport Manager.



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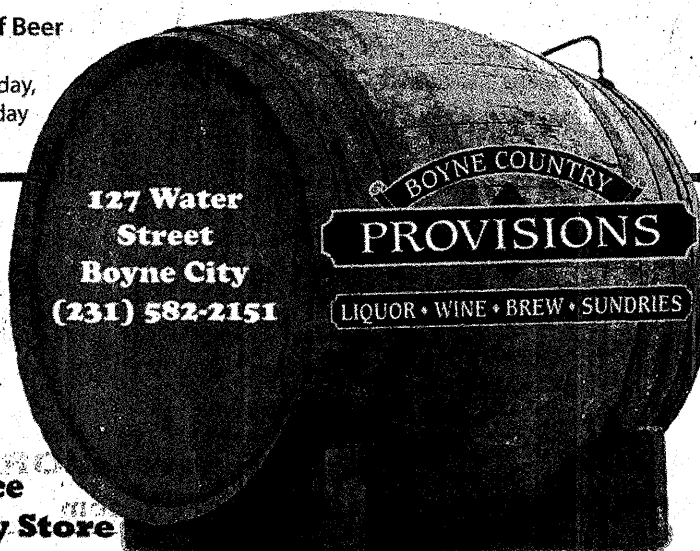
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#### EAST JORDAN

##### EARTH JOURNEY WALK

Raven Hill Discovery Center host the Earth Journey Walk from 10am - 5pm on July 18

#### EAST JORDAN

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The Friends of the Jordan sponsor the FolksaWalkin'the Jordan River on July 18 from 10am - Noon at the Pinney Bridge Area.

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#### 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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#### EAST JORDAN

##### FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES

Enjoy the summer and the music at Memorial Park on July 17 at 7pm featuring Bonnie and Francois (easy Jazz 1930's, 40's and 50's).

#### CHARLEVOIX

##### VENETIAN FESTIVAL

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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 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](http://www.GolfStat.com) or [www.michiganpga.com](http://www.michiganpga.com). For more information on the Tournament of Champions event, please visit [www.michigan.pga.com](http://www.michigan.pga.com).

### CHARLEVOIX

#### SINGLES FOR CHRIST

Singles for Christ invites all singles 40 & over to join us for our annual picnic potluck at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 18th at Historical Depot Beach Covered Pavilion, 307 Chicago Street in Charlevoix. Enter at the USCG entry. RSVP with what dish you will bring so we have a balanced menu. Remember to bring your own place setting, beverage(s) of choice, lawn chairs, board games, cards, etc.! Come earlier for swimming. R.S.V.P. is required, so please call Frieda at 231-347-3438 days (Zion), 347-5747 (Home) or e-mail [frieda@compnor.com](mailto:frieda@compnor.com).

### EAST JORDAN

#### ANNUAL ARTS INVITATIONAL EXHIBITION

Enjoy the talent of local artists through July 22 at the Jordan River Arts Council Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan. Open daily 1 - 4 p.m. during Exhibits. Live performances, workshops, in school services, theatre, and other events are provided. For more information phone 231-536-3385.

### BOYNE CITY

#### STARTING A BUSINESS?

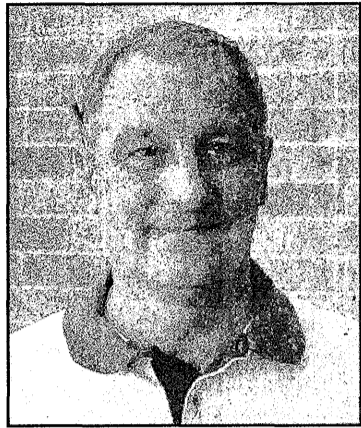
Classes are held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance July 22 at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or emailing [info@northern-lakes.net](mailto:info@northern-lakes.net). The class fee is \$20.

### 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.

# 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](mailto:Office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com).*

## Summer in Northern Michigan is Booming

By Dave Baragrey 1

This summer has been busy all across Northern Michigan. The tourists are filling the campgrounds and the summertime events have been well attended by both locals and tourists. That is a good sign for businesses and the economy in the area.

The sidewalks have been busy in downtown Charlevoix, Boyne City, Gaylord and Petoskey. Now that the streets are open in downtown Cheboygan the city expects to see a quick recovery for downtown merchants.

I am optimistic as we head into a busy week with summer festivals in Indian River, Charlevoix and Gaylord. Despite the gloom and doom of Michigan's economy, Northern Michigan is experiencing a great summer. Visitors still want to enjoy the natural beauty of our area and we certainly enjoy having them spend a little time with us.

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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", "Alangator" and the "Unicorn".



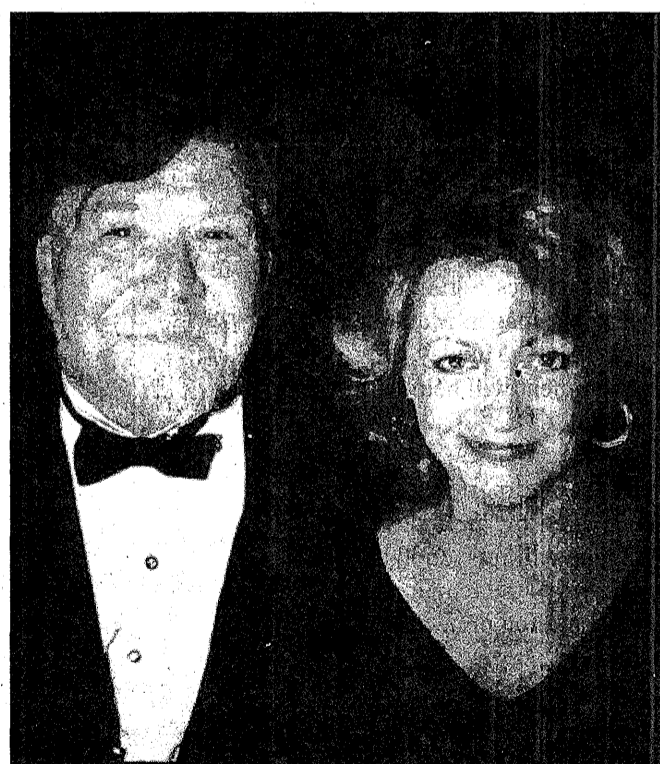
When Josh is not performing on stage, he is working with communities and schools to help them understand their historical past. In 1993, Josh teamed up with the founder of Story Living, Rändi Douglas, to form an interactive educational outreach instructional curriculum called Living History. The program 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 intelligence 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](http://www.atenplace.com) or call Bill or Maxine-Aten at 231-549-2076.

## CONCERT IN THE PARK



### Attention Big Band lovers and Ballroom Dancers!

Northern Michigan music and dance lovers will once again have the opportunity to sing and dance to their favorite melodies from the 1920s to the 1950s when crooners Bonnie & François entertain at Memorial Park in East Jordan on Friday, July 17.

Bonnie & François have been entertaining appreciative audiences for the past few years at various Northern Michigan venues, including East Jordan's Portside Arts Fair.

Not since Bonnie's days of singing with Al "Breezy" Breeze at Grey Gables in the 1970s and 1980s have Northern Michigan residents and tourists had the opportunity to dance to their favorite Big Band melodies.

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## Walloon Lake Man Gave to Others

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

**Reporter's Note:** This story is from an interview with Joe Breidenstein conducted at his home about a week before he died from bone cancer. It seems right to relate the story in the present, perhaps because Joe was so full of life. It was a privilege to have time with him. This story has a postscript.

**WALLOON LAKE** — A long-time Walloon Lake resident is familiar to many people as the developer of Springbrook Hills, but even more, Joe Breidenstein is known as a person who gives of himself to others.

"I'm a liberal," Joe said with a direct look from across the dining table. "Always have been and I come from a liberal background," he said, mentioning his grandmother.

A Challenge Mountain fundraiser, morel mushroom festival pioneer, tourism promoter, creator of Chef's Challenge, and a Lions Club member, Joe has recently found another way to help others.

For years, owners and employees of businesses connected to the automotive industry in the southern part of Michigan would stay at one of the rental homes in Springbrook Hills for family vacations. Joe knows most of the families from managing the rentals and the same families vacationed at Springbrook Hills each summer.

But, this year he hasn't seen some of the families because of the downturn in the automotive industry. Some have called to let him know they won't be taking a vacation this year because of a job loss.

"I thought about the kids," Joe said. "They may not understand what's going on with the economy and be disappointed that they aren't going on vacation this year."

Joe came up with the idea to invite his business friends to stay in the available Springbrook Hills houses free of charge.

"I feel that the people of Michigan are in this together and we can find ways to help each other," he said.

His many friends and his family would say that's vintage Joe.

"What a sweetheart," said Challenge Mountain executive director Sue Moody. "He's become like a father to me. I can't imagine life without him."

Joe has been an active fundraiser and a volunteer for Challenge Mountain, especially for the last three years. Moody has known him for about eight years. She spoke of his positive attitude and to the analogy of a glass half empty or half full she said:

"I'd say Joe's glass is full. He is able to see something positive out of any negative situation."

Challenge Mountain is an organization that helps people with special needs conquer their challenges.

Joe's biggest challenge is his determined battle with bone cancer. He fights it with a positive attitude and by staying as active as possible. When people call Springbrook Hills, it's usually Joe who picks up the phone.

Chef's Challenge is an annual fundraising event for programs at Challenge Mountain. The event is in April of each year, and this year more than \$10,000 was raised. Joe created the event, but he gives accolades to Jo-

seph Krumholz, chef of the Jordan Inn.

"He's a good man to work with, he's always right there, jumps right in there and helps," Joe said.

His close friend of 12 years, Rick Coates, collaborated with Joe on the creation of Chef's Challenge and other ventures. Coates said their friendship was immediate when they met. The two were at an event that included a game to make a 120-foot putt that no one had ever made. The prize was all of the beer left over from the event.

"I made the putt that no one had ever made," Coates said. "That's when Joe came over and said 'I'm your new best friend.' There was an immediate connection and we became fast-friends. Our friendship was based on mutual respect."

Boyer Area Chamber of Commerce director, Jim Baumann, said he really got to know Joe this past year while at the Chamber.

"He typically stopped in the Chamber once a week and always had good ideas," Baumann said. "He's such a generous guy. He created Chef's Challenge and made it into a springtime event. His passion really made it a great event. It's a perfect Joe thing — promoting tourism and devoting a lot of his time to help others."

A special interest of Joe's was promoting spring tourism.

"It's a viable recreational season and should be promoted more," he said. Gov. Jennifer Granholm sent him a letter thanking him for his efforts to promote spring tourism.

During mushroom season Joe opened his home to mushroom hunters who would enjoy his wild mushroom soup and morel dip while listening to mushroom lore. A sign outside his house proclaims that it is "Mushroom Headquarters." He frequently volunteered at Boyne City's mushroom festival.

Coates spoke of Joe's illness and how he managed it.



Joe Breidenstein at his home in Springbrook Hills in July. He died from cancer on Friday, July 10 and will be missed by many people whose lives he touched.

"He never asked for any favors from anyone," Coates said. "Even when he was ill he was more concerned about everything else but himself. He was tireless in his efforts and his passion was infectious."

*Postscript: Joe Breidenstein died at his home from bone cancer on Friday, July 10. His children Beth, Walter, Mary Jane and Joseph, his granddaughter, Isabella, and his long-time friend, Dee LaFata, were at his side. A service was held at St. Francis Xavier Church in Petoskey on Wednesday, July 15. Challenge Mountain posted an appreciation of his work on its website at: [www.challengemtn.org](http://www.challengemtn.org)*

### LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

#### 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@boynecity.com](mailto:mainstreet@boynecity.com).

#### 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.

#### EAST JORDAN

##### MEET THE CANDIDATES

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, July 28, 2009, 7pm to attend "Meet the Candidates" forum at the East Jordan Auditorium.

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### WAITING LISTS OPEN

Boyer City Housing Commission has openings on the Voucher Waiting Lists. Litzenger Apartments and Deer Meadows Apartments have immediate openings. Elderly voucher holders are welcome at Deer Meadows.

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#### Dr McMillian's Mental Health Corner



#### Social Phobia

Social Phobia is classified as an anxiety disorder. Prominent features are marked by a chronic fear of negative evaluation by others, inhibition, withdrawal and avoidance of social contacts. Research suggests prevalence ranges from 2.8% to 13%. Individuals with social phobia make negative predictions about social events and then underestimate their social performance while overestimating negative outcomes when interacting with others. Studies show that anticipation of social outings alters brain regions reflecting changes in associated neural activity. It is thought that temperament can play a role in social phobia. Intervention teaches reframing of social information for the sufferer with social phobia. Those with severe social phobia where depression is quite prevalent benefit significantly from the use of psychological intervention and psychotropic medication.

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Candidates running for East Jordan City Commission will be participating in this Chamber sponsored question/answer and presentation event. Primary Election will be held Tuesday, August 4. Polls open at 7am-8pm at the Civic Center. Registered voters in the City of East Jordan vote in this election.

### 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

### EAST JORDAN

#### DUCKY DERBY

Annual Ducky Derby to be held on Sunday, August 9 at 3pm in Sportsman Park. Crossroads is a non-profit organization, dedicated to helping those in need in our community. Please help us to help others by volunteering at the store, donating good used clothing and household items or by purchasing a Ducky Derby ticket. Only 125 tickets will be sold at \$100.00 each. Tickets may be purchased individually or you may want to "buddy up" with a friend or group of friends. Proceeds will go into capital improvements fund for the purpose of continuing the paving of the parking lot, making a safer area outside and a cleaner area inside for our shoppers at Crossroads Resale Shop. Thank You East Jordan for all you do to support this community.

### 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

### BOYNE CITY

#### 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 inter-

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# 79 Year-old Venetian Festival

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The Venetian Games have become a huge draw, beginning with a Tennis Tournament for all ages at Stroud Park Courts on Friday, July 17th, and the annual Beach Bash, a very popular 3 on 3 Basketball competition held at Ferry Beach on Saturday, July 18th. Among the other sporting events during the Venetian Festival are the Keith Carey Cup (a junior as well as an adult golf tournament), swimming championships, a sailing regatta, a 10k, 5k and 1 mile footrace downtown Charlevoix and a Co-ed volleyball competition at Ferry Beach on Saturday, July 25th.

All week long, the musical entertainment at the Venetian Festival is first-rate. Musical acts appealing to virtually anyone's tastes will appear. Some of the amazing talent appearing on the roster throughout the week will be; the Reggae/Calypso/R&B sounds of Chicago's DeHurricane, Irish/American Folk from Gaylord's Pub Runners, the wonderful Charlevoix Community Band, country music from Nashville artists Gloriana and Darryl Worley, classic Detroit rock from Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels, legendary Motown artists The Contours, and much, much more.

Kids and teens will also find plenty to do at the Venetian Festival. There will be a "Battle of the Bands" music competition on Tuesday night, as well as musical acts performing on the Teen Stage at East Park nearly every evening.



"Kids Day, on Thursday the 23rd at Lake Michigan Beach," states Dan Barron, "has all types of activities and entertainment for children. That includes clowns, a petting zoo, pony rides, craft opportunities. The event transforms the beach into a mini Magical Kingdom."

Attendees will also have an opportunity to help support the Venetian Festival by purchasing "Fireworks Cash Raffle" tickets, with a chance to win a \$5000, \$1000 or \$500 price that will be a

part of the closing ceremonies on Saturday evening (can be purchased at the festival and need not be present at the drawing to win).

It seems the 79 year-old tradition of Charlevoix's Venetian Festival just keeps getting better and better.

For more information, visit [www.venetianfestival.com](http://www.venetianfestival.com).



**In East Jordan last week the Annual Charlevoix Senior Picnic had nearly five hundred participants. Senator Jason Allen, former Sheriff George Lasater, Margo Johnson were just a few of the VIP servers participating.**

## CROSSINGS: A magical Journey Through Northern Michigan History

### A Benefit For Charlevoix Area Hospital Foundation And Crooked Tree Arts Center

CAHF and CTAC are teaming up for an exciting and fun project to benefit our joint mission of enhancing our communities and making them "healthier" across many facets of life. Proceeds from this project will be evenly split between the organizations. For CAHF, proceeds will go towards our community health education outreach programs and for CTAC, proceeds will be designated towards Youth Arts Education Programs. At the center of this project is a "treasure" book, telling the history of our northern Michigan region through the eyes of a child traveling through the ages. Found within the story and illustrations are clues to the secret location of a "treasure" - \$5,000 in cash!

The book (printed locally by Mitchell Graphics) is beautifully illustrated by 15 northern Michigan Artists and written by Patti Aikin, a CTAC Board Member, CAHF Volunteer and Charlevoix resident. Within its pages, the book weaves a mystical tale of the \$5,000 treasure. The illustration, reprinted from the original art, will support the story and add clues as to the location.

The reader must figure out the clues to correctly identify the location, then file an entry on an official, numbered card with local community banks, Charlevoix State Bank and The Bank of Northern Michigan - The sponsors of our \$5,000 prize. The original illustration will be sold, and we will have a very limited number of prints of each illustration available as well. Prints will be on sale (\$100 each) at Charlevoix Area Hospital Gift Shop and the Crooked Tree Gallery.

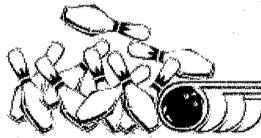
Books are \$35 each at many local retail book and other stores, the CTAC and CAHF gift shops. "Treasure hunters" may file their guesses in person or via registered mail to either of the sponsoring banks. All correct entries will then be entered into a random drawing, scheduled for one year from the kick off of sales. If there is no correct entry, we will continue to accept entries until a winning entry is submitted.

Other Sponsors include: WalMart & Joe Nuyen, Attorney

Book Illustration Original Art by: Marilyn Stockwell, Steve Toorman, Meredith Krell, Jan Hoffman, Catherine Carey, Carol Ross, Mary Jill Lemieyr, Valerie Thompson, Russ and Sue Bolt, Kelli Snively, Margaret White, Glen McCune, Larissa Flynn, and Larua Cherven.

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- THURSDAY:** \$3.00 Thursday: Ask about our \$3.00 Menu! Connie's Karaoke starts at 9 p.m.
- FRIDAY:** Fish Fry ... Try out Cod Fillets! 9-11 p.m. Open Jukebox
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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION

The East Jordan City Commission met July 7, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.; Mayor Postma presiding with all members of Commission present. Minutes were approved and acknowledgement was given to paid bills in the amount of \$161,479.67 and \$86,691.77.

Further Commission Action: Acknowledged Receipt of the Cash on Hand Report, June 2009; Acknowledged Receipt of the following Monthly Public Safety Report, Fire Department May 2009; approved Tourist Park Building Rental request with rental fee waiver; approved Janitorial Bid with Cleaner One not to exceed \$2,500.00 in the Buildings and Grounds line item; tabled Resolution #114/2009; amended proposed policy #155 and asked City Attorney to address issues with Federal Guidelines and volunteers; appointed Cindy Penzien to Housing Commission Vacancy; approved EMS request to allow EMS to spend up to \$5000.00 of fund balance for repairs to Ambulance and allow budget amendment to reflect this change; and authorized \$52,500 to come from water fund to general fund and remaining \$21,850 to be lent from general fund to harbor and to pay invoices and allow for a budget amendment to reflect these changes.

Copies of the minutes of the above meeting are posted in City Hall for review during normal office hours.

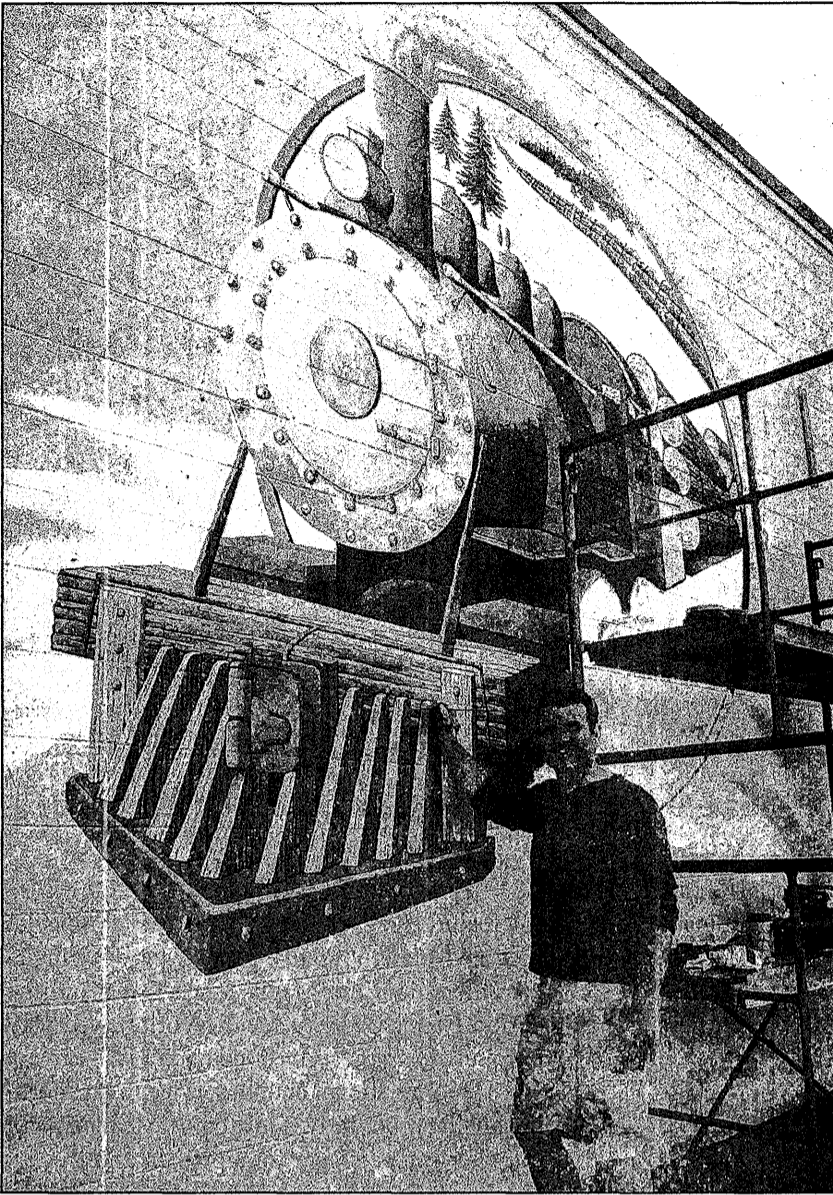
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# Boyne Arts Collective

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According to Mackenzie, the train mural is an "example of the vision for the arts collective". Artist of the mural, Jerry Douglas, also board member of the BAC said "It was being part of the BAC that spurred me to do it."

offer is a great sense of community. Recently, that sense of community has expanded, and Boyne City has one thing more to offer, an increased presence of the arts.

"I have been wishing for this store!" Gail Fox, resident of Boyne City declared walking into the Boyne Arts Collective gallery for the first time Monday. "It's such an asset to the artists' community," Fox continued.

On Thursday, July 9, the Boyne Arts Collective, a soon to be non-profit

organization, and FreshWater Studio, housing the works of talented artists, celebrated ribbon cuttings for their new facilities. These new "homes of the arts" are located downtown Boyne City on South Lake Street, on opposite sides of the street.

"The idea is for us to be a destination in the community to come to," said Martina Hahn, president of the BAC board.

The BAC is separate from FreshWater Studio, connected only

by love for the arts.

"It's nice to have the BAC in the same area because you get to have both galleries without searching them out," said Tony Williams, co-owner of FreshWater Studio. "We have an art district in Boyne now." The premise of the BAC was for artists to have an outlet. Hahn had been searching for others to share her talents in 2007. After putting up fliers looking for those with similar interests, the BAC was founded. Two and a half years later, Hahn and 60 other paid members have a brand

***"That's why we have the word 'studio' in our name, it means action, movement as well as gallery," said Williams.***

new facility to display and share their work with others. The ages of these members range from 15 years old to 86 years old.

"We're a collection of the arts, including performers, painters, writers, everything," Hahn said. Board member of BAC, Scott Mackenzie, explained their hopes of expanding their gallery to hold workshops, as well as working artists exhibiting their talents.

"We are currently working with a professional non-profit school of dance and music to possibly be one of our collective tenants," said Mackenzie.

Their current location was donated to the BAC by Glen Catt of Catt Enterprises and they have high

hopes for its success.

"We want to help facilitate ways for artists to make a living," said Mackenzie.

FreshWater Studio has similar ambitions to those of the BAC. According to Williams they hope to provide workshops one day, as well as room for working artists. They have also talked of having acoustic music and wine tastings from time-to-time. "That's why we have the word 'studio' in our name, it means action, movement as well as gallery," said Williams.

According to Glen McCune, co-owner of FreshWater Studio, the majority of the work displayed at the time belongs to either Williams or himself. Williams said he was happy bringing his work to a home base in Boyne, as his log art is currently sold all over the country.

"We both work in big mediums and needed a lot of space," said Williams. "We will be filling the rest of the space with other artists."

The FreshWater Studio resides in a building that McCune said was "derelict" for 31 years.

"It's nice to see the building come to life," Williams said.

Currently their 2500 square feet of gallery space is home to the work of 12 artists, all from Northern Michigan. Wooden kayaks, beds, pottery, paintings, jewelry, among other things can be found at FreshWater Studio.

They are currently providing summer hours from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily, while the BAC is open Fridays and Saturdays for the time being, and by appointment.

Both the BAC and Freshwater Studio will be participating in a duo-grand opening from 4-6 p.m. Friday, July 31 prior to "Stroll the Streets." According to Mackenzie the street will be closed off for the event. Both facilities anticipate having many of their artists and members present.

"We couldn't be happier with the city embracing what we're doing," McCune said.

# Funeral services for Joe Breidenstein scheduled for July 15



Local businessman and former Chamber board member Joe Breidenstein died Saturday at his home. Joe is pictured above with Governor Jennifer Granholm. Funeral services will be at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 513 Howard St., Petoskey, at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 15, followed by a reception. There will also be an open house from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Challenge Mountain, 2205 Springbrook Road, Boyne Falls.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the family or Challenge Mountain, 01158 M-75 South, Boyne City, MI 49712.

## Obituary

Joseph Walter Breidenstein, 72, of Walloon Lake, was at home surrounded by family when he passed away peacefully on Saturday morning, July 11, 2009. He was undergoing treatment for bone cancer and chose to make little mention but to family and close friends.

"Baby Joe", as he was known, was born and raised in Mt. Pleasant. He graduated Sacred Heart high school in 1954 and Notre Dame University with a business administration degree in 1958. After serving in the Marine Corps he worked in the Michigan oil & gas industry. As a boy he spent his summers at Walloon Lake with grandmother Mrs. Walter Master's, and worked at the Master's Boat Works, his uncle Walt Master's local marina.

He later moved to northern Michigan in 1967 with a dream to develop "Michigan's Most Complete Year-Around Development," called Springbrook Hills Resort. Two original property owners were Mickey Stanley and Jim Northrup of the Detroit Tigers.

He was a long-time proponent of Michigan Travel & Tourism. He is remembered as the champion of Springtime tourism in Michigan. He wrote, "Spring is under appreciated, under promoted, a season with tremendous economic potential for the tourist industry." On Oc-

tober 4, 2000 he persuaded sponsors in the Michigan House of Representatives to pass House Resolution No. 417 calling the "last week of April each year be designed as Springtime Splendor week in Michigan."

He was the creator of Morels & More and Fall Mushroom Mania outings and called it a unique shoulder season weekend experience with nature & the outdoors, featuring information, identification & guided mushroom hunting, meals with emphasis on wild mushrooms and seasonal Michigan products. He was the creator and coordinator of the "Chef's Challenge for Challenge Mountain". A Springtime Event featuring Michigan's Culinary, Wine & Micro-Brew industries to showcase Michigan's recreational options in the Spring. He was a tireless supporter of community giving and charitable events.

He served on various Associations and Boards including: Little Traverse Bay Historic Festival, Petoskey Innkeepers Association, Boyne City Chamber of Commerce, Boyne Valley Lions Club, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Boyne City National Mushroom Festival, Boats, Bikes & Blades Festival, Michigan Festivals & Events Foundation Board. In 2008, he helped create the Northern Michigan Film & Media Group to encourage the creation of film projects in Northern Lower Michigan and Upper Peninsula. He was a former licensed Real Estate Broker and Residential Builder.

He was preceded in death by his parents Joe and Mildred Breidenstein. He is survived by his four children Walter, Beth and Joseph Breidenstein and Mary Jane (Breidenstein) Medina with granddaughter Isabella, as well as his two sisters Kay (John) Harris and Sue (Tim) Murphy and their children and grandchildren.

The family wishes to especially thank Dolores "Dee" Lafata, Sue Moody of Challenge Mountain, Rick Coates, Nicole Elya, the Hospice organization, close family members, and all his wonderful friends for their kindness and support. Without their love, friendship and generosity he/we could not have endured this journey.

Baby Joe will be dearly missed by many that loved him and cherished his friendship. We give glory to the Lord for the blessings he brought into so many lives and are hopeful that his tenacious ability to go against the grain will not be soon forgotten. These memories are special.

Funeral services will be at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 513 Howard St., Petoskey, at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 15, and followed by a family reception afterwards. Memorial contributions may be directed to the family or Challenge Mountain, 01158 M-75 South, Boyne City, MI 49712. Local arrangements are in the care of the Charles Parks Funeral Home of Petoskey.

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ested 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.

### 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

#### EAST JORDAN FARMER'S MARKET

Enjoy the freshness each Thursday now thru October from 9am to 1pm at Sportsmen's Park. Accepts Project Fresh, contact Shirley Vollbach at 231-536-2526

### 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](mailto:bess@arcnlm.org).

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### ELLSWORTH

#### ELLSWORTH FARMERS MARKET

Enjoy the fresh offerings from local growers every Saturday, 8am-Noon through October.

### CHARLEVOIX

#### CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

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!

### BOYNE CITY

#### 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 are from 6:30pm - 8pm. Organized by the Boyne Area Chamber. July 15<sup>th</sup> - Switchback - Duo plays American Roots/Celtic Soul with an edge.

### EAST JORDAN

#### FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES

Enjoy the summer and the music at Memorial Park on July 17 at 7pm featuring Bonnie and Francois (easy Jazz 1930's, 40's and 50's)

### CHARLEVOIX

#### KINDERMUSIK, SUMMER READING CLUB

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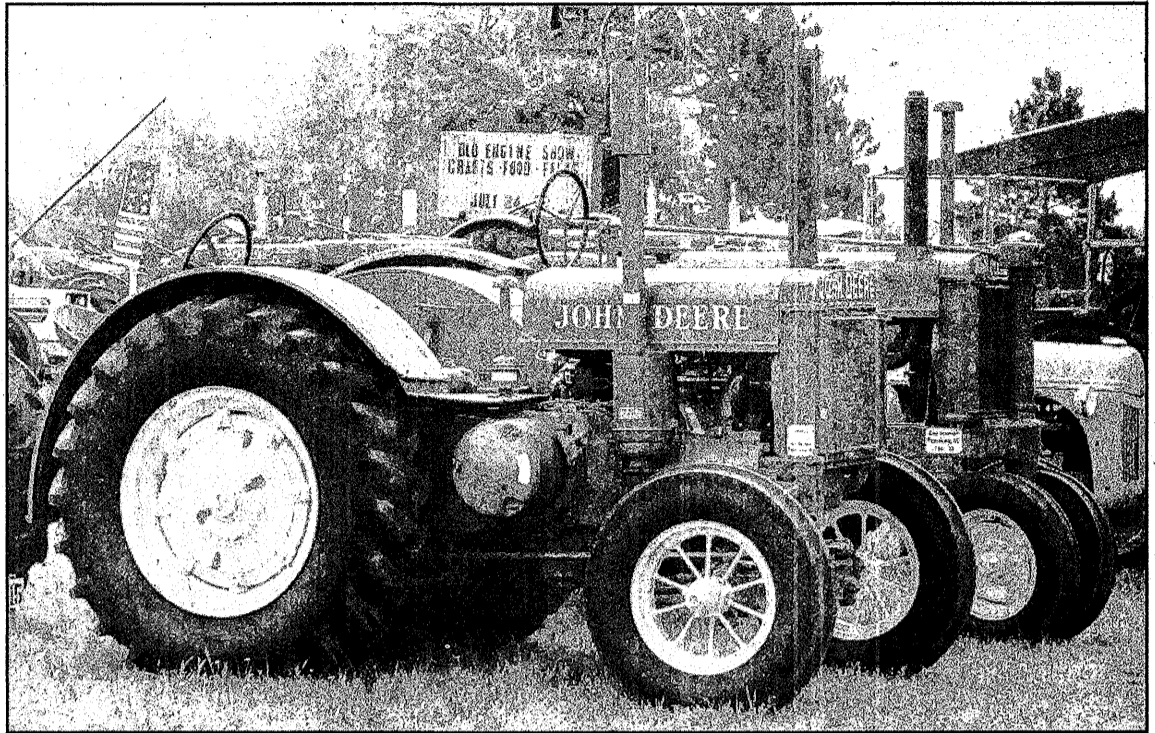
# 22nd Annual Antique Tractor-Engine & Craft Show Opens July 23rd

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in 1988. "It is a great opportunity for attendees to learn and share knowledge about vintage engines and crafts, and we also provide a wide range of family-oriented activities throughout the four day event."

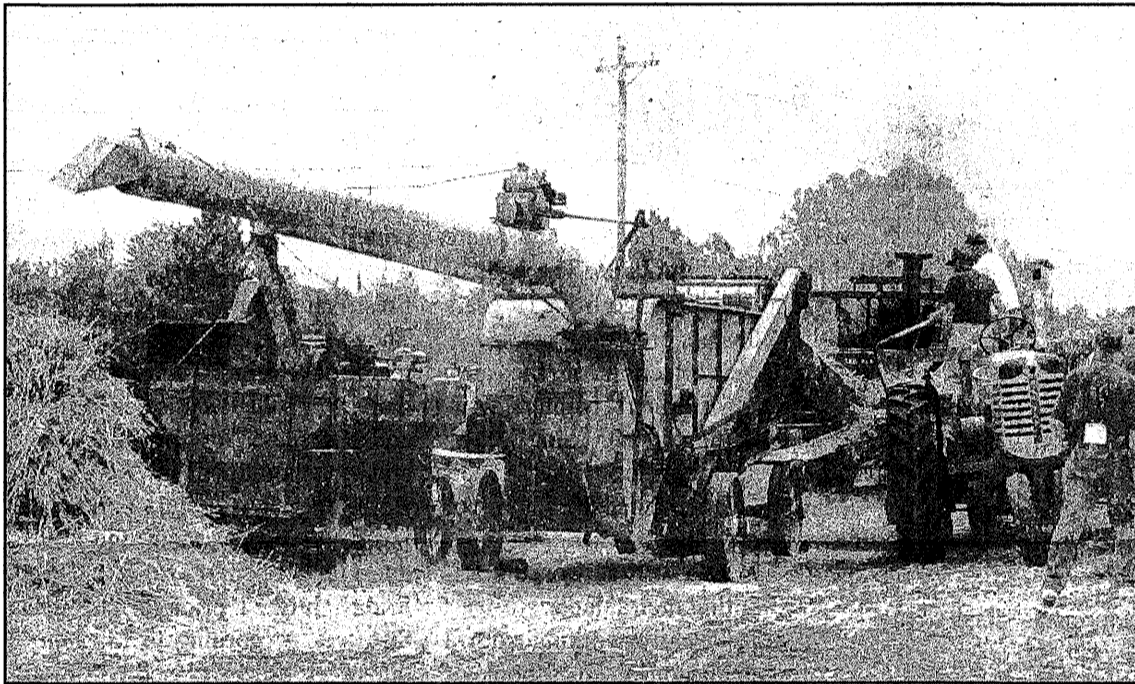
For many, the highlight of the show is watching old steam, diesel and gas tractors and engines firing up once again, often performing tasks they were designed to accomplish nearly 100 years ago.

"We have an operating sawmill on site," states Deb. "People can view a veneer mill used to make material that will become baskets. The original Ironton Ferry Diesel Engine will be powering a sawmill, and there will be many vintage engines and antique tractors for attendees to enjoy."



John Deere Tractors, 2009 Feature Tractor, All Photos Courtesy of Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers.

There will also be a vintage clothing fashion show (makes me a little afraid to check my wardrobe), a flea market with over 100 vendors, and lots of food and entertainment on the grounds.



Minneapolis Special Threshing Machine

The arts and crafts exhibits on site are also big crowd pleasers. It is a rare opportunity for attendees to view artisans making items such as wire jewelry, old-style chair caning, soap makers, rug weaving, working Blacksmiths and even old-fashion straw brooms.

"We will have and open mike stage during the day on Friday," notes Deb. "and Joe Collet & Friends will perform in the evening. Saturday

will feature Kelly Shively, who has an angelic voice and plays virtually every type of stringed instrument, and the Maple Sugar Band and the Horton Creek Gang (a local favorite) will play on Saturday night. On Sunday, we will have a Non-Denominational church service in the morning, and later on, Judy, a local music teacher, will bring her students here for a performance."

And for those with children, there will be plenty to keep the youngsters entertained at the show.

"We will be having a children's garden tractor safari on Saturday evening," Deb states. "After passing a basic operating test, they will 'follow the leader' in a parade around the grounds. There is truly something for everyone to enjoy at the show. The Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers group is dedicated to preserving the wonderful machinery and traditions of the past for future generations, and this event is a highlight of that commitment."

There is camping available at the site, admission to the show is just a \$5 suggested donation per day (children under 12 are free with accompanying adult), and don't miss the "Parade of Power," a chance to see a variety of vintage machines in action, taking place each day of the show at 2 pm.

For more information, visit [www.venetianfestival.com](http://www.venetianfestival.com).



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# LOCAL NEWS

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# MOVIE GUIDE

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- Petoskey Cinema
- Bellaire Theatre
- Kingston Theatre
- Courtyard Cinema

## LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

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Kindermusik helps your child develop early literacy and language skills; acquire reasoning and early math skills; increase self-control; cultivate a lifelong love of music and have a fun time at the Charlevoix Public Library. An adult/child interactive program through July 28. 6:30 - 7pm - ages birth to 3 years. 7:15 - 7:45 pm - ages 4-5 years. Pre-registration in required; 231-237-7350

### EAST JORDAN

#### SUMMER MAGIC CELEBRATION

Enjoy the magic of summer at Raven Hill Discovery Center, 7pm on July 17 during the 2009 Summer Magic Celebration- Earth Tones Music

### BOYNE CITY

#### FARMERS MARKET

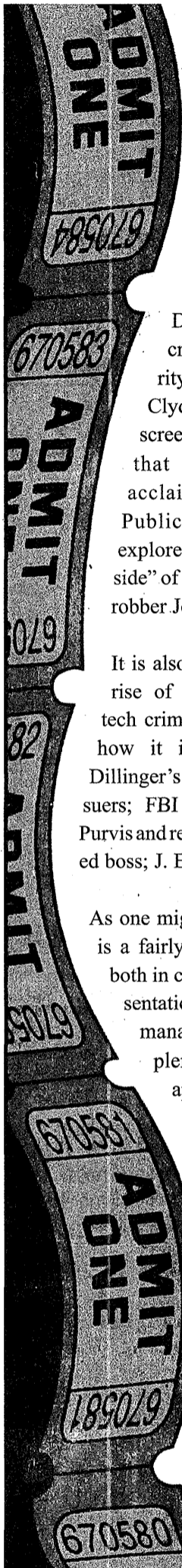
Every Wednesday and Saturday 8am to Noon through October in the Old City Park. The Farmers Market is expected to move to its new temporary location at the end of Water Street next to Sunset Park and the Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce in late July or August.

### 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.

## Vintage Gangsters Rule in Public Enemies



By Jim Manitowish, Wisconsin, Akans

It's been over forty years since Warren Beatty and Faye Dunaway brought Depression era criminal "celebrity's" Bonnie & Clyde back to big screen life, and like that critically acclaimed film, Public Enemies explores the "human side" of legendary bank robber John Dillinger.

Such authenticity in shooting locations, and such items as automobiles and clothing, gives Public Enemies a remarkably realistic period look; wonderfully enhanced by high definition color...dispelling my notion that people lived in black & white back in the 1930's.

The line between gangsters and the agents chasing them isn't black & white either. Dillinger is portrayed as a basically good-natured individual, who just happens to make a living taking money from banks that a depression era public has little sympathy for. The agents come across as ruthless, "stop at nothing to get their man," thugs, stepping over the wrong side of the good-guy/bad-guy line on a regular basis.

The film contains a lot of violence, shoot 'em ups, and the inevitable blood and gore that comes from such behavior, earning it a well deserved R rating. While there are certainly equally graphic scenes in some television shows, be forewarned if the sight of simulated blood makes you queasy.

Much of the filming took place in actual locations Dillinger and his gang frequented, including the Little Bohemia Lodge in

Johnny Depp does a top-notch job



## Johnny Depp Plays a Worthy 20th Century "Pirate" Too

of trading in his pirate hat for a fedora, creating a Dillinger character that I caught myself rooting for, and his romance with Billie Frechette (played by the lovely Marion Cotillard) is a welcome detour from the film's litany of robberies and escapes. Christian Bale portrays agent Melvin Purvis, reputedly casting more intelligence his way than the agent had in real life.

Public Enemies is based on Bryan Burrough's 2004 non-fictional book titled Public Enemies: America's Greatest Crime Wave and the Birth of the FBI, 1933-34. The producers of the film obviously had to shorten the title, and apparently took some liberties to streamline

the plot and add some Hollywood pizzazz, but overall this is a mesmerizing and fairly accurate look at one of America's most infamous felons.

### Exit Comments:

"Great movie, fairly accurate too," Kevin - Gaylord

"I liked how Dillinger would "hide" in plain sight" Pat - Gaylord

"We enjoy the story and acting. Johnny Depp was very good," Richard & Mary, Fife Lake.

"The interrogation of Dillinger's girlfriend was disturbing" Cindy - Gaylord

### Exit Poll - Which Did You Prefer?



Movie; 75%



Popcorn; 25%

# LOCAL MOVIE LISTINGS

## GAYLORD CINEMA WEST JULY 17-23

**The Hangover** - R (103)  
Starring - Bradley Cooper - Heather Graham  
At: 2:00, 9:00

**The Proposal** - PG-13 (108)  
Starring - Sandra Bullock - Martin Akermans  
At: 2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

**My Sister's Keeper** - PG-13 (110)  
Starring - Cameron Diaz - Abigail Breslin  
At: 4:15, 7:00

**Transformers** - PG-13 (150)  
(Revenge of the Fallen)  
Starring - Shia LeBeouf - Josh Duhamel  
At: 1:30, 4:05, 7:00, 9:40

**Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs** - PG (94)  
Voices - Ray Romano - Denis Leary  
At: 2:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00

**Public Enemies** - R (141)  
Starring - Johnny Depp - Christian Bale  
At: 1:30, 4:05, 7:00, 9:40

**Harry Potter & The Half-Blood Prince** - PG (153)  
Starring - Emma Watson - Daniel Radcliffe  
At: 1:30, 4:05, 7:00, 9:40

## COURTYARD CINEMA JULY 17-23

**The Hangover** - R (103)  
Starring - Bradley Cooper - Heather Graham  
At: 9:35

**The Proposal** - PG-13 (108)  
Starring - Sandra Bullock - Martin Akermans  
At: 2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

**Transformers** - PG-13 (150)  
(Revenge of the Fallen)  
Starring - Shia LeBeouf - Josh Duhamel  
At: 1:30, 4:05, 7:00, 9:40

## PETOSKEY CINEMA JULY 17-23

**The Hangover** - R (103)  
Starring - Bradley Cooper - Heather Graham  
At: 12:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

**Up** - PG (90)  
At: 11:45, 1:45, 3:45

**My Sister's Keeper** - PG-13 (110)  
Starring - Cameron Diaz - Abigail Breslin  
At: 7:00, 9:15

**The Proposal** - PG-13 (108)  
Starring - Sandra Bullock - Martin Akermans  
At: 12:00, 2:15, 5:00, 7:00, 9:15

**Transformers PG-13 (150)**  
(Revenge of the Fallen)  
Starring - Shia LeBeouf - Josh Duhamel  
At: 11:45, 1:45, 3:45, 5:30, 7:15, 9:00

**Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs** - PG (94)  
Voices - Ray Romano - Denis Leary  
At: 11:45, 1:45, 3:45, 5:30, 7:15, 9:00

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Starring - Johnny Depp - Christian Bale  
At: 11:45, 2:30, 6:45, 9:30

**Harry Potter & The Half-Blood Prince** - PG (153)  
Starring - Emma Watson - Daniel Radcliffe  
At: 11:45, 1:00, 2:30, 4:00, 6:45, 7:00, 9:30, 9:45

## KINGSTON THEATRE JULY 17-23

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Starring - Bradley Cooper - Heather Graham  
At: 9:30

**The Proposal** - PG-13 (106)  
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## BELLAIRE THEATRE JULY 17-23

**The Proposal** - PG-13 (108)  
Starring - Sandra Bullock - Martin Akermans  
At: 7:00, 9:15

**Harry Potter & The Half-Blood Prince** - PG (153)  
Starring - Emma Watson - Daniel Radcliffe  
At: 7:00, 9:35

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# LOCAL NEWS

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## Boyer City Police Investigating 2 Burglaries

Two businesses were burglarized between Sunday 7-12-09 and Monday 7-13-09 in Boyne City.

Principal Financial Group, 202 S. Lake St was entered through a window after the perpetrator attempted to pry open an exterior door. The office was rummaged through, with nothing stolen. The checkbook of the victim was located, and the subject actually practiced writing a \$5,000 check, which was left at the scene. Entry was also attempted into another neighboring business, with access denied by a deadbolt lock.

Bike Fix, 114 State St., was also entered by cutting a screen, prying open the window, and then prying open the cash register. Over \$100 cash was stolen from the register.

Palm prints and handwriting samples were secured as evidence.

Investigating officers believe the break-ins are related.

The police department is asking anyone with information to contact the Boyne City P.D. at 231-582-6611.

## Charlevoix airport design begins

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

CHARLEVOIX — City council gave the go-ahead for the drafting of a design engineering plan to expand the city airport and to renovate the terminal on Monday, July 6, at its regular meeting. The city is in the exploratory stage of plans for the airport and directed the city manager to proceed with preliminary steps.

In response to a question from a resident, council explained that the airport is not expanding to accommodate larger aircraft.

Dan Barron, Venetian Festival president, reported on festival preparations to council and was approved for a fireworks permit and a customary \$15,000 city donation towards the festival. The 79th Annual Venetian Festival runs from July 19-25, with most

events occurring downtown. An area resident spoke in opposition to the serving of alcohol at the family event. Alcohol is served in a restricted area only.

Possession of a 70-foot high flagpole was discussed as to whether the city should install it downtown or hand it over to the veterans to install it at the VFW Hall. Council tabled a decision to the next meeting.

## United Way Loaned Executives Benefit Community

Hoping to mobilize the power of the business community to benefit the community as a whole, Char-Em United Way is starting a Loaned Executive Program.

Employees from local businesses, people in transition between jobs, as well as retirees, are encouraged to apply to the program. Loaned Executives lend their expertise and energy to assist United Way staff in communicating the needs of the community to the giving public. They receive thorough training that includes local resources,

public speaking, leadership, sales, and communication. The Loaned Executives then meet with local businesses, civic and service clubs, and small groups of donors in Emmet and Charlevoix Counties to promote the United Way Campaign.

A group of past loaned executives from other United Ways is helping develop a program for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties.

"I know how valuable the experience can be for a young employee," says Scott MacKenzie, CEUW's Campaign Co-Chair. "As a Loaned Executive to the United Way in Greensboro NC, I gained communication and leadership skills and learned a great deal about community needs and resources. It's an experience I would recommend for people seeking to build their skills and networks."

Businesses find that, by providing a Loaned Executive to the United Way, they improve their corporate image and positively impact community life. In addition, the employee gains skills that translate back to the workplace.

"We want to stress that this program is not just for 'Executives' per se," says Bob Noll, a retiree from UPS. "The Loaned Executive Program provides great experience for front line employees being groomed for more responsibility. In addition, I would encourage retirees hoping to keep their skills and interests sharp to volunteer in this role."

A half day training for Loaned Executives will be held in early August. Following that, the "LEs" will make contacts with local businesses and other groups to engage their support for United Way. It is expected that the commitment will take 2 - 4 hours per week from mid August through October, but more limited availability will be considered.

For more information or an application form, contact Martha Lancaster at United Way at 231-487-1006 or martha@charemunitedway.org.

# Charlevoix County Records

### District Court

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

Terrance Joseph Wandrie, 17, Boyne City. No insurance on vehicle and no operator's license. Sentenced to pay \$615 in fines and costs.

David C. Robitaille, 23, Norwood, MA. Disturbing the peace. Sentenced to pay \$250 in fines and costs.

Robert Anthony Konopka, 41, Petoskey. No operator's license on person. Sentenced to pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Priscilla Anne Sherman, 21, Traverse City. No proof of insurance. Sentenced to pay \$310 in fines and costs.

Jacquelyn Shelly Pinney, 48, East Jordan. Driving while impaired and attempted resisting and obstructing a police officer. Sentenced to pay \$1,180 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for one day, 334 days held in abeyance, 30 days of community service.

Calvin Coolidge Gillespie II, 60, Boyne City. Forest fires - setting fire without precaution. Sentenced to pay \$500 in fines and costs.

Eric Richard Cron, 20, Kentwood. Minor in possession of alcohol. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs and to serve two days in jail with credit for two days, five days of community service and three months on probation.

Walter Arnold Colbert, 53, Boyne Falls. Attempted interference and aggravated assault. Sentenced to pay \$1,600 in fines and costs and \$404.19 in restitution. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 10 days on work release, 334 days held in abeyance, 20 days of community service work and one year on probation.

Faith Marie Tieber, 37, East Jordan. Motor vehicle passenger with open intoxicant. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs and to serve six days in jail with credit for six days.

Eugene Alexander, 41, Charlevoix. Driving while license suspended. Sentenced to pay \$310 in fines and costs and to serve three days in jail with credit for three days.

### Assumed Names

The following businesses recently filed with the Charlevoix County Clerk's office for an assumed name for doing business:

Sleepy Shores Chapel, 1562 Sleepy Hollow Lane, Eycline Township by Albert Frost.

Reflections Day Spa, 110 Clinton St., Charlevoix by Judith Anne Kline.

Old Fashion Cleaning, 312 W. Garfield Ave., Charlevoix by Cheryl Osborn.

Natural Touch Ceramic and Store, 00410 Anderson Road, Boyne City by James M. Hester.

### Marriage Licenses

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

David Thomas O'Neill, 26, Lakewood, Ohio and Lindsey Marie Narten, 25, Lakewood, Ohio.

Adam Harry Kovall, 65, Boyne City and Janis Kay Olson, 58, Venice, FL.

John Alan Sanders, 27, Petoskey and Amanda Joy Haney, 24, East Jordan.

Bryan Gary Perria, 24, Indianapolis, IN and Megan Marie Bultsma, 25, Indianapolis, IN.

Andrew Laurence Graves, 24, Waddell, AZ and Julianne Peterson, 26, Waddell, AZ.

Thomas Ryce Hankins, 64, Boyne City and Cheryl Lee Werner, 64, Boyne City.

Adam Harry Kovall III, 65, Boyne City and Janis Kay Olson, 58, Venice, FL.

## Boyer City Police Department Weekly Report for 7-13, 2009

Offense	Amount	Offense	Amount
Obstructing Justice	1	Littering	1
Breaking & Entering	3	Larceny	3
Intimidation/Stalking	1	Vehicle Unlocks	6
Public Peace	1	Civil Dispute	6
OWI	1	Threats Complaint	1
Juvenile Complaint	1	Traffic Violations	6
Fraud-Bad Checks	1	Lost/Found Property	2
Trespass	1	Assist other Agency	3
Parking Violation	1	Suspicious Situations	9
Skateboarding Violation	1	Disturbance	3
Juvenile Complaint	1	General Assistance	8
Alarms-False	2	Traffic Accident	2
911 Hang up	1	Non-traffic Accident	5

## East Jordan Police Department Weekly Report for July 7-13, 2009

Offense	Amount	Offense	Amount
Traffic Offenses	31	Operate Vehicle on Sidewalk	1
Assist Other Agencies	3	Driving While License Suspended Arrest	1
Fraudulent Activity	4	Transport Open Intoxicants in M/V - Arrest	1
Sex Offender Verification	3	FOC Warrant Arrest	2
Public Relations	2	Keys Locked in Vehicle	4
Lock/Unlock Parks	44	Health & Safety	1
Suspicious Situation	6	Grass Ordinance Violation	2
Parking Violation	4	Juvenile	2
Assist Citizen/Business	4	911 Hang Up	1
Dog Running at Large	2	Traffic Accident	1
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## East Jordan all-stars advance!

EJ Superminor (9-10) squad rallies to edge T.C. West in extra innings on Saturday in the District 8 quarterfinals

By Mike Dunn

GRAYLING — The sweet feet of speedy Matt Berish combined with the steady bat of Colin Bajko and the bunting ability of Kaleb Raymond to spell victory for the resilient East Jordan Superminor (9-10) all-stars at Millikin Field here Saturday in the District 8 quarterfinals against Traverse City West.

It is the bottom of the eighth inning with the score tied 5-5. The East Jordan and Traverse City West all-stars are waging battle to see who will advance to the District 8 semifinals and who will be going home.

Left fielder Bajko steps to the plate and greets T.C. pitcher Carson Rosa with a sharp line drive single to left. East Jordan coach Denny Skrocki calls time and inserts one of his fastest players, Mercury Matt Berish, as a pinch runner. The next hitter, Kaleb Raymond, gets the bunt signal from Skrocki and then delivers the goods, a perfectly executed bunt that bounces far enough away from the T.C. pitcher and catcher to cause problems.

The T.C. catcher gets to the ball first. He picks up the ball and turns to make his throw. He knows his time is short as he sees Raymond rapidly putting one foot in front of the other and nearing the bag. The catcher makes a hard but hurried throw and the ball goes beyond the first baseman's mitt and into foul territory down the right field line.

Berish quickly gains second base on the play and turns to see coach Skrocki in the third base box motioning for him to keep coming. Berish rounds second and makes a mad dash to third. Coach Skrocki is still waving his arms. Berish rounds third without slowing down and heads for home; his legs and his adrenaline carrying him faster than he's ever run before in his life. The T.C. catcher positions himself at the plate. Will the relay throw reach him in time to tag out Berish?

No! Berish slides in just before the throw arrives, scoring the game-winning run. East Jordan wins 6-5. The all-star run is salvaged. The team is moving on to the District 8 semifinals at Lewiston.

Suddenly all the spectators in the packed East Jordan bleachers are on their feet whooping and hollering and raising their arms. The East Jordan players and coaches run out of the dugout to greet Berish at home plate. There is an eruption of spontaneous joy.

"We knew this would be a tough game," says Skrocki afterwards, a smile still covering his face. "Traverse City has a very strong team. We got down but we kept pushing and pushing and we never gave up. Good things happen when you persevere like that."

East Jordan persevered to come back from an early 1-0 deficit, then a 3-1 deficit and a 4-2 deficit, getting timely hits when



Jubilation is evident in the East Jordan bleachers after the Superminor all-stars scored in the bottom of the eighth inning to claim a 6-5 victory against Traverse City West. (photo by Mike Dunn)



The East Jordan players rush from the dugout after Matt Berish scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning Saturday in Grayling. (photo by Mike Dunn)

needed and making key defensive plays in the field with runners on base to keep T.C. from building on its lead.

"It all came together," Skrocki said. "We got great pitching from Nick (Seese), Kaleb (Raymond) and Colin (Shepard), we had some great plays in the field and we got the hits we had to have. I'm very proud of these kids the way they hung in there and I'm really, really happy for them to be moving on."

The hard-fought win didn't come easily against a Traverse City West team that many picked to win the district championship.

East Jordan could do little against T.C. starter Cameron Hofstetter, collecting just

one hit, a leadoff double off the bat of Colin Shepard, during Hofstetter's three innings of work. East Jordan did generate a run in the bottom of the third, however, when Travis Fessler walked with one out, stole second, moved to third on a wild pitch and then alertly stole home when the catcher opted to throw the ball back to the pitcher instead of assuring that Fessler, partway down the line, went back to third.

T.C. still led 3-1, though, when East Jordan came to the plate in the bottom of the fourth. In that inning, Colin Petrie singled to lead things off and later scored on a fielder's choice by Fessler to cut the deficit to 3-2.

After T.C. scored again in the top of the

fifth to make it a 4-2 game, East Jordan came back once again, this time scoring three runs to take a 5-4 advantage on the scoreboard.

Shepard, Trey Peterson and Petrie rapped back-to-back-to-back singles to get things started and all three later scored. Petrie and Nitro Nick Seese had RBI hits in the frame and Jake Skrocki laid down a beauty of a sacrifice bunt.

T.C. came to bat in the top of the sixth just three outs away from potential elimination. They had to score at least one run to keep things going and they did. Hofstetter led off with a booming double and later scored on Brett Hines' fielder's choice grounder, knotting the score at five.

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### EJ all-stars in semifinals

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Colin Shepard came in to pitch for East Jordan in the seventh and kept T.C. off the scoreboard in that inning and the next.

In the bottom of the eighth, Bajko got things off to a promising start with his sizzling line drive to left. Coach Skrocki then brought Berish in and called for Raymond to lay down a bunt. Raymond did and pretty soon Berish was bounding around the bases and East Jordan was celebrating an amazing victory.

Seese started on the hill for East Jordan and pitched the first three innings. Raymond came in and pitched the next three before giving way to Shepard. Seese had four strikeouts and Raymond had six. In his two innings, Shepard struck out three and only permitted one hit.

Petrie led the way offensively, cranking out three hits while Shepard and Seese had two hits apiece.

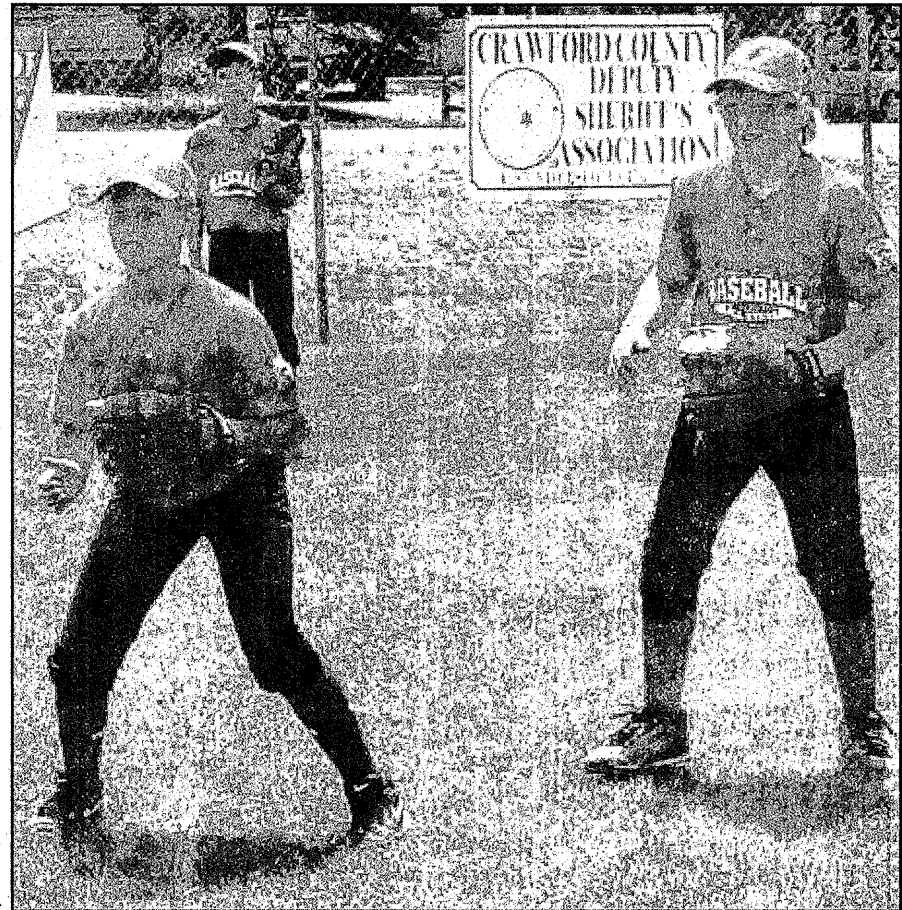
There were plenty of important defensive plays by East Jordan throughout the game. One of the biggest plays came in the second inning with the bases full and two down. Sammie Schreiber

rapped a soft fly that looked like it was going to fall in shallow center and bring in two runs. But shortstop Colin Petrie had other ideas. He somehow raced into the outfield to make a spectacular diving catch to end the inning and save at least two runs.

In the top of the seventh, Hofstetter came to bat for T.C. with two out and the potential go-ahead run on second base. Hofstetter laced a screaming fly ball to left – probably the hardest hit ball of the game by T.C. – but Nick Seese positioned himself perfectly to make the catch.

In the top of the eighth, leadoff hitter Zach Perrin singled off Shepard. When Perrin tried to get to second, though, catcher Trey Peterson gunned him down with a bazooka blast of a throw to second baseman Ryan LaVanway.

The East Jordan all-stars faced Alpena on Wednesday, July 15, in Lewiston after this issue went to press. A full report of the game will appear in the next issue. If East Jordan won Wednesday, the boys will play again this Saturday at Lewiston in the District 8 championship game against either Gaylord or West Branch.



East Jordan Superminor all-star players warm up before Saturday's District 8 quarterfinal game against Traverse City West. (photo by Mike Dunn)

### Northern Michigan Speedway

## Tompkins tames Pure Stock field

## Gaylord driver gains late lead and holds off hard-charging Loshaw down stretch

By Mike Mathu

ELMIRA -- The second half of the racing season launched Saturday night at Northern Michigan Speedway with the most intriguing feature race of the night belonging to the Pure Stock 4-Cylinder class.

Ty Phillips secured the lead from the outside of row one in the 25-lap headliner as outside row starters Eric Burke and Mark Tompkins also moved up into second and third, respectively. Tompkins made a quick push and claimed second by lap 2 but Burke regained his ground and was back in pursuit of Phillips by lap 5. Burke then took the lead three laps later.

On lap 10, Tompkins took his shot at passing Phillips down the backstretch but a caution came out as the two went into turn four and Phillips spun. Tompkins kept his position for the restart and Burke kept Tompkins at bay until just four laps remained. Burke's Ford Ranger suddenly faltered and he slowed. Tompkins assumed the lead, then stayed ahead of Vanderbilt's Daniel Loshaw down the stretch to notch the win. Jeff Blanzzy of Gaylord was third with Scott Norman fourth. George Finney was fifth and won one heat race. Phillips won the other heat and Tompkins prevailed in the four-car dash.

Brad Leach of Wolverine tried to follow up last week's unexpected win in the mid-season Pure Stock V8 race by grabbing the initial lead in Saturday night's 20-lap finale. Fast qualifier John Clawson immediately locked in behind Leach, then passed him for the lead on lap 6. Unlike last week when the No. 26 vehicle suffered a mechanical failure and headed to the pits, the red and white Monte Carlo pressed on as Clawson went on to win. Leach was steady and finished ahead of Andy Noeske for second. Noeske did win the dash with Clawson taking the heat.

Mick Pieri won the Limited Late Model heat then had a strong run in the 15-lap feature. John Clawson passed Joe Noeske for second on lap 6, then chased Pieri and finally slipped by him with two laps to go en route to his second feature race win of the night. Clawson also won the dash.

There was little suspense in the Factory Stock class as Tyler Noeske led every lap to win the dash, heat, and 15-lap feature. Delbert Dell popped into third on lap 3 but



could only follow the leader to place second in the main. Season points leader Nathan Embree had an engine problem during time trials and was out for the night.

Derak Ferry passed Dale Britting for the lead on lap 5 of the 15-lap Pro-4 feature. Don Sevenski of Elmira would get by Britting with two laps to go but Ferry was never challenged to the checkered flag. The No. 4X car also won the heat. The dash went to Britting.

A Pure Stock 4-Cylinder pit stop race is scheduled as part of a full show this Saturday night. 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.

#### RESULTS FROM JULY 11

\* 15-Lap LTD LATE MODEL Feature: 1. John Clawson, Sault Ste Marie; 2. Mick Pieri, Sault Ste Marie; 3. Joe Noeske, Vanderbilt. Heat: Pieri. Dash: Clawson. Time: Clawson (15.66).

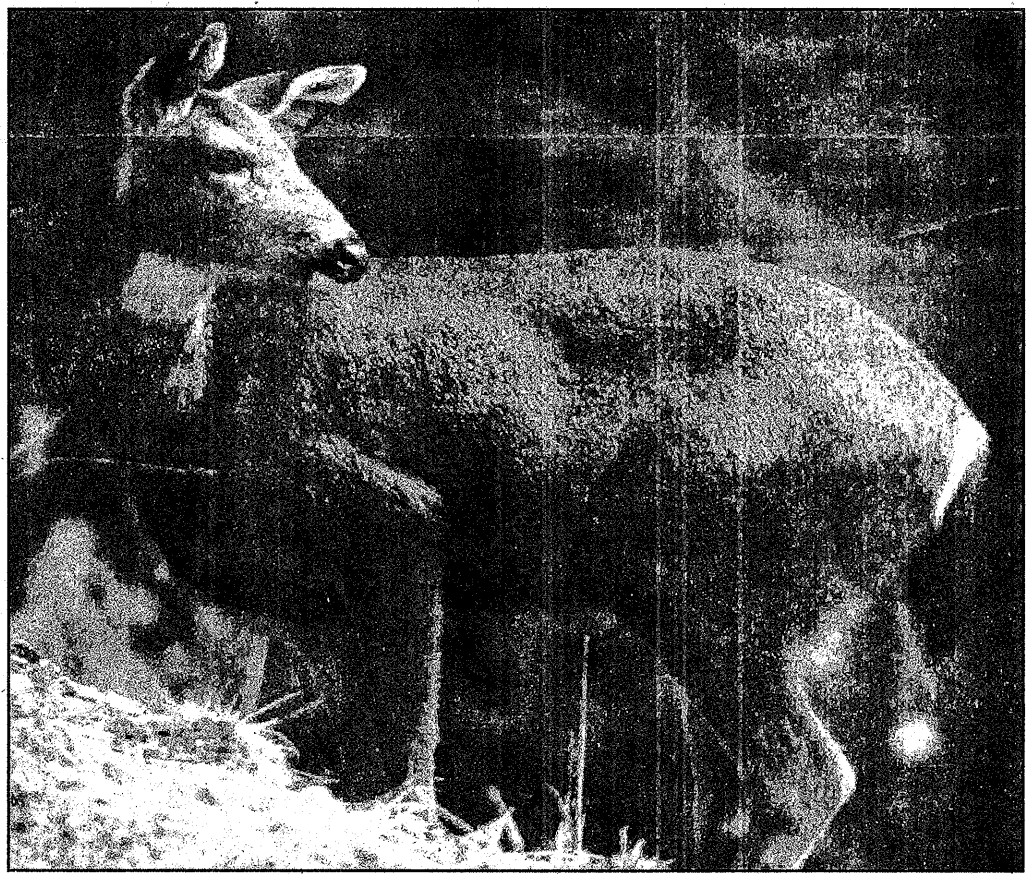
\* 15-Lap FACTORY STOCK Feature: 1. Tyler Noeske, Vanderbilt; 2. Delbert Dell, Petoskey. Heat: Noeske. Dash: Noeske. Time: Don Sevenski, Elmira (16.58).

\* 15-Lap PRO-4 Feature: 1. Derak Ferry, Gaylord; 2. Don Sevenski, Elmira. Heat: Ferry. Dash: Dale Britting, Gaylord. Time: Ferry (16.62).

\* 20-Lap PURE V8 Feature: 1. John Clawson, Sault Ste Marie; 2. Brad Leach, Wolverine; 3. Andy Noeske, Vanderbilt. Heat: Clawson. Dash: Noeske. Time: Clawson (16.96).

\* 25-Lap STOCK-4 Feature: 1. Mark Tompkins, Gaylord; 2. Daniel Loshaw, Vanderbilt; 3. Jeff Blanzzy, Gaylord; 4. Scott Norman, Frederic. Heats: George Finney, Bellaire; Ty Phillips, Bellaire. Dash: Tompkins. Time: Jeff Blanzzy, Norman (18.94).

## NRC INCREASES ANTLERLESS DEER PERMITS



### Healthy deer population in northern Lower Peninsula is factor in decision

LANSING -- The Natural Resources Commission recently approved a quota of 728,100 antlerless deer licenses for the upcoming season at its recent meeting in Lansing, an increase from 641,075 in 2008. The commission approved 68,300 public land licenses and 659,800 private land licenses, up from 65,875 and 572,200 respectively last year.

In the Upper Peninsula, the quotas were reduced to 7,000 public land licenses and 27,000 private land tags, down from 8,000 and 31,000 respectively in 2008.

"The deer herd is down slightly in the UP," said Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Division Management Specialist Supervisor Mike Bailey. "Winter was rather severe, but spring break-up was moderate so we don't expect it impacted recruitment very much."

In the northern Lower Peninsula, the NRC approved 25,600 public land licenses and 140,300 private land licenses, up from 22,000 and 135,400 respectively last year. "The deer herd has clearly increased in size

in the northern Lower Peninsula," Bailey said. "Deer numbers are about where we want them and the increases in antlerless licenses are designed to maintain the present population -- not reduce it -- except in the bovine tuberculosis area where the population still needs to be reduced to decrease disease transmission."

In the southern Lower Peninsula, the NRC approved 35,700 public land licenses and 423,000 private land licenses, down from 35,900 and up from 406,800 respectively in 2008.

"We are still well over goal in southern Michigan and this regional population needs to be reduced," Bailey said. "This year's quotas also reflect an expanded area open during the late antlerless season, as well as the new Deer Management Unit 486, which includes most of the counties in southern Michigan."

Antlerless deer quotas were established in 85 of the state's 102 deer management units.

Hunters may now purchase two antlerless deer licenses at one time with a maximum of five antlerless licenses for the season, though no more than two private land licenses combined for the Upper Peninsula and any DMU entirely within the northern Lower Peninsula. However, this limit does not apply in Alpena, Alcona, Crawford, Iosco, Kent, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties, where disease concerns necessitate encouraging antlerless harvest.

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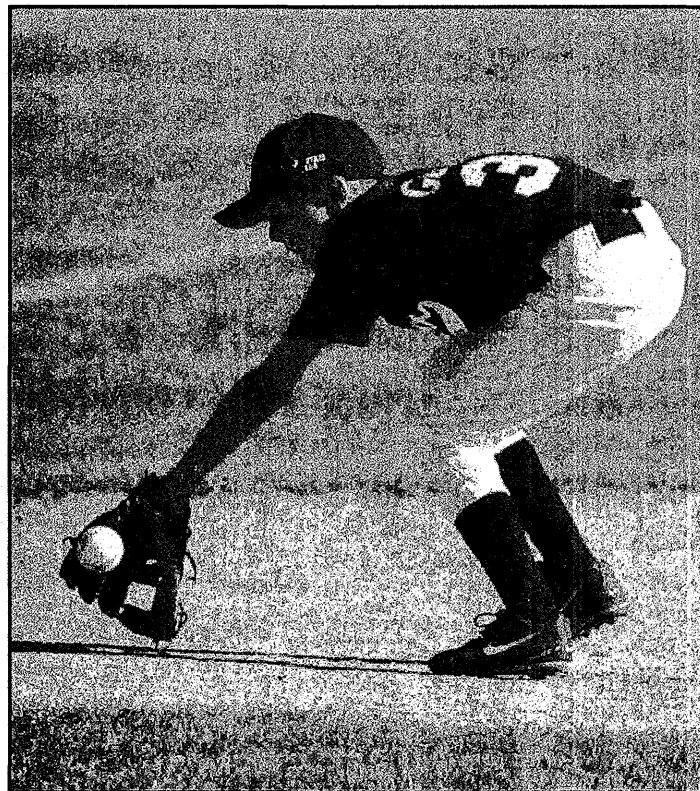
- SUPERMINOR ALL-STAR TOURNAMENT ACTION
- CHARLEVOIX ALL-STARS BATTLE GAYLORD
- BOYNE CITY ALL-STARS TAKE ON GRAYLING



Eric Carson of the Boyne City 9-10 all-star team rounds second base during the game last Tuesday against the Grayling all-stars.



Charlevoix pitcher Max Holloway, above, is about to unfurl another fast-ball during the Superminor (9-10) all-star tournament game last week against Gaylord. The Boyne City all-star second baseman, below, anticipates a grounder during the game against Grayling.



## 'GOOD' PLAY ...

Charlevoix third baseman Matt Good shows good form as he goes low to gobble a grounder with the backhand during his team's game last Tuesday against the Gaylord 9-10 all-stars. The Charlevoix team, below, has a huddle between innings of the game.



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### post script

by Mike Dunn

## EJ all-star coaches do it right

I had the opportunity to watch the East Jordan Superminor baseball all-stars (9 and 10 year olds) play in Grayling on Saturday and was thoroughly impressed with their preparation.

There's a reason why East Jordan won its first three games in pool play and then beat favored Traverse City West on Saturday in the District 8 quarterfinals. Part of it is talent. You can't win, after all, if you don't hit and field and pitch. But that's not all there is to it. When all-star teams play, they are frequently fairly even in terms of talent. The teams that advance to the latter stages of the tournament are the ones that have an edge in other areas of the game.

The players on the team know how to bunt the ball, for one thing. Coach Denny Skrocki signaled for a bunt twice from the third base box during Saturday's quarterfinal game against T.C. and, both times, the bunt was executed flawlessly. That doesn't happen by accident.

Teams that win also know how to run the bases properly and slide properly. It might seem like a little thing but it's surprising how many teams don't do it well. The players on successful teams also have an understanding about what to do in given situations. They know where to throw the ball from the outfield and what to do if an opposing player is caught in a rundown. In other words, they're schooled in the fundamentals.

It was quite evident from watching East Jordan play that coaches Denny Skrocki, Brent Seese and Kevin LaVanway stress the fundamentals.

If East Jordan wasn't fundamentally sound on Saturday, the boys would certainly have lost the game. They won because left fielder Nick Seese was in the right position to make a catch of a long fly ball in the seventh inning. They won because catcher Trey Peterson gunned down a runner trying to steal in the eighth. They won because Matt Berish never hesitated and never slowed down while rounding the bases on his way to scoring the winning run all the way from first base on an overthrow.

They won because Travis Fessler made a daring steal of home plate in the third inning, sliding in just under the tag on a bang-bang play at the plate. They won because Colin Petrie sped home from third base to score a crucial run with two out in the fourth inning while teammate Nick Seese slowed down in the base path and eluded the tag of the Traverse City third baseman long enough for Petrie's run to count.

It can all be summed up this way: East Jordan won because the boys were prepared to win by their coaches. Skrocki, Seese, LaVanway and other parents who have been involved in coaching those kids should be commended. They've done it right.

### More Sports Almanac stuff ...

Here are a few more fun facts for this week in history gleaned from my trusty edition of the Bathroom Sports Almanac ...

It was July 17, 1941 that Joe DiMaggio's incredible 56-game hitting streak came to a crashing halt against the Cleveland Indians. DiMaggio was robbed twice of hits in the game as Cleveland hurlers Jim Bagby and Al Smith combined to hold Joltin' Joe hitless, something no one else had been able to do for more than two months.

The shortest nine-inning Major League game ever played was over in a mere 51 minutes when the New York Giants whipped the Philadelphia Phillies 6-1 on Sept. 18, 1919.

Some birthdays of famous athletes celebrated or remembered this week: Spud Webb (July 13, 1963); Alex Karras (July 15, 1935); and Barry Sanders (July 16, 1968).

# Trout Unlimited invites public to anniversary party Saturday



Trout Unlimited was founded 50 years ago at the Barbless Hook property of George Griffith in Grayling

## TU celebrations fiftieth anniversary at Rayburn property in Grayling; event is free and open to public

By Mike Dunn

GRAYLING – The Michigan Chapter of Trout Unlimited is planning a special event Saturday in Grayling to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the organization. The "TU Michigan Celebration" will be held at the Rayburn property on the banks of the AuSable River, two miles east of Grayling off North Down River Road, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. It is free and open to the public and features food, contests, raffles, various displays, games, musical entertainment, auctions, kids activities, water activities, fly-fishing and fly-tying demonstrations, and more.

"This is kind of like Woodstock on the

river," said Bob Thorsen of Beverly Hills, a co-chairman of Saturday's celebration. "It's all free and we're hoping a lot of people will come out for it. There will be lots of food and fun things to do along with seminars telling about the things the organization is involved in."

On July 18, 1959, the idea for Trout Unlimited was "born" when George Griffith met with 15 like-minded sportsmen on his Barbless Hook property on the banks of the AuSable. The organization was officially incorporated on Sept. 22 of that year for the purpose of protecting coldwater fisheries across the country.

In the 50 years since, the organization has become America's largest coldwater conservation organization, boasting 140,000 members nationally and more than 7,000 in Michigan.

"What happened 50 years ago in Grayling is really significant because it's much bigger than the impact on just this individual river," Thorsen said.

The organization recognized the importance of preserving the coldwater fisheries, Thorsen noted, and began applying scientific principles to the management of habitat. This approach has benefited the wildlife that thrives in coldwater regions in addition to assuring the health of the coldwater rivers and of the fish, primarily vertebrates such as trout, that live in the rivers.

"Before Trout Unlimited got started, the thought was if you wanted more fish to

catch, then put more in river," Thorsen said. "There wasn't a recognition that it wasn't about the fish, but about protecting the habitat.

"Cold water is really the lifeblood of the entire ecosystem. It's clear and it's clean. The lack of bacteria presents a much healthier base line for the animals and plants and makes for a much more diverse population." Trout Unlimited has taken a proactive approach to protecting the coldwater habitat, involving itself with projects that prevent soil erosion and storm drainage from seeping into rivers and assuring that water withdrawals are regulated.

For 50 years, the organization has remained true to its mission and continues to have a positive impact on the environment. On Saturday at the Rayburn property, Trout Unlimited will take time to celebrate what's been accomplished and the public is cordially invited to participate.

For more information, visit the Michigan Celebration website: [www.celebratetu.org](http://www.celebratetu.org).

### TU Fiftieth Anniversary Saturday in Grayling

10 AM-4 PM – Face Painting

10 AM-6 PM – Fly Casting

10 AM-6 PM – Fly Tying Workshop

10 AM-6 PM – Kids Fly Tying

11 AM-Writings of Robert Traver by Glen Blackwood

1 PM – Award Presentation

2 PM – Fly Casting Workshop

2 PM-4 PM – Music by Mike Freer

5 PM-7 PM – Music by Alan Cayn

7 PM – End Raffle

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### CHARLEVOIX VOLLEYBALL TOURNNEY SLATED FOR JULY 25

CHARLEVOIX – A co-ed beach volleyball tournament will be held at the Ferry Avenue Beach in Charlevoix on Saturday, July 25, in conjunction with the town's Venetian Festival. Teams must play three male and three female players on the sand courts.

The tourney starts in the afternoon following the annual parade. Registration forms are available at City Hall. Teams may also register at the courts at 1 p.m. on the day of the event. For more information, call Chris Seymour at (231) 547-6513.

### ALPENFEST RUN SET FOR SATURDAY

GAYLORD – The 33rd annual Alpenfest Run is set for this 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. with the 10-mile walk at 7:30 a.m. The 10-mile run and 4-mile walk start at 8 a.m. and the 4-mile run starts at 8:30 a.m.

The entry fee is \$20 for the 4-mile or 10-mile races and \$7 for the 1-mile fun run. There are cash prizes awarded, with \$75 going to the overall male and female winners and the male and female masters champions (40-over), and \$15 going to each age-division winner.

Check-in and race-day registration goes from 6:30-8 a.m. under the pavilion. For more information, contact Otsego County Parks & Rec at (989) 732-6521.

### 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](http://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 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.

### 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.

### EAST JORDAN 5K RUN/WALK SLATED FOR AUG. 22

EAST JORDAN – The first-ever 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.

The early registration fee is \$15 if post-marked by Aug. 8. After that date, the entry fee is \$20. The first 100 who register are guaranteed a T-shirt.

To register, log on to [ej5k.cccwif.com](http://ej5k.cccwif.com). Registration forms are also available at Lakeside Chiropractic and Charlevoix State Bank in East Jordan.

For more information, contact JoAnne Thomas at (231) 536-9992 or via e-mail at [joanne@ejminet.com](mailto:joanne@ejminet.com).

### CONTI SCALING MOUNTAIN TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHARITY

PETOSKEY – A Petoskey business owner, Scott Conti of Balanced Health and Fitness, is preparing to scale Mount Rainier in Pierce County, Wash. later this summer and he's using the venture as an opportunity to raise funds for underprivileged youth.

Conti will be making his charity climb of the 14,411-foot mountain on Aug. 13. His goal is to raise \$20,000 for Big City Mountaineers, the country's leading non-profit volunteer organization providing wilderness mentoring programs to underprivileged, at-risk, urban youth.

Those who would like to make a pledge may do so by stopping at Balanced Health and Fitness, located just south of Pleasantview Road on M-119 inside the Harbor Plaza between Petoskey and Harbor Springs, by sending a check payable to "Big City Mountaineers" to P.O. Box 2117, Petoskey, MI 49770, or online by visiting [summitforsomeone.org](http://summitforsomeone.org).

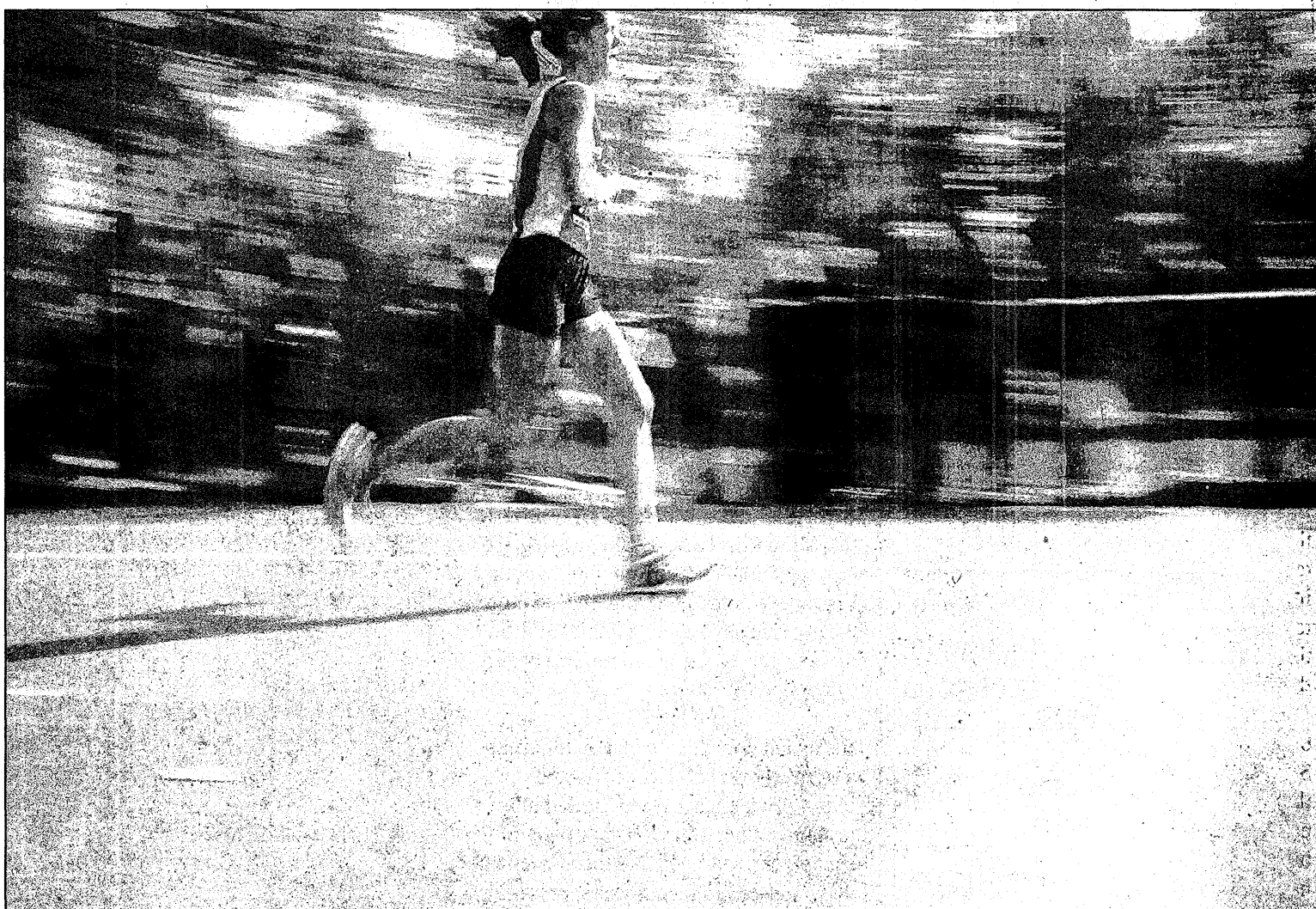
For more information, call Balanced Health at (231) 881-0019.

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# EJ Lioness Club hosts road race

First "South Arm Shuffle" 5K race is set for Saturday, Aug. 22, at Community Park



The East Jordan Lioness Club is hosting the first-ever "South Arm Shuffle" 5K run/walk on Aug. 22 at Community Park.

EAST JORDAN -- The East Jordan Lioness Club is hosting the first-ever "South Arm Shuffle" 5K road race on Saturday, Aug. 22, at Community Park. The run/walk event begins and ends at the park.

The run starts at 8 a.m. with the walkers immediately proceeding the runners. The course is fast and flat with a scenic tour of the East Jordan downtown, the beautiful shores of the South Arm of Lake Charlevoix, a bridge crossing with views of the Jordan River, and historic Sportsmen Park.

The early entry fee is \$15 for those whose registrations are postmarked by Aug. 8. After that date, the entry fee is \$20. Quality, collector T-shirts are guaranteed to the first 100 who register.

Packet pick up and registration will be held at the Community Park on Friday, Aug. 21 from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. and on race day

from 6-7:30 a.m.

Proceeds from this event will go to the E.J. Lioness Club for community projects.

For more information and printable registration forms, visit [ej5k.cccwifi.com](http://ej5k.cccwifi.com) or

contact JoAnne Thomas at (231) 536-9992 or via e-mail: [joanne@ejminet.com](mailto:joanne@ejminet.com).

Registration forms are also available at Lakeside Chiropractic and Charlevoix State Bank in East Jordan.

Whether you are a weekend jogger, competitive runner, or just like to walk with friends and family, this is an event you will not want to miss.

## MORE SPORTS BRIEFS

### YOUTH HOCKEY SKILLS CAMP AUG. 3-6

GAYLORD -- A youth hockey skills camp will be held at the Otsego County Sportsplex on Monday through Thursday, Aug. 3-6, from 5-7 p.m. each day. The on-ice session lasts from 5-6:30 p.m. with an off-ice session from 6:30-7 p.m.

This camp, for Mite, Squirt, Peeewe and Bantam-level players, is designed to improve skating, passing, and shooting skills and is run by former Gaylord All-State standouts Will Weber and Nick Michaels. Weber, a 6-foot-3 defenseman, was selected 23rd overall in the 2007 NHL Draft by the Columbus Blue Jackets. He is currently playing for the Miami of Ohio University RedHawks, one of the top collegiate programs in the nation, where he is entering his sophomore season.

Michaels, one of the most durable and resilient players to lace on skates for Gaylord, finished four productive years of varsity hockey at or near the top of many statistical categories. He also earned All-State honors as a senior. A variety of qualified coaches will Weber and Michaels with the camp.

The fee is \$150 per player and all players completing the week will receive a camp T-shirt. Report cards with a summary of the players' progress as well as suggestions to improve in specific areas will be mailed to each player following the camp.

Contact the Otsego County Sportsplex office to register. Registration forms are now available at the Sportsplex. Checks can be made payable to Nick Michaels. The Sportsplex office can be reached at (989) 731-3546.

### 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](http://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](mailto:montmor1@nemichigan.com).

### 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 din-

ner tickets for July 31. For information or to register, call Steve at (231) 818-1235 or Pete at (231) 627-5143.

### TOP O'MICHIGAN MARATHON BOAT RACES AUG. 8-9

INDIAN RIVER -- The annual Top O'Michigan Outboard Marathon National Boat Races will be held on the Inland Waterway during the weekend of August 8-9. This race, billed as "the toughest outboard race in the world," has been run at Indian River for 51 consecutive years.

The 87-mile marathon, which was first run on the Inland Route in 1947, draws racers from all across the nation and Canada and sometimes from other countries such as Japan, Bermuda and Ecuador. There are lots of good locations along the route for spectators to view the race.

Go to the Top O'Michigan Outboard Racing Club website for details about the course, the classes and more information.

### LOON GOLF INVITATIONAL AUG. 22-23

GAYLORD -- A top prize of three days and two nights at The Rio All Suites Hotel in Las Vegas, along with two rounds of golf at the famed Rio Secco, is offered for the winners of each flight of the third annual Loon Golf Course Invitational set for Aug. 22-23. The Loon course is located south of Gaylord, across from the entrance to Michaywe.

The two-person team format features a handicap scramble on Saturday and a handicap best ball on Sunday. Players must have a USGA handicap with 80 percent of the handicap will be used to figure each team-handicap.

Teams will be flighted after the first round. There will be two flights for the men and one for women with the winners in each of the flights getting the Vegas trip.

The \$450 fee also includes two rounds of golf, range, tournament gift, special events, dinner and raffle ticket for a set of Nike clubs. A hole-in-one car is provided by Gaylord Ford Lincoln Mercury and there is also a hole-in-one set of Cleveland clubs. There is a closest-to-the-pin ball toss contest from the upper deck of the clubhouse to the 18th green and a putting contest as well.

For information, call (989) 732-4454 or toll-free at (877) 732-4455. Entries will be received until the field reaches 44 teams.

### 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](mailto:mrey@treetops.com).

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Include the date, time, location, registration fee and contact information (phone number, e-mail address and/or Web site) and send to [sports@charlevoixcountynews.com](mailto:sports@charlevoixcountynews.com) or via fax at (888) 240-5499.

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## Real Estate Corner

By Marty Moody

While today's Real Estate market plays a heavy favorite for the Buyer, Sellers don't have to feel like they are left out in the cold. A seller's property will have a decent chance of moving in this, or any market if they remember a few basic principles. One of the biggest mistakes a seller can make is having the "well my property is the exception" attitude. Everyone thinks their home is special, we all become emotionally attached to our homes, be it because of our kids being raised there, great times had with family and friends, or maybe it's the home you grew up in. But that kind of thinking has no place in the selling environment. Not to be harsh, but the buyer doesn't care about your memories, they are looking to make their own, and are trying to figure out if your home has what they need/want to do just that. This brings the seller to a tough decision, pricing the home to the current market at anytime is critical. An overpriced home will linger on the market and only hurt the selling potential more as time goes by. One of the first questions out of a buyer's mouth is "how long has the home been on the market?" Perception by the typical buyer is, the longer the home has sat listed, there must be something wrong with it. Most of the time the only thing that was wrong with the home was the pricing of the property to

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# An Island Paradise on Lake Louise

By Jim Akans

The crystal clear waters of Lake Louise (also known as Thumb Lake) are legendary in appeal. The surrounding, wooded hills embracing the spring fed, "kettle" lake provide a Northern Michigan setting that epitomizes the grandeur and beauty as unveiled by Nature.

This island cottage, located on the southwestern shores of Horner Island, provides a private, casual retreat that allows the homeowner to enjoy this incredible beauty year round. It has been meticulously updated in recent years, providing a haven of modern amenities in a timeless, natural setting.

The home features nearly 2,300 square feet of living area, divided between the main living level and a lower level walk-out. The floor plan is spacious, with generously sized rooms including two bedrooms and a full bath on the main level and a third bedroom and full bath on the lower level.

The ambience of this home conveys an undeniable charm and comfort. The open living and dining area features gorgeous, wide-plank hardwood flooring, a wood-burning fireplace with brick surround, and a vaulted style ceiling above. A pair of sliding glass doorways lead to a raised, exterior deck that extends across the lakeside length of the home.

Updates in the kitchen include custom cabinetry, eye-catching tile countertops, and recessed lighting. A full complement of appliances; dishwasher, range, refrigerator and trash compactor, are also included. There is a utility room, complete with washer and dryer, conveniently located on the main level.

The lower level includes a large, 24' x 12' family room, complete with full wet bar and walk-out access to the lakeshore. A bedroom and full bath round out the lower level, and both bathrooms in the home have updated with amenities including tile flooring.

As wonderful as this home is on the inside, the experience outdoors is simply amazing.

The home is situated close to water, allowing the homeowner to relax on the deck or on the shore and become immersed in the se-

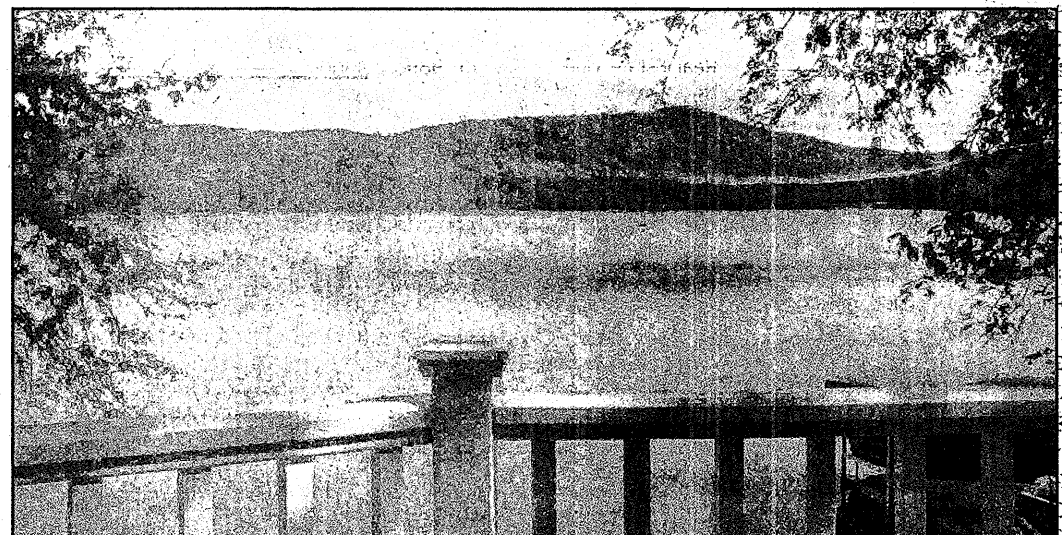
begin with.

Now, realize we are in some unprecedented times in Real Estate, and to say that all those homes that you have been driving by that have been on the market for 6-12 months and possibly more, are all overpriced would be a major stretch. Some definitely are, but part of the problem lies in the number of foreclosures there are out there competing with the today's sellers. With that being said, today's savvy seller, will be ready and willing to swallow their pride and list their home for less than they want to and probably take a hit on their property, knowing that the door will be open for them to buy their next home at a comparable discount.

Your Realtor can and should be a wealth of knowledge for you in your selling process. But, while they can give you the tools and comparables to your home that will be competing against you in the selling of your home, it is up to you to take their



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renity of the setting as the waters lap nearby. Lake Louise is described as a "kettle" lake, acknowledging the deep shape of the lakebed which reaches approximately 150 feet in some locations. It is spring fed, and as a result, the waters are breathtakingly clear.

Horner Island is named after the Horner brothers, who owned a logging company, the lake and much of the surrounding property many years ago. The brothers set aside the island for private ownership, and today the home sites on the island are privately owned and not part of the Lake Louise As-

sociation.

advice and scope the competition yourself. Knowing first hand what and who your competition is or will be, will be the sole biggest benefit to you in attracting a buyer and dealing with an offer when one is presented to you. Which brings me to another common seller mistake, taking negotiations personally. Never let your emotions drive the negotiation process, and don't be insulted by any offer, especially in this market. Now, that is not to say take any offer, but do take every offer into consideration, and counter appropriately. Buyers today can be pretty bold in their askings, from looking to sellers' to contribute to closing costs, to listing repairs they wish to be made to the property. Just remember, this part of the negotiation is not about you, it's about them. If you treat the selling of your home just like any business transaction, you will be the winner.

Lastly, when your home is being shown, as a seller you need to get out! Some sellers have the attitude that they know their

sociation.

This island paradise offers a beautiful, quiet setting with panoramic lake views anchored by a casual, well-maintained year round Northern retreat. A short bridge roadway provides access to the island from north side. This property is being offered at \$499,000.

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home best, so they should be there to show off the home and answer any questions when a prospective buyer comes through. Wrong! When a seller is present, it makes almost every buyer feel very uneasy, and usually makes the buyer hurry through the home as not to disrupt the seller's property. Put yourself in the buyer's shoes, when you are looking for a home you want to feel free to look in closets, cabinets, etc. to check for quality. With a seller in tow, the buyer feels as though they are perceived as being nosy. You are in the process of selling your home, not showing off to cocktail guests. Leave the selling to the Realtor and let them do their job for you.

The selling process can be a daunting one, but these tips should help ease the process, and ultimately help you achieve your goal of selling your home in any environment.





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