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Road Commission Favors Wide Road, Nixes Separate Trail

By B. J. CONLEY-HETLER

BOYNE CITY — A non-motorized recreation trail along the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road promoted by the county of Charlevoix, suffered a setback on Monday, Aug. 10, when the road commissioners decided to recommend wider, paved road shoulders for bicyclists and others, rather than a separate trail. The recommendation will be given to the county board of commissioners.

Road commissioner, Keith Ogden, explained the decision by the three road commissioners at a meeting on Monday, Aug. 10. The right-of-way for the road acquired in the late 1950s by the road commission came with a restriction that use of the right-of-way was for "highway purposes," and that was the "sole and only purpose" of granting the right-of-way.

Road commissioners Doug Way, Keith Ogden and Wayne Saunders agreed that a separate trail was not for highway purposes. However, they support right-of-way use for non-motorized purposes

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Changes Slated for Old City Park

CONSTRUCTION STALLED UNTIL AUGUST 18TH MEETING AFTER RESIDENTS VOICE PROTESTS.

By B. J. CONLEY-HETLER

BOYNE CITY — City and area residents were galvanized by fellow citizen Laura Sansom to protest the plans for Old City Park and more than 30 people met at city hall today, Aug. 11, with the city manager and the landscape architect.

"It was really good to see everyone show up," Sansom said. "Everyone is going in the same direction."

That direction is to change the city's plans for park renovation so that some of the trees in the downtown park will not be cut down, and to rethink the addition of sidewalks.

"It seems to me you're taking a lot of green space out," Sansom said at city hall. "You're paving over the park."

More sidewalks inside the park and removal of old, but healthy trees would take from the character of the park, some residents say. One of the reasons given in the plan to cut down trees that have been in the park for many years was that they were not native to the area. That prompted this response from resident Marty Moody, writing on a blog:

"I love the rationalization that the subject trees to be removed 'are non-Native' species. I guess you could rationalize that if you are a non-Native resident we could/should have you removed?! I believe that Boyne City loves all its trees (just like its residents), native or not!"

Construction was to begin Mon-



A view of Old City Park in Boyne City's downtown shows the grown trees in the background. The city plans a renovation of the park. PHOTO BY B. J. CONLEY-HETLER

day, Aug. 10, but city manager Michael Cain said that nothing would be done in the park until the matter goes before city commissioners at the Aug. 18 meeting, according to Sansom.

The city held public hearings so residents could express their ideas and

concerns prior to the impending construction. Consultant Mark Robinson, who was hired by the city to create a plan for the park, said the plan they decided on was the result of input from

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Is The Economy Beginning to Rebound?

Increased Activity in Housing Market, Boost in Auto Sales Among Signs that it may be Getting Better.

By JIM AKANS

While it certainly isn't time to strike up the band, break out the noisemakers and start singing "Happy Days are Here Again" (well, okay, so nobody really sings that one anymore anyway), there are some economic signs that we may at least be able to start humming the chorus of the Beatles classic; "It's Getting Better All the Time."

Take housing sales (please!). The National Association of Realtors have announced that June housing sales were up 3.6% over May, and inventory fell by

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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

EAST JORDAN

LADY BIKER DAYS

Lady Biker Days Friday and Saturday Aug. 14 & 15

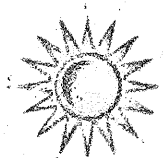
ATWOOD

CAR AND CRAFT SHOW

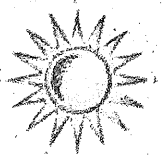
Friske Orchards sponsors the Car and Craft Show through Aug. 15. For info call 231-599-2604.

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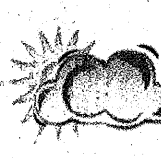
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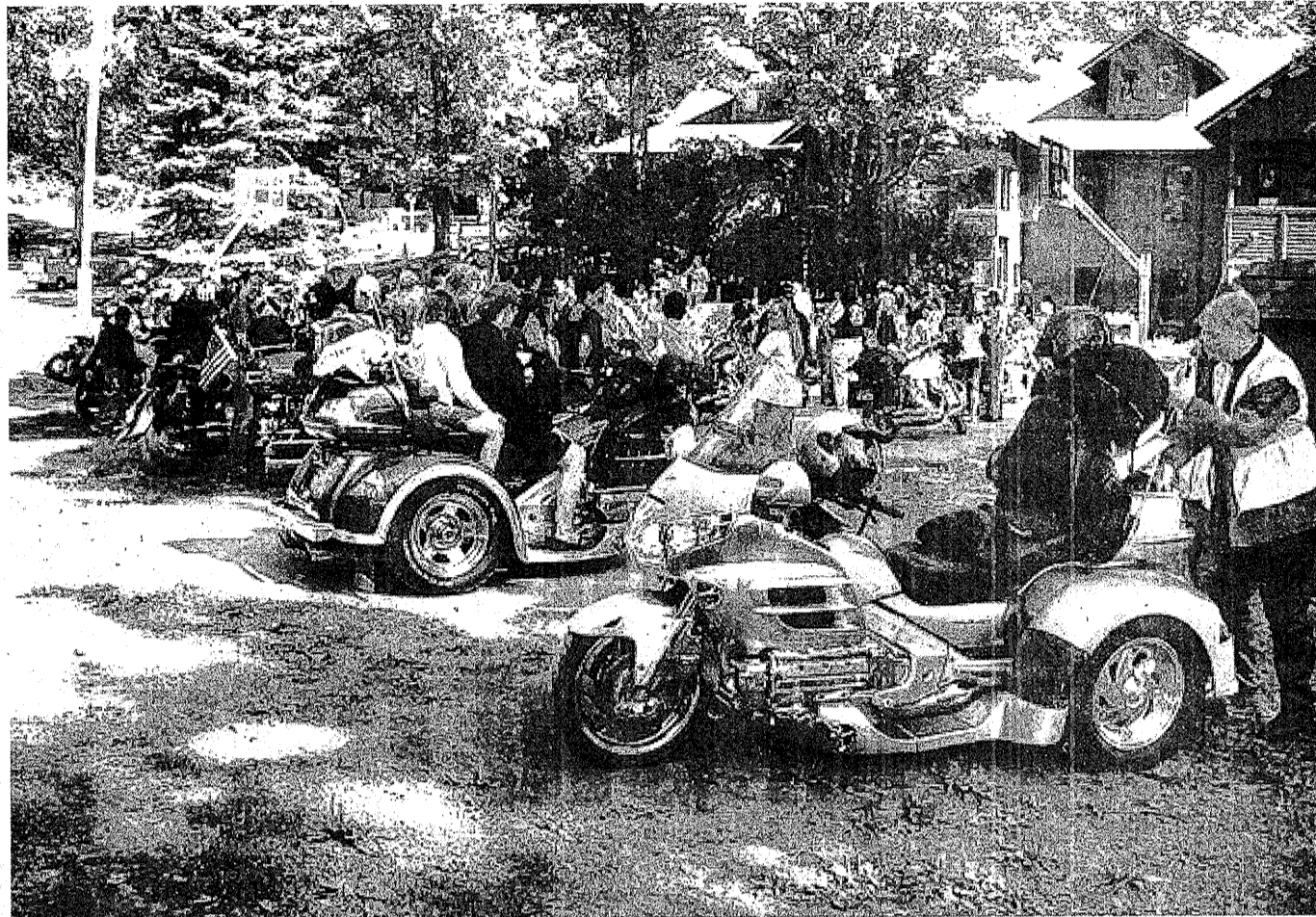
On August 19, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., shoppers are encouraged to visit Chico's at 205 Howard Street in Petoskey.

Chico's has been generously providing these wardrobe party events for nonprofits for many years. They have extended the hours to all day for Camp Daggett on August 19. For shoppers who are unable to attend the party, call Chico's at 231-347-2999 and order from the catalog. Shoppers are asked to mention Camp Daggett and 10% of the order will go to the Camp. It's so easy!

For 85 years, Camp Daggett has provided meaningful and memorable outdoor and camping experiences for the young and young at heart. Embracing its values of respect, teamwork, caring and fun, Camp Daggett offers year-round programs from summer camp for youth, to Adventure Programs for teens and adults. Its facilities are available to the public for events and activities as well. If you're looking to get away, enjoy the great outdoors, reflect or relax, Camp Daggett is the "home" you've been looking for, and it's right here in your own backyard.

Join in Camp Daggett's effort to make a difference in the lives of children by participating in this great shopping day at Chico's in Petoskey, Wednesday, August 19 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Individuals can also send contributions to Camp Daggett at 03001 Church Road, Petoskey, MI 49770 or contact Jen Booher at 231-330-1430.

For more information, visit www.campdaggett.com or call 231-347-9742.



This year Lady Biker Day participants will not be able to make their annual ride out to Camp Quality to see the kids - so some local campers are coming to East Jordan for a hot dog roast at the Jordan Inn and an evening of entertainment.

Lady Bikers are Here!

BY JANE BOOZE

East Jordan - Camp Quality fell on a different weekend than Lady Biker Day this year, and that changed the whole program.

East Jordan's Lady Biker Day (LBD) was never only about motorcycles and the women who ride them. It was always partly, and maybe primarily, about the kids with cancer and their siblings, who are able to get respite from preoccupation with sickness when they attend Camp Quality each summer. For awhile, they get to be kids, boating and swimming and enjoying life.

For the past few years, they have gotten a Friday afternoon visit from a couple of hundred hard-core biker chicks (you know, doctors and preachers and teachers and librarians). But this year, Camp Quality had to change its schedule, and so a few of the local kids and their families are going to be honored guests in East Jordan on Friday, Aug. 14.

Camp Quality always has a theme. This year it is "Super Heroes." LBD traditionally matches the theme for its annual event. So the ladies and kids gathering on Main Street will be a conclave of Super Heroes and Heroines extraordinaire.

The kids are heroes to start with, and LBD is pleased to be able to honor

their courage and strength on Friday. They will also take the opportunity to honor a few local heroes, perhaps without superhuman strengths, who take on superhuman tasks nonetheless. And they will honor each other - a fine group of women who ride not just for the fun of it, but for the chance to help hurting kids have fun, too.

They raise a lot of money, those ladies. Last year they donated \$17,000 to Camp Quality, and they try to outdo themselves each year, with each separate club competing good-naturedly (and fiercely) with each other.

So on Friday night, Main Street will be closed from 4 - 7 p.m., with the children and their family members being chauffeured in by the Mackinaw Trolley Company, which has donated their trolley and a driver for the event. They will go to the Jordan Inn for a hot dog roast (gourmet, of course), and they will be introduced.

Downtown will host a lot of interesting safety demonstrations, from a rollover simulator by the police department to Gary Lewandowski, master motorcyclist, performing feats of daring and skill in an educational routine entitled "Riding Like a Pro," to line dancing Red Hatters.

Around 5 p.m., the Ladies will roll in on their bikes, in full Super Hero regalia. The kids will have an opportunity to get their pictures taken with their favorite Super Heroes, or on a "trike" (three-wheeled motorcycle). By 7 p.m., the festivities will be wrapped up and the streets reopened - too soon, of course. But the memories will be made and cherished.

Helmets off, by the way, to the City of East Jordan.

The ladies are "blown away by our community," said LBD founder Dawn Johnson. She reported that she receives letters all year long from Lady Bikers who say they have never been treated so well anywhere,

and want to thank the Chamber, the police department, the fire department, EMS, the Lionesses, and the mayor for "rolling out the red carpet."

Last year an enthusiastic hula-hooper fell headlong onto the sidewalk in her rush to join the hula-hoop contest, and thought she broke a bone. She was immediately surrounded by fire and EMS personnel, and her response was, "Boy, if you're gonna get hurt, East Jordan is the place to do it!"

And chief of police, Dan Reese, always takes a lot of genial razzing from the women.

"It's all in fun," Johnson said. "They always leave with a good feeling about the community and the people in it."

So once again, welcome to East Jordan, Lady Bikers. Here's to successful fundraising, the kids at Camp Quality, and the Super Hero in all of you.

The motocyclist shown posing below with her bike and a Camp Quality camper is a doctor of theology - just a reminder that the "typical" lady biker defies stereotyping. You can't judge a lady biker by the decibels of her exhaust.



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MOVE THE WIRES, SAVE THE TREES, Dixon Avenue Residents say

By B. J. CONLEY-HETLER

CHARLEVOIX — Residents on Dixon Avenue seek protection for the mature trees that line the street from what one resident said is “aggressive and extreme tree trimming or removal.”

Dan Passman, who lives on East Dixon Avenue, spoke to city council at its Aug. 3rd meeting about a possible alternative to the extensive trimming of the Maple and other species of trees that are part of the beauty and charac-

ter of Dixon Avenue.

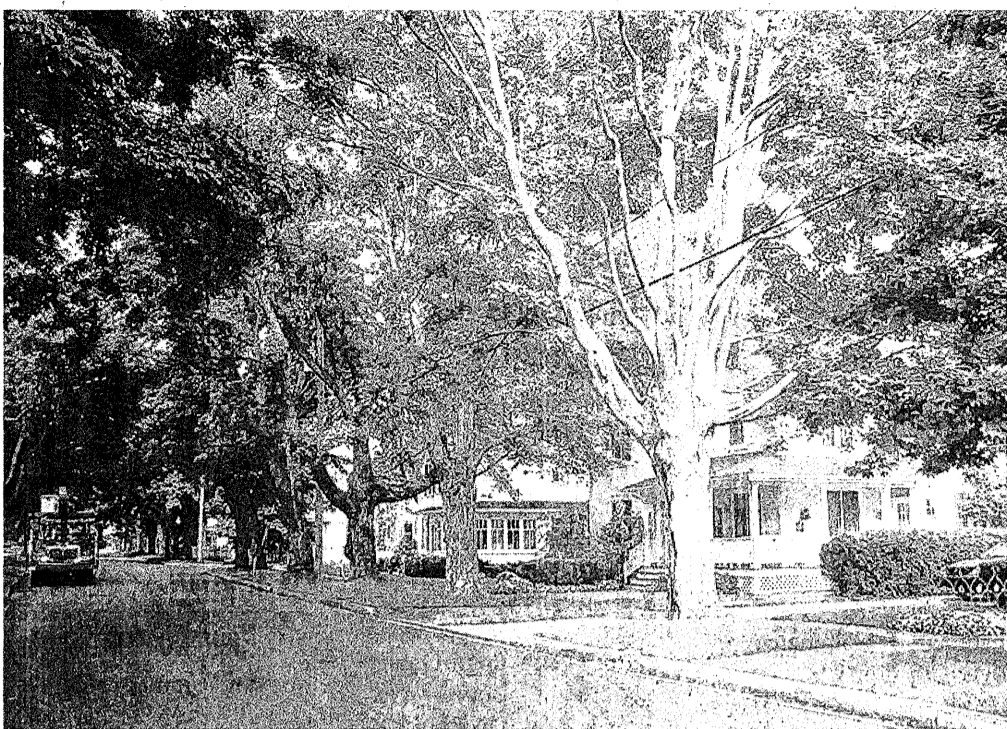
“This beauty did not just happen,” Passman said, reading from his prepared statement. “These trees were planted some 100-plus years ago by our City forefathers who had the vision of what this City should look like and we owe it to them today and in the immediate future to set a plan in place to do whatever it takes to protect this unique feature that, in my opinion, has historical significance and should not be handled in any manner other than with extreme

care and diligence for future generations to enjoy and appreciate.”

The trimming is conducted for power line clearance. Passman asked council to consider relocating the lines to the adjacent alley, known as “Berdan.” An engineer’s estimate of the cost of relocation is \$180,000, in addition to other costs, and would be borne by the residents on Dixon through a city special assessment. City manager Rob Straebel said that if

council wants to consider relocation, the residents would be asked to sign a statement indicating whether or not they are willing to pay the cost of moving the lines.

Mayor Norm Carlson suggested the issue be set-aside for time to review and consider the details of a special assessment. Council agreed and the matter will likely be brought before council at its first meeting in September.



Mature trees form a beautiful canopy on Dixon Avenue in Charlevoix. Residents are seeking a solution to power line tree trimming that they say takes too much off of the trees. PHOTO BY B. J. CONLEY-HETLER

COUNTY RECORDS FOR AUGUST 13, 2009

District Court

THE FOLLOWING CASES WERE RECENTLY DECIDED IN THE 90TH DISTRICT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX:

- Brian Todd Snyder**, 37, Boyne City. Use of marijuana. Sentenced to pay \$950 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for one day, serve 30 days, 44 days held in abeyance, 15 days of community service work, one year on probation.
- Julie Ann Steffen**, 37, Mancelona. Larceny. Sentenced to pay \$600 in fines and costs and \$6,000 in restitution. Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for one day, 344 days held in abeyance, 20 days of community service work, one year on probation.
- Scott Andrew Johnston**, 23, Livonia. Disturbing the peace. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.
- Tamara Dawn Brinks**, 43, Belmont. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$880 in fines and costs. Sentenced to serve 36 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, five days of community service work, six months on probation.
- Sandra Kay Starr**, 38, East Jordan. Driving while impaired. Sentenced to pay \$1,230 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 41 days in jail with credit for one day, 30 days held in abeyance, 10 days of community service work, nine months on probation.
- Everett James Foster**, 23, Boyne City. Disturbing the peace. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs. Sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for three days, 87 days held in abeyance, six months on probation.
- Willard Sylvester Rhymes**, 42, Petoskey. Disorderly/drunken person. Sentenced to pay \$350 in fines and costs.
- Caleb Michael McCary**, 22, Charlevoix. Motor vehicle passenger with open intoxicant. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs.
- Russel Wade Cadwell**, 37, Boyne City. Disturbing the peace. Sentenced to pay \$300 in fines and costs and \$10.02 in restitution.

Marriage Licenses

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE HAVE RECENTLY FILED FOR MARRIAGE LICENSES WITH THE CHARLEVOIX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE:

- William Stout Cheslock**, 54, St. Marys, Ohio and **Susan Elizabeth Zink**, 53, St. Marys, Ohio.

- Joseph Benjamin Ferguson**, 26, Charlevoix and **Leah May Wilbur**, 21, Charlevoix.
- Drew Thomas Johnson**, 27, El Prado, NM and **Sydney Kristine Curran**, 28, El Prado, NM.
- Eric Dane Jaqua**, 24, East Jordan and **Christin Lynne Nessen**, 23, Boyne Falls.
- Nicholas James Carrow**, 28, Boyne City and **Ashley Amber Hadix**, 25, Boyne City.
- Michael Avery Muniak**, 27, Baltimore, MD and **Andrea Beth Claypoole**, 27, Baltimore, MD.
- Christopher Adam Jones**, 25, Boyne City and **Danielle Dawn Johnson**, 20, Boyne City.
- J. Charles Holbrook**, 29, Boyne City and **Melissa Jo Helsley**, 31, Boyne City.
- Joshua Edward Smithburg**, 24, Charlevoix and **Megan Rae Molter**, 25, Charlevoix.
- Zachary Edward Bajos**, 25, Charlevoix and **Leah Ruth Edmondson**, 21, Charlevoix.
- Branden Peter Kanoff**, 38, Charlevoix and **Elizabeth Bombyk Norton**, 31, Charlevoix.
- Anthony Michael Miller**, 22, Charlevoix and **Christine Marie McDonough**, 20, Beaver Island.

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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.

EAST JORDAN

USED BOOK SALE

The Jordan Valley Library Friends are sponsoring a used book sale on Aug. 13 and 14, from 9AM to 3PM at the Senior Center on Main Street in East Jordan. Books in good condition may be dropped off at the East Jordan Community Pool. Please do not bring encyclopedias, magazines, or books without covers. Proceeds will go towards future Friends programs. Book purchases are made by donation. For more information, call Kim Prebble, 536-2250.

BOYNE CITY

EVENINGS AT THE GAZEBO, NEW LOCATION

Enjoy the music and the view every Wednesday at the NEW LOCATION for Aug. 12-26 - Sunset Park, behind the Chamber office, corner of Water and Lake Streets every Wednesday evening through August. Concerts are from 6:30pm - 8pm. Organized by the Boyne Area Chamber. Aug. 12 - Petoskey Steel Drum Band - Caribbean beat performed by Petoskey High School students. Sponsored by: Sue Stockman & John McCahan, Petoskey Area Visitors Bureau.

EAST JORDAN

PATIENT APPRECIATION DAY

The East Jordan Family Health Center is celebrating National Health Center Week by hosting Patient Appreciation day on Aug. 13. The community is invited to enjoy the barbeque and refreshments along with games, displays and live music by the Health Center Staff band from 4pm - 6pm.

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

FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES

Enjoy the summer and the music at Memorial Park on August 14 at 7pm featuring Jim Perkins & Cheryl Burns 7pm (Irish and American Folk)

BOYNE FALLS

KID ROCK RETURNS

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

EAST JORDAN

AMAZING QUILT RACE SHOP HOP

Come to the Amazing Quilt Race Shop Hop through Aug. 15. For more information call The Quilt Shop at 231-536-3363

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.

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

ONE DAY SOCCER CLINIC

Aug 16 from 5:30 - 7:30pm at Rotary Park. Cost is \$10. For more information please e-mail Gail Fox at gailfox@earthlink.net or call MSU Extension 4-H at 582-6232. Head soccer Coach from Indian Tech University, Martin Neuhooff will be holding the clinic.

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

ELLSWORTH

ELLSWORTH FARMERS MARKET

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

ATWOOD TO EAST JORDAN

RIBBON CUTTING FOR BREEZEWAY

There will be a Ribbon Cutting for Ribbon's Across the Breezeway on August 17, 2009 at 2:30pm across from the ambulance garage near the Welcome to East Jordan Sign. The Chamber will be starting the first ribbon cutting at 1pm in Atwood and making their way to East Jordan. East Jordan's scheduled time is at 2:30pm and we would encourage you to join us for this historic event.

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

Enjoy the Charlevoix Farmers Market held every Thursday

through September 24th, from 9am to 1pm in downtown East Jordan. 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!

EAST JORDAN

TOOLS OF FAITH

Next meeting is on Aug. 20 at 6pm at the new home build site located at 504 Grant St. (just off Erie St.) in East Jordan. Please join us to learn more about Habitat for Humanity.

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.

EAST JORDAN

SUMMER PICNIC

Grandvue Medical Care Facility's Annual Summer Picnic is Aug. 21, Noon-4pm at the front parking lot of facility.

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.

CHARLEVOIX

THE LUKE WINSLOW-KING TRIO PERFORMS

Enjoy the music of the Luke Winslow-King Trio Aug. 20 at the Dhaseleer Events Barn. Hailing from Cadillac Michigan, Luke Winslow-King is a singer, songsmith and composer inspired by New Orleans jazz, ragtime, impressionism, delta and country blues, poetry, folk and classical composition. The concert begins at 7pm.

EAST JORDAN

SOUTH ARM SHUFFLE

East Jordan's "South Arm Shuffle" 5K RUN/WALK. Sponsored by East Jordan Lioness Club on Aug. 22 at 8am. For more information or to register for the walk log on to <http://ej5k.cccwifi.com/>

CHARLEVOIX

CHAR-EM UNITED WAY STUFF THE BUS

On Aug. 22, from 10am. to 3pm school buses will be parked at Wal-Mart and K-Mart in Petoskey, courtesy of Johnson Bus Service which supplies the buses for the Public Schools of Petoskey, and at K-Mart in Charlevoix, courtesy of Charlevoix Public Schools. Shoppers are encouraged to pick up extra folders, pencils, or possibly a box of crayons or a package of construction paper and help Char-Em United Way Stuff the Bus! A list of suggested school supplies is available by contact-

ing Char-Em United Way and at each Stuff the Bus location. To help in the Stuff the Bus efforts, the Petoskey Wal-Mart, K-Mart and Dollar Tree stores and the Charlevoix K-Mart and Dollar Tree stores will have drop-boxes available the entire week before, for shoppers to leave items in. Volunteers are needed to help staff the buses on Aug. 22. On Sept. 1, Volunteers are needed to count, sort and distribute school supplies. To volunteer, contact Julie at 231-487-1006 or at julie@charemunitd-way.org

BOYNE CITY

SIDEWALK SALES

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

BOYNE CITY

USED BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Boyne Library are sponsoring a used book sale on Aug. 28, and Aug. 29, in conjunction with the Boyne City Sidewalk Sales. The sale begins at 9am for members of the Friends, and for the public from 10am -4pm on Friday and 9am -4pm on Saturday in the Community Room of the library. All proceeds will support library programs.

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.

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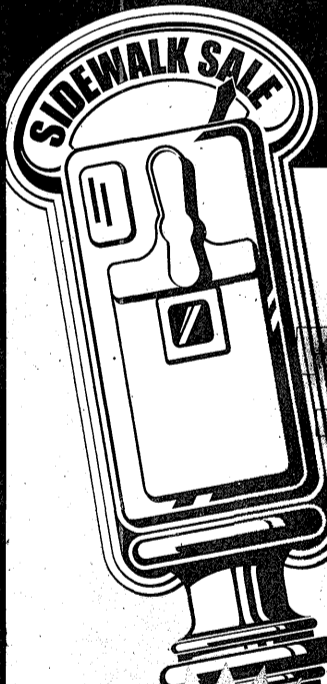
DANCIN' IN THE STREETS

SoBo, the newly named South Boyne business district, presents Dancin' in the Streets Thursday, Aug. 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bring your chairs, grab a sandwich, put on your dancing' shows and join us for an evening of fun. Sun Dogs will be performing.

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BERGMANN CENTER'S ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Bergmann Center's Annual Garage Sale is a big hit for people looking for a huge sale where there is something for everyone. We are starting with "Early Bird Specials" for those who cannot resist by opening on Aug. 26 from 4pm to 8pm offering great deals, a tour of Bergmann Center, coffee and donuts! The actual sale is Aug. 27-29 from 9am to 3pm. Prices are by donation, but we like to wheel and deal, so come one, come all, and let the prices fall! Also "Fill a Bag" Sale runs Sept. 3 & 4. Bergman Center is located at 08855 Martin Road in Charlevoix.



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Concord to hold dance workshop and free performance



Jumping Off the Bandwagon dance team members (top, down): Stephanie Overton, Lara Martin and Marley Speiser-Schneider will conduct dance workshops at Concord Montessori and Community School on Saturday, Aug. 29, at 1 p.m.

MANCELONA — Concord Montessori & Community School will host a three-day workshop in dance for area students ages 10 to 18, at the school, one mile south of Alba just off US-131 on Corey Road, Aug. 26-28.

Participants will perform pieces learned at the workshop during a free concert on Saturday, Aug. 29, at 1 p.m. in Corey Auditorium at Concord. The performance also will include a special appearance by professional dancers from New York City that also are graduates of the University of Michigan's School of

Dance. "Jumping Off the Bandwagon" a company of three recent U of M graduates, Stephanie Overton, Marley Speiser-Schneider and Lara Martin, will conduct the workshop.

Morning sessions will be dedicated to instruction in ballet, tap, and modern dance technique. Students may concentrate on one area or all three. Afternoons will concentrate on preparing pieces to be performed on Aug. 29.

Bandwagon member Stephanie Overton is the daughter of Concord Montessori & Community

School director Steve Overton, and a graduate of Concord Academy in Petoskey that was founded in 1994 by her parents.

Members of Jumping Off the Bandwagon have been performing and conducting workshops across northern Michigan this summer. The versatile group members are dedicating their summer to promoting all kinds of dance among young people. Their enthusiasm, energy, and amazing talents make their workshops a wonderful experience for any school age youngster, regardless of experience level.

Any and all area students are encouraged to participate and may register by calling CM&CS, 231-584-2080, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., Mon-Fri.

There is a \$15 registration fee, payable on the first day of the workshop. Some scholarship assistance is available upon request. Morning sessions run from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; and afternoons from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Students should bring their own lunches, dance shoes if they have them, and wear comfortable, form fitting clothing.



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.

My Most Attractive Trait

By DAVE BARAGREY I

One of my sons asked my wife what she found most attractive about me. My ears perked up and I imagined all the possible answers that would come to her mind first. Was it going to be my "Adonis like" good looks? My dazzling personality? My sexy, international aura? Maybe my romantic prowess? These and more possible answers ran through my mind. My wife, without hesitation said, I find Dave's humor his most attractive feature."

My humor? My humor?? After 34 years on marriage she thinks my most attractive trait is that I'm funny. That was a wake up call. I suppose that now in my mid 50's that the good looks have faded and maybe I am not as romantic as I once was. Maybe having a good sense of humor is the best I can hope for.

Life is filled with problems and we'll never get rid of them all. So why not face your worries with a positive attitude and a bit of laughter?

As adults we all have busy lifestyles, but the fact is the busier we get, the more we need laughter and humor. Any kind of laughter is good, no matter what media presents it. So we should open up to the healing properties that humor presents. After all a grin uses far fewer facial muscles than a frown. So unless you feel a great need to exercise more of your facial muscles than necessary, a smile, a grin, chuckle will make you feel a whole lot better than worrying about bills and the future.

There's a story (possibly true) that a man with cancer cured himself simply by reading funny stories and watching funny movies. There's something to laughter that does the soul good. Consider the Dalai Lama and how often he smiles and laughs. You'd expect him to wear a frown and walk around angry at the Chinese and what they did to his country and its peoples. Yet he goes on to smile!

I just have to admire a man like that. Humble and yet keeps smiling despite his difficulty. Too many people approach a difficult situation with gut wrenching determination and the attitude of a steam roller ready to squash anyone that stands in their way.

The world needs more humor, more laughter. What we need is a session with a team of professional humorists, minus what they might charge for the service. Unfortunately, you won't find such a service in the yellow pages.

To put a smile on our faces doesn't require a college education. All we need is a simple change of attitude. Here are some pointers:

SMILE! I once worked with a woman that everyone liked. They liked her simply because she had an infectious smile and a great attitude. She'd greet you as if you were the most important person she ever met. She didn't let anything upset her. Just imagine where a genuine smile can take you! How can anyone who intends to do you harm face up to a smile? A smile just diffuses a nasty situation. Read humorous books and watch funny movies. There's plenty at your local video store. There is some great humor in old movies and TV shows. My favorites include Bob Hope, Dean Martin, Dom Delouise, Carol Burnett and Laugh-In.

BE CHILD-LIKE. I don't mean ehildish. Children are naturals at smiling and laughter. Is it any wonder why we want them around us? The world is a wonder, seldom fraught with perils for them. In fact children smile and laugh ten to one hundred times more than adults. They don't have a mortgage to worry about, but we both know that worrying about it won't make the bills go away.

ATTITUDE...Attitude! What happens when you start talking to a stranger? Often you look for his ulterior motive. He wants something from you, so you guard your wallet. Try changing your attitude toward people. Be friendly to everyone.

REALIZE the impermanence in all things. Life is short and if you want to be remembered you can make a difference in someone's life. Smile, be consistently happy and make a positive impact on those around you.

So cultivate humor like you'd cultivate your garden. Like a glorious flower or fully ripened fruit, humor will eventually dispense the weeds of life.

HERE IS A QUOTE TO REMEMBER

"A well-developed sense of humor is the pole that adds balance to your steps as you walk the tightrope of life."

William A. Ward, Author (1921 - 1994)



FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

with Dr. James Dobson

PARENTS MUST GUIDE STUBBORN KIDS INTO MAKING SMART CHOICES

QUESTION: My son certainly fits your definition of the "strong-willed child." But tell me how to get him through these tough years. He is tough as nails. What specific suggestions do you have for us?

DR. DOBSON: Here is a summary of some approaches or ideas that I think are important:

1. You should not blame yourself for the temperament with which your child was born. He (or she) is simply a tough kid to handle, and your task is to rise to the challenge.
2. He is in greater danger because of his inclination to test the limits and scale the walls. Your utmost diligence and wisdom will be required to deal with him.
3. If you fail to understand his lust for power and independence, you can exhaust your resources and bog down in guilt. It will benefit no one.
4. For parents who have just begun, take charge of your babies. Hold tightly to the reins of authority in the early days, and build an attitude of respect during your brief window of opportunity. You will need every ounce of "awe" you can get during the years to come. Once you have established your right to lead, begin to let go systematically, year by year.
5. Don't panic, even during the storms of adolescence. Better times are ahead.
6. Don't let your son get too far from you emotionally. Stay in touch. Don't write him off, even when every impulse is to do just that. He needs you now more than ever before.
7. Give him time to find himself, even if he appears not to be searching.
8. Most importantly, I urge you to hold your children before the Lord in fervent prayer throughout their years at home. I am convinced that there is no other source of confidence and wisdom in parenting. There is not enough knowledge in the books, mine or anyone else's, to counteract the evil that surrounds our kids today. Teenagers are confronted by drugs, alcohol, sex and foul language wherever they turn. And, of course, the peer pressure on them is enormous. We must bathe them in prayer every day of their lives. The God who made your children will hear your petitions. He has promised to do so. After all, He loves them more than you do.

And a concluding word: remember that anyone can raise the easy kid. Guiding a strong-willed child through the rebellious years takes a pro with a lot of love to give. I'll bet you're up to the task!

QUESTION: Did either of your children experience night terrors?

DR. DOBSON: No, but our daughter once had a very unusual nightmare. When she was four years old, she woke up screaming at about midnight. When I came to her bed, she told me excitedly that the wall was about to collapse on her.

"It's falling! It's falling, Daddy! The wall is falling!" she screamed.

She was obviously very frightened by the dream. I took her hand and said, "Danae, feel that wall. It has been there a long time. It isn't going to fall. You are OK. Now go back to sleep."

As she settled down in the covers, I went back to bed and was quickly asleep again. But six hours later, a powerful earthquake rattled the city of Los Angeles and shook my wife and me right out of bed. I rushed to Danae's room to bundle her up and get her out of the way of that wall, which was jumping and shaking like crazy.

Did our four-year-old have some kind of forewarning of the earthquake in the midnight hours? I don't know, but I'll tell you this: I made up my mind that day to believe her the next time she told me the wall was going to fall.

Dr. Dobson is founder and Chairman Emeritus of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80995 (www.focusonthefamily.org). Questions and answers are excerpted from "Complete Marriage and Family Home Reference Guide" and "Bringing Up Boys," both published by Tyndale House. COPYRIGHT 2009 JAMES DOBSON INC. DISTRIBUTED BY UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, Mo. 64106; (816) 581-7500

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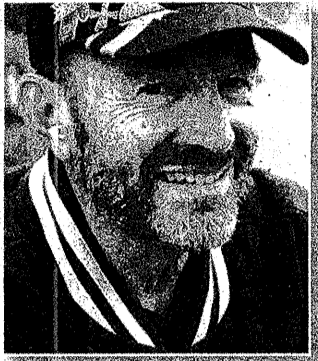
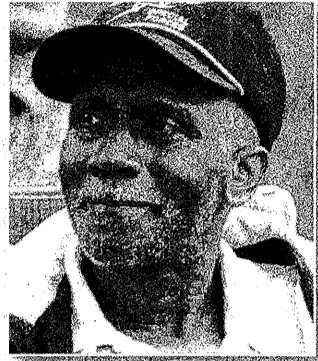
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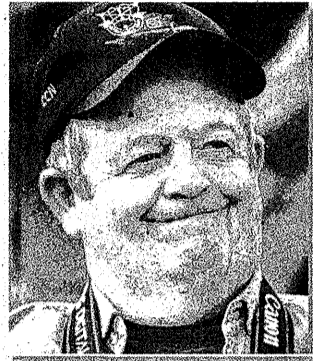
Local veteran hosts Michigan Chapter of Special Forces

Special Forces Chapter President;
Dave Fetters.

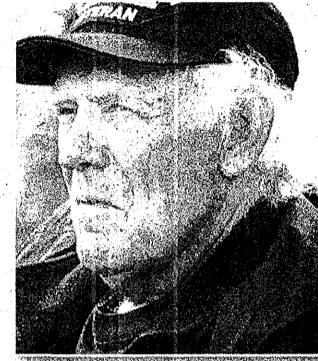
Harry Smith



Alan Swan



George Sternberg



Bill Schrader

By JANE BOOZE

East Jordan – Alan Swan, a retired teacher, has a home and a piece of land outside of East Jordan, where he lives with his dog, Gonzo, and plies his retirement trade - glass-blowing. Several times a year Alan meets with the Michigan Chapter of the U.S. Army Special Forces Association.

Swan is a Vietnam veteran and a Green Beret. Last weekend he hosted a Chapter camp-out and barbecue for Michigan Special Forces veterans.

The group in Swan's backyard was not an immediately awe-inspiring one. It looked very much like a typical gathering of middle-aged couples and a few handsome dogs, gathered around a very nice hard-wood campfire. The food being served – large pieces of roasted chicken, and buffalo barbecue sandwiches, followed by homemade cakes and pies – was above standard picnic fare.

It turns out not just the food was above average.

It was a gathering of Green Berets. While not every attendee was a Vietnam vet, most were (one joined right after Vietnam and served in places as diverse as Colombia and Grenada and Afghanistan before retiring in 2002; one was both a Korean War and Vietnam vet). And without exception, they were the brightest and best of their day.

The group was established in 1991, and Mike Reyes, the Chapter treasurer and original member, was in attendance with his wife, Gloria. Dave Fetters, the Chapter president, was also there, as was Trudy, his wife. The Chapter encourages wives and children to be in attendance.

There were clues to extraordinariness, if you were looking: Harry Smith was having a casual conversation about grandchildren when he was joined by Kay, who was introduced as a South Korean guest. He immediately addressed her in Korean. Not your average parlor trick.

But on the whole, the gathering was very informal and family-oriented. The members seem comfortable with each other, welcoming, and close. The ability to bond is essential to a Green Beret.

"It is a fraternity of individuals who have shared a similar experience," said Fetters.

About three percent of Army personnel are invited to join the volunteer Special Forces, and of those who accept, about 50 percent don't finish the grueling training. Selection is gauged by physical ability, mental acuity and level of education.

When a high-performing member of the regular army is invited to volunteer for Special Forces, he must endure the rigorous training. First is jump school – every Green Beret is "airborne qualified." Then there are the physical tests: running, jumping, throwing dummy grenades, swimming... four laps in an Olympic-sized pool... in fatigues. Then on to Special Forces school where candidates are trained in a military occupational specialty (MOS) and cross-trained in at least one more.

"You know that saying – 'Don't sweat the small stuff'?" asked Trudy Fetters. "Well, Special Forces sweat the small stuff."

The MOSs are Operations and Intelligence. The candidates were sleep-deprived and went without adequate food and water at times as part of their training. They were inundated with the message that "the mission comes first."

"A lot of people were smart enough and strong enough," said Bill Schrader, (a Green Beret, who was one of the original 300 to be so honored at Fort Bragg by President Kennedy in 1962). "But you had to be able to get along with each other under pressure."

The basic unit of Special Forces is the A-Team, which



Michigan Special Forces veterans camp-out in East Jordan.

consists of two officers and two specialists in each MOS, as well as a contingent of trained and paid "indigenous" personnel. Besides being familiar with the specific military occupation of the troops in their command, officers were also responsible for the indigenous personnel.

Fetters was an A-Team officer, and his team's base was in a clearing in the jungle.

"We were re-supplied by Air Force cargo planes carrying rice, money, ammo, and live chickens and pigs. We paid for all the [indigenous] troops in the camp. We took care of their needs."

Because they were so small – never more than 12 Americans, and sometimes only six, with at least two in the field at all times – the teams became very close. "We became good friends through mutual support," Fetters said.

Reconnaissance groups, or Recon, were made of two American Green Beret and four indigenous personnel, who would go in their small teams, infiltrating into Laos and Cambodia and North Vietnam to find the enemy, interrupt enemy communications or supply lines, or on "Bright Light" rescue missions, to locate downed pilots. Because these teams were too small to engage the enemy, they would radio to the Air Force or helicopter gunships.

However, according to a couple vets who were on many recon missions, when they were above the DMZ – demilitarized zone – they were not officially recognized even by the United States Army, and their jobs were therefore extraordinarily hazardous. They were trained in the culture of the countries they infiltrated, and often worked in civilian clothes, with no identification of any kind. If caught, their strategy was denial.

"They were classified ops. The U.S. was in Vietnam, but Ho Chi Minh was sending troops through Cambodia. We'd go into Laos and Cambodia sterile – no uniforms, no dog tags, no ID of any kind," Recon team member Bob Strange said. "In actuality recon groups were killed or murdered – they didn't take POWs. We disturbed them big time.

"Everything we did was classified. We were young kids, Green Berets – bad ass."

Those kids signed a release saying they would never, ever talk about the things they did should they survive the war. The rest of their lives. It was top secret.

"We were 20 years old," Strange said. "Most of us said, 'This is cool!'"

George Sternberg, who was also recon, described it this way: "I had skills, I had health, and I was crazy!"

To this day Sternberg says that Special Forces vets don't like to stay in the military code, military dress or anything, and in civilian life stay resourceful and outspoken.

But the "top secret" status seems to have worn on some of them eventually. Sternberg described frequent flashbacks, and Strange said he experienced what he called "intrusive thoughts" about the war.

"There are anniversaries. I remember the days Charlie lost his leg, or the day Paul was killed," Strange said. And so

in the mid-90's, when much of the Vietnam Special Forces action was declassified, Strange filed a claim with the VA and began to receive counseling – more than 30 years after he left Vietnam.

The counseling he got pointed him first to a group of Special Forces veterans who were specifically Recon, and from there he got involved with the Michigan Chapter of the U.S. Army Special Forces Association.

Which brought him to Al Swan's backyard.

Eventually all these Michigan men returned to the U. S. and to their families. They went back to school and earned degrees, or went to work and provided for their families, and put the work of extraordinary men behind them for a time.

Schrader said, "There's not enough said about the support of military wives. I never got anything negative from home. She knew I had to stay focused. She knew I couldn't do anything about [a crisis at home]." He said that the advent of cell phone and e-mail communications probably makes it easy for today's military spouses (more often husbands than in prior times) to report day-to-day troubles, and Schrader felt that was detrimental.

"To keep their husbands alive she needs to not tell him everything," he said, reasserting that safety was very dependent on being focused.

When Fetters was becoming an engineer at Michigan State University, after his tour in Vietnam, he said the campus was filled with protestors. He and the other veterans ignored them.

"We had work to do," he said. And degrees to earn, and in some cases families to raise. He believes his time in the Army has served him well in all of his life.

"The Army may give us more responsibility than we think we can possibly handle," he said. And those who rise to the challenge benefit the rest of their lives.

So last weekend the Michigan chapter met, as they do four times a year.

There was no arrogance there, but these men all know what they wouldn't say: They were a cut above. They were in a league of their own. They made the grade. They saved lives. They got no recognition. In some cases, they were denied medals they earned because to a certain extent, the Army couldn't acknowledge them at all. But they know.

"It's a secret army," Swan said. "Where the regular Army had tanks and fighter jets, we had rifles and natives. And that's the difference."

And last weekend they gathered around a fire outside of East Jordan. Not to swap stories or brag about their heroism, or even to debate the merits of the war. Just to be free with "individuals who shared a similar experience."

Note: If you are a Special Forces veteran, or if you know someone who may be interested in joining the Michigan chapter, go to www.sfchap55.org, or contact Dave Fetters at dave.fetters@sfchap55.net.

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Young golfer Making His Mark

Logan Smith, 10, of East Jordan won six of nine tournaments in the T.C. Junior Golf Association summer tour

BY MIKE DUNN

EAST JORDAN – Angela Smith remembers the scene quite well. Her son Logan was about 3 years old at the time. He had recently received a set of “Little Tyke” plastic golf clubs and he was out in the tall grass near the Mallard Golf Club trying to chip a ball into the basketball hoop in his driveway.

That was the first time Angela had seen Logan with a golf club in his hand and it was definitely a sign of things to come. In the seven years since, Logan has switched from plastic clubs to the real deal. He’s still whacking away with his clubs at the Mallard Golf Club, which his parents Arnold and Angela own and operate along with Arnold’s parents Dave and Carol, but these days Logan is usually either practicing his drives off the tee or perfecting his short game. That is, if he’s not engaged in one of his daily death matches against his maternal grandfather Don McKinnon.

“I like the challenge,” says Logan simply when asked what he likes best about the great game of golf. Logan, 10, may be a man of few words but his accomplishments certainly speak volumes about the skills he already possesses at such a young age and a future that appears as bright as the midday sun.

For the second year in a row, Logan took part in the Traverse City Junior Golf Association summer league and, for the second year in a row, he did remarkably well.

This summer, competing in the 10-13 age flight of the Tour Division, Logan won six of the nine tournaments he competed in and finished as runner-up the other three times, winning the points championship and also the Junior Championship held on Aug. 3 at Spruce Run. In spite of playing from the back tees of some very challenging courses, such as the Mistwood Golf Club and the Wolverine and Spruce Run courses at Grand Traverse Resort, Logan failed to break 100 just twice, even though he carried his own

clubs over 18 holes.

“I was really proud of him,” says Arnold, who supports his son’s love for the sport but doesn’t push him. “He carried his own clubs and made all his own decisions during each round. He was by far the shortest one there. Some of the kids he was playing against were almost as big as I am.”

At the end of the summer tour, the kids in the Traverse City league participate in a skills challenge. This year, it was held at the Grand Traverse Resort and Logan came in first in the chipping and the driving competitions. His very first chip shot, taken from 40 yards, found its way into the cup.

“It was exciting,” Logan said, a big smile on his face, when asked how it felt to make a shot like that in such a high-pressure situation.

“He carried his own clubs and made all his own decisions during each round. Some of the kids he was playing against were almost as big as I am.”

— Arnold Smith

Logan admits to feeling nervous when the stakes are high, though he doesn’t normally show it on the outside.

“He finds a way to work through it,” says his dad.

A case in point was the prestigious U.S. Kids state championship in East Lansing a few years ago when Logan was

7. Logan had already won the state tournament the previous two years. This time around, he faced stiffer competition and ended up in a tiebreaker with another young golfer.

On the first playoff hole, a par-3, Logan landed the ball on the green and then sank a birdie putt to win the U.S. Kids championship in his age group once again. He may have been nervous during the playoff but nerves didn’t affect his play one bit.

“It was exciting,” reported Logan, another big smile crossing his face, when asked what how it felt to win in a playoff.

“It was a thrill for him to win it in a tiebreaker like that,” says dad. “A lot of times you see golfers get affected by all the pressure and hit a bad shot off the tee.”

The first two years after winning U.S. Kids, Logan got to play at Williamsburg, Va. The third year, after the tiebreaker victory, he got to play in the regional tournament at the famed Pinehurst course in North Carolina.

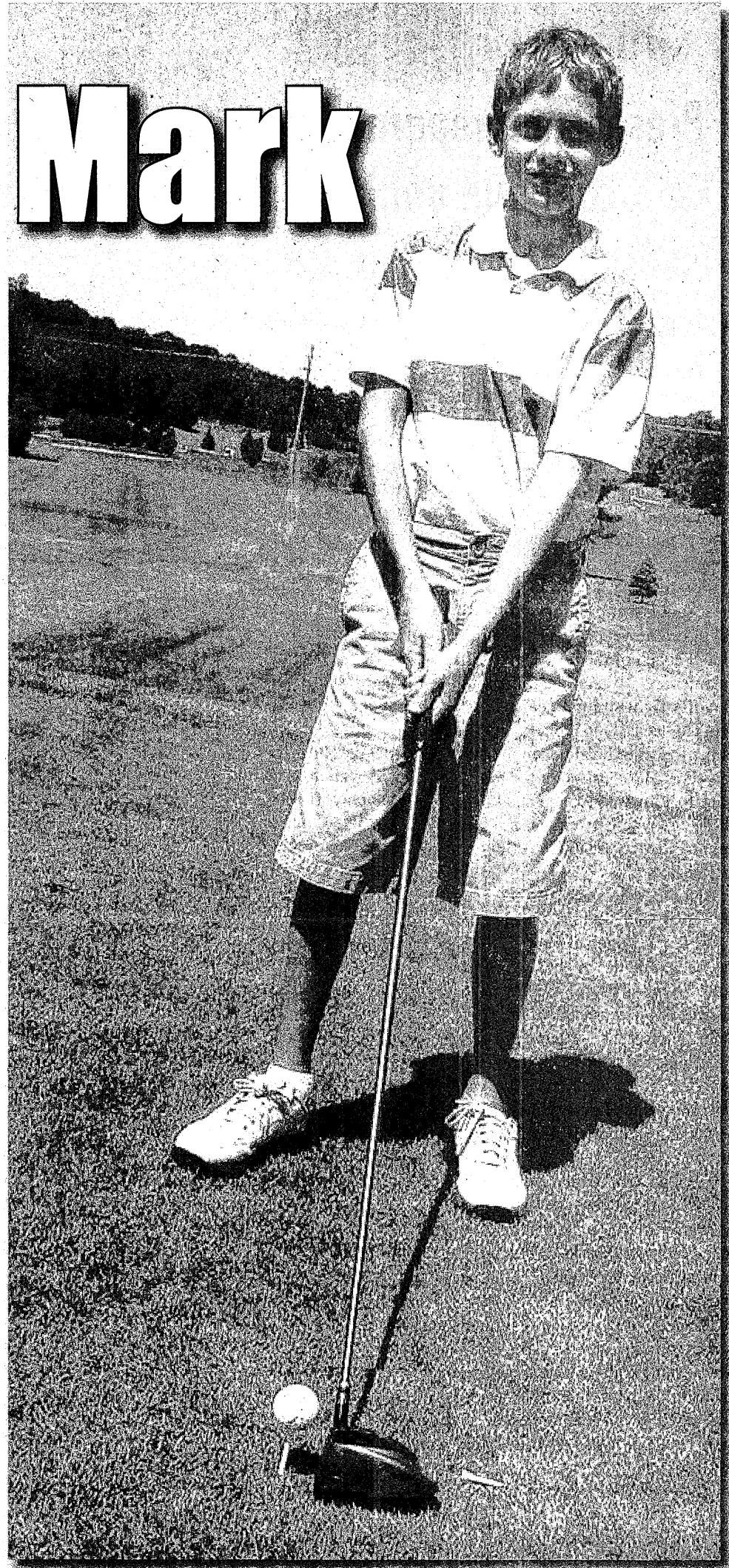
Logan rates the Pinehurst course as the toughest he’s played so far.

“Tougher than the Mallard,” he said with a laugh.

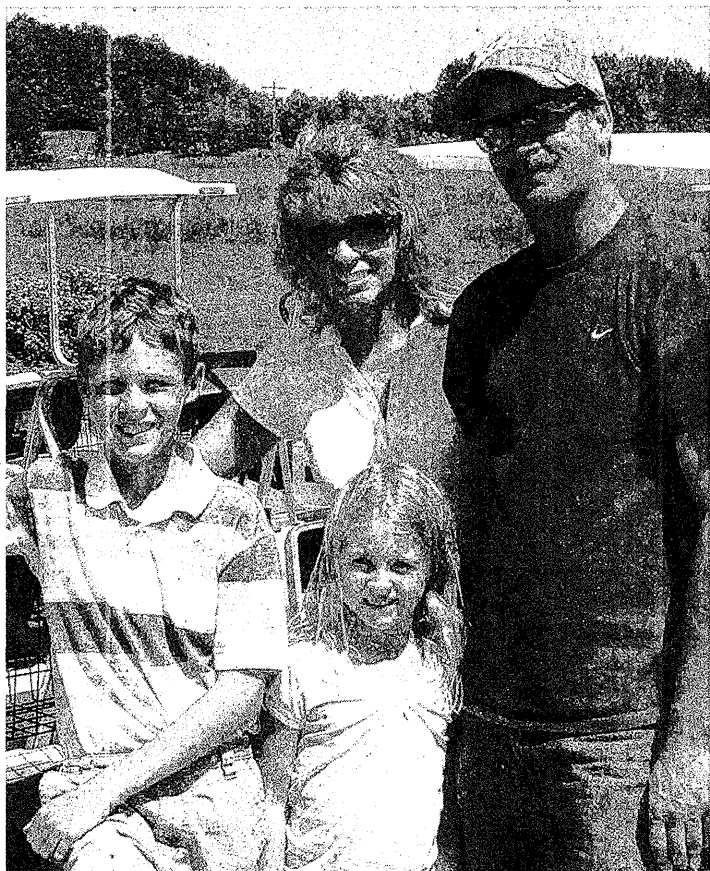
Given his exposure to the sport from such a young age and his unswerving passion to be out on the links, it’s not surprising that Logan has developed his skills so quickly.

“He just loves it,” says Angela. “When he’s not in school, he’s out there playing all the time.” Logan typically plays

Logan Smith, who is right-handed in everything else but hits the golf ball left-handed just like his favorite golfer Phil Mickelson, prepares to tee off. (PHOTO BY MIKE DUNN)



Logan, left, with mom Angela, dad Arnold and 6-year-old sister Lauren at the Mallard Golf Club. Like her older brother, Lauren also enjoys getting out on the links. (PHOTO BY MIKE DUNN)



between 18 and 27 holes a day, not including practice. It doesn’t look like he’ll be slowing down any time soon, either. If Logan continues to devote this much time to the sport and continues to improve, he’ll no doubt go on to have a stellar prep career at East Jordan High School and have the opportunity to play in college and beyond.

That path is fine with mom and dad, as long as Logan’s heart remains in the sport.

“As long as he’s having fun and he has the energy for what he’s doing, we’ll keep putting him in tournaments,” Angela says.

“If he’s enjoying it, then that’s great,” Arnold says. “If the time comes when he wants to put the clubs aside for a while, that’s fine with us, too. We never push him. This is just something he loves to do.”

For the present, Logan will keep honing his skills on the Mallard course and keep taking on Angela’s father, Grandpa Don, in those friendly death matches each day after Don leaves work.

Logan and his grandfather have been playing the head-to-head matches for three years and Logan almost never loses. On a recent day when his grandfather beat him by a stroke, Logan was quite upset with himself.

“I’ll get you tomorrow,” he told his grandfather. Then he returned to the course to put in some extra practice time.

Logan on the links

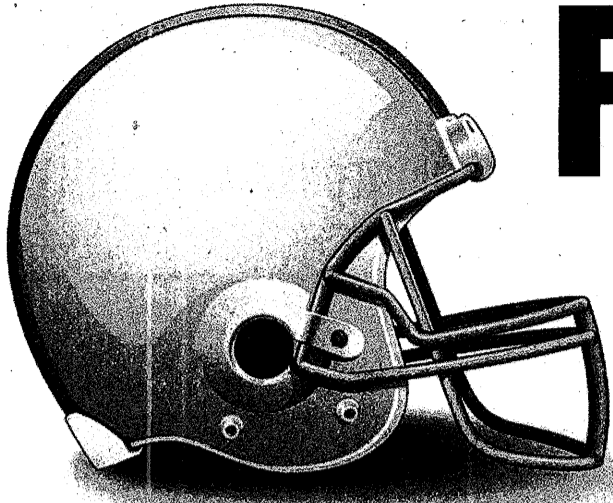
- U.S. Kids Golf state champion three years in a row (2004-06), advancing to regional tournaments in Williamsburg, Va. and Pinehurst, N.C.

- Won six of nine Tour Division events in the TCJGA this summer, including the Junior Championship at Spruce Run on Aug. 3, and was the overall points leader in the 10-13 flight

- Shooting from back tees, scored 42 on the back nine at Spruce Run course of Grand Traverse Resort

- Won the annual TCJGA Skills Challenge at Grand Traverse Resort, taking first in the chipping and driving competitions

- Is right-handed but shoots lefty, like his favorite golfer Phil Mickelson



Football Practices Commence

Preseason preparations continue until season opener Aug. 28

By **MIKE DUNN**

Preseason football practices started this week for all the schools around the state and for Boyne City, Central Lake-Ellsworth, Charlevoix and East Jordan. The annual gridiron rite of passage features three days of running and conditioning before the players put on the pads and begin any hitting.

Boyne City has been one of the most successful programs in the state the past nine years under four-time regional coach of the year Dave Hills, posting a 69-26 record and making the playoffs eight straight years.

This year, Don Nohel takes over as the Rambler head coach. Nohel, 45, served as Hills' assistant for four years prior to being named the head man, Hills, a Boyne City educator, stepped down as coach to pursue further education.

Nohel, who served as head coach previously at Evart and Oscoda, will make few changes to a program that has been a model of success. Junior Nick Young is one of the key returnees at quarterback for the Ramblers. The potent 1-2 punch in the backfield will have to be replaced, however, as Trevor Krusel has graduated and senior Drew Nohel sustained a knee injury and will likely miss the season.

Boyne City, which finished 9-2 last season, will seek to get out of the box quickly. The meat of the Rambler schedule begins in week five when defending Lake Michigan Conference champion and perennial state-title contender Traverse City St. Francis comes to town. In week six, Charlevoix visits to renew the annual gridiron rivalry between the schools and in weeks eight and nine, the Ramblers host Elk Rapids and then travel to Grayling.

Boyne City kicks off the 2009

campaign on the road against perennial week-one foe McBain.

Central Lake-Ellsworth, which has become an established Ski Valley Conference power and perennial playoff team under the guidance of head coach Adam Grybauskus, is coming off a 9-2 campaign. It was the third year in a row that the Trojans won at least one playoff game.

The Trojans have one of the most explosive backs in northern Michigan in multi-talented Ellsworth senior Jared Danbert. He averaged a whopping 9.1 yards per carry last year while accumulating 1,385 yards and earning All-State recognition. He returned four punts for touchdowns, handled the team's punting and kicking duties and was a defensive stand-out as well, making 64 tackles with an interception.

Central Lake-Ellsworth kicks off the season with back-to-back home dates against Johannesburg-Lewiston and Atlanta.

Charlevoix head coach Don Jess will be seeking to lead the Rayders to a playoff berth this season for the fourth time in five years. The Rayders, with junior Clayton Mitchell behind center, finished strong last year, winning their final two games to finish with a 5-4 record.

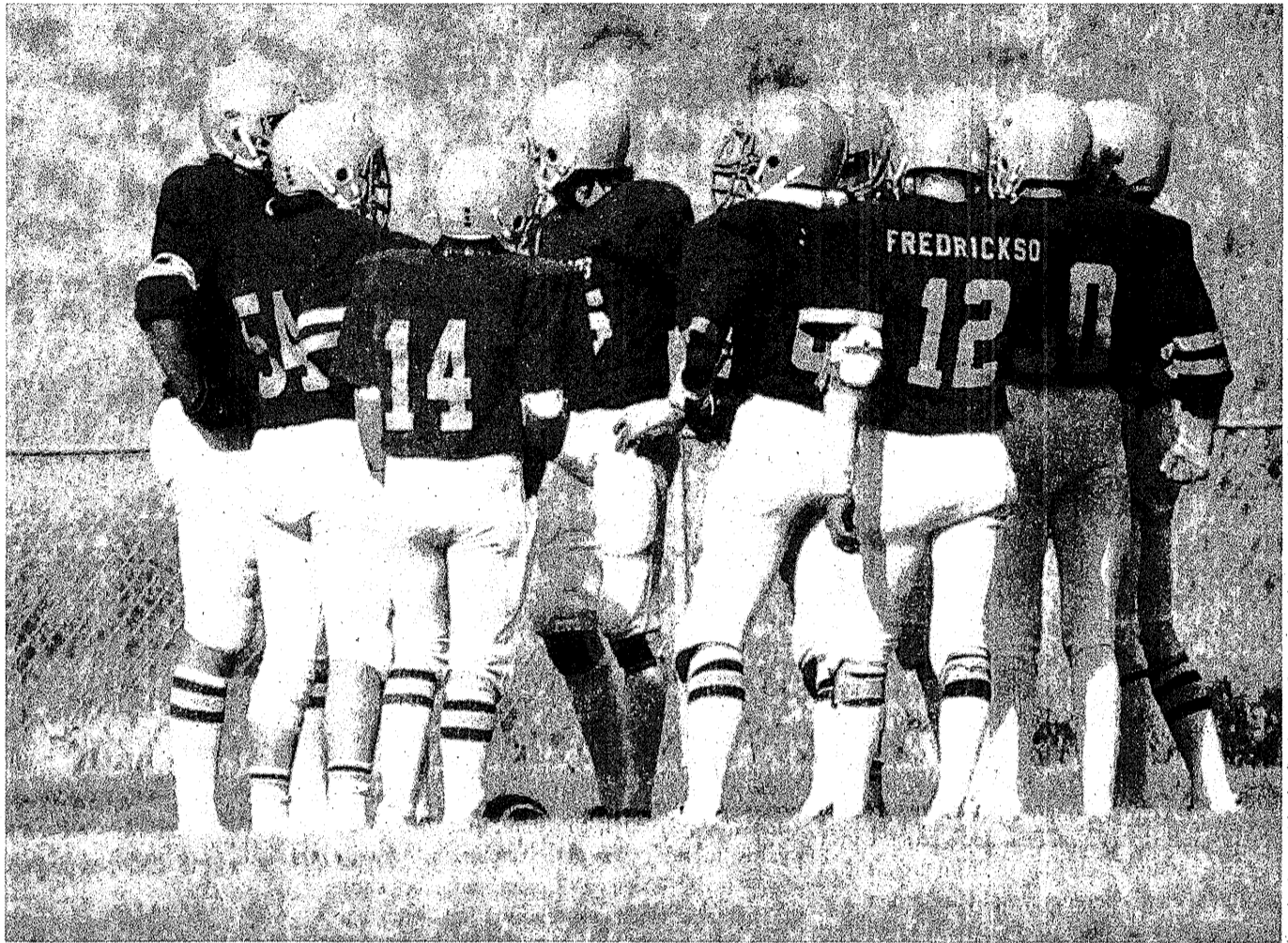
The Rayders have a tough opener, traveling north of the bridge to take on

2008 playoff qualifier St. Ignace. They open at home on Thursday (Sept. 3) of the following week against non-league foe Maple City Glen Lake.

East Jordan, with second-year head coach Bill Tison at the helm, will be seeking to build on last year's strong finish. The Red Devils won their final two games of the season, beating league rivals Harbor Springs, 14-12, and Kalkaska, 20-6, to close out with a deceptive 2-7 log.

The Red Devils were competitive in all their games and showed some quick-strike capabilities with the juniors Teddy Snowden at quarterback and Matt Werner hooking up for big gainers.

They will be put to the test early, going on the road to take on Maple City Glen Lake in the opener before hosting St. Ignace in week two.



Preseason football practice began this week for schools around the state and for area schools Boyne City, Central Lake-Ellsworth, Charlevoix and East Jordan.

AREA SCHEDULES

BOYNE CITY 2009 SCHEDULE

2008 RECORD: 9-2

- Aug. 28 - at McBain, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 3 - SAULT STE. MARIE WHITE PINE, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 11 - HARBOR SPRINGS, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 18 - at Kalkaska, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 25 - TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 2 - CHARLEVOIX, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 10 - at East Jordan, 3 p.m.*
- Oct. 16 - ELK RAPIDS, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 23 - at Grayling, 7 p.m.*

* Lake Michigan Conference

CENTRAL LAKE-ELLSWORTH 2009 SCHEDULE

2008 RECORD: 9-2

- Aug. 28 - JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 4 - ATLANTA, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 11 - at Fife Lake Forest Area, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 18 - INLAND LAKES, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 25 - GAYLORD ST. MARY, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 2 - at Mancelona, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 9 - BELLAIRE, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 16 - PELLSTON, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 23 - ONAWAY, 7 p.m.*

* Ski Valley Conference

CHARLEVOIX 2009 SCHEDULE

2008 RECORD: 5-5

- Aug. 28 - at St. Ignace, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 3 - MAPLE CITY GLEN LAKE, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 11 - at Grayling, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 18 - TRAVERSE CITY ST. FRANCIS, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 25 - at East Jordan, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 2 - at Boyne City, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 9 - ELK RAPIDS, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 16 - at Kalkaska, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 23 - HARBOR SPRINGS, 7 p.m.*

* Lake Michigan Conference

EAST JORDAN 2009 SCHEDULE

2008 RECORD: 2-7

- Aug. 28 - at Maple City Glen Lake, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 3 - ST. IGNACE, 7 p.m.
- Sep. 11 - at Traverse City St. Francis, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 18 - GRAYLING, 7 p.m.*
- Sep. 25 - CHARLEVOIX, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 2 - at Elk Rapids, 7 p.m.*
- Oct. 10 - BOYNE CITY, 3 p.m.*
- Oct. 17 - at Harbor Springs, 3 p.m.*
- Oct. 23 - KALKASKA, 7 p.m.*

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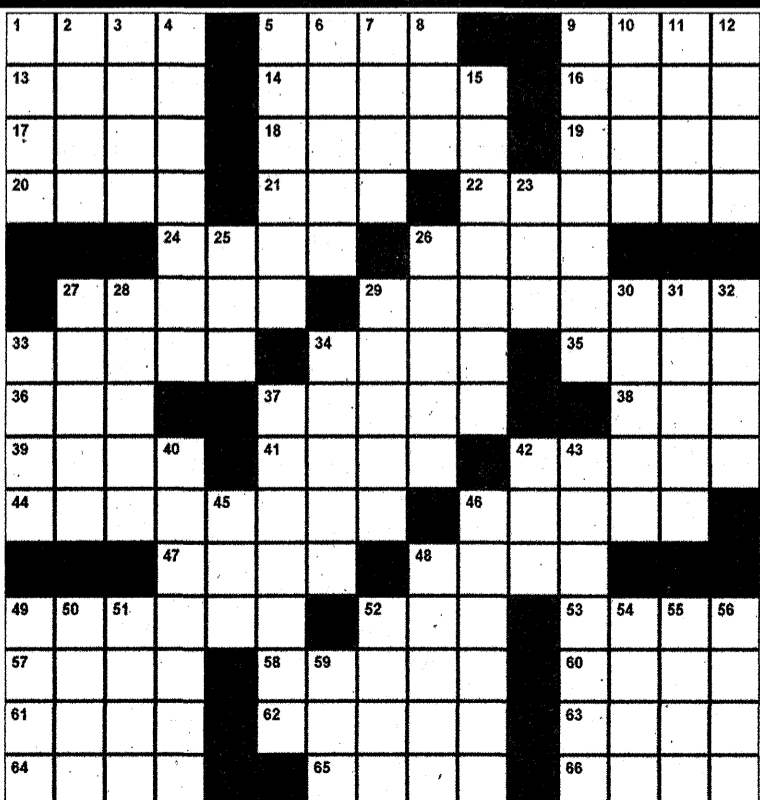
CROSSWORD

Across

- 1- Not fem.; 5- Back talk; 9- Thin layer; 13- Choir member; 14- Eight singers; 16- Bread spread; 17- Midday; 18- Ships' companies; 19- 100 dinars; 20- Bring forth young; 21- Portable bed; 22- Sophisticated; 24- Amenable; 26- A big fan of; 27- Up and about; 29- Attached to land; 33- Indian of Mexico; 34- Quantity of paper; 35- Begrudge; 36- Billiards rod; 37- Raccoon-like carnivore; 38- Moines; 39- Asian sea; 41- Sommer of film; 42- Steeple; 44- Assuages; 46- Neighborhoods; 47- Elevator man; 48- Blood vessel; 49- Good brandy; 52- Apiece; 53- Give up; 57- Siouan speaker; 58- Tropical plant used in cosmetics; 60- Victor's cry; 61- Former Fords; 62- Marner's creator; 63- Letterman rival; 64- Chuck; 65- Treater's words; 66- Ladies of Sp.;

Down

- 1- Numerous; 2- Drug-yielding plant; 3- Portico; 4- Signify; 5- Football, most places; 6- Greek physician, son of Xenon; 7- Editor's mark; 8- Attach by stitches; 9- Portend; 10- Bones found in the hip; 11- Incline; 12- Yard tunneler; 15- Large sea wave; 23- Hwy.; 25- Snap; 26- Angry; 27- Sky blue; 28- Pilfer; 29- Mountains; 30- Gandhi's land; 31- Maintains; 32- Dissolve, as cells; 33- Rent-; 34- Actor's parts; 37- Raw fish appetizer; 40- Pride woman; 42- Hindu title; 43- Writing implements; 45- 7th letter of the Greek alphabet; 46- Add fizz; 48- Poisonous fluid; 49- Young male horse; 50- Conductor Klemperer; 51- Deities; 52- Nabokov novel; 54- Large jug or pitcher; 55- Actress Merrill; 56- Slaughterer of baseball; 59- "Hold On Tight" band;



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SPORTS BRIEFS

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.

WILDWOOD LAKES GOLF SCRAMBLE AUG. 22

WOLVERINE – The annual Red, White and Blue Scramble at Wildwood Lakes Golf Course in Wolverine will be held on Saturday, Aug. 22. This is a charity benefit for the Wolverine American Legion Post 122.

The entry fee of \$30 per person or \$120 per foursome includes a cart and lunch. Only 12 teams will be competing and every person who plays will win a round of golf.

Additional prizes include closest-to-the-pin on No. 5 for both men and women, door prizes and 50/50 at the door. Participating golf courses include: Mallard, Black Bear, Green Tees, Indian River, Wilderness Valley, Mountain Lake, Marsh Ridge, Otsego Club, Springbrook, Chestnut Valley, Rippling Rapids, Wildwood Lakes, Burning Oaks, Gaylord Country Club, Cheboygan, Black Forest and St. Ignace.

Other prize donations come from Pauly's Home Cooking, Brown Trout, Vivio's, Northwoods and Big Bear Amusements.

Deadline for entry is Saturday, Aug. 15. The rain date for the event is Aug. 23.

For more information, contact Joe Wildberg at (231) 525-9250 or see Wendy Loffer.

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.

SENIOR GAMES SET FOR SEPT. 9-10

TRAVERSE CITY – The 30th annual Northwest Senior Games will be held in Traverse City Sept. 9-10. The Games feature a variety of competitions for those 50 and older, including 5K run, golf, swimming, horseshoes, track and field events, bike race, billiards and bowling, shuffleboard and miniature golf, in addition to Wii tennis and Wii bowling.

The registration fee of \$6 allows participation in all of the events, though there is an additional fee for golf (\$10 for walking, \$15 for a cart) at Elmbrook Golf Course and an additional \$6 per person for bowlers who aren't participating in any other event. There is also a \$2 fee for miniature golf and billiards at Wilderness Crossing.

The registration deadline is Sept. 1 for the 5K run, golf, swimming, biking, bowling, shuffleboard, billiards and horseshoes. Advance registration is encouraged for all other events, though on-site registration is accepted.

For more information contact the Traverse City Senior Center at (231) 922-4911 or send an e-mail to lwells@tcseniorcenter.com.

BETSIE VALLEY RACES SLATED FOR OCT. 4

THOMPSONVILLE – The fourth annual Betsie Valley 5K, 10K and Half Marathon is set for Sunday, Oct. 4, at Crystal Mountain Resort & Spa.

The races begin at 9 a.m. with a children's one-mile event starting at 11:30 a.m.

The entry fee is \$25 per person or \$30 the day of the event, with proceeds benefiting the Betsie Valley Library. For more information visit www.betsievalleyrun.com or call (800) 968-7686, ext. 7140.

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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Get a hole-in-one? Let us know about and we'll include the information in our next issue. Call Mike at (989) 370-0605 or send to sports@charlevoixcountynews.com. Include the golf course, the date, the hole, distance, club used and others in your party.

POST SCRIPT



By Mike Dunn

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When Danbert made the kick

Jared Danbert burst onto the prep gridiron scene in a big way two years ago. Danbert, then a sophomore playing as a two-way starter for coach Adam Grybauskus on the Central Lake-Ellsworth squad, faced one of those high stakes, do-or-die situations that's fun to dream about but rather intimidating to actually confront.

Danbert was called on by his coach to kick a final-minute field goal against Ski Valley rival Mancelona. Playing at the field of the Ironmen, he had to attempt the kick from the right hash mark with his team down 28-27 and the outcome of the game – and the 2007 Ski Valley Conference title – riding on his success.

If Danbert was nervous, it didn't show. It was a challenging spot for a sophomore to find himself but the young man came through in spectacular fashion, splitting the uprights to give the Trojans a dramatic 30-28 triumph.

I happened to be on the sidelines that night covering the game for the Record-Eagle. In the dozens of times since when I've seen Jared's name in the paper, usually for scoring touchdowns and/or returning punts for touchdowns for the Trojans or for scorching the nets during basketball season for the Lancers, it always reminds me of the warm September evening in 2007 when he came through in the clutch, making the winning field goal.

Jared has proven that his compelling achievement two years ago was no fluke. He has continued to make his mark on the gridiron for Grybauskus and the Trojans just as he has continued to make the twine dance for Ellsworth on the hardwood.

As he enters his final prep gridiron season as a two-way starter at running back and defensive back for Grybauskus and the Trojans, he carries the weight of high expectations. As a junior, Danbert earned All-State honors while helping Central Lake-Ellsworth post a 9-2 record. He amassed 1,385 yards rushing, averaging a dizzying 9.1 yards every time he touched the ball. He caught 10 passes for 195 yards and scored 29 times, including four punt returns for touchdowns.

That is in addition to making 64 tackles and an interception on defense and handling the team's place-kicking and punting chores! And at halftime of home games, he also plays the drums in the marching band (just kidding).

Because of his notoriety, the elusive Danbert will be a marked man this season. Every defense he faces will be keyed to stop him. Every time the ball is placed in his hands, he'll draw defenders like magnets.

I'm guessing that's OK with Jared, though. As he showed that fateful night two years at Mancelona, he isn't afraid of the spotlight.

This week's trivia trip ...

Last week I asked who was the only running back to rush for 1,000 yards in both the AFL and NFL. This takes me back to the days of my youth when watching the darting figure of Mike Garrett on my family's black-and-white TV was quite a thrill. Garrett, who stood just 5-foot-7, surpassed the 1,000-yard plateau for Kansas City of the AFL in 1967 and for San Diego of the NFL in 1972.

On Aug. 16, 1954 (just a few weeks before I was born), Sports Illustrated made its debut. An action shot of Milwaukee Braves' third baseman Eddie Mathews graced the cover.

On Aug. 20, 1974, Nolan Ryan struck out 19 batters but lost 1-0, in 11 innings, to Detroit's Mickey Lolich.

Mallard Golf Club of East Jordan

SENIOR MEN'S LEAGUE STANDINGS AUG. 6

1. Don Skinkle and German Spaay 54
 2. Leo McCallup and Wally Tiefenthal 53
 3. Russ Hanselman and Dave Smith 50
- * Hanselman had a hole-in-one on No. 4 during July 9 league play

MONDAY COUPLES LEAGUE AUG. 3

1. Mark and Darlene Folsom 25
 2. Tom Murphy and Kelly Smith 24.5
 3. Doug Stark and Teresa Stanek 24
- Longest Putt – Marty Ernst
Closest-to-pin men – Doug Stark
Closest-to-pin women – Mary Coe

TUESDAY MEN'S LEAGUE JULY 28

1. Ray LaVoie and Keith Stewart 39
 2. Steve Leamon and Bill Werner 33
 2. Vail Shepard and Dave Smith 33
- Closest-to-pin No. 4 – Walt Ragay
Closest-to-pin No. 6 – Vail Shepard

DNR FISH REPORT:

Perch hitting in Lake Charlevoix

Walleye and smallmouth bass can be found in deeper water

Trout and salmon fishing has picked up now that boats are able to get out on the Great Lakes. River fishing is good with the low water levels. Look for panfish activity to improve now that we have some warmer temperatures.

Charlevoix - Chinook and lake trout were caught 60 to 80 feet down in waters 200 feet deep. The better fishing was off North Point and near the red can. Early morning was best when trolling dodgers and flies or spoons.

Lake Charlevoix - Perch were hitting on minnows in 20 feet of water. Walleye and smallmouth bass are deeper now so look for them along the drop-offs during the day. Shore anglers are catching fish in the Pine River Channel.

Lake Bellaire - Anglers are still catching walleye 14 to 22 inches. Troll early or late near Fisherman's Paradise, the south bay or the northwest arm. Try spoons, rapalas, crawler harnesses, or jigs with leeches and crawlers. Small perch were caught near

the Intermediate River in 3 to 15 feet of water. Anglers are still fishing with crawlers.

Petoskey - Saw warmer water move in. A few anglers are still doing well in shallow water early and late with moonshine spoons, flasher/fly combos, and J-plugs on copper wire. Try 180 to 250 feet of water with white and pearl plugs or blue, white and green flies.

Traverse City - The East Bay is producing a few salmon 80 to 90 feet down in waters 100 to 120 feet deep. Lake trout can be found near the bottom when trolling along the bank in the southern portion of the bay. In the West Bay, look for salmon near the Boardman River and along the west shore from the red buoy to the west arm access site. Fish spoons 70 to 90 feet down in waters 100 to 150 feet deep.

Leland - Produced a nice 26-pound salmon on the north side of North Manitou Island when trolling in 65 to 70 feet of water along the Shelf. Use green spoons early.

Au Sable River - Walleye were caught throughout the day. Anglers are fishing crawler harnesses and drift rigs early and late.

Glen Arbor - Catch rates were fair to good in 60 to 80 feet of water around the islands. The key seems to be variety. Anglers might want to dig into their tackle boxes and start using those old J-plugs and spoons with herring rigs, flashers and flies to help attract fish.

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Winners of Polish Festival Parade

BY DAVE BARAGREY-SKI

The clouds parted and the rain held off long enough for festival goers to enjoy the Boyne Falls Polish Festival Parade Saturday morning. Among the highlights of the Grand Royale Parade were the appearances of this year's Honored

Citizen, Richard Marchinkewicz, Grand Marshals, Keith and Jackie Carson, and Little Miss and Little Mister; second graders Emma Payton and Kevin DeNise.

Polish Festival organizers were pleased with the turnout of the crowd during the town's premier summertime event. Rain dampened the four-day event but

most of the events went on as scheduled and were well attended.

The 35th annual festival wrapped up Sunday with Sunday mass conducted by Bishop Patrick Cooney, a horseshoe pitching tournament, 4-Wheel drive mud run and music and food in the Polka Tent.

PARADE WINNERS WERE:

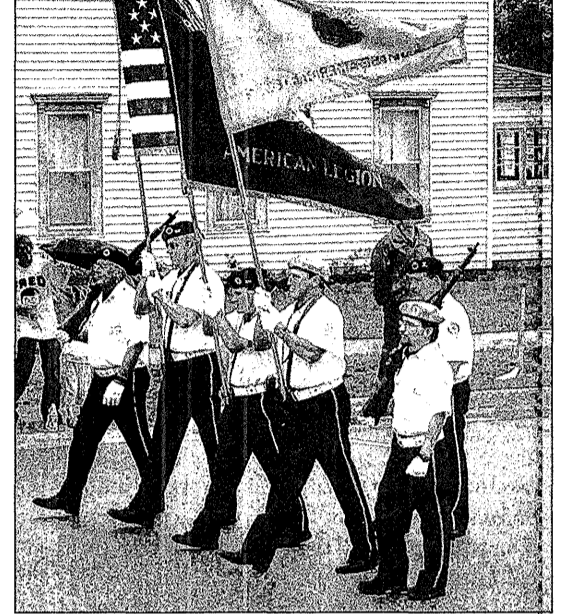
- JUDGES TROPHY** – Boyne Falls Polish Festival Float with Little Miss and Little Mister; Emma Payton and Kevin DeNise
- BEST VEHICLE** – a cream color Corvette by Betty's Restaurant
- BEST TRACTOR** – The 1897 Huber
- MOST ORIGINAL** – Boyne Falls Girl Scouts
- MOST HUMOROUS** – Lynda's Real Estate, Marty Moody
- BEST MUSIC GROUP** – The cadet Corps from Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
- BEST CIVIC FLOAT** – Hudson Township Fire & Rescue
- BEST INDIVIDUAL FLOAT** – Antique Farmall Tractor with Baler



Grand Marshals, Keith and Jackie Carson



Miss East Jordan, Emily Bajko and runner-up attended the Boyne Falls Polish Festival Parade this weekend.



Parade was led with flags by the American Legion.

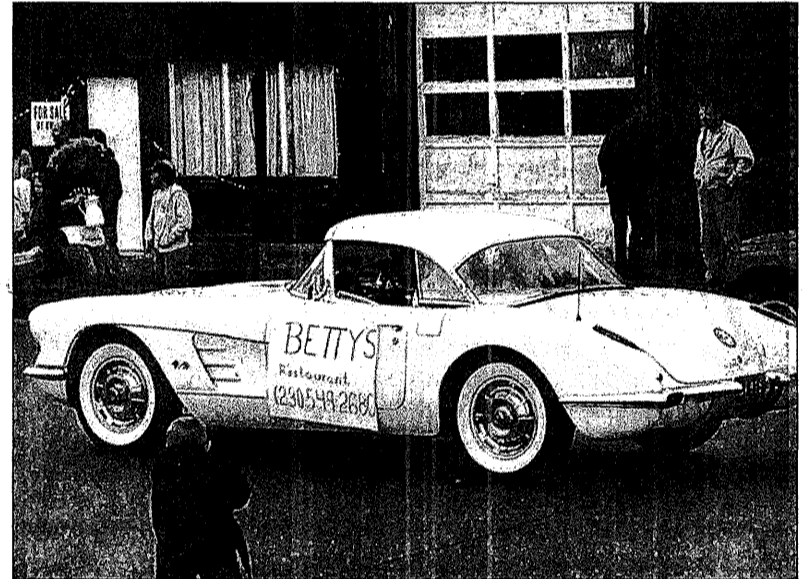
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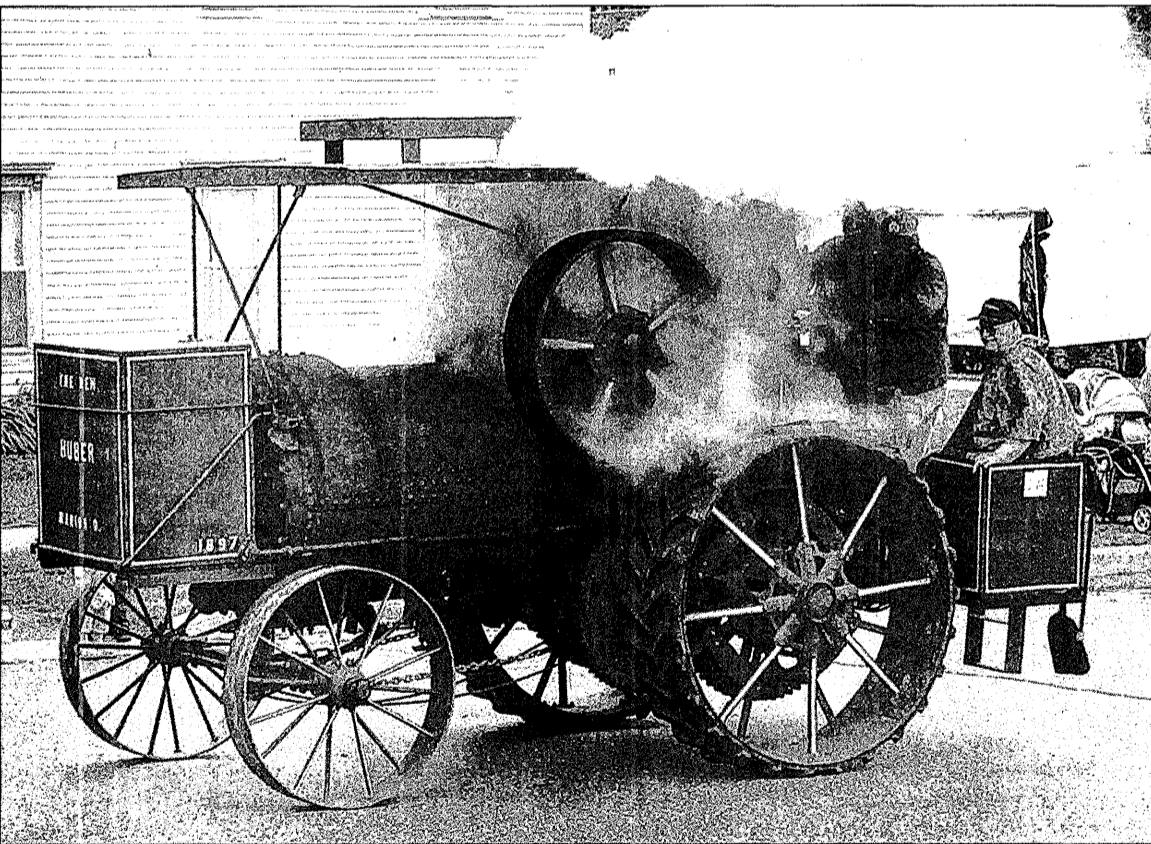
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Most Humorous – Lynda's Real Estate, Marty Moody



Best Vehicle – a cream color Corvette by Betty's Restaurant



Best Tractor – The 1897 Huber

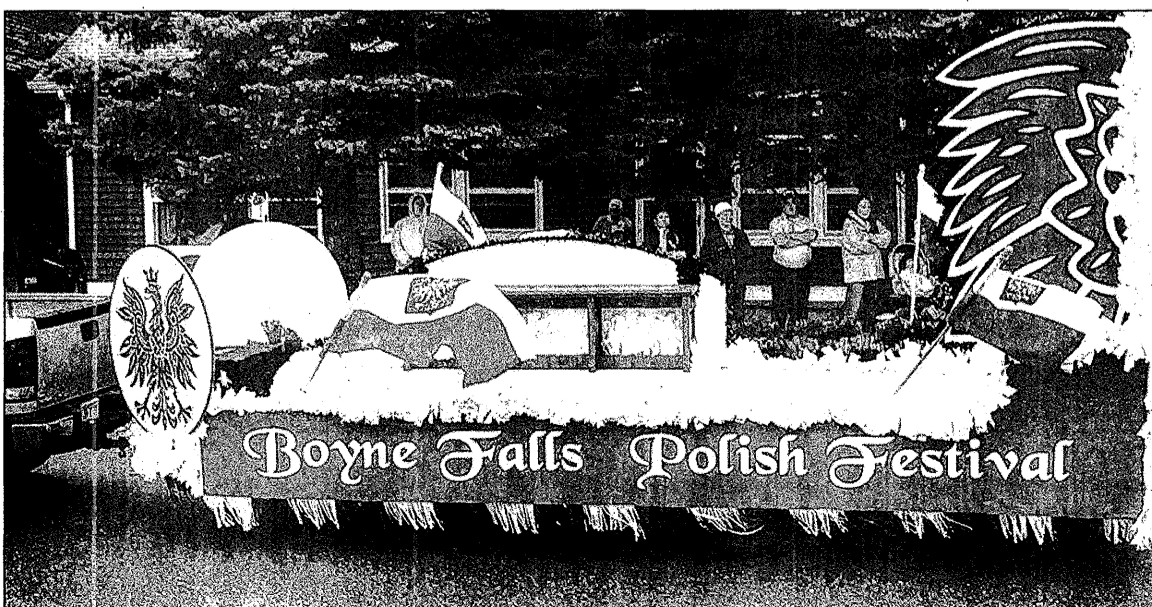


Most Original – Boyne Falls Girl Scouts

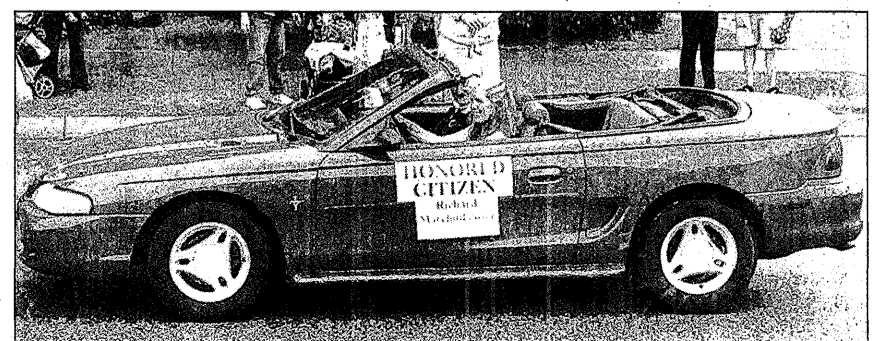


Best Civic Float – Hudson Township Fire & Rescue

Judges Trophy – Boyne Falls Polish Festival Float with Little Miss and Little Mister; Emma Payton and Kevin DeNise



Honored Citizen, Richard Marchinkewicz



MOVIE GUIDE

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Gizmos, Gadgets, and G.I. Joe's Elite Team Battles Nano-Technology in *Rise of the Cobra*

By Jim Akans

Move over Batman. When the elite G.I. Joe team suits up in this live action adaptation of their plastic Hasbro namesakes, they have more gizmos and gadgetry at their disposal than the caped crusader ever dreamed of...or could ever hope to compete with.

We're talking awesome firepower, virtually indestructible defenses, technology that makes these guys run faster than a Humvee, able to leap over tall missile silos, get smacked by flying vehicles, and carry on with the chase.

In *G.I. Joe: Rise of the Cobra*, a weapons dealer, named James McCullen, has run amok after developing a very nasty strain of destructive "bugs" using nanotechnology.

Once released, these things consume everything in their path until deactivated, capable of turning anything from a military tank to an entire city into dust in a very short period of time.

And like any respectable, yet definitely evil, power monger, McCullen has decided to demonstrate this unbridled destructive power in order to become ruler of the world. The elite G.I. Joe team, led by veteran actor Dennis Quaid (in

the role of General Hawk), are called to duty to circumvent McCullen's plan...and that's where the real fun begins.

G.I. Joe has just about every element an action film can fit into a nearly two-hour running time. Battles take place in the air, on land, and at sea. There are car chases, foot chases, sword fights, hand-to-hand combat, shoot outs...there's even a bit of a romantic tale thrown in the mix.

While this may sound over the top (oh, but it is), it's also fun to watch. There isn't much in the way of "down time" in this film, and even while it isn't much of a stretch to see where it will be going next, it's interesting to watch how the producers will take the audience to each unavoidable destination.

Now I owned a G.I. Joe or two when I was but a lad, and in my imagination those plastic toys with extremely durable wire joints took on more than a few successful "missions," but never in my wildest dreams did I come up with a story like this.

The film is rated PG-13 for action sequences that portray violence, but this is a "war movie" after all, and actually the bleeding is very well contained.

G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra isn't likely to show up on next year's list of Oscar nominees, but it will probably do fairly well at the box office (\$56 million on opening weekend) and in DVD rentals. And judging by the ending, a sequel is no doubt in the works.

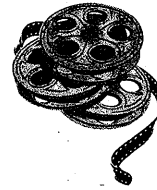
Sometimes it's good to just let a movie burn off a little adrenalin.



EXIT COMMENTS:

- "It has a little something for everyone; action, adventure and romance," **Rodney - Alba**
- "Thought it was awesome, it's fun rooting for the good guys," **Bob & Madison - Gaylord**
- "Not exactly my type of movie, but I liked it," **Steven - Lewiston**
- "Far fetched and marginal computer graphics," **Pierson - Fairview**
- "10 out of 10, great graphics and action," **Dan & Parker - Gaylord**

Movie;
70%



EXIT POLL
Which Did
You Prefer?

Popcorn;
30%



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Family 90 mins
Voices of Nicholas Cage, Penelope Cruz
Starts Friday July 24th
Daily 2:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00

THE UGLY TRUTH

Comedy 96 mins
Katherine Heigl - Gerard Butler
Starts Friday July 24th
Daily 2:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00

G.I. JOE: THE RISE OF COBRA

Action 120 mins
Dennis Quaid, Channing Tatum
Starts Friday August 7th
Daily 2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

**HARRY POTTER & THE
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Daniel Radcliffe & Emma Watson
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Starts Friday July 24th
Daily 1:00, 3:00, 7:00, 9:00

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**HARRY POTTER & THE
HALF-BLOOD PRINCE**

Action 153 mins
daniel Radcliffe & Emma Watson
Starts wednesday July 15th 1:00, 3:45, 6:45, 9:30
Midnight Show on Tuesday 12:00

FUNNY PEOPLE

Comedy 136 mins
Seth Rogan-Leslie Mann-Adam Sandler
Daily 1:00-3:45-6:45-9:30

ALIENS IN THE ATTIC

Family- Sci-Fi 86 mins
Ashley Tisdale-Robert Hoffman
Daily 1:00-3:00-7:00-9:00

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Horror-Drama 123 mins
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THE UGLY TRUTH

Romantic comedy 96 mins
Katherine Heigl-Gerard Butler
Starts Friday July 24
Daily 11:45-1:45-3:45-5:30-7:15-9:00

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Family 94 mins
voices of Ray Ramano, Dennis Leary
Daily 11:45-1:45-3:45-5:30-7:15

THE HANGOVER

Comedy 103 mins
Bradley Cooper-Heather Graham
Nightly 9:00

G-FORCE

Family 90 mins
Nicholas Cage-Penelope Cruz
Starts Friday July 24
Daily 11:45-1:45-3:45-5:30-7:15-9:00

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Action 120 mins
Dennis Quaid, Channing Tatum
Starts Friday August 7th
Daily 11:45, 2:00, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

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Comedy 124 mins
Meryl Streep, Amy Adams
Starts Friday August 7th
Daily 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

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HALF-BLOOD PRINCE**

Action 153 mins
Daniel Watson & Emma Watson
Starts Wednesday July 15th 11:45, 1:00, 2:30, 4:00, 6:45, 7:00, 9:30, 9:45
Midnight Show on Tuesday 12:00

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Comedy 106 mins
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Starts Friday June 19th 12:00, 2:15, 5:00, 7:00, 9:15

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Comedy 136 mins
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Third Annual Leader of the Pack Motorcycle Rally/Poker Run & Chicken Dinner, Aug. 29, 10am - 3pm. Register in advance online at: www.charlevoixhumane.org or the day of the event starting at 8:30 am at 220 Lake Street, Boyne City. Dinner begins at 4pm.

EAST JORDAN

USED BOOK SALE

Jordan Valley District Library's annual Used Book Sale now through Aug. 31. 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.

CHARLEVOIX

KIWANIS'S ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Come celebrate 75 years of supporting kids and all that they do on Sept. 10! Kiwanis is excited to share their Anniversary with those who have helped along the way. Tickets are available from any Kiwanis member for this great party held at Castle Farms in Charlevoix and catered by Grey Gables of Charlevoix.

EAST JORDAN

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

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

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.



Laura Sansom (left) and Clarissa Heaton-Wright, both of whom do not want some of the changes made to Old City Park, stand next to one of the trees in the park.

PHOTO BY B. J. CONLEY-HEITLER

Old City Park

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citizens, professionals and city officials.

"This is what everyone thought on balance was the best plan," Robinson said.

Clarissa Heaton-Wright whose family has lived in Boyne City for many years did not agree with some aspects of the plan for historical reasons.

"George Beardsley gave the park to all citizens of the community for all generations. I think its wrong. It's a city park, not a city parking lot," she said. "It seems you've gone overboard. I think the priority should be given to green space."

Beardsley, who was known as the "father of Boyne City," donated the land for the park in the early 1900s.

The plans show the installation of sidewalks looping through the interior of the park and 16-foot wide sidewalks around part of the exterior. The idea here is to give plenty of parking and walking space for people who shop at the Farmers Market that is held in the park each Wednesday and Saturday during the summer and early fall.

City commissioners discussed Old City Park at a July 28 board of commissioners' meeting and awarded contracts to firms for the construction in the park and on River and Park streets. Although several commissioners were not sure about the issues, they said change orders could be used to correct situations.

Commissioner Mike Cummings voiced his concerns.

"We are reducing the footprint of this park. Do we want 16-foot wide sidewalks? I think the public sentiment is that we don't want sidewalks that size. I think we're creating a concrete jungle," Cummings said.

Commissioner Chuck Vondra said he had received a call from a resident who was concerned about the removal of some of the trees.

"I want to make sure questions are answered before we start chopping trees down," Vondra said.

In the end, commissioners voted to award the contracts, but noted that they had the flexibility to change plans with change orders.

Exhibit Opens at Jordan River Art Center

The Jordan River Arts Council (JRAC) and the Institute for Sustainable Living, Art and Natural Design (ISLAND) have collaborated to present the exhibit "Rooting Deep, Branching Out" which opened August 9 at the Jordan River Art Center, 301 Main St., East Jordan.

The project asks the questions: What do we know about place? How do we understand place through art? The goal of this project is to craft a vision of what it means to live in Northwest Lower Michigan-particularly in relationships to geography, economics, cultural communities and ecology's of the many small places that make up the north.

Over 30 artists have answered the call. Amanda Kik, one of the curators stated, "I'm excited for the show! We've got some really nice pieces!" The show includes photography, pottery, paintings, sculpture, glasswork, writing, video and audio.

A most unique feature will be that the video and audio presentations will be in an ice shanty in the main gallery! The entries were jurored by Glenn Wolff whose work is included in the show.

The exhibit runs from August 9 through September 18. A reception to meet the artists will be August 15. There will be readings by Holly Spaulding and Yvonne Stephens. Refreshments will be served by the JRAC board of directors with cider being provided by Tandem Ciders of Suttons Bay and wine provided by Black Star Farms.

The Center is open daily from 1-4 pm. Other times can be arranged. For further information contact curators of project: Brad Kik, ISLAND; phone 231-480-4515 or e-mail brad@artmeetsearth.org or contact Babs Young, JRAC; phone 231-599-2220 or e-mail babsy@elkrapidsnet.com.

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4TH ANNUAL RELAY FOR LIFE OF CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Event Begins August 15th at Castle Farms

The 4th annual Relay for Life of Charlevoix County will kickoff at 10am on Saturday, August 15th at Castle Farms in Charlevoix. Please join us to fight back, celebrate and remember those who have been touched by cancer. This 24-hour event is the premier fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. The event will conclude at 10am on Sunday, August 16th.

One in three people will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetime. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life® is a life-changing event that brings together more than 3.5 million people across the country each year to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against a disease that takes too much.

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If you would like additional information about the event or would like to make a donation, please call Lindsey Malpass-Skop at 231-536-7959.

ECONOMY REBOUNDED??

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just over one-half percent. Hey, that's good news!

Marty Moody of Lynda's Real Estate in Boyne City states, "We've been steady...this has been a good summer for us. Things have definitely improved; though it helps that the summer season is coming to end and the first time homebuyer credit is due to expire in December."

"With 91 closed transactions in the first 6 months of the year, we are very excited by the increase in business," states Wayne Stahl of RE/MAX Professional Advantage in Petoskey and Indian River. "The government, however, has not fixed the finance system but has made it very difficult. The time now required to finance and close is increasing from a typical four weeks to eight weeks and even longer."

Lesia Jarski, of Real Estate One in Gaylord, notes, "It's still busy. There are days when our phones are ringing off the hook. This is a great time to buy, and there have been some very big sales recently."

The Water Wonderland Board of Realtors reports that both June and July housing sales have been up compared to last year. For instance, June 2009 versus June 2008 saw Oscoda County up 75 %, Crawford and Cheboygan Counties up 50%, and Otsego County up 39%.

In the automotive world, "Cash for Clunkers" has been the battle cry that has been motivating car and truck buyers back into dealer showrooms in recent months. At nearly 1 million sales, July 2009 was the best auto sales month since the previous August, or you could say, it was better than it has been in a year. GM es-

timated that the Cash for Clunkers program increase sales by 118,000 vehicles, and Ford reported a two-percent sales increase in July.

Last Friday, President Obama signed a law that plunks an additional \$2 billion into the program, and the administration estimates the new funds will last until about Labor Day, prompting up to 500,000 additional vehicle sales.

"It will definitely do some good," states Pat McKeown Sr. of Pat McKeown Ford, "The program is a good idea but there are a lot of qualifications and they have made it very difficult for the dealers to implement. It isn't aimed at everyone."

"It is a paperwork nightmare for the dealership," states Kevin Delph of Fletches in Cheboygan. "It has, however, generated traffic into the showroom and a lot of people are talking about it. It can be a fantastic deal for the right buyer."

Rob DeForge, of Gaylord Ford states, "A consumer who has a qualifying vehicle should definitely check the program out. Combined with rebate programs that may apply, it can save the buyer a significant amount of money on a new vehicle."

"I think it been a great program," states Tom Wager of Wager Motor Sales in Gaylord. "The vehicles that have been traded in defi-



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nitely needed to get off the road. The people who have come in have done their homework, so they know what the program was all about. 'It has been positive for us all the way around."

And there's more good news in the automotive sector (how long since you've read those words?).

A combination of twelve Michigan firms and universities recently became the recipient of nearly \$1 billion of a \$2.4 billion federal grant aimed at the development of the next generation of electric vehicles and batteries. Among the companies receiving the grant money are Midland's Dow Chemical Co., GM, Chrysler and Ford, and several universities, including Wayne State, University of Michigan, Kettering, Macomb Community College and Michigan Technological University.

Let's not forget the good old

Dow Jones, which is up over 300 points since the beginning of the year, and over 2700 points since it bottomed out (hopefully) in March.

On August 1st, it was reported that the US economy has declined at a less than expected pace in the second quarter, merely one percent versus the expected one and a half percent. Economists have stated this is the clearest evidence yet that our economy may be emerging from a recession that began in December 2007, and many expect actual growth in the second half of the year.

Will Rogers once said, "I don't know any more about this thing than an economist does, and God knows, he (or she) doesn't know much." And while we all know we still aren't out of the woods just yet, it is good to enjoy the clearings.

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A Charming Bungalow in the Woods

By JIM AKANS

This is an exciting opportunity to own a charming, well-maintained, home situated on just over three private, wooded acres for an asking price of just \$110,000.

And while the gorgeous setting feels hours away from the city, the home is located just inside Antrim County (served by Boyne City Schools) only six miles away from the many shopping and entertainment possibilities offered in downtown Boyne City.

This home features living area on two levels. The main level has 1,060 square feet of thoughtfully planned space that includes two good sized bedrooms, full bath, a large main living area and combination kitchen and dining room. The kitchen and bath have been recently updated, with beautiful white cabinetry, low maintenance vinyl flooring, and a full complement of appliances including dishwasher, refrigerator, range/oven and built-in microwave.

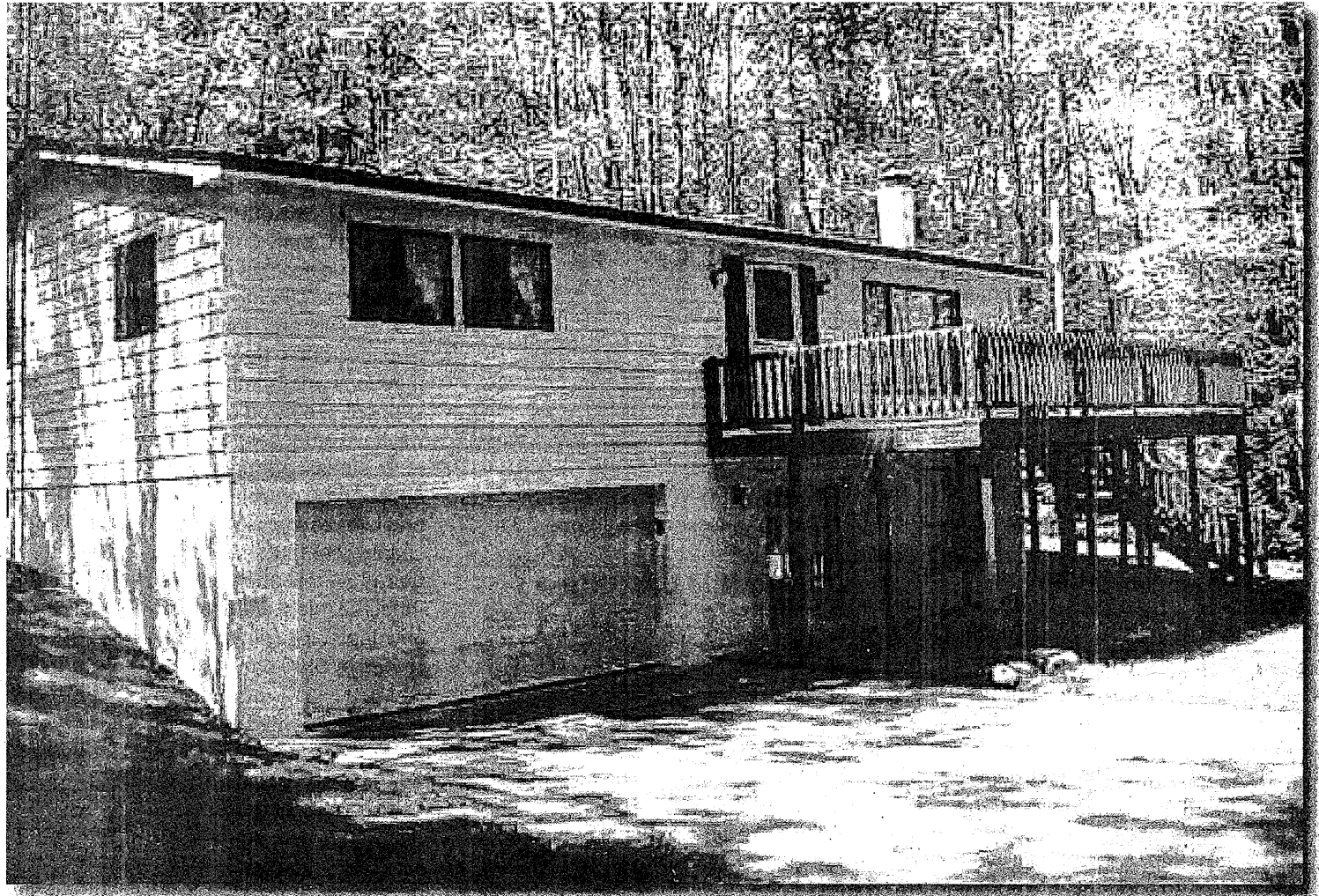
The jewel of the main level is a spacious three-season porch (three and half seasons for more hearty souls). The porch provides a panoramic vantage point to soak in the picturesque setting. Certainly the new homeowners will be spending a lot of time enjoying the views from this spot.

The lower level of this home has been finished with a huge, 22 x 23 foot family room complete with wood stove for keeping the space warm and cozy during cooler weather. The room offers walk-out access to the outdoors. There is also a 1/2 bath located on the lower level.

This is the perfect home for those requiring ample storage needs. In addition to the attached garage, there is a paved drive that leads to a detached 24 x 32 foot pole barn. And, there is an additional storage shed on the property as well. With the home being located close to Boyne Mountain and snowmobile trails, there is plenty of space for keeping those recreational vehicles and toys safe and dry.

Additional exterior highlights of the home included a long lasting, metal roof, and a wonderful raised deck for enjoying the outdoor setting on gorgeous sunny days and cool summer nights.

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By MONICA ROSS

The government has given the housing industry a boost just like the auto industry's successful "Cash for Clunkers" program. The First Time Homebuyer Credit Program is designed to boost demand for housing. The program, which requires homes to close prior to December 1, 2009, allows a first time homebuyer or anyone who has not owned a home in the past three years to qualify for up to \$8,000 as a tax credit on their federal income tax. As with any program, certain restrictions do apply, but many homebuyers will qualify for this program. Primary determining factors for the program are the price of the home

TIME RUNNING OUT FOR \$8,000 FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER CREDIT

and the income level of the buyer.

Rules for the program are pretty simple. A buyer qualifies for a tax credit of 10% of the price paid for the home up to a maximum of \$8,000. For example, if you purchased a home for \$65,000 your credit would be \$6,500 (10%), but if you purchased a home for \$80,000 or above your credit would be the \$8,000. There is no maximum home value provided you meet the other required criteria. The home must be used as your principal residence. A single person must have an adjusted gross income of under \$95,000 to qualify and a married couple must show adjusted gross income under \$170,000. There is no repayment of the tax credit required provided you use it only as your principal residence for 36 months after closing. Your tax advisor can advise you on penalties if you do not fulfill the 36 month rule.

The logic behind the program is that first time homebuyers are usually the ones who purchase the

homes that are in need of some repair or upgrading. The credit will allow them to have the cash to make those upgrades quickly. This need should stimulate the economy even further with the purchase of home improvement materials and services. The tax credit dollars can be accessed more quickly than waiting for your 2009 tax refund by filing an amended 2008 return. Your tax advisor can help you with these details. The IRS form 5405 is used to claim the credit. You may check the complete rules on the program by downloading form 5405 from the www.irs.gov website.

As local Realtors® we are seeing the lower priced repos that everyone was waiting for disappearing and higher priced ones now becoming the norm. It appears that the bottom for pricing may have been reached. There is still a large inventory of homes available which will take a while to flow through the market. Home prices are still lower than they were two to four years

ago. Lenders are becoming much stricter on lending guidelines and it is taking longer to close on loans. In the past we may have been able to close some loans in 30 days or less. Now it is common for loans to take 45 to 60 days to close. With this in mind, and with the need to close on a home before December 1, 2009 to take advantage of the "first time home buyer credit", it is not too soon to start looking. Having your home selected before October 1, 2009 is a good idea to be sure that you do not miss out on this valuable credit.

Interest rates are still at very affordable and currently hovering around 6%. We are fortunate in Northern Michigan to still have programs available for low income buyers to obtain homes with zero down through rural housing programs. FHA programs allow for 3.5% to 5% downpayment options. Buyers need to be aware that these are the downpayment amounts and that they will incur other expenses involved with

buying a home. An experienced Realtor® can help to show you ways to minimize these expenses. Buyers need to realize that Realtors® are paid by the seller which means they have nothing to lose and everything to gain by working with a qualified buyer's agent. Buyer's agents who hold the Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR) designation are especially qualified since they have attained extra education in how to properly represent the needs of home buyers to the fullest extent.

If you have ever considered home ownership, there is no better time to pursue your options. Many people do not realize that they can often buy cheaper than they can rent. There are other tax advantages of home ownership that many people never realize. The government is offering you the best opportunity ever with the "First Time Homebuyer Tax Credit" plan. Don't let it slip away. *Monica Ross, ABR, CRS, PMNE-Pro Lynda's Real Estate Service, Boyne City*

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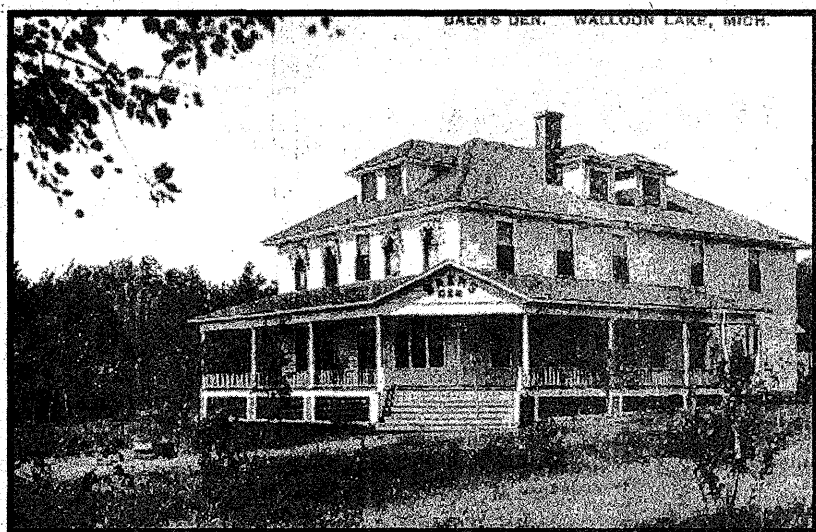
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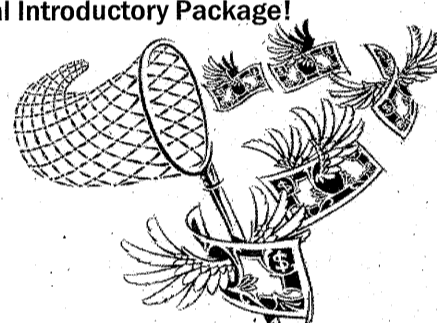
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Charlevoix County Community Foundation Announces Scholarships to Area Graduates

This fall, college tuition will be a little easier on the pockets of area families, thanks to scholarships totaling over \$120,000 recently awarded through the Charlevoix County Community Foundation.

There were over 100 scholarships awarded to area graduates from special funds held by the community foundation. All funds were established by local citizens to honor family members, civic leaders and educators. Among the students receiving scholarships are:

BEAVER ISLAND

Caitlin Boyle received the \$250 **21st Century Learning Scholarship**. She will attend Michigan State University and major in animal sciences.

Maeve Green was awarded the \$250 **21st Century Learning Scholarship**.

BOYNE CITY

Christian Bersano was awarded the \$485 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship**. Christian plans to major in engineering at Michigan Technological University.

Sarah Gerberding received the \$424.38 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship**. She will major in business at Central Michigan University.

Christian Kirkby received the \$500 **Boyne Valley Lions Club—Clive and Ruby Vollick Memorial Scholarship**. He will attend Michigan Technological University to study business.

Trevor Krusel was awarded the \$200 **Casey and Mark Neville Memorial Scholarship** to attend Northern Michigan University.

Ashley Lockery received the \$1,000 **Christy Gill Memorial Scholarship**. She will attend Michigan State University and study veterinary medicine.

Meghan Martinez received the \$485 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College and study biology.

Lane McCary received the \$485 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship**. Lane will attend Kendall College of Art and Design and major in illustration.

Ann Purdy was awarded the \$485 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship**. She will study psychology at Northwestern Michigan College.

Ryan Spence received the \$503.50 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Patrick Welch received the \$500 **Boyne Valley Lions Club—Clive and Ruby Vollick Memorial Scholarship** and the \$485 **Lee-Tokoly Charitable Educational Trust Scholarship**. He plans to attend Grand Valley State University and study accounting.

BOYNE FALLS

Roslyn Fiel was awarded the \$500 **Boyne Falls Polish Festival Memorial Scholarship**.

Carlisle Massey was awarded the \$500 **Boyne Area Car Show Scholarship** and the \$350 **Choice Snyder Family Memorial Scholarship**.

Amber Simon was awarded the \$500 **Boyne Falls Polish Festival Memorial Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Corey Simon received the \$1,000 **Joe Schwem Memorial Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

CHARLEVOIX

Geoffrey Baier received the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. He will major in political science at the University of Michigan.

Jessica Bills was awarded the \$2,700 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will attend Grand Valley State University and study nursing.

Ben Castiglione received the \$1,700 **Belvedere Scholarship**. He will major in architecture at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Courtney Chamberlain received the \$2,200 **Belvedere Scholarship** to attend Central Michigan University.

Megan Cross was awarded the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will attend Northwestern Michigan College and major in nursing.

Justin Friske received the \$1,700

Belvedere Scholarship. He plans to attend Ferris State University and major in nuclear medicine.

Gena Gaudio received the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship** to attend Michigan State University and study communications.

Marnie Greene was awarded the \$500 **Charlevoix Lions Club—Don Meggison Scholarship**. She plans to attend Central Michigan University and major in special education.

Michael Heckendorn received the \$500 **Charlevoix Lions Club—Don Meggison Scholarship**. He will attend Anderson University and major in social work.

Emily Heffling received the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will major in pre-law at Michigan State University.

Kyle Jones received the \$2,800 **Belvedere Scholarship**. He will attend Ferris State University and major in construction management.

Raymond Jones received the \$2,500 **Belvedere Scholarship**. He will major in nursing at Mid Michigan Community College.

Sherryl Kirby received the \$1,350 **Charlevoix Area Hospital Nursing Scholarship** to attend Ferris State University.

Becca Madison was awarded the \$2,500 **Belvedere Scholarship** to attend Ohio Wesleyan University.

Stephanie Murray received the \$1,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will attend Northern Michigan University and study art history.

Julie Neidert received the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship** to major in marketing communications at Columbia College Chicago.

Rachael Nuttall was awarded the \$1,500 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will attend North Central Michigan College and major in interior design/architecture.

Robyn Peizak was awarded the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship** to study radiography at Mid Michigan Community College.

Tamara Potter was awarded the \$500 **Charlevoix Lions Club—Coleman Scholarship** and the \$2,400 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will attend Alma College and major in education.

Teresa Potter received the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will major in athletic training at Saginaw Valley State University.

Ariel Ramsey was awarded the \$2,500 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will major in nursing at North Central Michigan College.

Madison Ramsey received the \$1,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. She will attend Grand Rapids Community College and study landscape architecture.

Charisse Rogers was awarded the \$1,600 **Belvedere Scholarship** to attend Central Michigan University.

T. Robert Rundblad received the \$1,400 **Belvedere Scholarship** to attend Central Michigan University.

Kyle Smith received the \$2,000 **Belvedere Scholarship**. He will major in accounting at Grand Valley State University.

Ellise Smolenyak was awarded the \$1,300 **Earl Miller Opportunity Scholarship**. She will major in illustration at the College for Creative Studies.

JD Speigl received the \$2,500 **Belvedere Scholarship**. He will attend North Central Michigan College and study science/chiropractic medicine.

Caitlin Taylor received the \$850 **Elizabeth Griffin Herman Scholarship**. She will study landscape architecture at Michigan State University.

Brock Yenglin received the \$500 **Charlevoix Lions Club—Coleman Scholarship**. He will study in the pre-dental program at Grand Valley State University.

EAST JORDAN

Jose Ambrosio was awarded the \$2,000 **East Jordan Rotary Opportunity Scholarship**. He will attend North Central Michigan College and major in accounting.

Emily Bajko was awarded the \$1,200 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**.

Gloria Barnum received the \$700 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**. She will attend North Central College and major in biology.

Clint Blake received the \$500 **David Burch Scholarship**. He will major in education at North Central Michigan Col-

lege.

Damaris Blatt received the \$1,000 **East Jordan Rotary Club—Bryce Vance Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Andrew Boyer was awarded the \$1,000 **Jeremy and Nicholas Bingham Memorial Scholarship**. He will attend North Central Michigan College and major in environmental science.

James Brown was awarded the \$500 **Larry Gee Memorial Scholarship**, \$3,000 **East Jordan Rotary Club—William Mair-pass Scholarship**, and \$300 **Miss East Jordan Ambassador Scholarship**. He will attend the University of Michigan and major in engineering.

Michael Cardwell received the \$700 **Norman and Genevieve Bartlett Scholarship**, \$1,000 **East Jordan Rotary Club Scholarship**, \$300 **Miss East Jordan Ambassador Scholarship**, and \$750 **Walter and Norma Thorsen Scholarship**. He will attend Michigan Technological University and major in engineering.

Andrea Chew received the \$1,000 **Marion Gardner Brooks Memorial Scholarship**, and \$2,500 **Kenneth Diller Memorial Scholarship**. She will attend Alma College and major in education.

Hailey Crick received the \$1,000 **Jeremy and Nicholas Bingham Memorial Scholarship**, and \$400 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**. She will study architecture at Central Michigan University.

Kimberly Elzinga received the \$400 **Bob Snyder Memorial Scholarship**. She will attend North Central Michigan College and major in business and teaching.

Beau Fuller was awarded the \$300 **Eary/Conrad Family Memorial Scholarship**, and \$500 **Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel Scholarship**. He will study automotive technology at Northwestern Michigan College.

QuinciAnne Fuller received the \$1,500 **East Jordan Rotary Opportunity Scholarship**. She will attend Northwestern Michigan College and study veterinary science.

Glen Gee was awarded the \$2,000 **East Jordan Rotary Opportunity Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College and major in computer aided drafting.

Meagan Germaine was awarded the \$400 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**. She will major in English at Michigan State University.

Cliff Graham received the \$1,000 **East Jordan Rotary Club—William Porter Scholarship**. He will study heavy equipment technology at Ferris State University.

Jordan Hagen received the \$2,500 **East Jordan Rotary Club—Marjorie Smith Scholarship**. He will major in engineering at Michigan Technological University.

Abigail Hawley received the \$1,500 **East Jordan Rotary Club—Howard Porter Scholarship**, and \$400 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**. She will attend the University of Michigan and study pre-medicine.

Joe Hidakatsu received the \$900 **Alice Garlock Memorial Scholarship**, \$2,000 **East Jordan Rotary Club—William T. Mathews Scholarship**, \$700 **Leatha Larsen Memorial Scholarship**, \$500 **Shepard Family Scholarship**, and the \$500 **Teddy Slough Memorial Music Scholarship**. He will major in engineering at the University of Michigan.

Samantha Higdon was awarded the \$500 **East Jordan Garden Club Scholarship**, and \$900 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**. She will major in environmental science at Michigan Technological University.

Melanie Hillaker received the \$4,000 **East Jordan Rotary Opportunity Scholarship**. She will attend Ferris State University and major in dental hygiene.

Seth Kishefsky received the \$3,000 **East Jordan Rotary Opportunity Scholarship**. He will attend Delta College and study management/finance.

Chelsie Kritz was awarded the \$400 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship**. She will study education at Northwestern Michigan College.

Brittani McCully was awarded the \$400 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship** and \$500 **Muriel and Bill Zoulek Memorial Scholarship**. She will attend Kirland Community College and major in nursing.

Ashley Mosley received the \$500 **R. Loren and Kay Hughes Scholarship**. She will study business at North Central Michigan College.

Kayla Mousseau received the \$1,200 **Becky Bos Memorial Scholarship**. She will major in interior design at Kendall College.

Alyssa Piechocki was awarded the \$400 **Miss East Jordan Pageant Scholarship** to attend Northwestern Michigan College.

Nicole Richards was awarded the \$500 **Joan Swanson Burch Scholarship**. She will attend North Central Michigan College and study culinary arts.

Alexandra Snowden was awarded the \$300 **Eary/Conrad Family Memorial Scholarship**, and \$500 **Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel Scholarship**. She will study culinary arts at Grand Rapids Community College.

OTHER

Kathleen Biddle received the \$1,400 **Edna Brown Nursing Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Ronald Bunker was awarded the \$1,000 **Edna Brown Nursing Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Jodi Cannon received the \$1,200 **Edna Brown Nursing Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Kathy Johnson-Herbert was awarded the \$3,000 **Edna Brown Nursing Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Oksana Marchenko was awarded the \$3,000 **Edna Brown Nursing Scholarship** to attend North Central Michigan College.

Grant Oliver received the \$500 **Teddy Slough Memorial Music Scholarship**. He will study at the Great Lakes Boat Building School.

Eeva Stout Sharp received the \$750 **Kristen Cleary Memorial Scholarship**. She will study pre-law at Kalamazoo College.

The Charlevoix County Community Foundation now holds 224 different funds, 67 of which are designated for scholarships. Established by local citizens in 1992, the community foundation serves as a charitable resource for the entire county, and has distributed grants and scholarships totaling over \$11.6 million to benefit residents of this area. For more information about the community foundation, or any of its funds, please call the foundation office at (231)536-2440.

Grand Valley State University Dean's List

Grand Valley State University announces the names of students who were placed on the dean's list for the Winter 2009 semester. The list includes those students who have maintained a 3.5 grade point average and been enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits. The honor is noted on the students' official records.

Grand Valley is dedicated to providing a rich learning environment for students, offering a wide range of majors and hands-on research opportunities. Highly credentialed and responsive faculty and individual advisors and mentors promote a liberal arts emphasis that teaches students critical thinking and problem solving.

STUDENTS HONORED FOR THE WINTER SEMESTER INCLUDE:

Boyne City: Kathleen Adkison; Matthew Dyer; Melanie Higgins; Shelley Koteskey; Sally McKenney; Amy Schneider; Carly Stieber; Trisha Tomkins; Heather Worden

Charlevoix: Tyler Bier; Lawrence Denemy; Andrea Farrell; Aaron Hagen; Sarah Hagen; Tess Hoaglund; Dillon Olmstead; Logan Priess; Sarah Shepard; Jacob Teuscher; Adam Wager; Cody Wheat

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Road Commission

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along paved shoulders of the road. The Boyne City-Charlevoix Road is slated for reconstruction at which time the wider, paved shoulders could be constructed.

"We're well within our rights on each side of the road to have a bike path confined to the shoulder area only," Ogden said. "It's not only the legal way, but it's the best way."

If the county decides to build wider shoulders along the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road, funding would need to be determined. The cost of rebuilding the first phase of the road is estimated at \$1.3 million, with the county paying \$53,000 in addition.

Resident Steve Van Dam attended the meeting and spoke about the funds the county had applied for to build a separate trail.

"Some of the grant money will definitely go away," Van Dam said. "This grant is just for the path (trail). We can't use path funds for widening shoulders. I don't know where the money will come from for widening the shoulders."

County road commissions must spend one percent of revenue on a non-motorized trail or similar project each year.

"A wide shoulder fulfills the one percent needed to be spent on a trail," said road commission manager Pat Harmon.

County planning director Larry Sullivan has met with cities and townships to garner support for a separate trail at the direction of the county commission.

Sullivan said he was disappointed by the road commissioners' decision, but not surprised. But the separate trail is not a dead issue, he said. He will meet with the citizens group that advocates a trail.

Michael Sheean is president of the North County Bicycle Club.

"A trail would have the full spectrum of users," he said. That would include roller bladers, family bicyclists, walkers and joggers.

"I'm in favor of a non-motorized trail for safety reasons," Sheean said, speaking of families and youngsters. But, he said he also appreciated the idea of a wide shoulder on the road for bicyclists traveling at high speeds. BY UNNAMED WRITER

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E.H.R. Services L.L.C. Ribbon Cutting in East Jordan

A ribbon cutting was recently held at E.H.R. Services L.L.C located at 05771 M-32 East Jordan Mi, 49727, phone number 231-675-4878. East Jordan Area Chamber Of Commerce proudly welcomes Gene Randall and family to our organization and business community.

Pictured in photo (L to R) Cammie Hinton, Ashley Blake holding the left end of the ribbon, Darlene Randall, Gene Randall, Jesse Blake, and holding the right end of the ribbon is Lance Blake.

Orpheum Bell will perform at Aten Place on Saturday, August 15th at 7:30pm.

The band Orpheum Bell really defies any usual classification. Equipped with an orchestral ensemble of banjo, accordion, trumpet, shepherd harp, musical saw, cittern, guitar and dobro, double bass, various ukuleles and horned violins, Orpheum Bell performs what they refer to as an original "Country & Eastern" songbook of lullabies, stomps, dirt-road ballads, and gypsy suites and waltzes. Relying on old, acoustic instruments, the band's sound moves from chiseled, plaintive song stories to articulate, richly-played instrumentals. The collective members of Orpheum Bell, Aaron Klein, Annie Crawford, Laurel Premo, Merrill Hodnefield, Michael Billmire and Serge van der Voo, bring all these elements together in a thoroughly enjoyable listening experience. This is an evening of musical enjoyment that needs to be experienced more than simply listened to.

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.

Letters To The Editor

I Can Make Changes for the Better

In the past my attitude was "What is the use anyway." I cannot do anything about pollution or the war. I could not do anything about high gas prices or inflation. I spent hours complaining to whoever would listen. During these years I realized I was being programmed through the media to think a certain way.

Then after being angry and upset I decided I could make changes in the way things are. If I do not like something I can do something besides complaining about it. I will give a couple of examples.

Back when gas prices were \$4.00 a gallon I was fortunate to get raises at my job, which enabled me to still save a little money while paying higher prices for gas in my car.

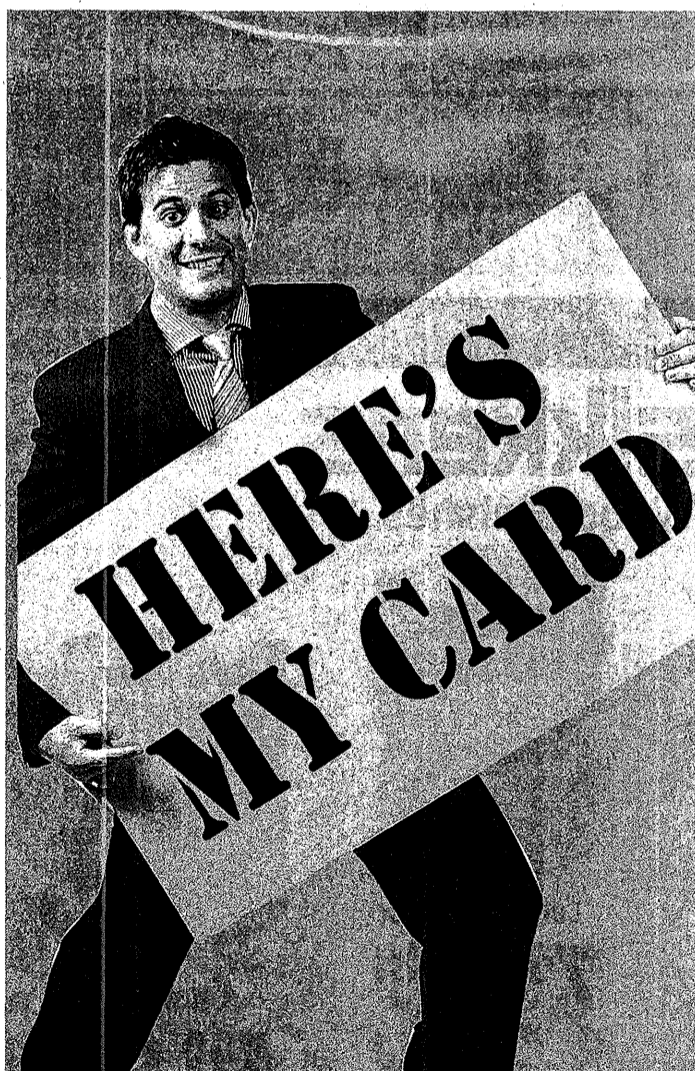
Then a new problem occurred. They raised the price of propane and natural gas last winter. I had three gas bills over \$400. This is unacceptable. I cannot afford gas bills that high. I was fortunate to learn about ultraviolet heaters that can heat 1,000 square feet. Now I have a new heat source and no longer am forced to pay \$400 heating bills.

Now what am I going to do about high inflation and food prices? The first thing to go was my satellite TV. That was fairly easy to give up. TV programming is very poor anyway. This has allowed me to have the funds necessary for food.

Now another problem, Injection Wells are in my backyard threatening my drinking water. I've got to do something about this. So I started sending letters to all the politicians to stop the injection wells.

Moral of the Story: I can make changes. If there is something unacceptable in my life I can do something about it. I no longer just get angry and complain like before. I take positive action.

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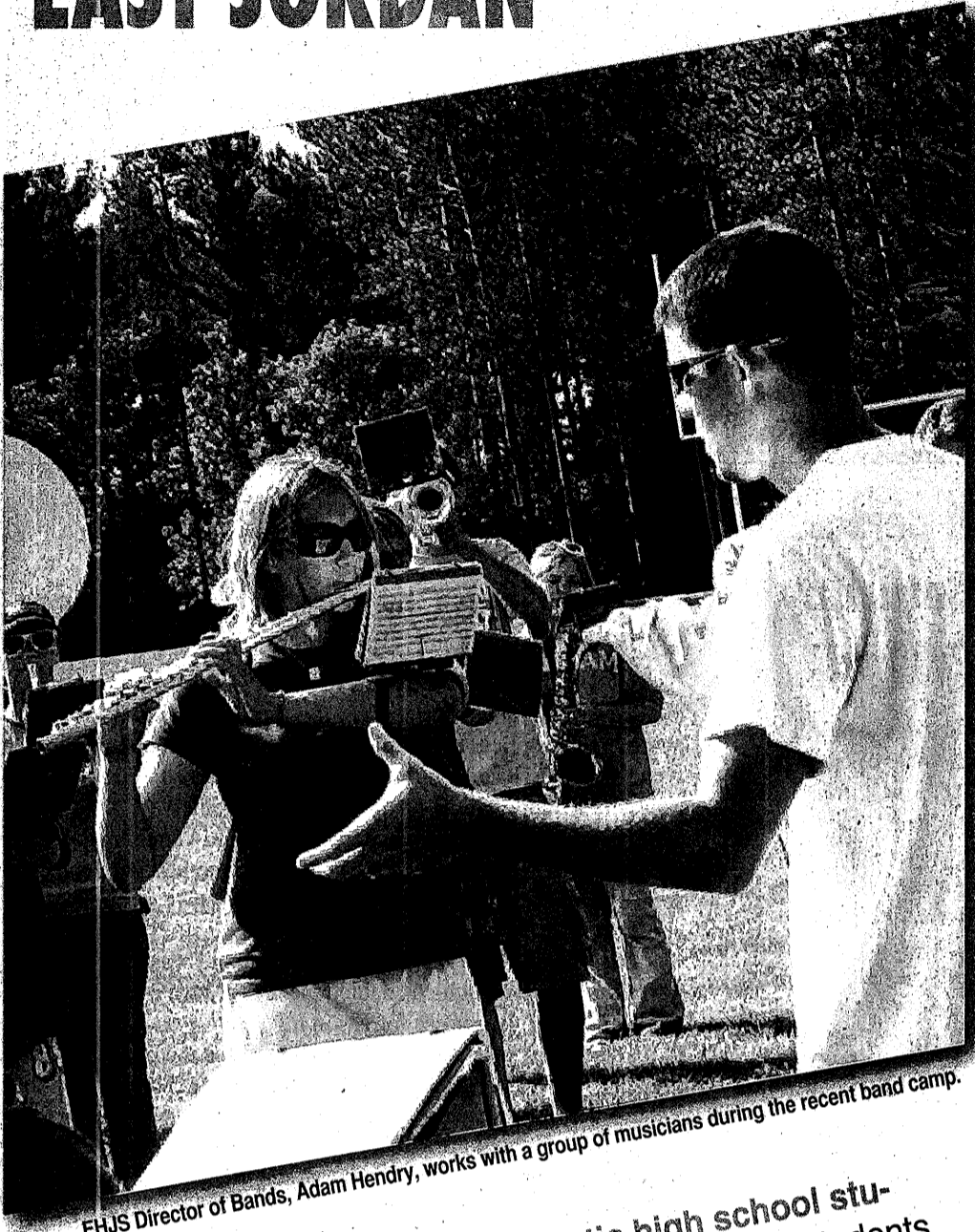
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MARCHING BAND CAMP BIG BUSINESS IN EAST JORDAN



EHJS Director of Bands, Adam Hendry, works with a group of musicians during the recent band camp.

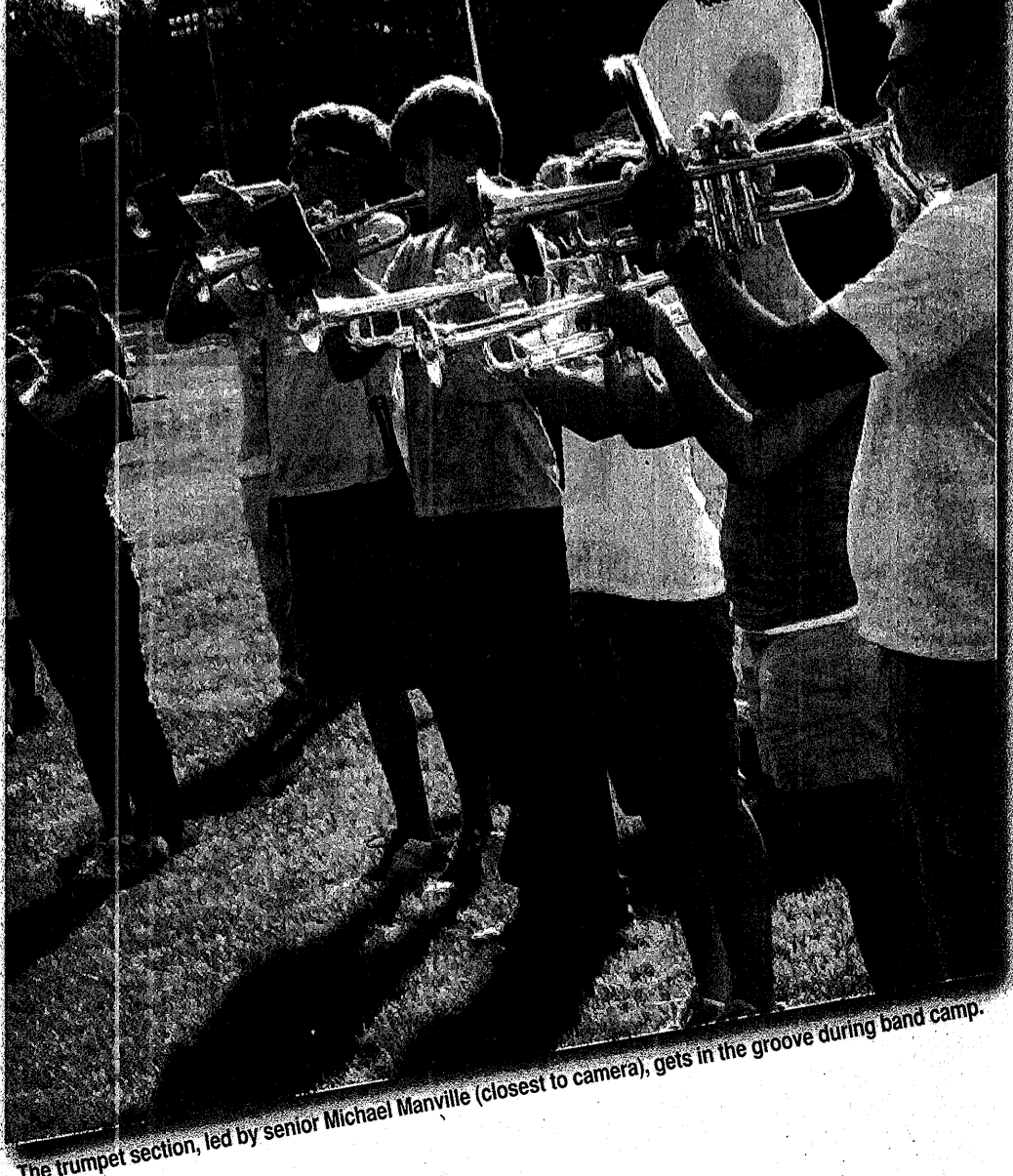
What do 60 talented and enthusiastic high school students do on their summer vacation? Well, if they're students at East Jordan High School, they go to marching band camp!

60 strong, the members of the East Jordan High School Marching Band, under the direction of Adam Hendry, stormed the practice field at the high school this week, spending 40 hours drilling, marching and practicing for their upcoming halftime show and marching band competitions. "The camp gives us a great jump start on the marching season," Hendry said, adding, "and the turnout and enthusiasm from the kids has been great."

This year's show will feature a jazz theme, including several familiar tunes like "The Land of Make Believe" and "The Pink Panther," and, by the end of the week, the quality was already impressive. "We'll be in good shape for Friday's camp-ending performance for the parents," Mr. Hendry said, adding, "the kids are solid musically and their visual presentation is getting stronger everyday (pulling a line from a "Chicago" hit)."

Not that enthusiasm is a concern in the EJHS music program. Hendry, himself, is a fired up kind of band leader, and his passion for music rubs off on the students, a fact that contributed to this week's great turnout. "For high school kids to spend 5 warm and sunny days on a band practice field says something about their commitment to excellence," Hendry said.

In addition to their halftime shows, the EJHS Marching Band will also compete in the Traverse City Marching Band Expo and the annual Bands Around the Bay program in Harbor Springs.



The trumpet section, led by senior Michael Manville (closest to camera), gets in the groove during band camp.

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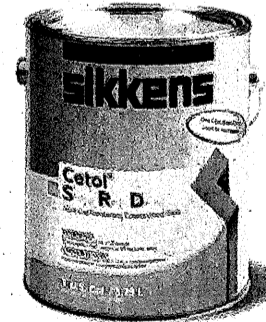
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