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EAST JORDAN CITY COMMISSION CANDIDATES "MEET THE PUBLIC"



From left; Tom "Tinker" Breakley, Carron Rogers (Bennett), Lee Symonds, Jane Booze, Mark Postma and Ron Klooster.

Pre-Election Forum Held at East Jordan Auditorium on Tuesday Evening

By Jim Akans

In anticipation of the upcoming August 4th Primary Election, seven candidates running for the East Jordan City Commission assembled at the East Jordan Auditorium on Tuesday evening to meet and greet, shake hands and answer questions from over fifty area residents in attendance. The event was sponsored by the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, and moderated by Chet Drenth.

The economy was on everyone's mind. Many of the questions focused on the candidate's ideas about encouraging more businesses into town and increasing tourist traffic to the East Jordan community, thus creating additional jobs. Making the community more affordable for residents, targeting East Jordan's tax and water rates, was also a common theme.

Three of the seven candidates are incumbents who have served on the Commission for periods ranging from eight to seventeen years.

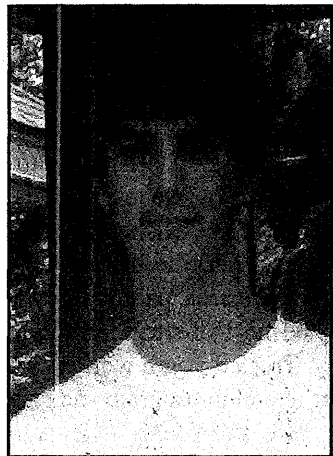
Serving as East Jordan's Mayor for the past six years, Mark Postma, joined the City Commission eight years ago, was

on the Steering Committee for East Jordan Schools for fourteen years, and also owns a business in town. Mark grew up in East Jordan, graduated from East Jordan High School, and believes, "This is a great community, and while there are many challenges facing us in this present economy, I want to continue to encourage the cooperative spirit which makes this such a wonderful place to live."

Ron Klooster has served on the Commission since 1992, was Deputy Mayor for four years, and Mayor for three. He is a lifelong native of the community, ran the East Jordan Cooperative for 30 years, and has two daughters and six grandchildren. He states, "I believe we have a very experienced, responsible Commission, great city services including our police, fire, EMS and parks and recreation staff. I look forward to keeping a voice in helping to run a responsible city government."

Lee Symonds and his family have been part of the East Jordan community for 15 years. He has served as a City Commissioner for the past eight years, is a member of the Board of Directors for the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce, past President of the Jordan Valley Trails

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Quick Response Saves Boyne City Harbor Master

By Brittney Moody

Around 5 p.m. Monday, July 20, Mark Simmons, harbormaster at The Harborage Marina in Boyne City, was found floating face down and unconscious in the water.

Fortunately for Simmons, who was released from the hospital on Wednesday, July 22, dockhand Paul Solomon came on the scene soon enough to save his life.

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Grand Opening of art galleries on Friday

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

BOYNE CITY — The Grand Opening of Boyne Arts Collective is Friday, July 31, beginning at 4 p.m. at 210 Lake St., downtown.

The group of artists moved into the empty building at 210 Lake St. recently at the invitation of Glen Catt who owns the building. It needs

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EAST JORDAN

CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

East Jordan city residents can cast their vote for city council in the Primary Election on Tuesday, August 4. Polls are open from 7am - 8pm at the Civic Center. Registered voters in the City of East Jordan are encouraged to vote in this election.

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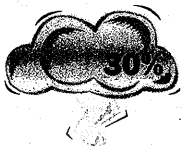
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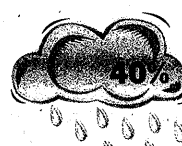
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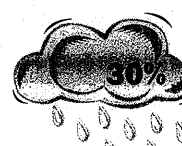
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CONCERTS IN THE PARK

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

BOYNE CITY

**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. The concert is part of the Children of the World in Harmony Festival that will be presented in several Northern Michigan communities. Choirs and dance ensembles from Mongolia, China, Mexico, Kenya, the United States, Canada, Czech Republic, and Vietnam will be represented. Performing in Boyne City will be the Rolnicka Praha Children's Choir and the Kalamazoo Children's Choir. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for students. They are available at the door at Local Flavor Bookstore, phone 582-7499.

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MOTHER IS UNSURE ABOUT PUTTING SON IN DAY-CARE CENTER

QUESTION: My son is just over a year old. I quit my job when he was born, believing it was the right thing to do, but lately our finances have been so tight that I'm seriously considering going back to work. What are your feelings about putting a child of this age in day-care?

DR. DOBSON: Let me begin by saying that I understand the struggle you're facing. When our firstborn was two years old, I was finishing my doctoral work at the University of Southern California. Every available dollar was needed to support my tuition and related expenses. Although we didn't want Shirley to work when Danae was young, we felt we had no alternative. Shirley taught school and our little girl was taken to a day-care center each morning. One day when we arrived at the facility, Danae began to cry uncontrollably. "No! No! No, Daddy!" she said to me. She had a look of terror in her eyes, and I suspected that she had been very upset the last time she was there. I could only imagine what had happened. I turned and walked back to the car

carrying my precious daughter. When we were alone, I said, "Danae, I promise that you will never have to stay there again." And she never did.

I share this to underscore the point that though I'm sympathetic with your financial anxieties, I'd still advise you to avoid the day-care option if at all possible. My opinion on this subject is based on hard data.

The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development has conducted the most comprehensive study of this issue to date. More than 1,100 mothers and children and ten premier child-care sites across the United States were evaluated when the children were six, 15, 24, and 36 months of age. Preliminary findings confirm that leaving a very young child in a day-care facility is associated with less sensitive mothering and child engagement. The child also tends to react less positively to the mother. In other words, the bond between mother and child is affected somewhat negatively by early day-care experience, especially if the mother tends by nature to be insensitive.

cally embarrassed by discussions of sex with their parents. Adolescents, usually resent adult intrusion during this time -- unless they raise the topic themselves. In other words, this is an area where teens should invite parents into their lives.

I feel that we should respect their wishes. We are given ten or twelve years to provide the proper understanding of human sexuality. After that foundation has been laid, we serve primarily as resources to whom our children can turn when the need exists. That is not to say parents should abdicate their responsibility to provide guidance about issues related to sexuality, dating, marriage, etc., as opportunities present themselves. Again, sensitivity to the feelings of the teen is paramount. If he or she wishes to talk, by all means, welcome the conversation. In other cases, parental guidance may be most effective if offered indirectly. Trusted youth workers at church or in a club program such as Campus Life or Young Life can often break the ice when parents can't.

I'd also suggest that you arrange a subscription for your kids to magazines that provide solid advice -- from the perspective of a friend, rather than an authority figure.

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QUESTION: You've indicated when sex education should begin. When should it end?

DR. DOBSON: You should plan to end your formal instructional program about the time your son or daughter enters puberty (the time of rapid sexual development in early adolescence). Puberty usually begins between ten and thirteen for girls and between eleven and fourteen for boys. Once they enter this developmental period, they are typi-

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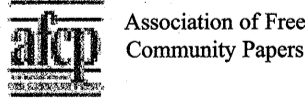
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New hunting opportunity in Michigan

Pure Michigan Hunt is launched this week

LANSING - A new hunting opportunity in Michigan was launched this week with the opening of the Pure Michigan Hunt application period. Dunham's Sports in Madison Heights sold the first Pure Michigan Hunt applications to Lt. Governor John D. Cherry, Jr. and Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Director Rebecca Humphries at a special kick-off event. Application sales for this new, multi-species hunt are now available to the public.

The Pure Michigan Hunt will allow three lucky individuals to hunt for elk, bear, spring and fall wild turkey, and antlerless deer. The successful applicants will also have first pick of hunting sites at managed waterfowl areas during the reserved hunt period. Hunters can purchase as many applications for the Pure Michigan Hunt drawing as they wish. Applications are \$4 and will be sold at license retailers through December 31, 2009. Three applicants will be chosen in January 2010 for eligibility to participate in the 2010 hunting seasons.

"This is an outstanding way to continue Michigan's hunting and conservation heritage," said Cherry, an avid hunter and angler. "I encourage hunters to apply for the Pure Michigan Hunt to experience an unparalleled hunting opportunity."

The drawing is designed to increase opportunity for hunters to participate in some of Michigan's most-prized hunts, making it a hunt of a lifetime for Michigan hunters, Humphries said.

"The Pure Michigan Hunt will allow individuals an additional opportunity to participate in our most in-demand, limited-access hunting opportunities through one application," Humphries said. "We think this is an outstanding opportunity to get the full flavor of Michigan hunting."

"Michigan is the first state east of the Mississippi to create a multi-species hunt," said DNR Wildlife Chief Russ Mason. "This is a popular type of hunting opportunity in western states, and we felt it was worthwhile to offer here in Michigan where we have some of the best hunting in the Midwest."

The first Pure Michigan Hunt will be in 2010. Hunters may apply for this hunt beginning July 27 through December 31, 2009. The Pure Michigan Hunt is designed to be an annual event. Applications will cost \$4, but unlike other limited-access hunts, individuals can apply as many times as they wish.

Being selected to participate in the Pure Michigan Hunt will not impact eligibility to apply for any other limited-access hunts. It will not negate any preference points for bear nor weighted chances for elk. Similarly, hunters who are disqualified from applying for future regular elk hunts because of past success will be eligible for the Pure Michigan Hunt. In addition, the applicants who are chosen for the hunt are not excluded from future limited-access elk drawings.

Successful applicants can participate in any open season until they fill their tags and can hunt in any unit or hunt period that is open for hunting that species (except for bear on Drummond Island).

Applications will be available at all license vendors or online at www.michigan.gov/dnr.

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2009 Portside Arts Fair

What do nature and art have in common?

The East Jordan 47th Annual Portside Arts Fair held at the picturesque Michigan Historic site, Elm Pointe Estate (01656 S M-66 Hwy) on the shore of Lake Charlevoix where nature's palette is the background for a family friendly experience. The juried two day show, Saturday, August 1, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday, August 2, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. is always the FIRST full weekend in August. Admission and parking are free.

The committee is proud to dedicate this year's show to the memory of Cyg Riley in recognition of her many years of service to the Portside Arts Fair. Her commitment to bringing the fine arts to East Jordan is the legacy that is the Portside Art Show. At 1 p.m. on Saturday, a judge will award purchase prizes for the best 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional art work. The selected art will then become part of the permanent collection housed in the Cygred Riley Gallery at Elm Pointe. The purchase prizes are sponsored by Charlevoix State Bank and East Jordan Plastics.

Have a budding artist in your family? Children and adults too can stop by the free Children's Activity Booth and create a felt hand puppet or decorate wind chimes. The booth is located in the center circle and is sponsored by Bay Winds Federal Credit Union.

Tired of shopping? Stop by the East Jordan Evangelical Lutheran Church food booth for some palate pleasing American favorites and their famous home-baked fruit pies. Enjoy your meal while you listen to some great musical entertainment



by locals Bonnie and Francois or wander down to the beach and picnic area and enjoy the view of the water.

Step out of the sun and into the past as you tour the on-site East Jordan Portside Art and Historical Museum with vignettes featuring the military, lumbering, medical, industry, and other areas of local history. An early ship's lantern reminiscent of the lumbering area, battered and encrusted when it was found by a diver at the bottom of the lake in the early 60's, is the official symbol

of the fair and hangs at the museum. The adjacent Cygred Art Gallery houses the past purchase prizes from 1971 to the present.

Rain or shine we welcome you to our artist paradise where art enthusiasts will find the works of artists scattered throughout the trees, on the rolling lawn, and by the shore of Lake Charlevoix and Monroe Creek. All donations made at the fair benefit the historical society. For more information about the show or historical society, visit www.portsideartsfair.org.

Bikes Bring Smiles!

Remember all the fun you had on your bike? The sense of freedom and pure joy as you raced the wind and laughed with your friends? Well now due to the generosity of Chet Morris, owner of Revolution Bike of Charlevoix, 20 kids in our community will have the same opportunity.

"We were thrilled last year when Chet donated 13 gently used bikes that he and his staff rehabbed over the winter," says Julie Voci, Administrative/Program Assistant of the Char-Em United Way. "So when Chet told us he had 20 bikes ready to donate this year we were SUPER thrilled and enormously thankful for his commitment to making a difference in our community."

The bikes will again go to the Charlevoix-Emmet Department of Human Services to be given to children in the foster care program. "These bikes mean so much to our kids," says Shirley Gillespie, Community Resource Coordinator for DHS.

"When children are removed from their homes they leave so much behind. Having these bikes available allows us to give them back some of the joy of childhood. We are so thankful to Chet and his staff for bringing happiness to our kids."

"Giving back to my community is very important and knowing that it is making the lives of children better, more than makes it worth any time and effort on my part," says a smiling Chet Morris, owner of Revolution Bike. "I hope to be able to donate more bikes next year, thirty-six sounds like a good number!"

"We are so fortunate to have people like Chet in our community," says Voci. "Think of all the smiling kids there could be if other bike shops found a way to make similar donations."

"And it would be awesome if we were able to provide bike helmets for all these new bike riders," hints Voci.



Shirley Gillespie, Department of Human Services; Julie Voci Administrative/Program Assistant, Char-Em United Way; Joanne Curtis, Board President Char-Em United Way; Chet Morris, owner Revolution Bike.

If you have a gently used bicycle you would like to donate, contact at 237-0900 to make arrangements.

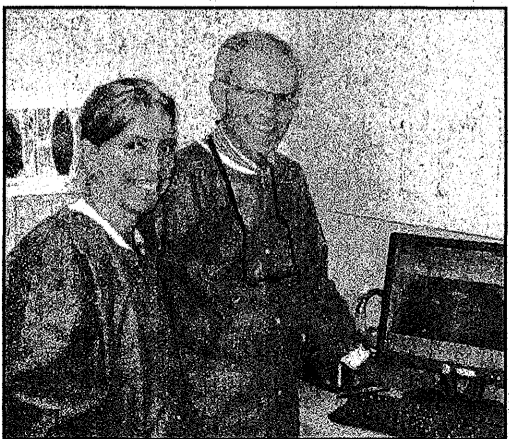
Should your business want to LIVE UNITED like Chet Morris, please contact United Way at 231-487-1006

or email to info@charemunitedway.org, put "I want to LIVE UNITED" in the subject line. If you have a donation, United Way will find a way to help you make a positive impact in our community.

New Dentists Join Dental Clinics North

EAST JORDAN - James Straley, DDS and his daughter, Jennifer Larson, DDS have joined Dental Clinics North--East Jordan, increasing access to oral health services for low-income residents in the area. The dentists provide general oral health care, including dental exams, x-rays, preventive care, and treatment for dental problems. They join Brian Kwapisz, DDS at the clinic located at the East Jordan Family Health Center. Larson attended University of Michigan School of Dentistry, graduating in 2006. Before relocating to northern Michigan, she practiced for two years in Flint. Her father, also a U of M dental school graduate, ran a private dental practice in Flushing for 45 years. Dental Clinics North--East Jordan is one of eight dental clinics

across northern Michigan. Appointments are available for children under the age of 21 enrolled in Medicaid or Delta Healthy Kids as well as adults enrolled in the Northern Dental Plan. The Northern Dental Plan offers dental services at a reduced fee for people of all ages without dental insurance.



CALL FOR FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS

Festival on the Bay runs from Friday, August 14 to Sunday, August 16, and we are again seeking volunteers for the Entertainment Tent, Children's Area and Parking Area. Shifts are just a few short hours, so grab a friend, family member or work associate and join us in helping to make Festival on the Bay 2009 a success! You can also assemble a team from your workplace. It is a great opportunity for staff to wear logo shirts and work together in what has proven to be a truly fun environment. (Pictured above is team Harbor Brenn and pictured below is team Fletch's from last year's Festival.) Ask them how much fun they had! Singles and groups of all sizes welcome! Contact Cindy Dickson at volunteers@petoskeyfestival.com to sign up. To see our wonderful lineup for Festival on the Bay this year please visit the www.petoskeyfestival.com website.

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EVENINGS AT THE GAZEBO

Enjoy the music and the view every Wednesday at the gazebo in Old City Park every Wednesday evening through August. Concerts are from 6:30pm - 8pm. Organized by the Boyne Area Chamber. July 29 - Brett Mitchell & the giant GHOST Award winners, family entertainment, pop to rock.

EAST JORDAN

POP WARNER FOOTBALL REGISTRATION

East Jordan Pop Warner Final Registration is July 30 and July 31 from 6 - 8pm in the Basement of East Jordan City Hall (Spring St. entry). Any questions please call Matt 231-675-3817 or 231-536-3693

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FIRST-TIME HOME BUYER SEMINAR

A seminar for first-time home buyers is planned for July 30 at RE/MAX Resort Properties, 111 S. Lake St. The event is sponsored by RE/MAX and Northwestern Bank. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the seminar starts at 7. The seminar will offer information on the first-time home buyer tax credit and various mortgage programs, including zero-down loans; 3.5% down FHA loans, manufactured home financing and fixed rate mortgages. Reservations are recommended, as space is limited; call 237-9179 or email jwhaley@nwbank.com.

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RIDE THE CHARX

Join us on a bicycle ride around Lake Charlevoix including Charlevoix, Emmet, and Antrim Counties on Saturday, August 1. You may join your riding friends for lunch for \$10. Prior registration is encouraged.

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PORTSIDE ARTS FAIR

47th Annual Portside Arts Fair at Elm Point Estate on M-66. Aug. 1 and 2 from 10am - 5pm

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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

CHARLEVOIX

HEALTH SCREENINGS

Charlevoix Area Hospital continues to offer walk-in health screenings on the first Wednesday of each month. The Wellness Wednesday hours are: 10am until 1pm and from 1:45pm until 4pm. Health Screens include: Cholesterol and blood Glucose levels, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a Blood Pressure reading. Cost for the service is \$12. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all test results at the time of the screen. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse. Appointments can be made in advance by calling the Office of Community Health Education at: 231-547-8906.

BOYNE FALLS

GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL

The 33rd annual Northern Michigan Gospel Music Festival is this weekend at the Northern Michigan Flywheelers grounds on US 131 3 miles north of Boyne Falls. Great gospel music from premier gospel musicians July 31 and Aug 1. Hours are Friday from 5-11pm. Saturday from 4-10pm. Groups scheduled to appear include Calvarymen Quartet, Dale Signs, Birdsong Family, Thurstons, Bartsch Family, Bluegrass Revival, Gloria Lynne and the Southern Praise Walkers. No admission charge, Free will offering will be taken. Music takes place in the covered pavilion. Bring your lawn chairs. Food concessions are available. Limited handicap parking. Each evening there is a Kid's Corner, Face painting and lots of things for the family. Visit their web site at www.NMGMF.com

CHARLEVOIX

AMERICAN RED CROSS OUTDOOR ART AUCTION

Garden Party: Benches Take Root a premier auction event benefiting the Northern Lower Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross. Local artists created beautiful benches and chairs which are currently on display in the community. These unique works of art will be auctioned on Aug 5 at North Central Michigan College at 6pm. For reservations call 231-348-7666. Maps locating all the benches and chairs are available at the chamber office. To view the benches or for more information go to www.arcnlm.org.

GL Energy Prepares For New 'Energy Optimization' Era

Over the next few months, Great Lakes Energy will launch a series of energy efficiency programs under the state's energy optimization mandate, which was created by passage of the "Clean, Renewable and Efficient Energy Act" in the fall of 2008. The programs are designed to reduce the energy use of participating co-op members—and reduce the need for additional power plants—by encouraging investment in energy efficiency measures.

To cover the cost of these state-mandated programs, all electric and natural gas customers in Michigan will find an energy optimization surcharge on their utility bills. For Great Lakes Energy, this surcharge will begin to show up on bills in August 2009.

Steve Boeckman, President/CEO explained that energy optimization simply means using energy wisely—getting more value for every dollar you spend on energy.

"It's more than cutting waste by turning the lights off," Boeckman said. "It's about cutting energy use by using more efficient products, such as compact fluorescent lights (CFLs) instead of incandescent bulbs, or a new refrigerator instead of a 15-year-old

model, or more insulation in your house so you need less fuel to stay warm."

Great Lakes Energy will begin rolling out programs over the next several months, and into next year. They will initially include energy efficiency assistance for qualified low-income co-op members, and a program to encourage commercial and industrial members to install energy-efficient equipment. Other programs under development include an online home energy audit, promotion of Energy Star® efficiency products, appliance recycling, and programs for multi-family housing, residential heating and air conditioning systems, and residential new construction.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) currently estimates that participating consumers can expect to save an average of \$2.92 each month, enough to offset the EO charge on co-op members' bills. Great Lakes Energy will provide information about these programs, and a general guide to estimated savings, as they are made available.

"It is impossible to predict the exact savings because many factors influence your kilowatt-hour (kWh) use, such as living habits, weather, number

of people in the household, condition of your appliances and electrical equipment, and building size. A change in any of these factors can easily affect your consumption," Boeckman said. "We will strive to keep costs as low as possible, while still meeting mandated goals."

Michigan's law requires that EO programs cost no more than about 2.2 percent of the average monthly residential bill, although that will vary somewhat by usage. The surcharge, which starts in August, will be \$.00158 per kWh, or about 79 cents a month for GLE residential and seasonal members who use an average of 500 kWh per month. General Service and Commercial and Industrial members will be charged a flat monthly rate. All rates were approved by the MPSC.

Members are urged to read the July/August issue of Michigan Country Lines magazine, visit countrylines.com and glakes.com, or contact Great Lakes Energy if they have questions about the program.

Great Lakes Energy, with headquarters in Boyne City, is a member-owned electric cooperative serving more than 120,000 members in 26 counties in Michigan.

Obituary

Gary William Farmer

Gary William Farmer, 75, died Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

Gary was born April 20, 1934, in East Jordan, the son of A. Richard and Marguerite L. (Piggott) Farmer. He served in the U.S. Army and received the Good Conduct Medal and Sharp Shooter (Carbine) medal.

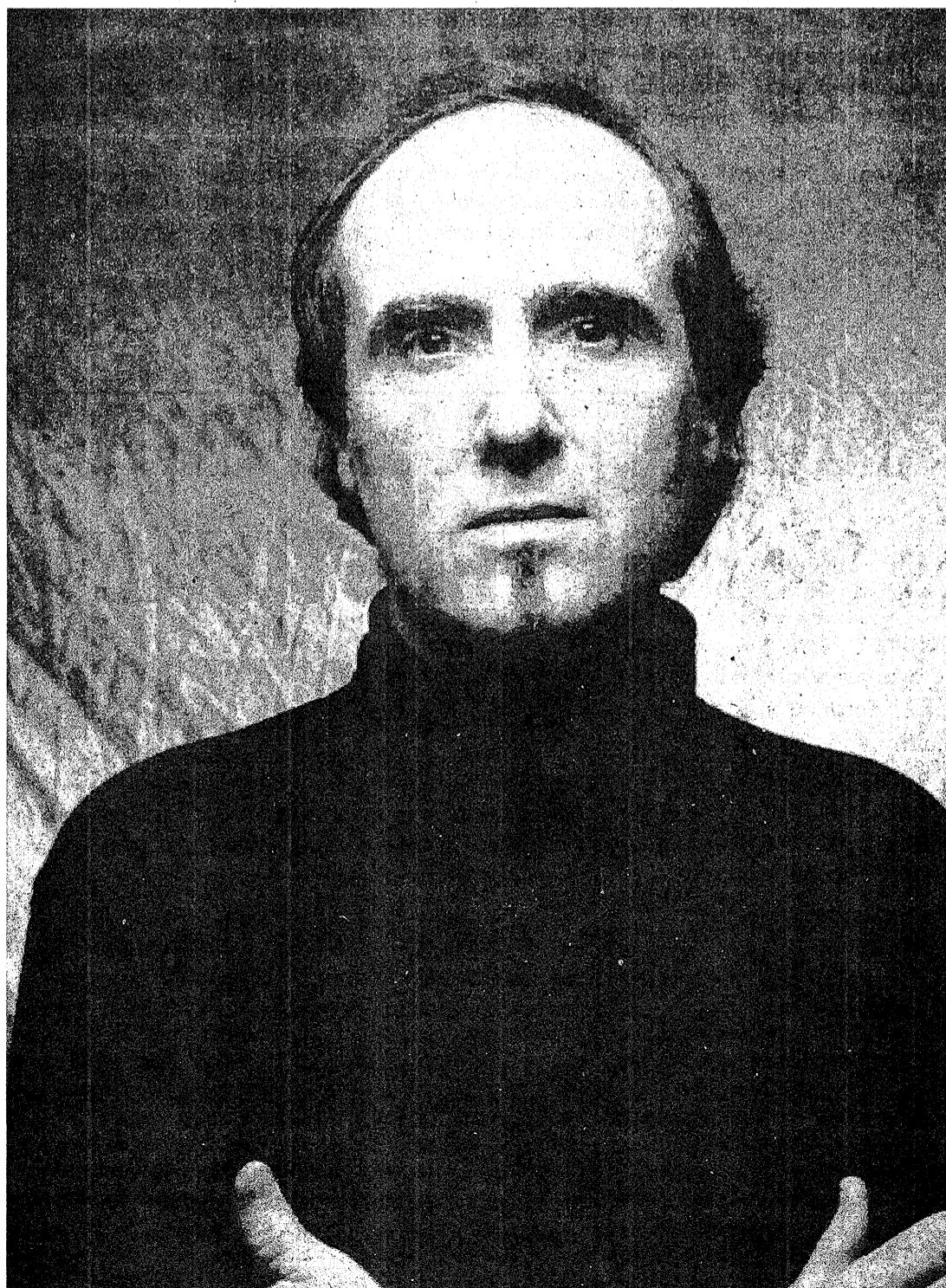
On February 18, 1959 he married Margaret L. Gannon. Together they had 5 children and were married 40 years.

Gary enjoyed hunting and fishing in his younger years and for many years he had the most abundant gardens in town. He was very proud of his 36 year long career at the East Jordan Iron Works where he retired as the Garage Supervisor. He was a very skilled mechanic and dedicated worker. He enjoyed working out in his garage in his spare time. He left behind his faithful friend of 12 years, his beloved dog Trixie.

Gary is survived by his children, Kelly (Ron) Moreau, Larry Farmer (Gail Bingham), Thomas (Brenda) Farmer, Dianna Farmer and Amanda Farmer. Grandchildren, Leah (Ryan) Potter, Toby (Jamie) Breakey, Courtney Farmer, Josh Farmer, Logan, Ethan and Eli Farmer. Great Grandchildren, Olivia Potter, Jackson and Branden Breakey, and Gemma Pace. He is also survived by his brother Robert (Joan) Farmer, and sisters Shirley (John) Gibson and Ann Pemberton. Preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Bill Farmer.

A private family service will be held at a later date. The family suggests memorials to The East Jordan Ambulance Association or a charity of their choice.

Aten Place Presents Dana Cooper on August 1st



Singer/songwriter Dana Cooper will bring his ingenious guitar work, gutsy harmonica playing, passionate voice and insightful lyrics to the stage of Aten Place on Saturday, August 1st. Cooper has wowed audiences throughout the U.S. and Europe recently with tunes from his newest album, *Made of Mud*, to be released on September 13th on King Easy Records. Cooper has been named Best Songwriter in Houston, was nominated Best Male Vocalist by the Kerrville Music Foundation and was nominated to their Hall of Fame. This is the first opportunity for Northern Michigan residents to see this critically acclaimed artist.

Out of the heartland of America, Cooper was playing his music in Kansas City clubs by the age of 16. Leaving behind a college art scholarship, Dana toured the country and landed in Los Angeles. In 1973, Elektra Records released his self-titled debut solo album featuring luminary players Russ Kunkel, Leland Sklar and Jim Horn. Cooper later moved to Texas to join forces with long-time friend Shake Russell. Their collaborations produced five highly successful folk-rock albums, including one on MCA in 1981. The two became one of the most popular acts throughout Texas and the Southwest appearing together on Austin City Limits.

Aten Place is located 1/2 mile south of Cherry Hill Road on Old Mackinaw Trail in Boyne Falls. The venue is a ninety-five year old oak frame barn with seating for 180, overlooking the Boyne River valley, in the shadow of Boyne Mountain. All tickets are \$10 at the door. Tickets go on sale at 6:00 pm the day of the concert, with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. Aten Place is a non-profit endeavor, and no food or beverage is sold on the premises. Many patrons bring snacks and desserts to share at intermission. There is also a covered picnic pavilion for those who wish to come early and enjoy the grounds and peaceful setting.

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

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This Year's Polish Festival Dignitaries are Named

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USED BOOK SALE

Jordan Valley District Library's annual Used Book Sale is August 1-31 in East Jordan. Hundreds of hardbacks, paperbacks, VHS and books on cassette will be available for bargain prices. These titles include Western, Mystery, Romance, Science Fiction, Adult, Young Adult, and Children's fiction and non-fiction. Some of the books are volumes that have been discarded by the library and others are donations. Hardbacks are \$0.50 and paperbacks are \$0.25. All proceeds benefit the library. The book sale will be in the Community Room during library hours: Mon 9-7, Tue 9-5, Wed 9-7, Thu 9-5, Fri 9-5, Sat 9-1, Sun 1-5. Contact the library at 231-536-7131 or visit the website jvdl.info.

EAST JORDAN

FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES

Enjoy the summer and the music at Memorial Park on July 31 at 7pm featuring Full Circle (Rock-n-Roll)

CHARLEVOIX & HARBOR SPRINGS

LAKE MICHIGAN SUMMIT

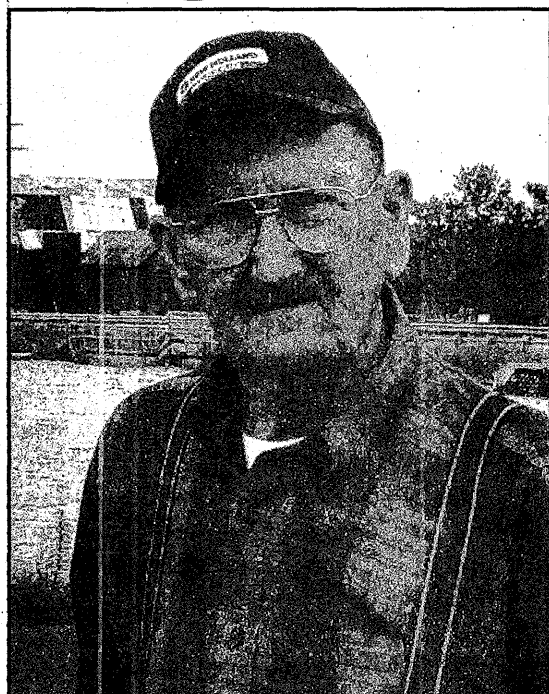
Due to the increased interest in the health of our Great Lakes, Tip of the Mitt Watershed will host two Lake Michigan Summits this year. The first opportunity for you to learn more about this valuable water resource will take place on August 3 from 1pm-4pm at the Harbor Springs City Hall on Zoll Street in Harbor Springs. The second opportunity will take place Aug. 10 from 9am - Noon at the Charlevoix Public Library, Community Room A, 220 W. Clinton Street in Charlevoix. Interested persons should RSVP to Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council by contacting Jennifer McKay or Sandy Schreck at 231-347-1181.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

LOCAL NEWS DROP BOXES

The Charlevoix County News has placed drop boxes for residents to easily submit news, photos, wedding announcements, classified ads and other local content. The drop boxes are located in East Jordan at the Library, Glen's Market, Save-A-Lot and the Chamber of Commerce. In Boyne City drop boxes are located at the Library, Glen's Market and Water Street Café. In Charlevoix at Glen's Market. The Charlevoix County News is the new local newspaper for East Jordan, Boyne City, Charlevoix, Boyne Falls, Walloon Lake, Ellsworth and Atwood. Local news releases, photos and information can also be submitted to Office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com.

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Honored Citizen
Richard Marchinkewicz



Grand Marshall's Jackie and
Keith Carson



Little Miss, Emma Payton
and Little Mister, Kevin DeNise

35th Annual Boyne Falls Event Set to Get Underway Thursday, August 6th

By Jim Akans

It's official; Little Miss, Little Mister, Honored Citizen, and Grand Marshalls for the 35th Annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival have been named.

This year's Grand Marshalls are Keith and Jackie Carson. Keith was born and raised in Boyne Falls, and his future bride, Jackie, moved here from Chicago when she was twelve.

"We've attended every festival since they began," states Keith, "and worked at most of them. For

several years, we helped out at the kitchen in the Polka Tent, and since three of our seven children graduated from Boyne Falls schools, we also helped out at the school's food booths for many years."

Keith's career included working as a mechanic in Petoskey for several years before spending 27 years at the DNR shop in Gaylord before retiring in 1997. He also collects antique tractors, favoring Oliver's, and has displayed them at the Flywheeler's annual show since it began.

The Boyne Falls Polish Festival's Honored Citizen is Richard Marchinkewicz. Also a lifelong Boyne Falls resident, Richard states that he and his wife, Phyllis, haven't missed a festival during its 35 year history either. They have three boys and a daughter.

Richard drove a log truck for Matelski Lumber for 40 years before retiring at the age of 72.

He notes, "I noticed I was having a little breathing trouble...turned out I needed open heart surgery! I'm feeling much better today and my wife and I are looking forward to this year's festival. When they called to tell me I was this year's Honored Citizen, I was very surprised."

This year's Little Miss is Emma Payton, and Little Mister is Kevin DeNise. Both second graders were selected after a coloring contest at Boyne Falls schools.

The 35th Annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival starts on August 6th and runs through Sunday, August 9th. For a full schedule of the many exciting events, please call at 231-582-6222 or visit www.boynefallspolishfestival.com.

Non-Motorized trail questioned by Bay Twp.

By B. J. Conley-Hetler

BAY TOWNSHIP — A non-motorized 10-foot wide trail proposed by the county of Charlevoix hit a bump when it came before Bay Township residents, who question the benefit to them of using township tax dollars for the project.

Bicyclists, skateboarders, joggers and walkers are some of the people expected to use the non-motorized, paved trail.

The trail would run along the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road and have two phases of construction. Phase One begins in Boyne City at Court and Robinson streets and ends in Horton Bay, with an estimated cost of \$1.3 million. The county is asking the city of Boyne City and the three townships located along the route to contribute taxpayer dollars to help fund the construction of the trail. Boyne City will donate \$11,072, and Evangeline Township has committed \$33,216.

Hayes Township has discussed the trail and appears in favor of it, but has not yet been asked for a specific amount, because it is located in Phase Two. Phase Two details will be worked out in the future.

But when Bay Township officials received a request from the county for a donation of \$11,072 for that portion of Bay Township land the trail would use, some of the residents protested with letters to township officials.

Opponents' chief complaints are that the trail would result in loss of privacy and encroachment onto residential properties.

"It will invade citizens private property and the path (trail) would go within two feet of a 100-year-old residence," Susan Maiorana of Washington (MI) stated in her letter.

Thomas D. Harris, who owns a cottage in Horton Bay, is concerned about the trail comprising a single 10-foot wide separate structure.

"It's an unnecessary frivolity of public funds and a hardship on property owners," he wrote. "As taxpayers but not voters, we feel that expenditures by the township should benefit the citizens of the township. The proposed non-motorized trail is not a benefit to the citizens of Bay Township. It is an encroachment on their properties and an invasion of their privacy."

Shawn Gallup, Helen Bergmann and others want the issue placed on a ballot.

"I believe that a township expenditure of this size should be given approval by a vote of Bay Township voters, not just approved by five township residents of the Board of Trustees," Bergmann stated.

Maiorana's letter proposed an alternative to a trail:

"Incorporate a larger shoulder into

the reconstruction of the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road that is already approved by voters," she said. "Save money on engineering fees, excavation and inevitable legal challenges to rights under current deeds."

Maiorana also noted that wider shoulders instead of a trail would save trees and native vegetation.

But Paul Servais, vice president of North Country Bicycle Club, said that safety is the primary reason to construct a trail separate from the county primary road.

"It doesn't work too well to widen the shoulders of the road," Servais said. "The biggest reason is that it is dangerous for children and adults."

Other problems with wide shoulders are that gravel and debris tends to build up on them. Benefits of a separate trail, in addition to safety, are a rise in property values and an increase in tourism, Servais said.

"It will have a big impact on our communities. Bicyclists come up just to ride the trail off of Highway 31. They're going to use hotels, motels, restaurants and make trips to the grocery stores."

The estimated cost of the entire project from Boyne City to Charlevoix is \$3.4 million, with a Phase One estimate at \$1,350,000, for an approximate five-mile stretch. Federal funds of \$743,400 would come from the Transportation Enhancement Act, \$500,000 from the state



Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund, \$53,300 from the city and townships and \$53,300 from private contributions.

Charlevoix County Planning Department Director, Larry Sullivan, said that communities will benefit from more tourism and added that the construction of the trail will mean work for local people.

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HOSPITAL GUILD'S SILENT AUCTION

The Charlevoix Area Hospital Guild's Annual Silent Auction will be on August 6, from 10am to 3pm. The public is cordially invited to browse and bid as there's something for everyone.

EAST JORDAN

MOONLIT RIVER TRIP

Friends of the Jordan are hosting a Friday Moonlit River Trip on Aug. 7 at 8:30 PM.

CHARLEVOIX

ANNUAL WATERFRONT ART FAIR

On August 8th, the Charlevoix Council for the Arts invites you to attend the 51st Annual Waterfront Art Fair.

ATWOOD

CAR AND CRAFT SHOW

Friske Orchards sponsors the Car and Craft Show Aug. 8 - 15. For info call 231-599-2604.

EAST JORDAN

AMAZING QUILT RACE SHOP HOP 2009

Quilters can enjoy the Quilt Race Shop Hop on Aug. 8. For more information call The Quilt Shop at 231-536-3363.

BOYNE CITY

ANTIQUA CAR SHOW AND FLEA MARKET

36th Annual Antique Auto Show and Flea Market held August 8 and 9 at Veteran's Memorial Park, Boyne City. Admission free for spectators! Food on the grounds. Saturday 8am to 4pm, Sunday 8am to 3pm.

EAST JORDAN

DUCKY DERBY

Annual Ducky Derby to be held on Sunday, August 9 at 3pm in Sportsman Park. Crossroads Resale Shop 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 our 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.

BOYNE FALLS

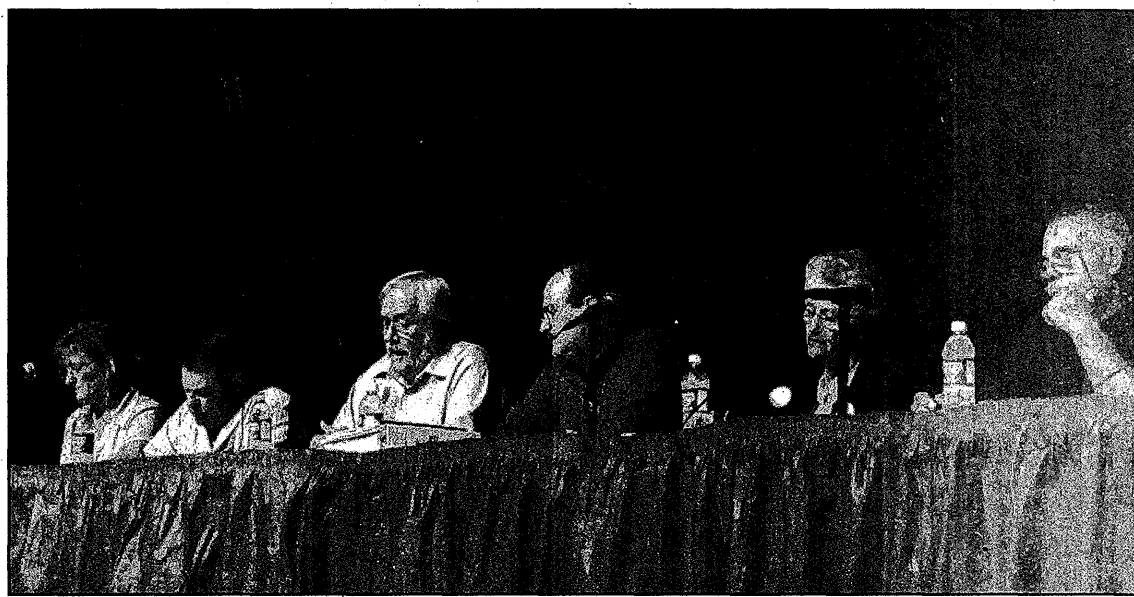
KID ROCK RETURNS

Kid Rock is returning to Boyne Mountain for a five concert on Saturday, Aug. 15.

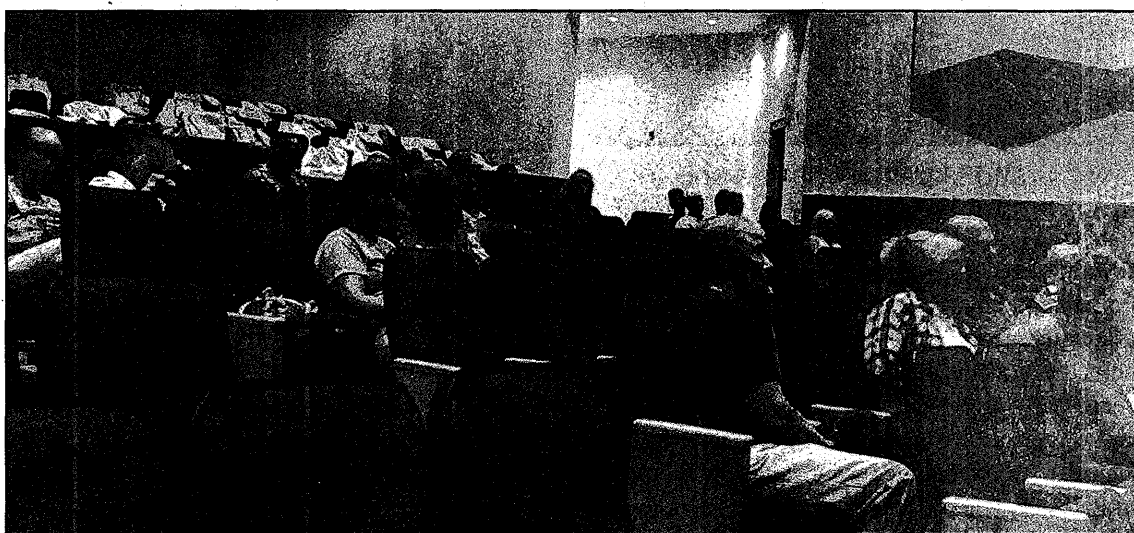
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Candidates meet the public ...

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Protocol for the evening was each candidate had 30 seconds to respond to questions that attendees submitted just prior to the event.



Attendees listened closely to each candidates response in the comfortable setting of the East Jordan High School auditorium.

Council, member of the East Jordan Zoning Board of Appeals, and a business owner. He notes, "I seek re-election so that I may see projects begun completed, and continue to help shape our community's future."

Four candidates are making their initial bid for a seat on the Commission.

Tom "Tinker" Breaky is a lifelong East Jordan

resident and has served the community as a volunteer fireman for 40 years. Tom states, "I am running for a seat on the City Commission because I think our values have been on the back burner the last few years, and I believe that when you aren't happy with the way things are going, you have an obligation to roll your sleeves up and get involved."

Carron Rogers, who many may know as Carron

Bennett, has dedicated her race in honor of Chief of Police, Joseph Hammond, who passed away on May 22nd, 2009 after serving the city for 33 years. She states, "He was also one of my supporters. I believe we must work together in all areas of the city, with some reasonable budget cuts, be as cost-effective as possible, while still keeping the best levels of service for our community."

Jane Booze, whose family tree includes such familiar community names as Bennett, Shaw and Petrie has been a regular attendee, with her husband Neil (a paramedic with the City of East Jordan) at City Commission meetings in recent years, and she has learned a great deal observing those proceedings. She states, "I am a mom and grandma, I have two jobs, we have a cabin in the Jordan Valley...and I don't have any hankering after political power or prestige. But I believe that if we care deeply about something, as I do East Jordan, we have some obligation to get involved."

Russ A. Peck, who was unable to attend Tuesday's forum, is a lifelong East Jordan resident, previously served as East Jordan Mayor for 11 1/2 years. He states, "I look forward to serving (the community) again, and my reason for this is I believe the people need to have a voice and be heard! I assure you that as your City Commissioner, I will hear you...you will be heard."

And on Tuesday evening, each of these candidates for City Commission did indeed hear the voice of the people they wish to serve.

"This was a great idea. It was good to hear the candidate's opinions directly," observed Brian from East Jordan.

"I found it very interesting," stated Shirley, also of East Jordan; "I wish even more people had taken the opportunity to attend."

Another East Jordan resident summed up the intent of the event by noting, "Anytime the people have a chance to ask candidates the questions that are on their minds, it's very powerful."

Fishing Report:

Lake trout hitting in Charlevoix



LANSING -- Boats are trolling for trout and salmon on the Great Lakes but the fish were scattered. Inland fishing has been good for large and smallmouth bass, bluegills, and crappie, the Department of Natural Resources reports this week. Look for post spawn fish to be out in deeper waters. With the cooler than normal summer we have had so far, anglers might have to adjust their fishing techniques if they want to find fish.

CHARLEVOIX - Has good lake trout fishing off North Point. A few salmon have also been caught and some of those were in the 15-pound range. Glow spoons and flies were the ticket.

LAKE CHARLEVOIX - Smallmouth bass have been caught in 20 feet of water along the rocks and drop-offs. Perch were deeper and caught in 15 to 30 feet of water.

Au Sable River - Walleye action was still slow but should start to pick up because work on the dam is finished and the water is flowing again. A few fish were caught on crawler harnesses and slip bobbers.

PETOSKEY - Lake trout fishing has been good for those using dodgers and flies as well as cowbell rigs. Try 60 to 90 feet deep along the hotspots and off the banks. Salmon were caught in the early morning or late evening, 30 to 95 feet down off Bay Harbor. Try glow spoons and flies. Smallmouth bass have been caught along the shoreline of Little Traverse Bay.

TRAVERSE CITY - In the East Bay, salmon and lake trout were caught when trolling spoons 50 to 70 feet down in waters 100 to 120 feet deep. Whitefish were caught by those jigging Swedish Pimples in the southern portions of the bay. In the West Bay, lake trout were caught on the south and west side of Marion Island, the red buoy and along the white walls when trolling spoons with flashers and flies 40 to 70 feet down in waters over 100 feet deep.

LELAND - Several nice catches of chinook were caught in the early morning by those using glow green spoons and flies. Most were caught between 50 and 90 feet on the First Shelf, the Second Shelf or the north side of Big Manitou Island. A few brown trout were also caught. Lots of lake trout were taken in 40 to 50 feet of water just off the harbor.

GLEN ARBOR - Pyramid Point has been a favorite spot to hit in the early morning or evening for chinook. Some nice fish over 20 pounds have been caught. Cannors Point and the West side of South Manitou Island were also producing good numbers of fish when using different colored spoons and flies. Anglers were marking lots of baitfish.

PLATTE RIVER - Had good brown trout fishing. Water levels are low and clear and the fish are hitting on nymphs.

MANISTEE - Fishing has been a challenge as the fish are scattered. Most are trolling deeper in the water column along the Shelf. Try the spin/fly combinations or green and blue spoons. A few lake trout were also caught on orange or red spoons trolled in the top 40 feet of water.

Walk-in Health Screenings

Charlevoix Area Hospital continues to offer walk-in health screenings on the first Wednesday of each month in classroom A. The next screening is scheduled for Wednesday August 5, 2009. The Wellness Wednesday hours are from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm and from 1:45 pm until 4:00 pm. Health Screens include: cholesterol (total cholesterol, HDL, the healthy cholesterol which protects the heart, and a ratio, which ideally should be under 4.5 to help prevent stroke and heart attack), blood sugar level, Body Mass Index (BMI) score, and a blood pressure reading.

Cost for the service is \$12.00. Participants will receive a blood pressure log, a pedometer, and all of the test results (including the blood results) at the time of the screen. Blood will be obtained by a Registered Nurse by a painless finger-stick method with no fasting required. Health Consultation and educational materials will be tailored to individual results by a Registered Nurse.

Appointments can be made in advance by calling the Office of Community Health Education at: 231-547-8906. Walk-ins are welcome. The entire visit will take less than 15 minutes and could end up saving your life. Don't just wonder what your numbers are, come and find out.

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some basics, such as the windows sealed and a furnace, but thanks to Catt's generosity, it is rent-free. Volunteers have been hard at work painting and cleaning, but on Friday everyone will take a break to celebrate the grand opening, held in conjunction with Freshwater Gallery that recently opened in the same area of town.

Artist and illustrator, Jerry Douglas, who is also curator for the BAC Room Gallery is grateful that artists have a building for the arts in Boyne City.

"We were an idea without a building," Douglas said. "He (Glen Catt) has opened the doors for the arts in Boyne City. This is huge for us."

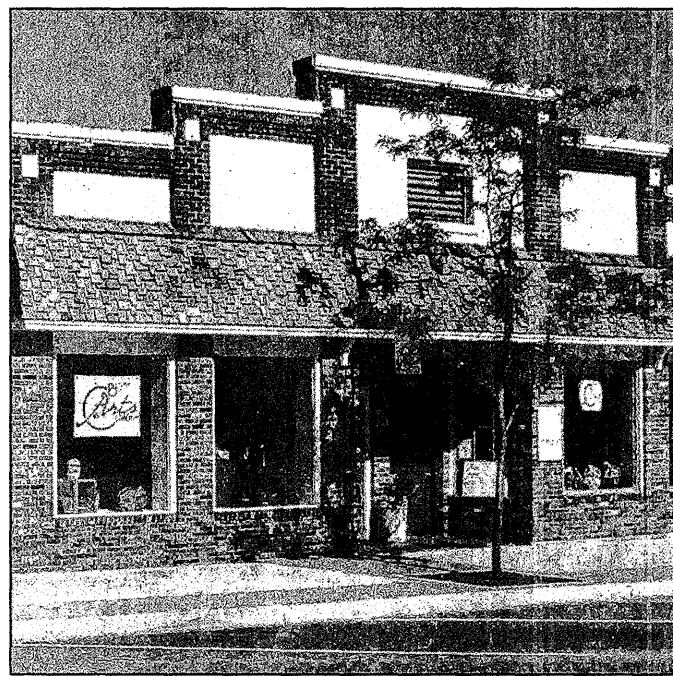
Membership has grown impressively since the move, he said, and where members were only the artists before, now supporters of the arts are joining Boyne Arts Collective.

"I couldn't put a price on the value of having this building," Douglas said.

The area is becoming an art district with Freshwater Studio across the street, and artists refer to it as SoBo, for South Boyne.

"I'm really proud that it's the artists in this community that are revitalizing this part of town," Douglas said.

See boynearts.org website for more information.



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CHARLEVOIX POOL AUCTION

The 20th Annual Charlevoix Pool Auction will take place at Castle Farms on Aug. 9. For additional information, call 547.0982.

BOYNE CITY

DANCIN' IN THE STREETS

SoBo, the newly named South Boyne business district, presents the 5th annual Dancin' in the Streets Thursday, July 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Acoustic Stev will entertain just south of the corner of Lake and Main Streets. The event is sponsored by CindiFranco's, Lake Street Market and Eyes on Main. Organizer Cindi Mallin says, "Bring your chairs, grab a sandwich, put on your dancing' shows and join us for an evening of fun." Dancin in the Streets will return Aug. 27 when The Sun Dogs will be performing.

CHARLEVOIX

SIDEWALK SALES

Bargains, bargains and more during the Sidewalk Sales in Charlevoix. Merchants move their wares to the sidewalk so that you can just stroll along and choose your merchandise Aug. 13 - 15.

EAST JORDAN

SIDEWALK SALES

East Jordan Sidewalk Sales offer great bargains from area merchants on Aug. 14 and 15.

CHARLEVOIX

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

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

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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.

You Become What You Think About Most

Positive Thoughts Equal A Positive Attitude

By Dave Baragrey 1

When he was a teenager, I told one of my four sons that he would become what he thinks about most. His response was, "So, I am going to become a girl?" That was not the response I was hoping for, but it did make me laugh.

If you have ever felt like life is not treating you right then you should take a moment to consider how great a role your thinking and attitude play in how life treats you; because it is all about how you perceive your life to be that determines how it will be. If you have negative thoughts, your attitude tends to be just as negative and if you have positive thoughts your attitude will be just as positive. You cannot expect to have a good attitude when all of your thoughts tell you that life is hard, full of disappointment and that it's you against the world.

I want you to try this quick experiment so that you can see how your thoughts really do affect your perceptions on life, as well as your attitude. Think of your best friend and the unconditional love and support shared between the two of you.

Did you smile without meaning to? Did you remember a specific time when your friend showed unconditional love and support for you? Did you notice that your attitude brightened while thinking about your best friend? Chances are very good that this is the experience you had by thinking about something positive.

You were asked to do this quick experiment about positive thinking so that you could experience for yourself how your thoughts affect your attitude. While articles like this are informational and useful, I have always found that they are even more helpful when I can relate to them on a personal level like the experiment above, which positive thinking allowed me to do. I understand what people mean when they say that positive thoughts equal a positive attitude.

How do our thoughts and attitudes play a role in how life treats us? Our thoughts and attitude determines the way we perceive our life. Negative thoughts and a negative attitude will cause us to perceive everyday occur-

rences negatively. Positive thoughts and a positive attitude will cause us to perceive everyday occurrences positively. People with negative perceptions often make mountains out of molehills. People with a positive attitude can make a molehill out of a mountain.

Small things become a very big deal and people with negative attitudes always seem to be the ones that have bad things happening to them on a daily basis. They were late to work. They forgot their lunch at home. Traffic was bad when they got off. The cable was out. You get the idea. Unbeknownst to them is the very real fact that due to their negativity they are missing out on the good things, great and small that are trying to come into their lives.

Through our attitude we send messages to the people around us, and it is not hard to pick out the negative thinkers in the crowd because they usually have sour attitudes and we know one causes the other. Most people do not find negativity attractive. You can significantly improve your relationships with positive thoughts and a positive attitude.

If we are in a negative mode and perceiving our lives in that manner, we are actually creating an existence wherein we attract negativity to us while repelling anything positive. When we do this to ourselves we rationalize that life is just out to get us. We seethe inside as life seems to be going good for everyone else but us. Life is energy. It is not an entity with the power to wage a battle against you. Life is comprised of both good and bad things. The degree to which you will recognize and enjoy the good and cope with the bad is determined by how you perceive these things. And your perceptions are shaped by your thoughts and attitude.

Indulge in a life of positive thoughts which will equal a positive attitude and life will be good to you. Instead of thinking that the grass is greener on the other side, make your grass the greenest grass that you have ever seen. If you positively believe in your own success, then you can make it happen. Remember that your thoughts have power.

Here is a Quote to Remember

"Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing." --Mother Teresa

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EAST JORDAN

CHILDREN'S PLAY GROUP

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

BOYNE CITY

STARTING A BUSINESS

If you are planning to start a business you should plan to attend these classes held monthly by the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance at the NLEA office in Boyne City. You must pre-register by calling by phoning 582-6482 or emailing info@northernlakes.net. The class fee is \$20.

EAST JORDAN

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

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Recent Boyne City Graduate, Paul Solomon, Pulls an Unconscious Mark Simmons from the Water ... continued from front page

wasn't quite sure what was going on, it was almost unreal, I knew I had to do something," said Solomon who has been working at The

Harborage Marina for three summers and is a recent graduate of Boyne City High School.

Previous to the incident, Solomon and Simmons had been putting in cleats at the dock. According to Solomon, Simmons asked him to go inside and fetch a tool. Merely five minutes later was when Solomon returned with the tool and found the floating Simmons.

have slipped, bumped his head, it's a mystery to everyone," Solomon said. "It's just a relief everything turned out okay."

Looking back on the situation Solomon is satisfied with the way he reacted.

"There was no one else there, so I ran to the end of the dock told my coworkers to get help and ran back to him," said Solomon.

"I think considering the circumstances, I did okay. I think a lot of it was good timing and luck," Solomon noted.

Solomon's next move was to jump into the waist-deep water himself and bring Simmons closer to the edge. "I didn't know how long he'd been in there," said Solomon.

Solomon, along with his coworkers, had received a CPR refresher course in June.

He said he remembered everything just in case he had to use it, although he didn't anticipate ever having to.

"All the problems here have to do with finding slips for boats, nothing like this," Solomon said.

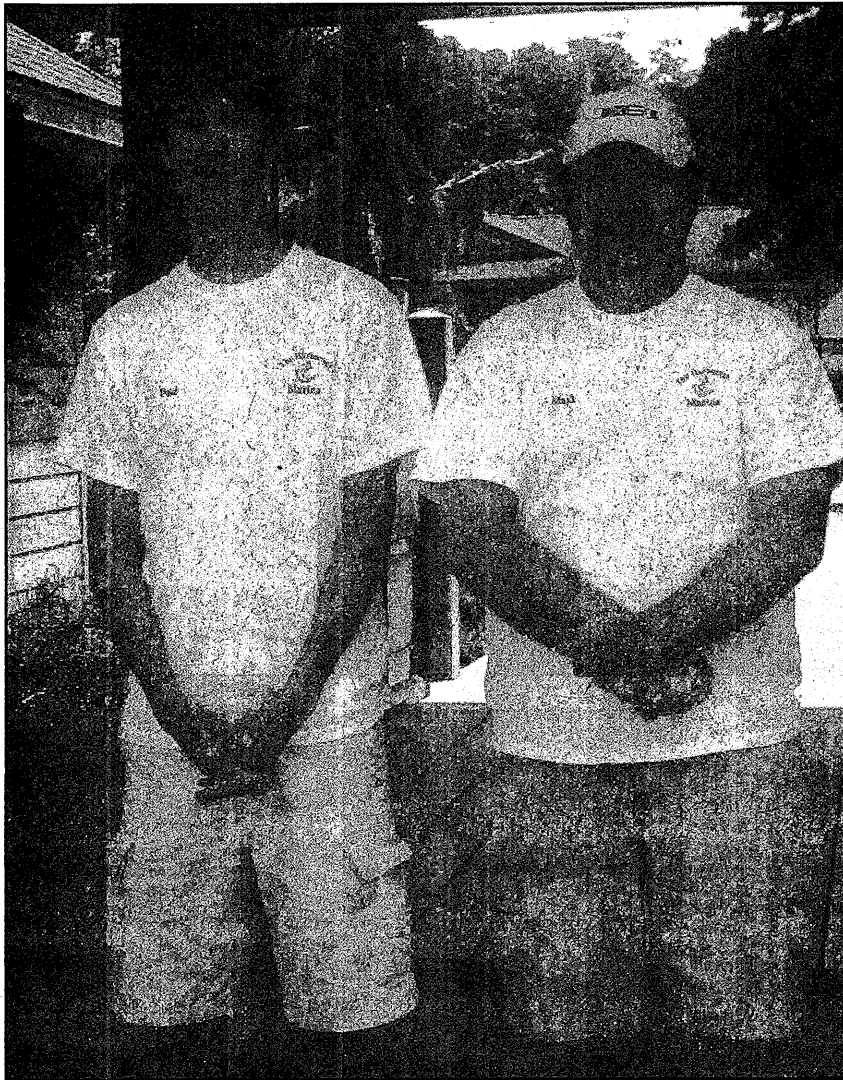
Everyone with relations at the marina knows Simmons and according to Solomon and all were relieved once he was released from the hospital nearly scratch-free.

"Paul's a great guy, they're all great employees here," said Simmons. He did not wish to comment more about the incident than that, "Paul did an outstanding job."

He then went on to give Simmons two rescue breaths to help him breathe. Solomon recognized that he had a heartbeat so there was no reason to start compressions. According to Solomon within a couple of minutes he started breathing better on his own.

Fifteen minutes after Solomon jumped in the water, the EMS arrived and took Simmons to Northern Michigan Regional Hospital.

"He doesn't remember anything and no one saw it, it's all speculation, he could have fallen, could



Paul Solomon (left) and Mark Simmons (right)

Ride the Charx

BOYNE CITY - Join us on a bicycle ride around Lake Charlevoix including Charlevoix, Emmet, and Antrim Counties on Saturday, August 1. There are 4 routes: The 20-mile route follows the southwest shore of Lake Charlevoix from

Boyne City to the Ironton Ferry and back. This can be a leisurely ride, great for young families as well as for those with little touring experience. Since this is an out and back route, you can turn around any time you want. The terrain is fairly flat, and the only steep hill is at the Ironton Ferry. The 43-mile route includes scenic shores of Lakes Charlevoix and Michigan.

There are interesting stops along the way, including historic Horton Bay (Ernest Hemingway slept here), shopping in Charlevoix, and

crossing on the Ironton Ferry. The route is fairly flat to moderately rolling. There is one hilly section. The 62-mile route starts in Boyne City and includes a section of the scenic Little Traverse Wheelway bike path along the shore of Lake Michigan, some of our favorite country roads through Charlevoix, Emmet and Antrim counties, and the challenging climb of The Wall outside East Jordan. This route has hills! Previous riders have said, "This is a great ride. It is the hilliest metric century in Michigan. You ought to tell everyone!" OK, we are.

Do you love hills? Then, you'll love this route. For the extreme riding enthusiasts, there is a 105-mile route, which is the 62-mile route, a lunch break and then the 43-mile route. The after lunch route will be on your own with maps only, but without SAG support or refreshments. Non-riders are welcome to shop in Boyne City's stores, swim at the city beaches, and the kids have a large playground to entertain them. You may join your riding friends for lunch for \$10. Prior registration is encouraged.



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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@arclnm.org.

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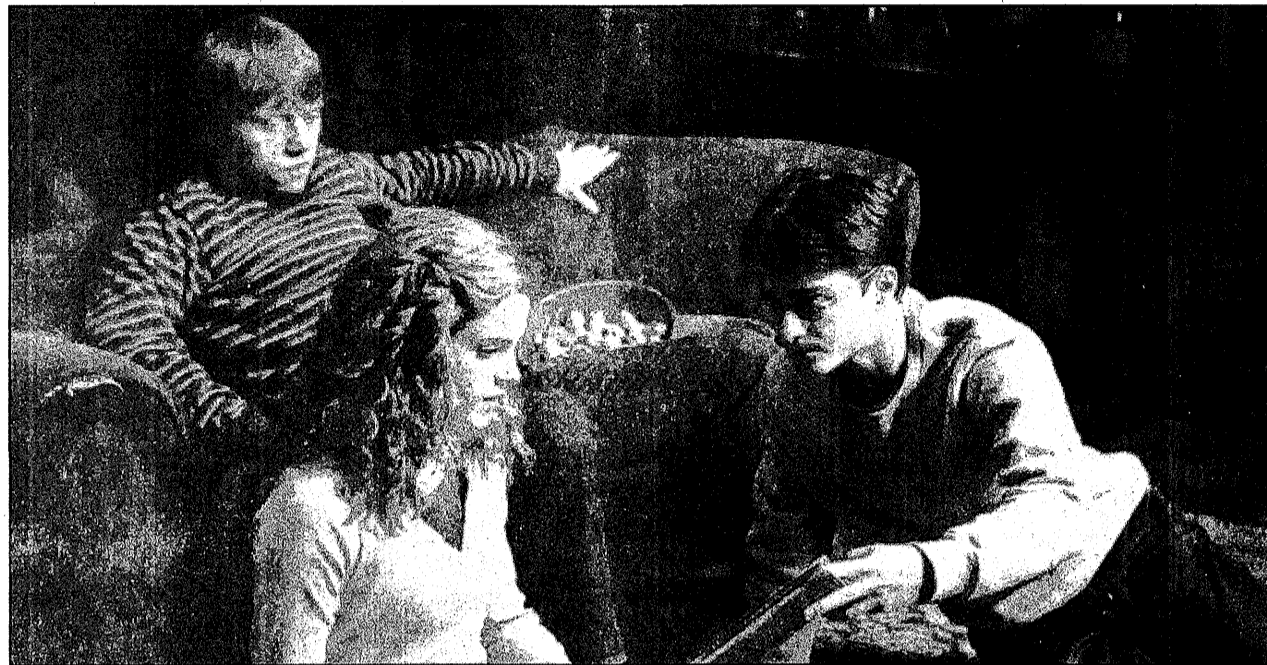
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Enjoy the Charlevoix Farmers Market held every Thursday through September 24th, from 9am to 1pm in downtown East Park. All products sold are locally grown & produced. From just picked flowers and produce to baked goods and canned items, there will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

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A Magical, Mystical Tour de Force



Dazzling special effects, first-rate cast in Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince

By Jim Akans

The Harry Potter film series, which brings the incredibly popular J.K. Rowling's novels to cinematic life, have been an anomaly in the movie series genre. Rather than become weaker with each subsequent release, each new film in the series seems to build on the momentum, technical prowess, and maturing acting abilities of the remarkably consistent cast members.

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince is the sixth in a progression of movie sequels, and since each film follows the release of a novel by the same name, fans know there's only one more waiting in the wings. Yet they eagerly anticipate both the unveiling of each hardback version and subsequent celluloid version, as exemplified by this film's midweek, midnight premier which grossed a staggering \$58.2 million, reportedly the fourth biggest opening

ever.

In this segment, the now familiar crew of "wizards in the making" return to Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, and after enrolling in a "potions" class, Harry finds he has a textbook that has been altered by a previous student who inscribed "property of the Half-Blood Prince" inside the cover. The modified "recipes" work wonderfully, but as fans of the Harry Potter series know all too well...there's more here than meets the eye.

So begins a storyline that is much too full of surprising twists, turns and spells to possibly cover here, suffice to say that once again Headmaster Dumbledore provides sage advice, Draco Malfoy still has an evil streak, Severus Snape always looks like he's up to something, and Harry's wizardly apprentice partners;

Hermione Granger (Emma Watson) and Ron Weasley (Rupert Grint) continue to add heart and humor to the story.

The effects are magical, mystical and a lot of fun to watch even for someone who isn't all that familiar with series. It's easy to find yourself drawn into some netherland of time that looks like the middle ages, and feels like contemporary England and Scotland where much of the footage was shot. At just over 2 1/2 hours, the run time is a bit long for my theater seat tolerance, but it is such a feast for the eyes other body parts extended their forgiveness.

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince is rated PG, mainly for scary images (there's a bit of a shocker having to do with zombie-like creatures coming out of a pool of water near the end of the film), but this shouldn't provide nightmare fodder for many. Those who love the book, regardless of their age, will undoubtedly enjoy the film.

Exit Comments:

"More of a cinematic feel to it than the others," Steve & Colin - Northville
 "Great job interpreting the high points of the novel," Dave & Barb - Big Rapids
 "My brother hid in his shirt a lot," Kurtis & Lucas - Lapeer
 "Really, really good though I expected more about the Harry and Voldemort story," Courtnee - Mancelona
 "Special effects were very realistic, funnier than some of the others," Jean - Vanderbilt, Courtney - Jackson, & Stephanie - Louisiana
 Exit Poll - Which Did You Prefer?

Exit Poll - Which Did You Prefer?



Movie; 85%



Popcorn; 15%

LOCAL MOVIE LISTINGS

GAYLORD CINEMA WEST JULY 31 - AUG. 6

G-Force PG (90)
Voices Nicholas Cage Penelope Cruz
At: 2:00, 4:00 7:00, 9:00

Aliens in the Attic PG (86)
Starring Ashley Tisdale Robert Hoffman
At: 2:00, 4:00 7:00, 9:00

The Ugly Truth R (96)
Starring Katherine Heigl Gerard Butler
At: 2:00, 4:00 7:00, 9:00

Funny People R (136)
Starring Seth Rogan Leslie Mann Adam Sandler
At: 1:30, 4:05, 7:00, 9:15

Orphan R (123)
Starring Peter Sarsgard Isabella Fuhrman
At: 2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

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

BELLAIRE CINEMA JULY 31 - AUG. 6

Funny People R (136)
Starring Seth Rogan Leslie Mann Adam Sandler
At: 7:00, 9:35

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

COURTYARD CINEMA JULY 31 - AUG. 6

G-Force PG (90)
Voices Nicholas Cage Penelope Cruz
At: 2:00, 4:00 7:00, 9:00

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

The Ugly Truth R (96)
Starring Katherine Heigl Gerard Butler
At: 2:00, 4:00 7:00, 9:00

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

Funny People R (136)
Starring Seth Rogan Leslie Mann Adam Sandler
At: 1:30, 4:05, 7:00, 9:40

PETOSKEY CINEMA JULY 31 - AUG. 6

The Hangover R (103)
Starring Bradley Cooper Heather Graham
At: 9:00

Orphan R (123)
Starring Peter Sarsgard Isabella Fuhrman
At: 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

The Ugly Truth R (96)
Starring Katherine Heigl Gerard Butler
At: 11:45, 1:45, 3:45, 5:30, 7:15, 9:00

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

Funny People R (136)
Starring Seth Rogan Leslie Mann Adam Sandler
At: 11:45, 2:30, 6:45, 9:30

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

G-Force PG (90)
Voices Nicholas Cage Penelope Cruz
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Harry Potter & The Half-Blood Prince PG (153)
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Aliens in the Attic PG (86)
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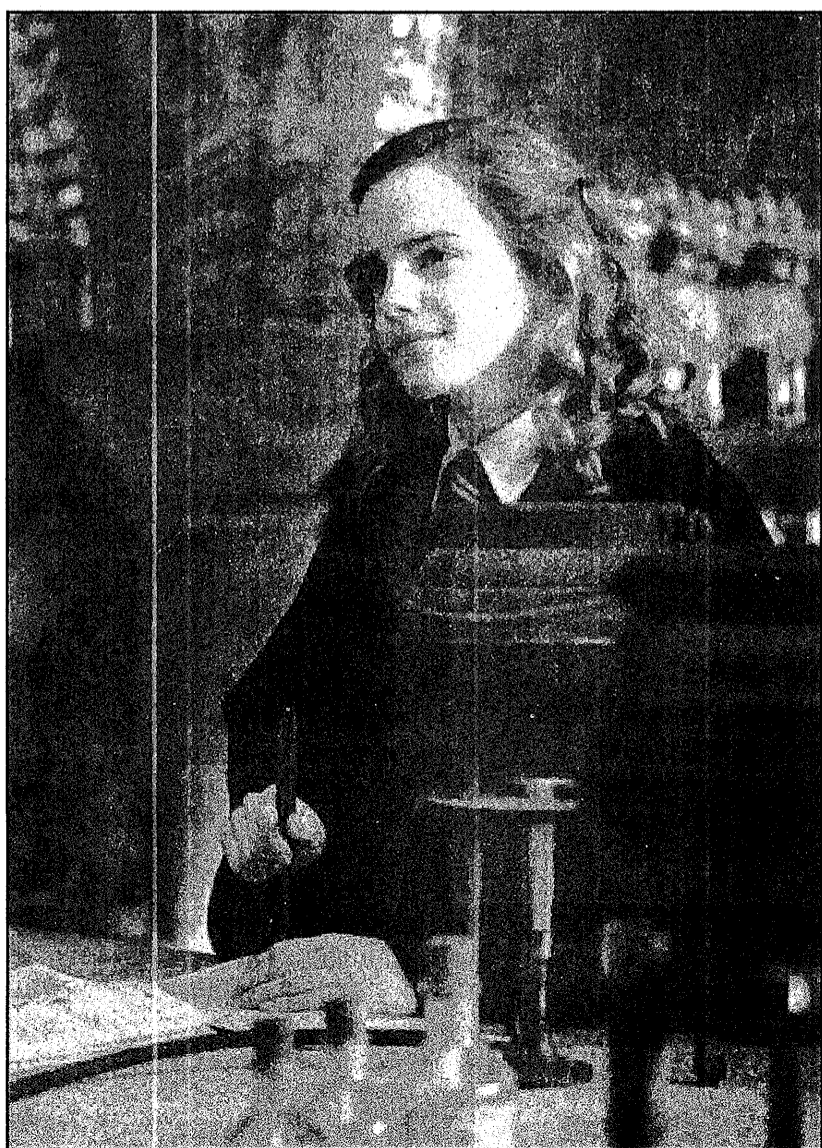
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BOYNE CITY

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.

BOYNE CITY

SIDEWALK SALES

Downtown Boyne City stores are offering great deals on Aug. 28 - 29 during Sidewalk Sales in Downtown Boyne City.

Dr McMillian's Mental Health Corner



Mental Health & Exercise

For the past two years, I have driven to Traverse City on the same day, at the same time. Snow, rain, or sunshine, I pass the same two women power walking. The psychological benefits are apparent to those who try exercise. So, why is exercise so difficult to sustain and what is the answer? Research has identified, when taken separately, both exercise and social support produce serotonin increases. The interaction effect of exercise when joining with people adds a double punch for the brain chemistry! People are attracted to social interaction. When adding social support to routine exercise, the extra biochemical boost is recognized by the brain. The positive brain changes, actually pushes us towards increased exercise. Basically, our brains thrive on the result of exercise and social support, and are looking for more of this combination. Answer for the exercise dilemma, we will place ourselves in the path of blood, sweat, and tears.

Speedway Report:

First-time feature winners prevail

Paquette, Ward, Huthinson all win for first time this season; Paquette edges Clawson by the length of a bumper in Pure Stock V8 finale

By Mike Mathu

ELMIRA -- Even in the heart of summer, unpredictability reigned as three drivers notched their first feature race wins of the year Saturday night at Northern Michigan Speedway.

Brad Leach won the Pure Stock V8 four-car dash and heat race, then went to the front on the very first lap of the 20-lap main event. Mick Pieri secured second on lap 4, but after the only caution of the race two laps later, John Clawson made his move. He claimed second on lap 7 and pressed on to pass Leach for the lead on lap 8.

Clawson motored on at a steady pace from there,

choosing mainly the high line. Chantelle Paquette overtook Leach with four laps to go, then dug in for her own charge. She went low in turn three with just over one lap left to pass Clawson, then withstood a final push by the No. 26 car at the finish line. Paquette would win by the length of a bumper. Pieri also had his own rally and reemerged to finish third. Paquette and Andy Noeske were also winners of a special two-driver heat race.

In one of the finest feature races of the season, the Pure Stock 4 Cylinder division put on a 20-lap showstopper. The action was spread around the track with individual battles, tight jams, but mostly expert driving. Kyle Loshaw took the initial lead in the 20-lapper and held off fellow Mustang driver Alicia Vanniman over the first five laps.

George Finney and Mark Tompkins then swept into second and third on lap 6 with Finney taking over the lead on lap 8. Tompkins grabbed second one lap later. A new Loshaw entered the mix when Daniel Loshaw got by Tompkins on lap 12 to pressure Finney. The jockeying for second was intense with Tompkins regaining the runner-up spot for good with four laps to go. Finney held on for the final laps for the win. Vanniman was fourth with Ty Phillips fifth. Finney also won the dash. Tompkins and Vanniman won the heats.

Tyler Noeske won the Factory Stock dash for his fifth consecutive race win in the division, but after that it was Corey Ward's night. After being absent for the past month with an engine problem and a full calendar, Ward won the heat, then shadowed Noeske in the 15-lap feature before passing him for the lead with five laps to go en route to his first feature race win. He also claimed his first fast-qualifier honors to kick off the evening.

The 15-lap Pro Stock 4-Cylinder feature had Victor Hart in front until Josh Hutchinson flew by him on lap 3. Derak Ferry followed the leader but had to settle for second as Hutchinson won the caution-free finale for his first headline win. Hutchinson also won the dash and heat.

A full show and lawnmower races are slated for this coming Saturday's program. 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 26

* 15-Lap FACTORY STOCK Feature: 1.Corey Ward, Topinabee; 2. Tyler Noeske, Vanderbilt; 3. Rodger McQueen, Mancelona. Heat: Ward. Dash: Noeske. Time: Ward (16.34).

* 15-Lap PRO-4 Feature: 1. Josh Hutchinson, Mancelona; 2. Derak Ferry, Gaylord. Heat: Hutchinson. Dash: Hutchinson. Time: Hutchinson (16.83).

* 20-Lap PURE V8 Feature: 1. Chantelle Paquette, Gaylord; 2. John Clawson, Sault Ste Marie; 3. Mick Pieri, Sault Ste Marie. Heat: Brad Leach, Wolverine. Dash: Leach. Time: Clawson (16.83).

* 25-Lap STOCK-4 Feature: 1.George Finney, Bellaire; 2. Mark Tompkins, Gaylord; 3. Daniel Loshaw, Vanderbilt; 4. Alicia Vanniman, Bellaire; 5. Ty Phillips, Bellaire. Heats: Tompkins; Vanniman. Dash: Finney. Time: Tompkins (18.75).

Charlevoix County Records

District Court

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

Kevin Michael Brilley, 24, Alanson. Unlawful use of vehicle title and driving a vehicle without security. Sentenced to pay \$565 in fines and costs and to serve 21 days in jail with credit for 21 days.

James Ryan Larsen, 21, Boyne City. Malicious destruction of property under \$200. Sentenced to pay \$400 in fines and costs and \$13.57 in restitution.

Thomas Jason Kolbiaz, 35, Linwood. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$880 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 36 days in jail with a credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, five days of community service work.

Lynne Martin Edmonds, 64, East Jordan. No operator's license on person. Sentenced to pay \$200 in fines and costs.

Daniel Bruce Hanselman, 47, Boyne City. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$985 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 93 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 10 days on work release, 67 days held in abeyance, 15 days of community service work and one year on probation.

Toby Ray Flaget, 38, Sandwich, IL. Disorderly/obscene conduct. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.

Lucas Daniel Pennington, 30, East Jordan. Driving while license suspended. Sentenced to pay \$310 in fines and costs.

Christian Shane Bersano, 18, Petoskey. Driving vehicle without security. Sentenced to pay \$365 in fines and costs.

Assumed Names

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

Joanns, Old U.S. 31 South, Charlevoix by Joan Way.

Cottage Couture, 12889 U.S. 31 North, Charlevoix by Erika K. Cooper.

Life Links, 217 Belvedere Ave. Charlevoix by Wachler Ultimate Expression Co.

Cherry Hill Express Trucking Co., 03084 Cherry Hill Road, Boyne Falls by Joseph Martin Elzinga, Sr.

Joe Shear Services, 249 Blue Water Trail, Boyne City by Joseph Shear.

Marriage Licenses

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

David Michael Kwiatkowski, 52, Boyne City and Mary Lynn Inman, 32, Boyne City.

Dino James Goss, 43, East Jordan and Andrea Lynn Goss, 36, East Jordan.

Guy Robert Kenny Jr., 39, Charlevoix and Christa Anne Marsh, 31, Charlevoix.

Justin James Rouleau, 25, East Jordan and Christina Ann Rau, 23, East Jordan.

Louis Patrick Mettler, 64, Charlevoix and Lori Gene Markgraf, 50, Charlevoix.

Gene Stanley Cebulski Jr., 28, Ellsworth and Rebecca Joy Murray, 26, East Jordan.

Boyne City Police Department Weekly Report for 21-28, 2009

Offense	Amount	Offense	Amount
Assault	1	Larceny	1
Parking Violations	9	Vehicle Unlocks	3
Retail Fraud	2	Civil Dispute	3
Harrassing Communications	1	Threats Complaint	1
Fraud	2	Traffic Violations	10
Damage to Property	3	Lost/Found Property	5
Narcotics Violations	1	Suspicious Situations	7
Domestic Dispute	1	Public Peace	3
Animal Complaint	4	General Assistance	8
911 Hangups	2	Traffic Accident	2
Burglary-Entry w/o authority	1	Non-Traffic Accident	3
Illegal Dumping	1	Car Deer Accident	1
Juvenile Runaway	1	Hit & Run Accident	1

East Jordan Police Department Weekly Report for July 21-28, 2009

Offense	Amount	Offense	Amount
Lost/Found Property	2	Livestock OrdViolation	1
Assist Other Dep/Agency	3	Public Relations	1
Sign Posting Ord Violation	2	Civil Dispute	1
Lock/Unlock Parks	36	Larceny	2
Public Peace Disturbance	2	Juvenile	3
Traffic Offense	25	Animal Complaint	1
Health & Safety	1	Grass Ordinance Violation	39
Illegal Fireworks	1	Keys Lock in Vehicle	1
Probation Violation	1	Malicious Destr of Property	1
Open Door	3	Suspicious Sit/Vehicle	2
Assist Citizen	3	Domestic Dispute	2
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District 8 Superminor Championship:

EJ GIRLS FALL IN SEMIFINALS



Long tournament run ends for gritty Junior Girls just one win shy of the state championship game

The long faces in this photo tell the tale. The East Jordan Junior League All-Stars line up to receive their medals Monday after the semifinal loss to Escanaba. (photo by Mike Dunn)

By Mike Dunn

GRAYLING — The East Jordan Junior Girls (13-14) All-Stars played well here on Monday in the state semifinals. It wasn't quite well enough to beat a deep, talented Escanaba team but it was still a very good showing.

Escanaba's 5-2 come-from-behind victory ended East Jordan's outstanding tournament run just one win shy of the state finals.

"Third in the state out of 160-plus teams is still really good," said manager Matt Vincent after the game. "I'm very proud of these girls. They represented District 8 really well and they represented northern Michigan really well. I couldn't have asked for anything more from them."

"The girls proved that they know how to play and they can play with the best teams in the state," said assistant coach Christy Skrocki. "When they play to

have fun, they play like rock stars and that's what they did today. They definitely came to play."

East Jordan fell behind 1-0 early in the game before rallying to score both of their runs in the top of the fourth inning and claim the lead. Catcher Kara LaVanway singled to start things off in the fourth and first baseman Emily Crick walked to put runners at first and second with no out. Third baseman Jordyn Bacchus would deliver the big blow of the frame with one out, a low, sizzling line drive to left that went all the way to the fence for a two-run triple.

Escanaba rallied to score a single run in the bottom of the fourth to tie the score when Makayla Schuster singled through the middle with two out to chase home teammate Zoe Berquist, who had singled.

Escanaba coach Dave Basilovatch said after the game that Schuster's hit was



East Jordan second baseman Stevie Bartig goes back to run down a pop fly during the shutout win over Beaverton in the first game of pool play. (photo by Rob DeForge of RDSportsPhoto.com)



Holly LaVanway hugs and consoles her daughter Kara after Monday's tough loss to Escanaba in the state semifinals. (photo by Mike Dunn)

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a big one.

"Being able to come back and tie the score at that point was really big," he said. "It changed the complexion of the game. Now we're not playing from behind."

In the bottom of the fifth, Escanaba scored three times to reclaim the lead. First baseman Braedyn Bosilovatz slammed a two-out, two-run triple to spark the rally.

East Jordan put two runners on in the sixth when LaVanway and Crick both walked. A sharp ground ball by Bacchus with two out was fielded cleanly by second baseman Bree Bellanger to end the threat, however.

In the seventh, Escanaba pitcher Codi Jenzak retired the side in order to secure the victory and bring an end to East Jordan's eventful playoff run.

"Keep your heads up, girls," Vincent told his players after it was over. "You played a great game today."

Escanaba coach Bosilovatz agreed. "East Jordan's a very good team," he said. "They're one of the best we've faced in terms of pitching and defense and putting the bat on the ball. They gave us a scare, that's for sure."

The East Jordan girls had long faces as they lined up to receive their post-game medals, the pain of the narrow defeat quite evident. There were tears on some of the faces.

"It hurts to come this far and lose but you have to give Escanaba credit," Vincent said. "They're a well-coached, solid club with very good pitching. We came from behind and almost beat them, which says a lot about the character of this team."

"The girls gave a great effort. We had girls running into the fence to make catches and everybody giving everything they had. I've never coached a group of girls like this one and don't know if I'll ever have another group like them again."

"Third in the whole state isn't too bad for tiny East Jordan," coach Skrocki said. "This is something they'll always remember."

Kara LaVanway, in spite of playing with a bandage on her sore right shoulder, went 2-for-2 at the plate with a run scored. She very nearly cranked one out of the park in the first inning against Escanaba starter Schuster. Kara's long drive traveled beyond the left fielder and bounced once before clanking against the distant outfield fence. A few more feet and Kara would have had a home run.

Bacchus had East Jordan's other hit in the game, her two-run triple in the fourth.



The East Jordan girls receive their medals from Grayling Little League President Rich Schreiber during post-game ceremonies Monday. (photo by Mike Dunn)

First baseman Crick had two hard collisions with the fence in the fifth inning while tracking pop fouls. The first time, Emily reached over the fence but couldn't quite hold onto the ball. The second time, she reached over the fence and did somehow manage to keep the ball in her glove in spite of the collision.

Bacchus, playing shortstop in the same inning, made a super running catch of a soft fly to center field to record the final out. The inning before, it was second baseman Stevie Bartig's turn to make a spectacular defensive play. With one out and one runner on base, Stevie dove to catch a soft line drive.

ON SATURDAY, East Jordan secured its spot in the state semifinals with an impressive 11-1 triumph over Hanover-Horton in the second round of pool play.

East Jordan had previously whipped Beaverton 8-0 on Friday in the first round of pool play. Teams had to win at least two of the three games in pool play to advance.

Lightning Lissa Vincent and Val Peters shared the pitching duties for East Jordan, as they had been doing throughout the tour-

nament. Vincent pitched the first three innings, permitting three hits and one unearned run while striking out three. Peters pitched the final three innings, permitting two hits and striking out five.

East Jordan sent 11 batters to the plate in the first inning, claiming a quick 6-0 lead. Stevie Bartig smacked an RBI single and scored to help spark the early uprising and Vincent knocked in a run with a perfectly executed suicide squeeze bunt. Peters, LaVanway, Crick, Bacchus and Aubrey Goodrich all walked and scored in the inning.

Crick walked three times and scored three runs in the game and Vincent went 1-for-2 with two RBIs and a sacrifice bunt. Jordyn Bacchus once again came up big, stroking an RBI double in the second inning, and Tascha Warrington and Peters pounded RBI singles along with Bartig.

Warrington also prevented at least one run from scoring in the sixth, running down a long fly to right with two out and two runners on base.

Catcher LaVanway was a defensive force for East Jordan as well, gunning down

three Hanover-Horton runners, trying to steal. LaVanway also accepted a perfect throw from shortstop Peters to tag out a runner at the plate in the first inning.

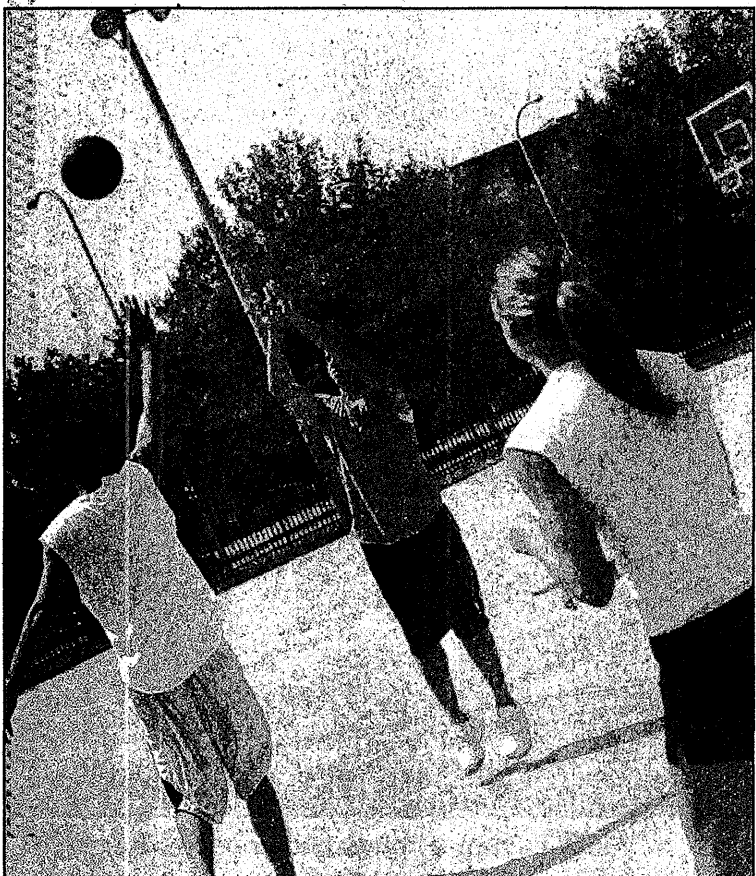
"It was a nice team effort today," Vincent said afterward. "We did exactly what we set out to do. We had good pitching and tough defense and we hit the ball up and down the lineup."

Vincent thanked the community for its support of the 2009 all-stars.

"The community has really stood behind the girls and supported them," he said. "The parents have been great. We've had a great following in the stands every game. We've had a lot of nice donations from different people and businesses. It's been great."

The 2009 East Jordan all-star roster includes Val Peters, Stevie Bartig, Kara LaVanway, Emily Crick, Jordyn Bacchus, Lissa Vincent, Katelyn Vincent, Aubrey Goodrich, Tascha Warrington and Kayly Zimmer, along with Manager Matt Vincent and assistant coach Christy Skrocki.

Polish Fest hosts 3-on-3 hoops



The annual Polish Festival 3-on-3 basketball tourney will take place on Friday, Aug. 7, at Boyne Falls School.

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BOYNE FALLS — The annual Boyne Falls Polish Festival 3-on-3 basketball tournament will be held on Friday, Aug. 7, at Boyne Falls School. There will be six male and female age brackets, including grades 3-4, grades 5-6, junior high, JV, high school and college. Each team is guaranteed two games.

The registration fee is \$75 per team and includes a T-shirt. Medals will be awarded to the first- and second-place finishers in each age bracket. To register online, go to www.boynefalls.org.

For more information, contact Ted Beyer at (231) 549-2211 or send an e-mail to tbeyer@boynefalls.org.

Defending AuSable champs win again

GRAYLING — It was a beginning-to-end sweep for defending champions Andrew Triebold of Spring Arbor and Steve Lajoie of Mirabel, Quebec. The two 33-year-old canoe racers figured to be the team to beat in the 62nd annual Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon and that's just how it turned out.

Triebold and Lajoie completed the 120-mile race from Grayling to Oscoda in 14 hours, 17 minutes, 42 seconds to outpace the rest of the record 90-team field and win for the second year in a row and third time since 2004. For their efforts, the pair earned \$5,000 in prize money.

The only time Triebold and Lajoie weren't in front was at the very start. The team of Ray Trudgeon and Brad Bauer entered the water first after the traditional LeMans-style start to the event before large, cheering crowds on Saturday evening. Triebold and Lajoie, who were in the pole position, weren't far behind, however. After entering the water, they quickly surged to the front of the pack and stayed there.

The team of Steve Corlew of Brighton and Matt Streib of Bristol, Ind. finished second in 14:29:18, crossing the finish line nearly 12 minutes after Triebold and Lajoie. Grayling racers Mo Harwood and Matt Ashton also had a strong showing, claiming third in 14:35:12 with first-time racer Marc Gillespie of Rochester, NY and Matt Rudnitsky of Gilbertsville, NY in fourth (14:37:59), and Josh Taylor of Grayling and Mitch McMillan of Clare in fifth (14:39:41).

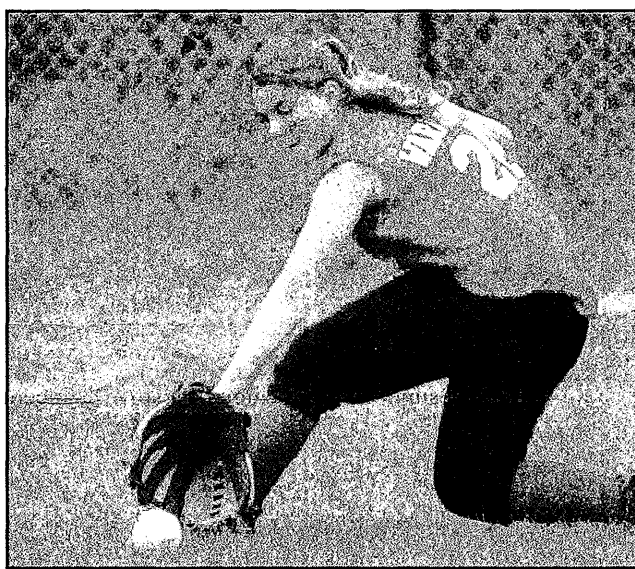
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East Jordan shortstop Jordyn Bacchus awaits the throw at second base from catcher Kara LaVanway Monday during the semifinal game against Grandville. This was just one of several runners Kara threw out during the long tournament run.

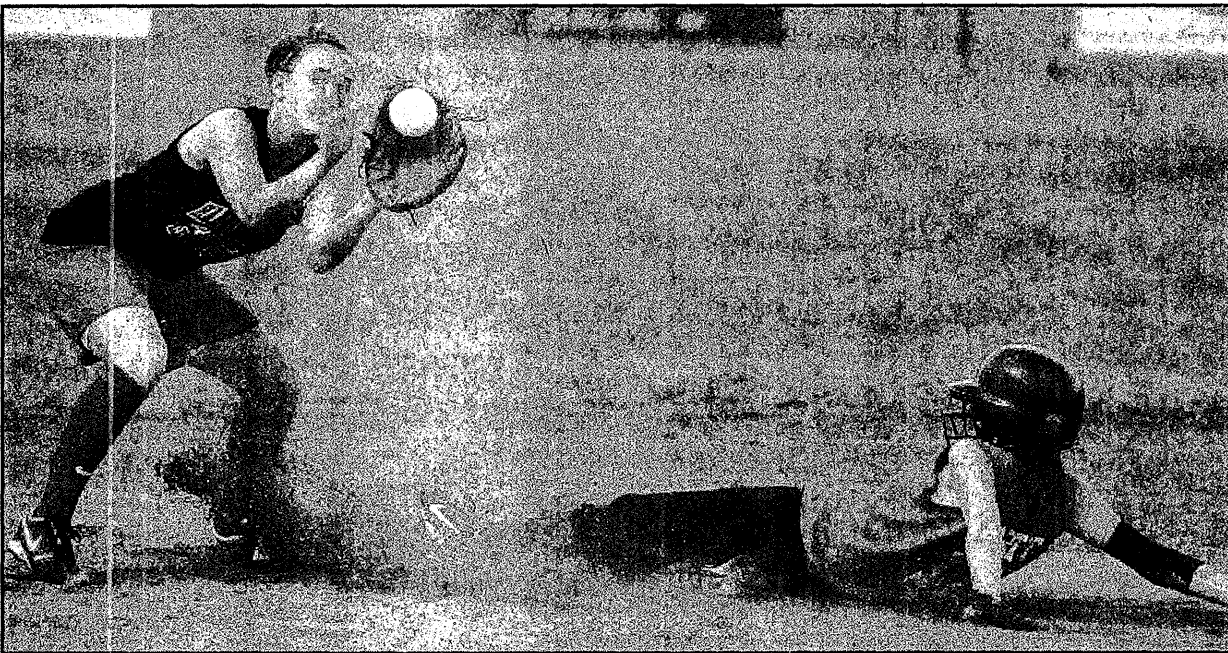
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East Jordan left fielder Tascha Warrington tracks down a single struck by a Beaverton batter Friday in the first round of pool play.

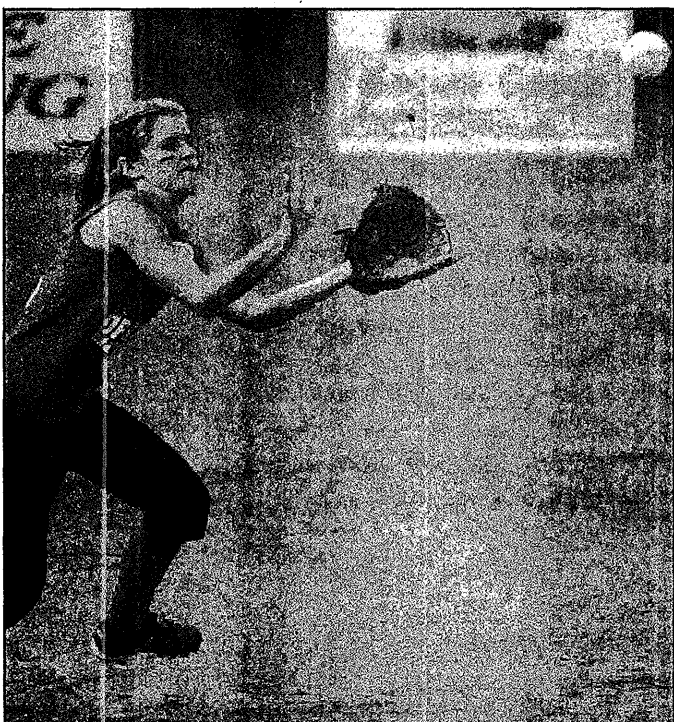


Lightning Lissa Vincent looks intently at home plate as she prepares to deliver another flaming fastball during East Jordan's impressive victory over Hanover-Horton.



East Jordan's Stevie Bartig is safe on a steal of second base during the victory over Hanover-Horton on Saturday in the second round of pool play.

Photos by Rob DeForge



East Jordan shortstop Val Peters is about to pull down a line drive during the shutout win over Beaverton in the opening round of the state tournament at Grayling.



The East Jordan girls gather with coaches Matt Vincent and Christy Skrocki and display their medals following the loss to Escanaba in the state semifinals Monday at Grayling. The disappointment of the loss can be seen in the faces of the girls.

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EJ GIRLS HAVE BRIGHT FUTURE

It seems pretty evident that the East Jordan softball players who took part in the state tournament at Grayling over the weekend are headed for very good things in high school. The Junior League (13-14) girls not only advanced to the state tourney by capturing the District 8 championship, they also won their first two games at state to land a spot in the Final Four.

The girls eventually lost in the semifinals to Escanaba, 5-2, to finish third overall. That's a pretty heady achievement. The girls were naturally sad-faced and teary-eyed about losing, but as Manager Matt Vincent noted, finishing third in the state out of more than 160 teams is something special.

I suspect this group of East Jordan young ladies, featuring Lissa Vincent, Kara LaVanway, Jordyn Bacchus, Emily Crick, Katelyn Vincent, Aubrey Goodrich, Tascha Warrington, Kayly Zimmer, Val Peters and Stevie Bartig, aren't nearly finished doing special things on the field of competition.

'New' Lions prepare for new season

The Lions opened training camp recently. New coaches, new players, new franchise quarterback, new attitude, new start. Even a new, fiercer logo. We've been through all this before, of course. We've heard all the lines and all the optimistic prognostications that are part of every coaching change, along with all the rhetoric about how things are really different this time. I certainly hope things are different and frankly suspect Jim Schwartz will have success that his recent predecessors only dreamed about, especially now that former GM Matt Millen is out of the picture. How soon that success will be realized is another matter.

For all their infamous failures, it does seem the Lions are at least heading in the right direction. With the off-season acquisitions Schwartz made to bolster the defense, particularly at linebacker with the addition of projected starters Larry Foote from Pittsburgh and Julian Peterson from Seattle, the defense should be a good deal better than the one that was mired at the bottom of nearly every statistical category a year ago.

The secondary, which was stiff as Jell-O last year when it came to halting enemy aerials, should at least be a little better with the addition of second-round pick Louis Delmas out of Western Michigan. Of course, you don't have to improve a whole lot to be better than a secondary that intercepted exactly one pass in 2008.

The defensive line may or may not be better this season, but it will certainly be a lot bulkier. Erstwhile coach Rod Marinelli favored lighter, quicker linemen in his Tampa 2 scheme; Schwartz likes to have the big boys battling in the trenches.

The big question on everyone's mind is how quickly No. 1 pick Matthew Stafford will develop at quarterback. Barring injury, veteran Daunte Culpepper will start behind center and will play at least the first six games. If the team is struggling at that point, look for Stafford to get his rookie baptism by fire.

Don't count on Culpepper failing, though. According to reports, he's finally healthy again and he is reunited this season with offensive coordinator Scott Linehan. The last time the pair was together in Minnesota, there were explosive results. Culpepper and/or Stafford will have a quality receiver to throw to in Calvin Johnson, by everyone's estimate one of the best in the NFL and perhaps a Larry Fitzgerald-type impact player in the making. Tight end Brandon Pettigrew, a second round pick out of Oklahoma State, looks to have all the tools to be an impact player as well. Add running back Kevin Smith to the mix after a very promising rookie season and you have all the ingredients necessary for at least some guarded optimism.

While wariness is the order of the day when it comes to the "new" Lions of 2009, I'll go way out on a limb and predict six victories. If they can win six games and at least be genuinely competitive in most of the others, they'll have a solid foundation to build on. That's probably a realistic goal to shoot for.

Tantalizing Trivia ...

A few more wild entries from this week's Bathroom Sports Almanac ...

The youngest person to officially record a perfect 300 score in bowling is Matthew Gilman of Davie, FL. He did it on July 17, 1993, when he was 11 years and 2 months old.

Here's something you probably didn't know: The mother of former NBA guard Kiki Vandeweghe was a Miss America.

Something else you probably didn't know: figure skater Dorothy Hamill was born July 26, 1956 and figure skater Peggy Fleming was born July 27, 1948.

Sports Briefs:

East Jordan Pop Warner registration dates

EAST JORDAN - The registration dates for the East Jordan Pop Warner League are this Thursday and Friday, July 30-31, from 6-8 p.m. The registration will be held in the basement of the East Jordan City Hall. (Use the Spring Street entry.)

For information, contact Matt Walton at (231) 675-3871 or (231) 536-3693.

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.cccwifi.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.

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, Peewee 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.

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.

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

Timbertown 10K road race set for Saturday

LEWISTON - There will be a recreational 10K road race in Lewiston this Saturday, Aug. 1, in conjunction with the annual Timbertown Festival. The Timbertown 10K Road Race, Fun Run and Bike Hike is slated to begin at 9 a.m. at the Albert Township Hall in downtown Lewiston.

The family-friendly event is by donation only and everyone who participates will receive a medal. The first 50 to register will receive a T-shirt donated by Kevin Johnson of Johnson's Propane. There will be cookies and water bottles available for the participants. The 10K course winds around the lake and takes in the Hills of Lakeview Lodge property.

Participants are welcome to ride bikes if they prefer or just do a portion of the 10K distance.

For information, contact Kaye Woodruff at (989) 786-5659.

Timbertown 3-on-3 hoops is Saturday

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

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

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

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

Cheboygan Salmon Tournament set for Saturday

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

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

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

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

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.

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1- Tied; 2- Bellowing; 3- Brief brawl; 4- Concorde, e.g.; 5- Ear-ache; 6- Bias; 7- Suspend; 8- "The ____ Dead", classic horror movie; 9- Dark pigmentation; 10- Attach firmly; 11- 1961 Heston role; 12- Inclined; 13- Release; 22- Resistance unit; 23- Shrivelled, without moisture; 25- Eye layer; 28- Wagons; 29- Calculus calculation; 30- Choose; 31- ____-mo; 32- Bottom line?; 33- Trim; 34- ____ Kapital; 35- Bump off; 36- RR stop; 38- Sanatorium; 39- Prix ____; 41- First king of Israel; 42- Go in again; 43- Wedgelike tool; 44- 17th letter of the Greek alphabet; 45- Verticil; 46- Recording of acoustic signals; 47- Sniff; 48- Cheroot, e.g.; 49- Rich cake; 50- First name in photography; 51- They've got something coming; 53- Commedia dell' ____; 54- Air-filled rubber hoop, become fatigued; 59- Hydrocarbon suffix;

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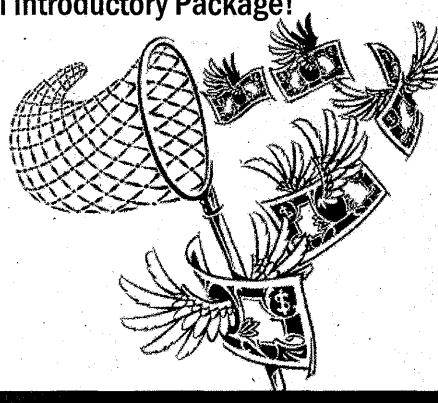
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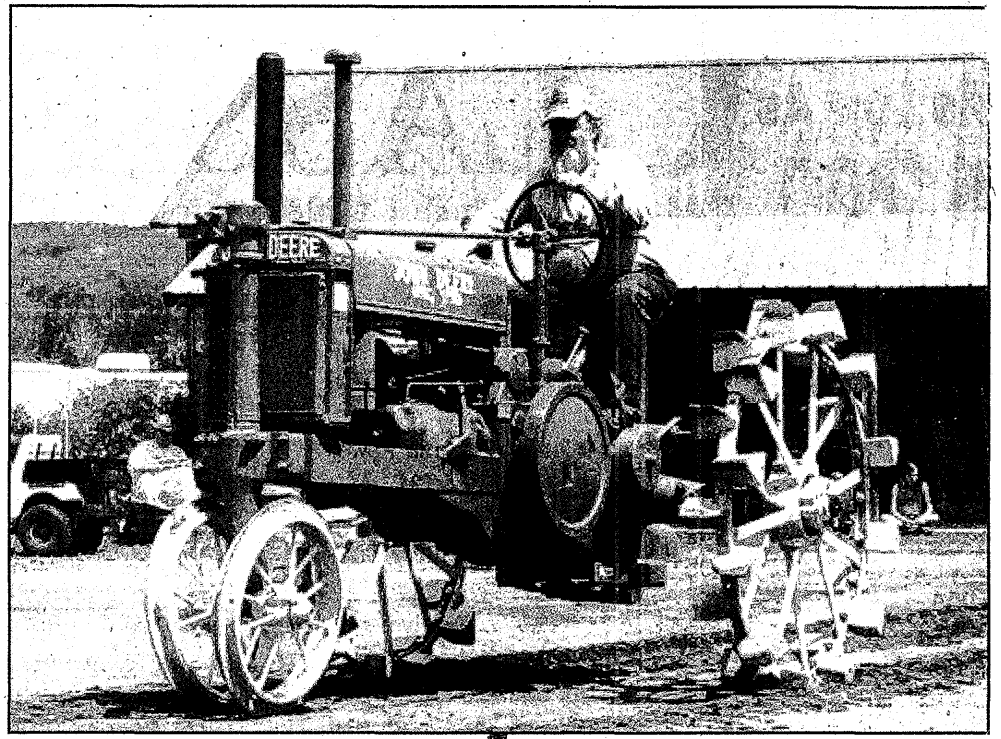
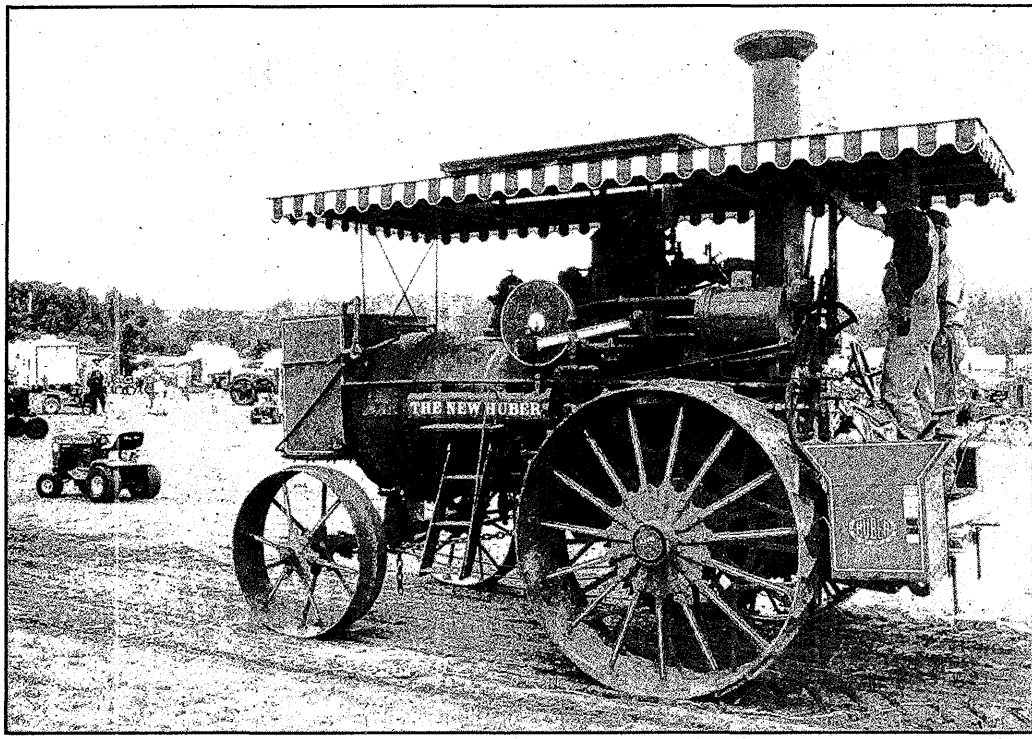
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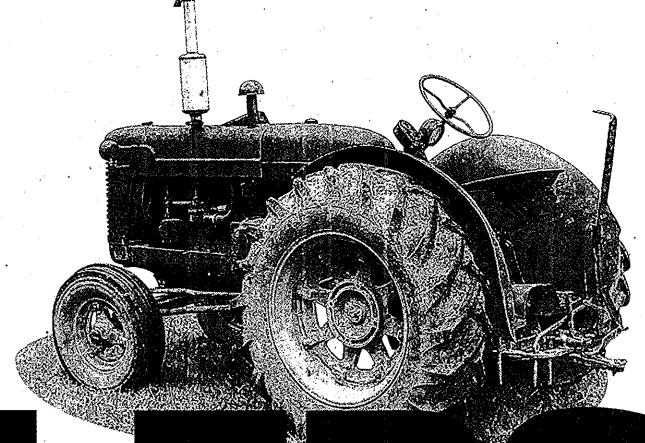
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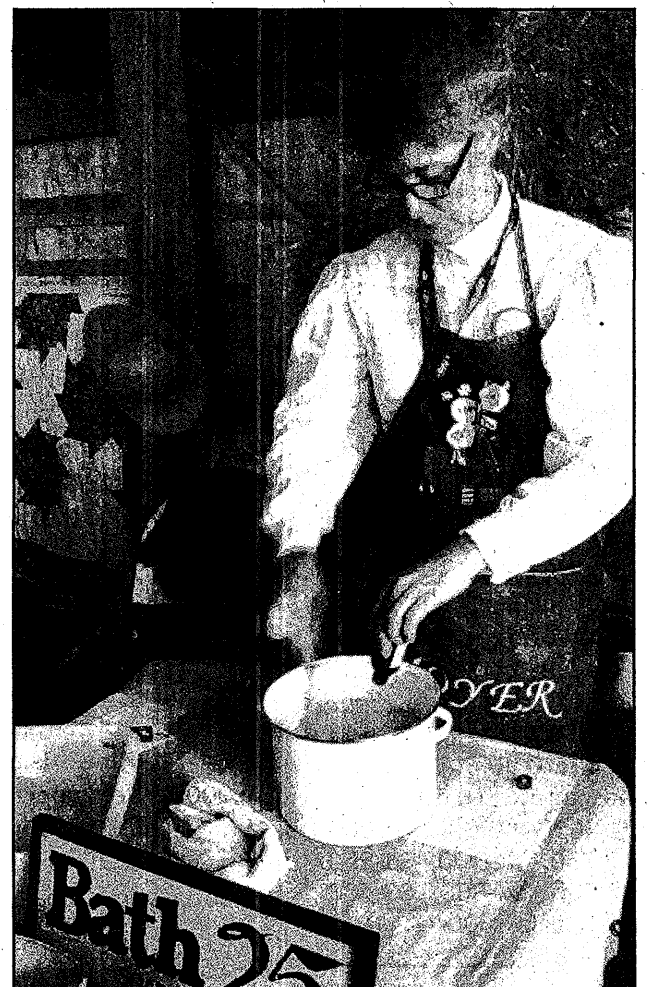
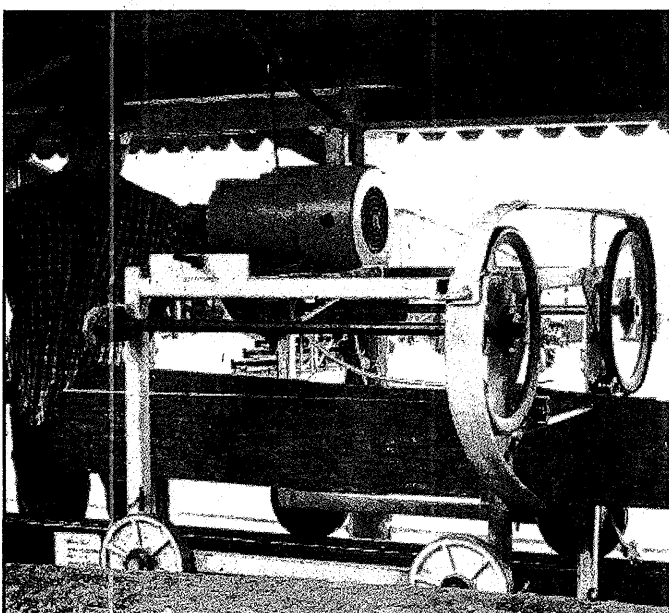
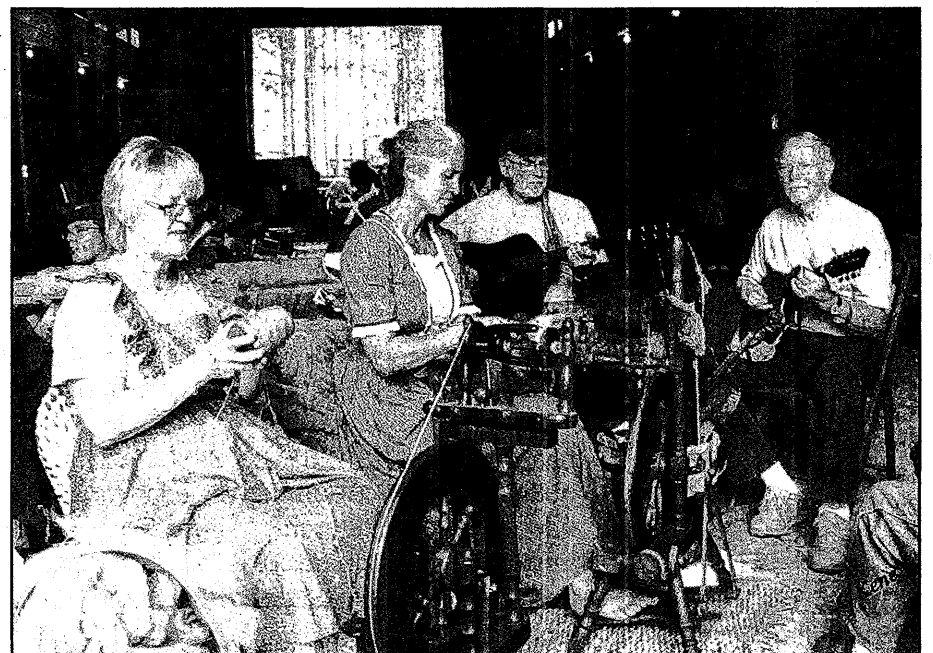
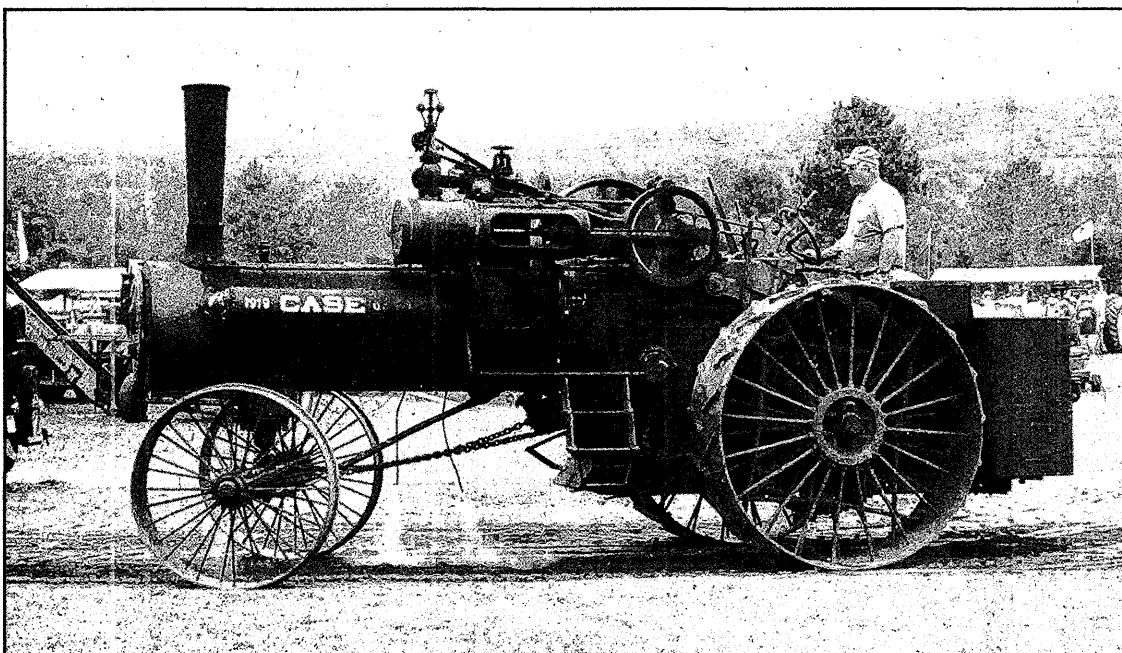
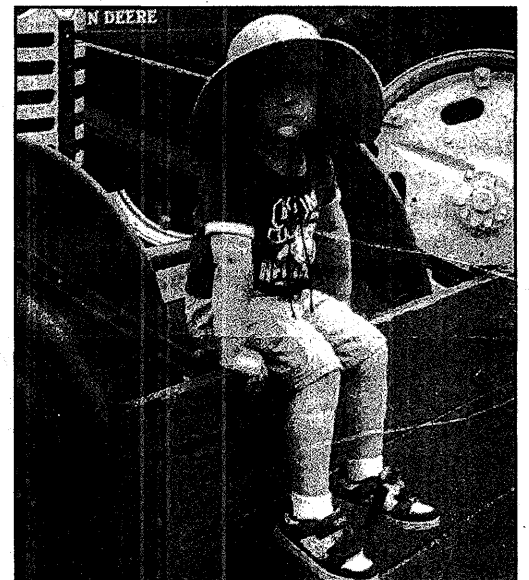
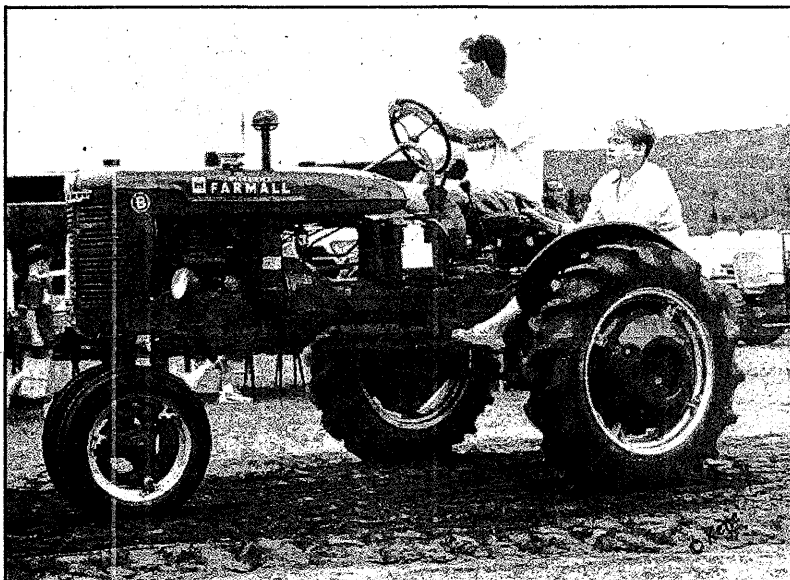


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