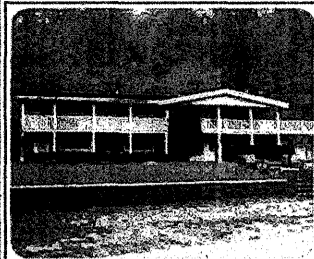


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By JIM AKANS

It's been a bit cooler than normal this summer. In fact, it has been historically cool according to the National Weather Service.

All stations in the northern Lower Peninsula have recorded their top

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WWI "Polar Bears" film premieres in Boyne City



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"Voices of a Never Ending Dawn" is one of the last great, untold stories of American military history. American soldiers, including those from Northern Michigan, were chosen to fight in arctic Russia in the ultimate test of skill, strength and loyalty to country.

The film by award-winning filmmaker, Pamela Peak, is showing on PBS television in 2010, but it premieres in Boyne City High School's Performing Arts Center at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, August 29. Battle scene re-enactments for this documentary film were

shot on location near Charlevoix in January.

The public is invited and admission is by donation. All donations go towards Veterans Memorial Park in Boyne City, and to prepare the film for PBS broadcast. The audience will include descendants of the men known as Michigan's Polar Bears. These men were local fathers, grandfathers and uncles who fought and died for the principal of freedom. This film is a great tribute to the heroism they displayed eight long

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WWI POLARBEARS OF CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

BOYNE CITY

- Herman, E. J. - Sergeant-United States, Army, Engineer Regiment - 310th, Company A, British Military Medal
- Mason, Arthur F. (details not known)
- Underhill, Ward Earl - United States, Army, Infantry. Machine Gun Company.
- Wyant, William - United States Army, Infantry-339th Company M

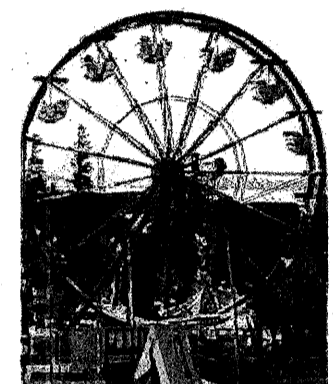
CHARLEVOIX

- Glass, Everett - Private, First Class, United States, Army, Infantry - 339th, Company H
- Montgomery, L. K. United States, Army, Infantry 339th, Company K

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- Hosler, William - United States, Army, Infantry, 339th, Company L
- Vogel, William - United States, Army, Infantry, 339th, Company F

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Come & Enjoy the Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair

4-H Exhibit Judging Starts August 21st, Carnival Opens August 25th.

By JIM AKANS

Fair time in Northern Michigan is in full swing, and the popular Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair will begin on Saturday, August 22nd with the judging of

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EAST JORDAN

SUMMER PICNIC

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

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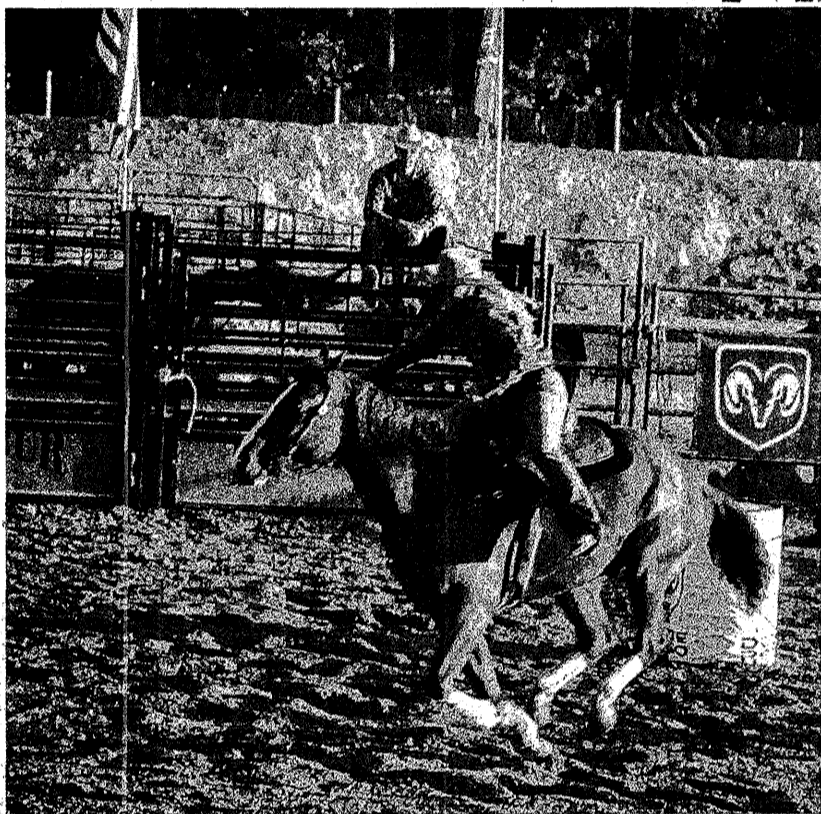
Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair

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the 4-H exhibits at the Community Center from 1pm until 5pm, the arrival of 4-H livestock on Sunday, and 4-H horse and swine shows on Monday.

"The animal barns are full this year," states Agnes Shaw, Fair Manager, "we are even using pens we haven't used for several years. In addition to farm livestock, we will also have animals people may not have had the opportunity to see up close, such as Llamas and Alpacas."

Perhaps the most anticipated event for area youngsters, and the young at heart, is the opening of the carnival rides on Tuesday at noon. The sights and sounds of those spinning, twirling rides, mingled with the aroma of elephant ears, cotton candy, and tantalizing "fair food," is the epitome of the county



fair for many, and this year, partaking in the adventure is truly a bargain.

"The Mega Ride Pass is new this year," state Agnes Shaw, "If purchased at the fair office by August 22nd, it offers the holder unlimited rides all week long for just \$50. If purchased on August 23rd or after, the price is only \$60."

Now that's a real deal for those who just can't get enough of being tossed and turned on those exciting, colorful carnival rides. The Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair is already one of the best entertainment bargains of the summer, with free parking, a meager \$3 gate admission (13 and under are free), and special \$20 armbands on Wednesday and Thursday for unlimited rides all day, but the Mega Ride Pass is an extraordinary deal.

"We also have Seniors day on Tuesday," notes Agnes Shaw. "With free gate admission for Seniors and Handi-cap citizens. Friday is Tots Day, with an \$8 armband offered for children 42-inches in height or under, allowing unlimited rides from 3pm until 6pm. We also have a Mega Pass available for our Grandstand area for just \$35."

Regular adult admission for Grandstand events is \$3 on Tuesday for the Pony, Mule and Horse Pulls, and \$10 Wednesday through Saturday for such popular events as the Excalibur Rodeo, Tuff Truck Contest, Autocross Racing and the Demolition Derby on Saturday.

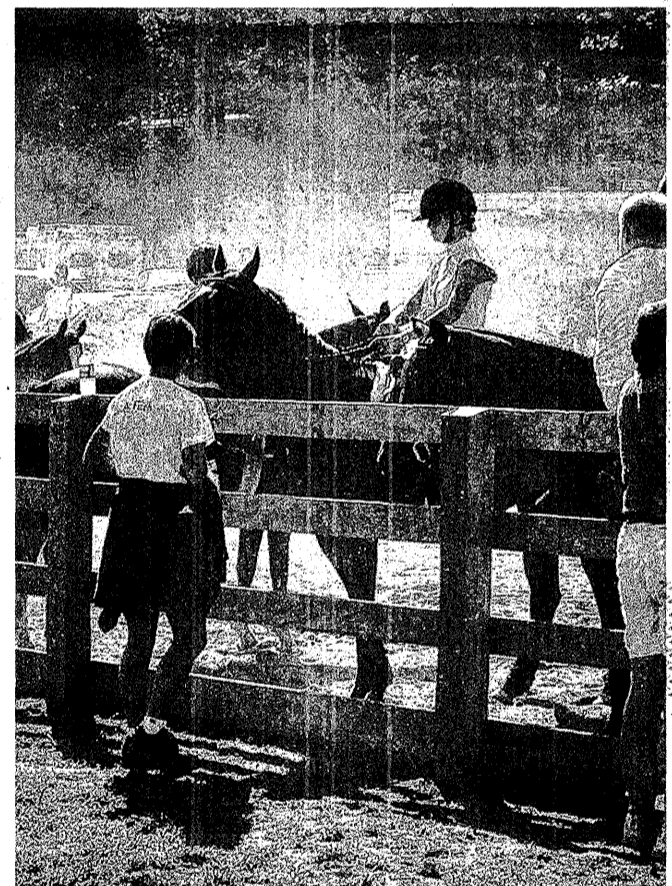
"The Walker Trio is a free musical entertainment event that will be taking place on our Community Center outdoor stage on Tuesday from 3pm until 6pm," states Agnes Shaw. "We will also hold a Karaoke competition at the Nick's Kids Show Stage on Tuesday evening starting at 7pm, with cash prizes and separate kids and adult divisions."

Agnes adds, "The fair provides great, inexpensive family entertainment all week long. Despite cuts in State funding this year, we have not increased our pricing and are even offering

ways to save even more money with our Mega Passes. There is truly something for everyone here, and we look forward to welcoming those who will be coming here to help support and enjoy their county fair this year."

For a full schedule, please visit www.emmet.mi.us/fair.

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Fraud-Retail	1	Larceny	4	Suspicious Situations	13
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Potential Harvest Shortage

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coolest Julys on record, with Gaylord and Houghton Lake each breaking their all time coldest July readings. And while this dip in the mercury has stunted a few trips to the beach, it has also affected the growing season for area farmers.

On August 3rd, Governor Granholm officially requested federal disaster assistance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for 27 Michigan counties where frost sensitive crops may be facing reduced yields this year due to the colder than average temperatures.

"This disaster declaration is a fundamental first step to ensuring Michigan farmers have the additional resources they need to overcome Mother Nature's challenges," stated Granholm, "and continue to provide us with fresh, wholesome products."

Once the harvest season is complete, and if Michigan receives federal disaster status, farmers must demonstrate at least a 30 per-

cent crop loss as compared to their typical, verified annual crop yield. This will qualify them for access to the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) loans currently offered at extremely competitive 3.75% interest rates.

Jim Monroe, FSA Farm Loan Manager in Traverse City states, "If a farmer has crop insurance or other catastrophic coverage (such as NAP), average crop yield records will typically be on file. If not, records from their last 3 years of harvests will be used to calculate their average yield."

Area farmers attending the Farmers Market in downtown Gaylord this past Saturday morning acknowledged that cooler weather has delayed their harvests, but it isn't clear just yet whether overall yields will be down by the time the snow begins to fly.



Bill Flynn of First Fruits in Mancelona notes that he is just now picking what would typically be harvested in July

Larry Nowak of Nowak Farms in Gaylord, notes, "Corn likes hot days and nights, and we haven't had

many of those this summer. Our sweet corn is running about two weeks behind and field corn about three weeks behind, the hay crop will likely be down this year as well."

"The cherry crop has been staggered this year," states Luke Dobron, of Edmondson's Orchards. "We are still pulling out some incredible fruit for this late in the season. The problem is that the market is saturated because the crops from areas such as the state of Washington are also coming in now."

Erica Hopp, of Rolling R. Farm in Gaylord, states, "It has been a tough year. The colder weather has made the harvest later than usual. The problem now for the yield is when the fall frost will come... we are hoping it arrives later than usual."

Ivan Witt, of Witt's Organic Gardens notes that while production may be a little down this year, demand for locally grown produce is increasing, so sales are up. "We did have to replant some items because of frost in May, but those substitute crops have been spectacular," he ob-

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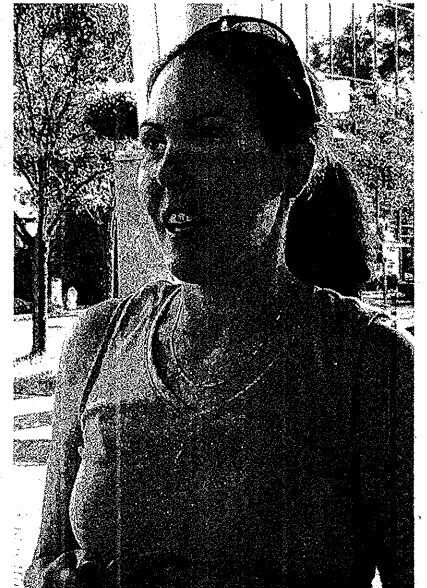
And should disaster status be achieved, and reductions in yields meet the USDA-FSA requirement, what about those loans?

"It will be much easier for farmers who sell to packing houses to qualify for the loans because their harvest records are verified," states Bill Flynn of First Fruits in Mancelona. "Individual growers selling to fresh markets such as this may have a harder time substantiating their yields."

"With the growing season being behind by several weeks," notes Dan Berg of Berg Farm in Charlevoix, "and the selling season being fixed, income will be down this year. The problem is loans just keep farmers in debt. We don't need the loans, we need the income."

To find out more about FSA loans, contact your local USDA-FSA representative (a Service Center locator can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov).

Erica Hopp, of Rolling R. Farm in Gaylord, is hoping for a later than usual frost this coming fall.



Record breaking cool temperatures in Northern Michigan this spring and summer have affected the growing season for area farmers.



City council turns down historic district

By B. J. CONLEY-HEITLER

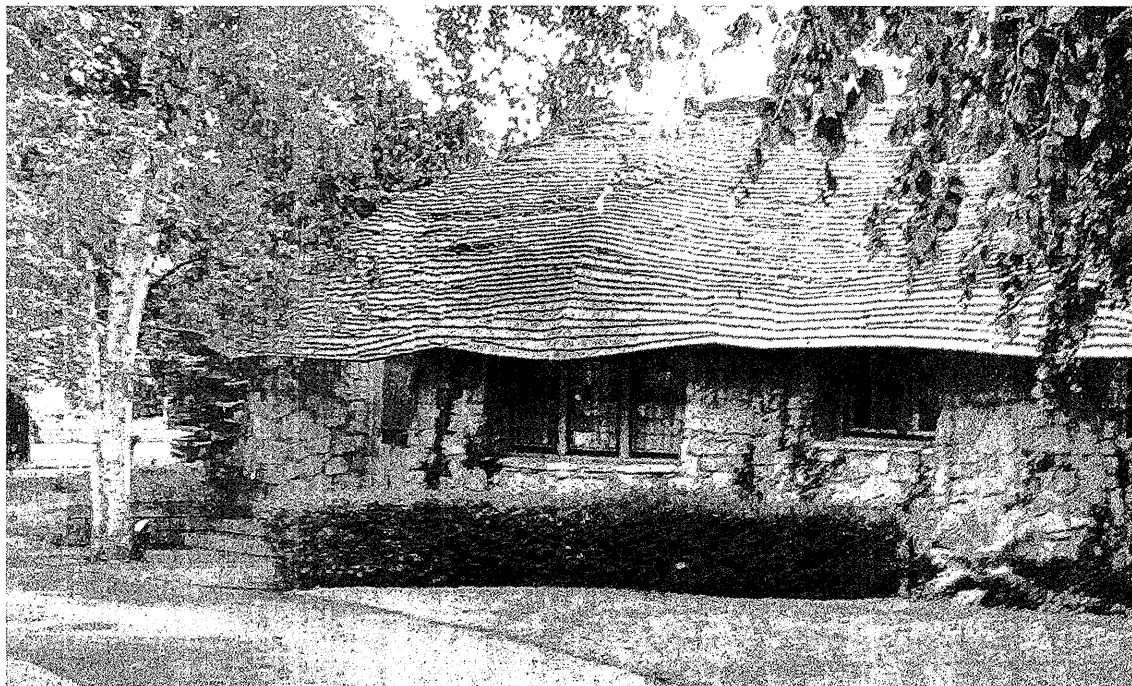
CHARLEVOIX — A group of citizens seeking to establish an Earl Young historic district in the area of houses he designed, was handed a disappointing decision by city council on Monday, Aug. 17, at the city council meeting.

A proposed city ordinance that would have established the designation by the city was voted down by five of the six council members. Councilman Gabe Campbell voted for the ordinance.

Architect Earl Young, born in 1889 in Mancelona, was a resident of Charlevoix for more than 70 years. He attended the University of Michigan's architecture program, but left before graduating and returned to Charlevoix. He is known for designing houses with boulders and fieldstones and cedar shingle roofs.

Several members of the Historic District Study Committee spoke to council and the public before the vote. Chairwoman Mary Adams said people were not well informed about the national historic designation.

"I think the (historic) committee has a lot of work to



This home is a prime example of the blending of fieldstone and cedar shingle elements distinctive to an Earl Young's architectural design.

do to educate the public," said chairwoman of the group, Mary Adams.

At least two of the council members said the regulations and restrictions of the historic designation would infringe on property rights and the privacy of homeowners.

"I wouldn't want someone to tell me what to do with my home," councilwoman Jill Picha said. "And I don't want to tell somebody what to do with their

home."

But the Historic District committee's objective is to preserve the architecture of the unique stone houses, and not to make people change their homes, said Bob Heath.

"My fear is that we're not doing enough to protect the houses. We've lost four already. What we are trying to do is preserve something that I would think everyone in this room would agree with," Heath said.

Heath reminded council of the demolition of the Earl Young Appletree building downtown and how upset residents were.

"No one could do anything about it," he said. If it had been a designated historic district, something could have been done. He also spoke about the tourism the houses generate.

LOCAL AUTHOR EXPLORES WHETHER HISTORY SUPPORTS THE BIBLE

BOYNE FALLS, MI — Does history support the Bible? Michigan author Mark A. Hotchkiss combines his love for history with his love for the Bible in a new book releasing nationwide this week, "Legend of the Unknown God."

Using world history, the book fills in the gaps of the Old Testament, offering a new perspective on the stories you grew up with. This fascinating trip through the Bible implores readers to evaluate where they stand in their own worship of God.

Hotchkiss says his hope is that readers "will gain an understanding of the reality and emphasis that God places on our worship of Him. It is my hope that we as a nation can turn our worship back to God and avoid the same punishment that befell the Israelites, a life of servitude to a pagan nation."

Published by Tate Publishing and Enterprises, the book is available at any bookstore nationwide or can be ordered through the publisher at www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore or by visiting barnesandnoble.com, amazon.com or target.com.

Hotchkiss has a BBA from the University of Michigan and works in business management. He resides in Boyne Falls, Michigan.

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TOOLS OF FAITH

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BOYNE CITY

STROLL THE STREETS

Another season of Stroll the Streets fills downtown Boyne City with music and fun every Friday evening from 6 to 9 p.m. through Labor Day weekend. Music will range from traditional folk, blue grass and jazz to rock. Special

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ner. Tickets available at the door. Silent Auction runs from 5:30 - 7:15pm.

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.

BOYNE CITY

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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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.

CHARLEVOIX

CHAMBER GOLF OUTING

Join the Chamber and your colleagues for a round of golf at the 10th Annual Chamber Golf Outing Aug. 28. It will be an afternoon of fun in the sun at the Belvedere Golf Club!

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MOTORCYCLE RALLY

A benefit motorcycle rally & bike contest for the Charlevoix Area Humane Society on Aug. 28, Noon - 4pm. Learn to Ride Like a Pro. You too can learn the same fundamental skills that motor officers use. Even experienced riders will improve! Learn new skills, improve your abilities, challenge yourself. We're not going to teach you how to ride a motorcycle, we're going to teach you how to ride one better! Register on the day of the event at 220 Lake Street beginning at 8:30am.

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MOTORCYCLE RALLY &

CHICKEN DINNER

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.

Cost is \$30 for three meals and camping, \$25 for two meals without camping (breakfast excluded.) Overnight camping is available at the Wagbo Farm. Space is limited to just 15 participants, so register today!

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.

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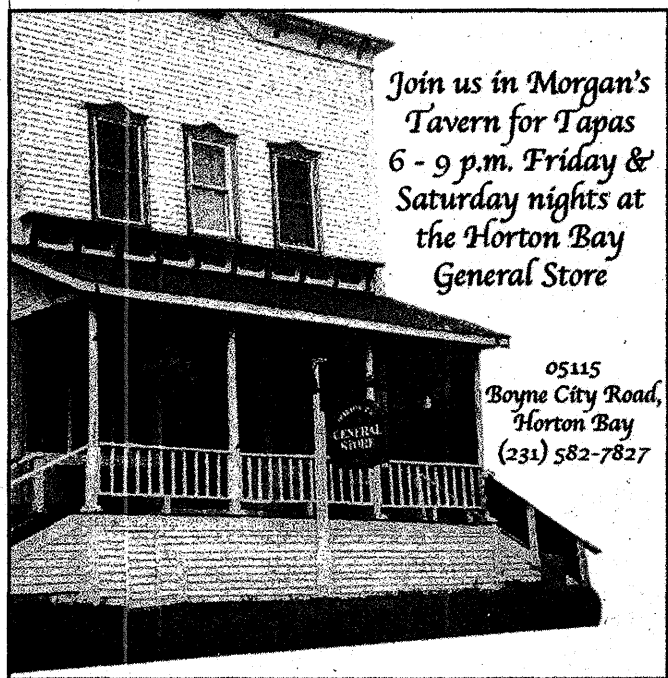
CELEBRATES 1 YEAR

The Front Porch Café celebrates its first anniversary with a Picnic Dinner and Concert featuring national recording artist, Jill Jack on Friday evening, September 4, under the pavilion in the new Ellsworth Community Park. From 6:00 to 7:00pm a Picnic dinner will be served featuring Brats, Hot Dogs, Roast Corn and Beverage. At 7:00 Jill Jack performs! The Picnic dinner and concert are by free will offering. Please bring your lawn chairs and blankets to be comfortable. In case of rain, the dinner and concert will be moved indoors to the Banks Township Hall. For more information, please call 231-588-2000. The Front Porch Café is a 501C3 non-profit organization.

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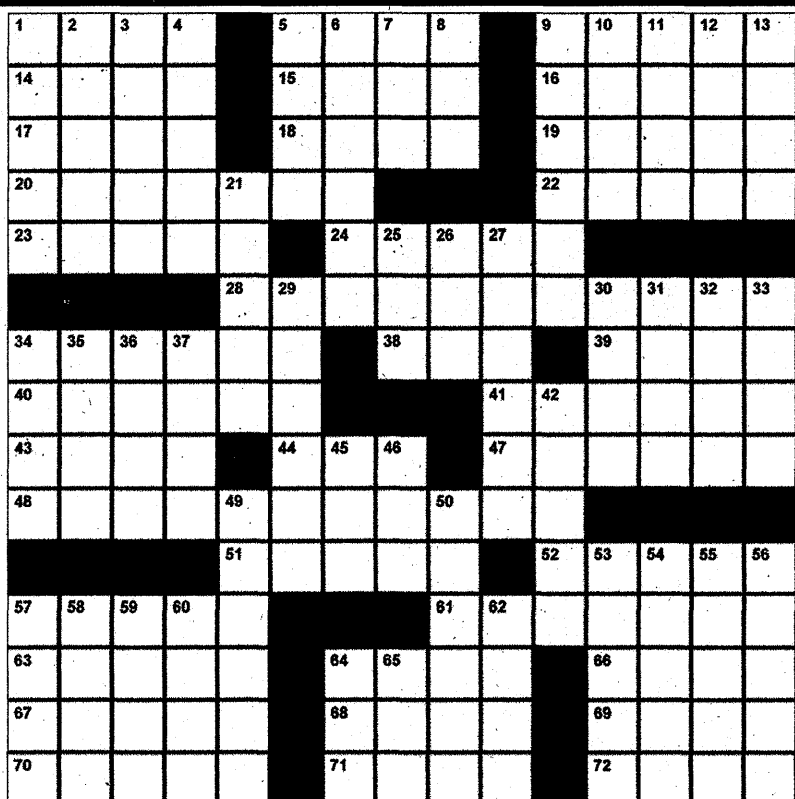
The Institute for Sustainable Living, Art, and Natural Design, (ISLAND) and the Martha Wagbo Farm and Education Center are partnering to bring you a valuable resource in outdoor education—tracking knowledge. If you are a hunter, a wildlife researcher, a nature photographer, or if you have an interest in primitive skills or the animal world, then this workshop is for you. Activities will be lead by Paul Raphael, an experienced tracker who has worked with renowned outdoorsmen and has taught tracking classes across the United States and Europe. The workshop will be held at the Wagbo Farm, located at 5745 North M-66 - just south of East Jordan. It will last two days, starting Saturday, August 29th and ending Sunday, August 30th.



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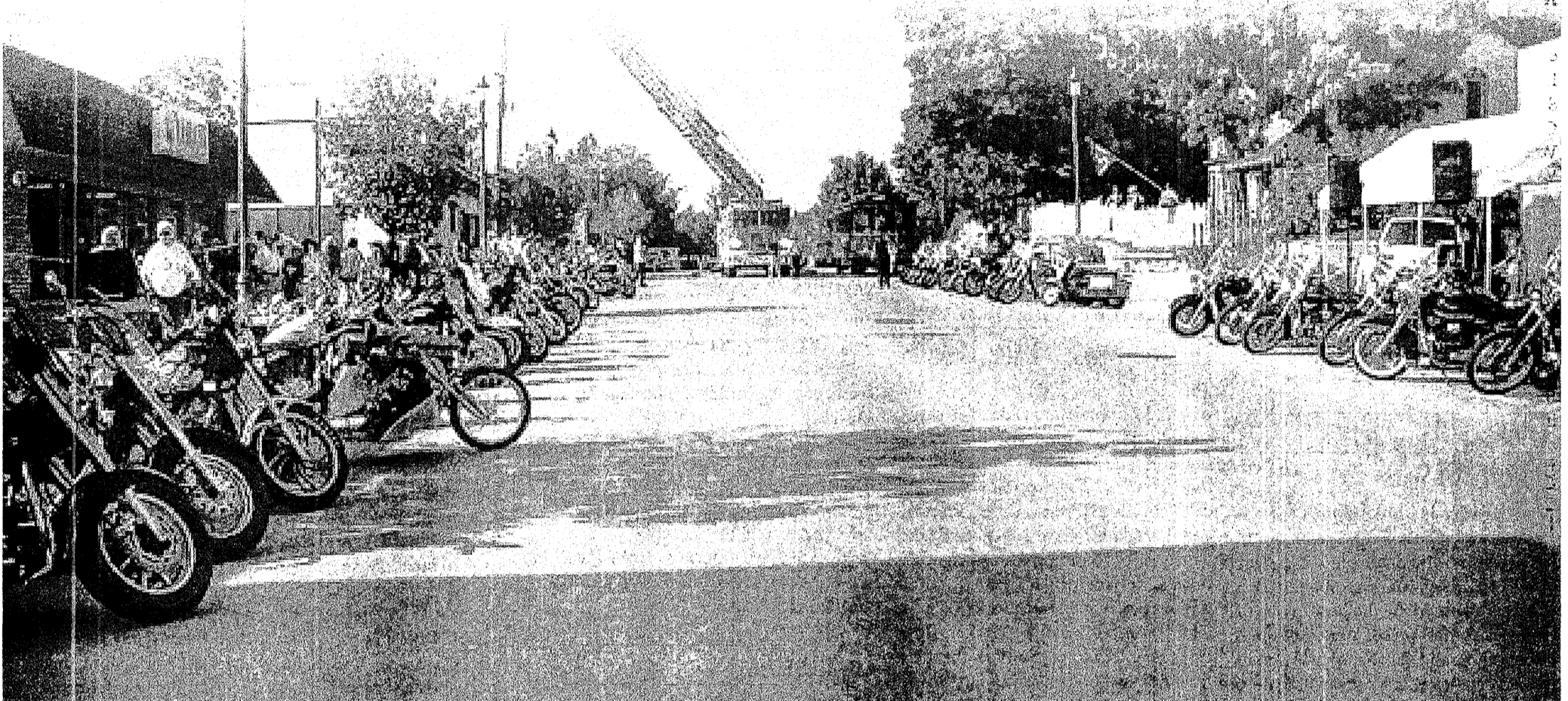


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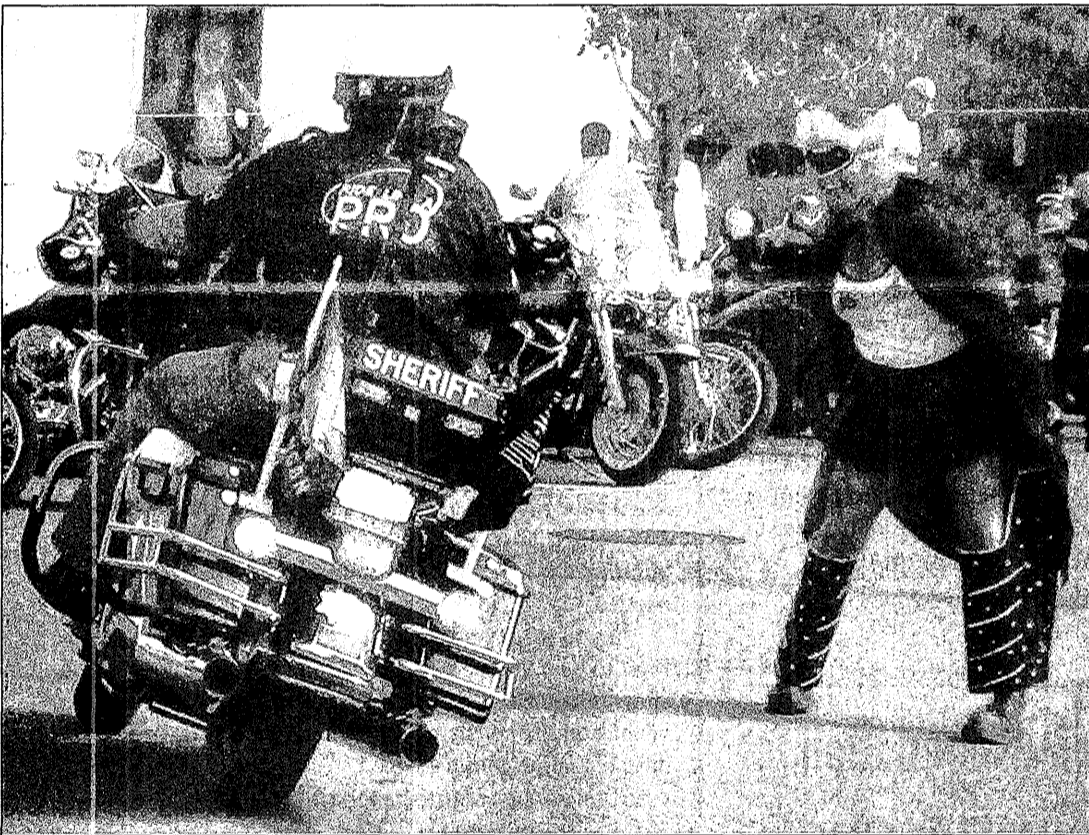
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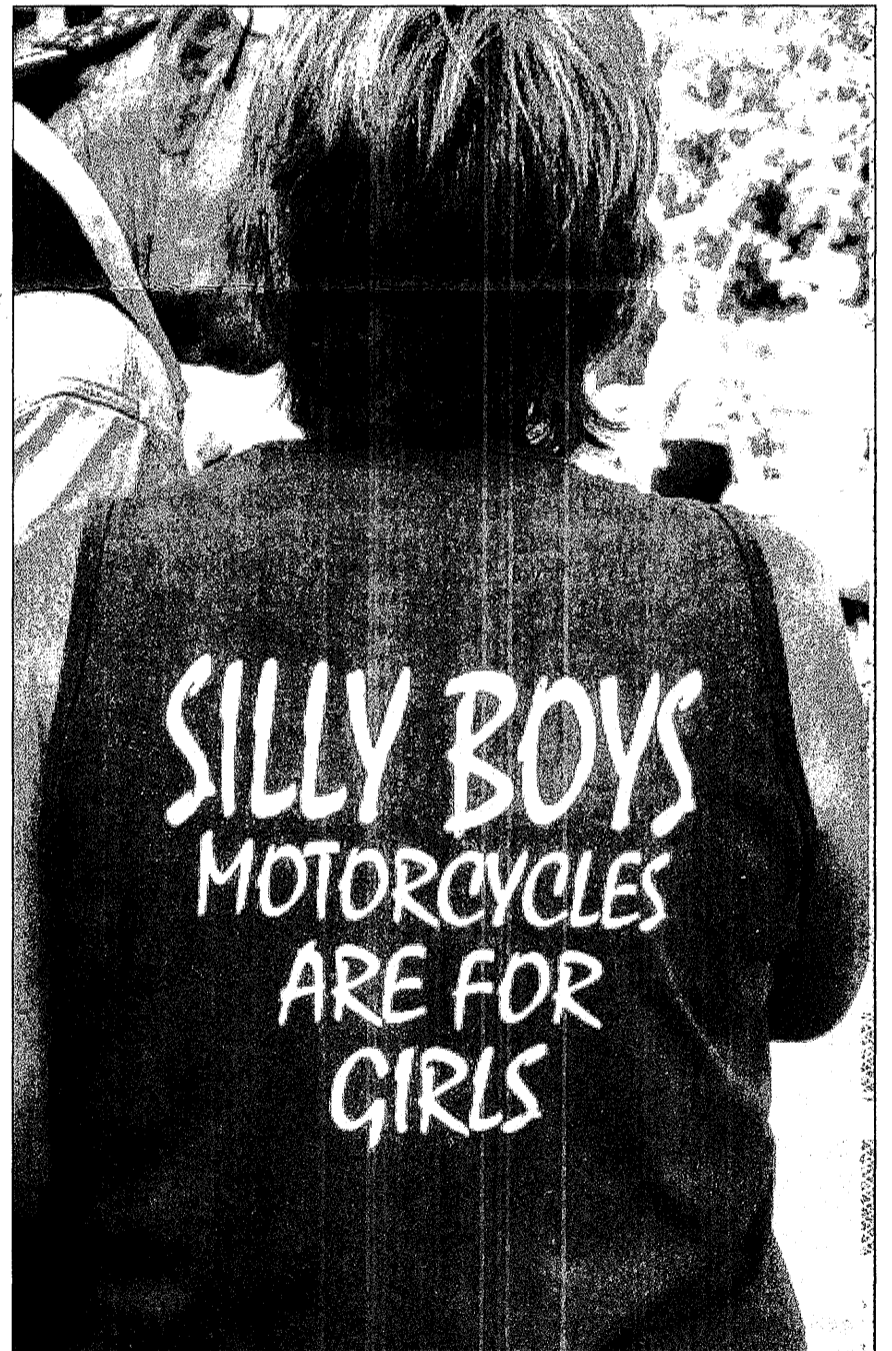
"Super Hero" Theme in East Jordan on August 14th



For three hours last Friday evening, Main Street was closed to regular traffic, as the motorcyclists had a chance to check out each other's bikes, honor the kids from Camp Quality, watch a "Riding Like a Pro" demonstration, and kick up their heels with the Red Hatters - all under the secure watch of the fire department.



Gary Lewandowski, master motorcyclist, performs feats of daring and skill in an educational routine entitled "Riding Like a Pro." Here he rides circles around Lady Bikers who are dancing in the streets - just to make it challenging.



The t-shirt says it all: You can keep your pick-ups (maybe), but - at least for the duration of Lady Biker Days - the ladies are the two-wheeled road royalty.



A leather-clad bat-winged lady biker appropriately watches from the shadows as the Lady Bikers honor the heroism of the kids at Camp Quality, along with local heroes from the Humane Society, fire, police, EMS, and the ladies themselves, the Powder Puff Girls. All three PPGs ride with the Sirens motorcycle club.

A youngster looks appraisingly at one of the many bikes lined up along Main Street last Friday evening.



Angie Garza (Bay City), Dawn Thomas (Saginaw) and Debra Edlund (Saginaw), are - respectively, Buttercup, Bubbles and Blossom, the Powder Puff Girls. All three PPGs ride with the Sirens motorcycle club.

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CHARLEVOIX

FIRST FRIDAY BIZ BREAKFAST

Begin your day the right way and join the Chamber and your colleagues for breakfast Sept. 4 at Grey Gables.

BOYNE CITY

CAR SHOW

Plan to attend the annual Labor Day Weekend Car Show, Sept. 5 sponsored by the Boyne City Rotary club. Held annually on the Saturday before Labor Day at Veterans Memorial Park on the shore of beautiful Lake Charlevoix in Boyne City

CHARLEVOIX

ROYAL CRAFT SHOW

Castle Farms is proud to host the annual Royal Craft Show in beautiful Charlevoix, Michigan on Labor Day Weekend. The grounds and buildings of Castle Farms will be the host to one of Michigan's most prestigious craft shows where thousands of visitors will attend this event. This craft show will feature only the finest arts and crafts that can be found and will be held in one of the most affluent areas in the state. The Royal Craft Show hours are Saturday, Sept. 5, 10am - 5pm, and Sunday, Sept. 6, 10am - 4pm. Free parking with a \$3 per person admission fee. Children under 12 are admitted free. Food is available at a nominal charge. Pets are not allowed.

CHARLEVOIX

KIWANIS'S 75TH 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.

CHARLEVOIX

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

On Sept. 10 from 5 to 7pm, attend Business After Hours sponsored by Pine River, Inc home of the E-log. It's a premier networking opportunity.

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. Local news releases, photos and information can also be submitted to Office@CharlevoixCountyNews.com.

BOYNE CITY

CHALLENGE 4 KIDS RELAY

Boyne City Booster Foundation Fundraiser Sept. 12 for the Boyne City Public Schools held at the Boyne City Track.

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

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Sept. 17 - Business After Hours at Boyne Medical/Boyne Rehab Center, 197 State St., 5:30pm.

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.

CHARLEVOIX

CHARLEVOIX FARMERS MARKET

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

BOYNE CITY

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.



FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

with Dr. James Dobson

VIOLENT SHOWS, TOYS SHOULD BE A CONCERN TO PARENTS

QUESTION: I'm concerned about the violent content of some children's cartoon shows and the toys and other products connected with them. My husband thinks they're harmless. What's your point of view?

DR. DOBSON: I share your misgivings. There's a trend toward a brand of violence in some of today's cartoons and toys that I see as a dangerous departure from the more traditional combat-type games in which boys have always engaged. For one thing, the characters tend to be adults involved in adult activities, some of which are highly questionable. I don't feel that they are appropriate role models for impressionable young children. In addition, there's an occult or New Age flavor to many of these programs and products. The settings are mythical or futuristic, and the action often revolves around superstition, sorcery and magic. For these reasons they concern me for spiritual as well as psychological reasons.

The electronic media has incredible power to "sell" these dubious heroes and their exploits to our children. Studies have measured actual physiological changes that occur when kids are watching a violent television program or movie: The pulse rate quickens, the eyes dilate, the hands sweat, the mouth goes dry, and breathing accelerates. It should be obvious that this kind of "entertainment" has a dramatic emotional impact — especially if it's repeated often enough. And the toys that are marketed as "spin-offs" from such programs only serve to reinforce or extend those negative effects. What's more, there's no balancing positive, healthy or educational component to these products.

That's why our organization, Focus on the Family, and others have made major investments in high-quality videos and other materials for children. We must provide alternatives for families that want their kids to have wholesome entertainment but are determined to protect them from the popular culture. We will continue to do what we can to meet that need.

QUESTION: I have a friend whose children drive me crazy when I'm around them. They are the most undisciplined brats I've ever seen. We can't even talk when they are around. I would love to help my friend with a few disciplinary tips. How can I do this without offending her?

DR. DOBSON: When you want to point out a flaw or shortcoming in someone else's behavior or character, you do it the way porcupines make love: very, very carefully. Otherwise, you're likely to lose a friend.

Pointing out parenting mistakes in others is even riskier. You're liable to get your ears pinned back for trying it — even when your motives are honorable and you have a child's interest at heart. That's why I never offer unsolicited advice about other people's children, no matter how badly I think it is needed.

If you insist on telling the other mother what she doesn't want to hear, let me suggest that you first invest some time and effort in your friend. When a relationship of confidence has been carefully constructed, you'll have then earned the right to offer her some gentle advice.

There are no shortcuts to this process.

QUESTION: What causes Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder?

DR. DOBSON: It is believed to be inherited. Russell Barkley of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center estimates that 40 percent of ADHD kids have a parent with similar symptoms, and 35 percent have an affected sibling. If one identical twin is affected, the chances are between 80 and 92 percent that his or her sibling will be also. ADHD is two to three times as likely to be diagnosed in boys as girls.

The cause of ADHD is unknown, but it is probably associated with subtle differences in brain structure, its neural pathways, its chemistry, its blood supply or its electrical system. As of this writing, some interesting hypotheses are emerging, although definitive conclusions can't yet be drawn.

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.

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The Wild Turkeys Roost on Stage at Aten Place



The Wild Turkeys were voted the best looking and sounding new generation roots band at the 2008 Blissfest Festival. These Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario natives are a no holds barred, romp into a new funky country sound that have to be experienced live. Totally entertaining, these lads are on their way to Aten Place on Saturday, August 22nd, show time 7:30 pm.

The Wild Turkeys fun stage presence and energetic sound has been recently coined as "Swamp-Stomp Country". Armed with fiddles, mandolin, guitar, bass, harmonica, a tin can percussive suitcase contraption, and melodic four part harmonies, the Turkeys win over the hearts and ears of audiences everywhere. This gang of

brothers first came together as a band in the winter months of 2006 and quickly formed a stronghold in the Sault Ste. Marie Algoma region. Perpetually on tour, the Turkeys follow a busy schedule performing at festivals, house concerts and small venues. Over the past two years, The Wild Turkeys have shared the stage with artists such as the Cowboy Junkies, Prairie Oyster, Creaking Tree String Quartet, and Washboard Hank. This band blends masterful classical techniques with a youthful and theatrical approach to old time country.

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

Community Foundation Welcomes Grant Requests

Once again, it's time to put local charitable dollars to work on behalf of the community. The Charlevoix County Community Foundation is inviting nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and municipalities who are in need of funding to submit grant requests in support of their projects.

During the next couple of months, the community foundation and its Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) will review grant proposals to help fund health initiatives, community development projects, education, the arts and cultural events, environmental efforts, and human service programs. The YACs, which are made up of teens from throughout Charlevoix County, will award grants to programs that serve youth.

Programs chosen for funding must serve residents of Charlevoix County, meet an urgent need, or enrich life for local residents in some way. The deadline for grant requests is October 1, 2009.

Grant applications are available by calling the community foundation office. All applicants must call and discuss their proposals in advance. Foundation staff is available to offer advice and assistance to organizations interested in applying for funds.

The community foundation is a grassroots charitable organization made up of various funds — all of them established by local donors. Some funds are earmarked for specific causes, and others are open-ended to meet changing needs. The funds are held in permanent endowment, so they can continue to grow and generate income to enhance the quality of life in Charlevoix County, now and for generations to come.

For more information about the grant-making process, establishing a fund or making a gift, please contact the Charlevoix County Community Foundation at P.O. Box 718, East Jordan, MI, 49727, by phone at (231) 536-2440, or online at www.c3f.org.

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Kid Rock Makes Triumphant Return to Boyne Mountain on Saturday, August 15th - Thrills Sold-Out Crowd of Over 11,000 with High-Energy, Three-Hour Performance.

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WWI Polar Bears

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Northern Michigan's WWI Polar Bears soldiers endured 60 degree below zero temperatures in arctic Russia, fighting the first Communists, the Bolsheviks. COURTESY PHOTO

months after all other soldiers from around the world had returned from WWI.

When WWI ended, these men expected to be immediately called home, but that call never came. They were left to fight the first Communists, known as Bolsheviks, in Northern Russia in minus 60-degree weather and waste deep snows after WWI had ended. There has never been a regiment more tested. They became one of the most highly decorated regiments in all of WWI.

U.S. President Woodrow Wilson chose the men from Michigan for this duty because it was thought they were hardened by Michigan winters and could withstand the 60-degree below zero weather and driving snows of Northern Russia.



Boyne District Library arranged for presentation of the film in Boyne City. The film was produced and directed by Pamela Peak of Pamela Peak Produc-

tions based in California. Peak will fly in for the event, along with actors and others who worked on the documentary.



David W. Emmel

COA Director Resigns, County Hires Interim Director



By B. J. CONLEY-HETLER

CHARLEVOIX — County commissioners hired an interim director for the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging following the resignation of long time director Susan Bergmann.

The action was taken at the Aug. 12 board of commissioners meeting in the county building in Charlevoix.

David W. Emmel of Abbott & Emmel Consulting in Midland is known by county commissioners and the COA board of directors from his previous consulting work with the COA about a year ago. At that time, Emmel focused on an organizational plan for the office, staff, board and COA programs. As interim director he will continue with the organizational responsibilities and other operations, such as management and determination of personnel and board roles.

County Commission Chairman, Chris Christensen, said the scope of the COA's needs requires an expert.

"I think having a professional, such as Mr. Emmel, is a necessity at this time," he said. "There are waters that need to be navigated and we're just looking for someone to navigate."

Emmel's requested consulting and interim director's fee is \$10,000 per month, on a month-to-month basis. The \$10,000 will come from the COA's budget.

COA Chairwoman, Margo Johnson, told commissioners that from her perspective the COA couldn't afford to wait to move on the hiring of a new director. Bergmann's last day is Aug. 21.

"It will take time to decide what you want to have the person do," Johnson said. "As far as the money aspect, it's well worth it. I think what the COA gets in return is far greater."

Emmel supplied the commissioners with a proposed scope of duties that includes day-to-day oversight and operation of the Commission on Aging, development of policies and procedures, revision of staff organization, assisting the COA board with development of activities to meet the needs of its stakeholders, and to assist the county commissioners in the recruitment and training of staff, including an executive director. Emmel began his position on Monday, Aug. 17.

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY RECORDS FOR AUGUST 20, 2009

ASSUMED NAMES

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

FROM THE BEACH, 13795 Forest Dr., Charlevoix by Carol L. Torres and Richard E. Torres
KLINTWORTH FARMS,

7635 Pincherry Road, Charlevoix by Joseph Klintworth

VICKI'S CLEANING SERVICES, 5613 Webster Bridge Road, East Jordan by Vicki Dougherty

BERLAGE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, 1009 St. James, Charlevoix by Jim Berlage.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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

Samuel Allen Oslin, 40, Boyne City and **Dawn Marie Pretty**, 38, Boyne City.
Robert Millikin Briede Jr., 41, Liberty Township, Ohio and **Carolyn Sara Philips**, 36, Liberty Township, Ohio

LOCAL GROUP PUBLISHES COOKBOOK

The Boyne Valley Garden Club has collected the best recipes from group members, family, and friends and compiled them into an attractive keepsake cookbook. The cover is a copy of an original watercolor by a member of the club and the dividers are photographs of the flowers from the 13 gardens that they tend.

They will be selling their one-of-a-kind cookbooks for \$15.00. They may be purchased from any member of the organization or at the following local Boyne City Business: Local Flavors, Provisions, Cindi Franco's-Cool Stuff,

Boyne Avenue Greenhouse and Florists,

Country Now and Then-Up The Lazy River and the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce. All proceeds will go toward the purchase of flowers for Boyne City gardens.

The Cookbook contains 400 well loved recipes including appetizers, main dishes, desserts, and many others. Recipes include the contributor's name, enabling you to find the recipes of family and friends.

For more information contact Karen Veryser at 231-582-3684.



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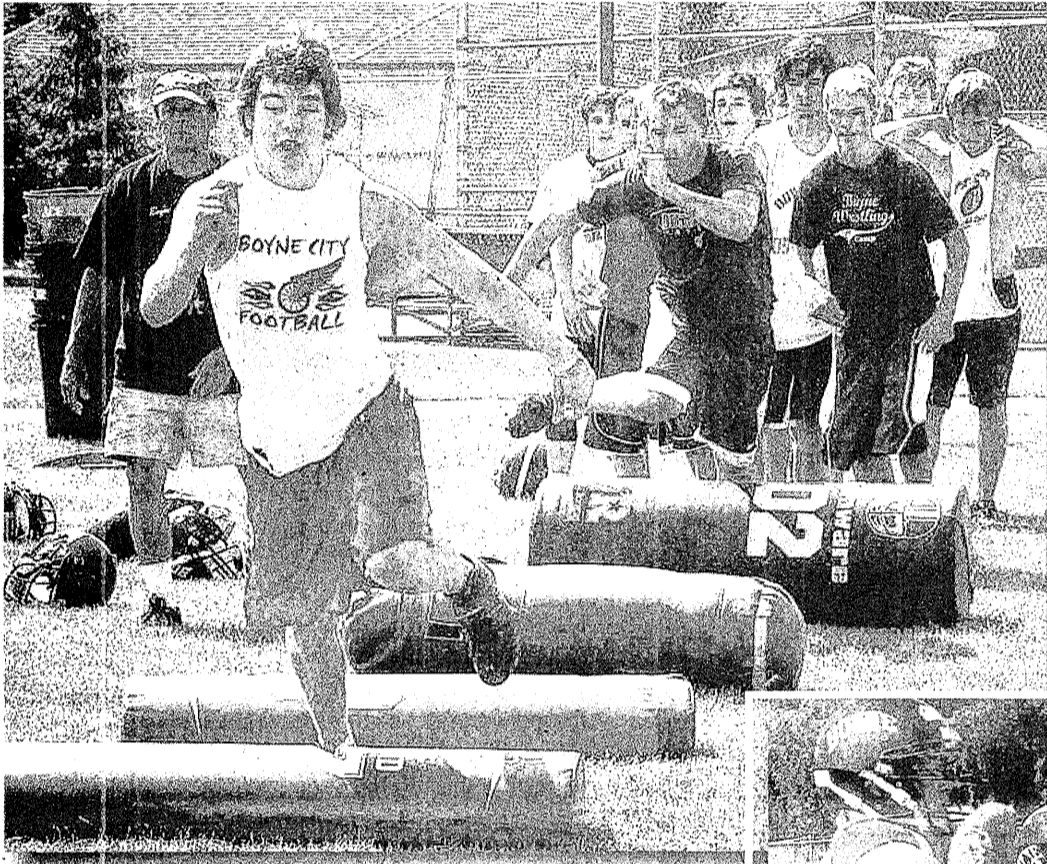
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PIGSKIN PREPARATIONS

PHOTOS BY MIKE DUNN

These scenes from early-season practice sessions at Boyne City and Charlevoix attest to the hard work that goes into preparing for the gridiron season.

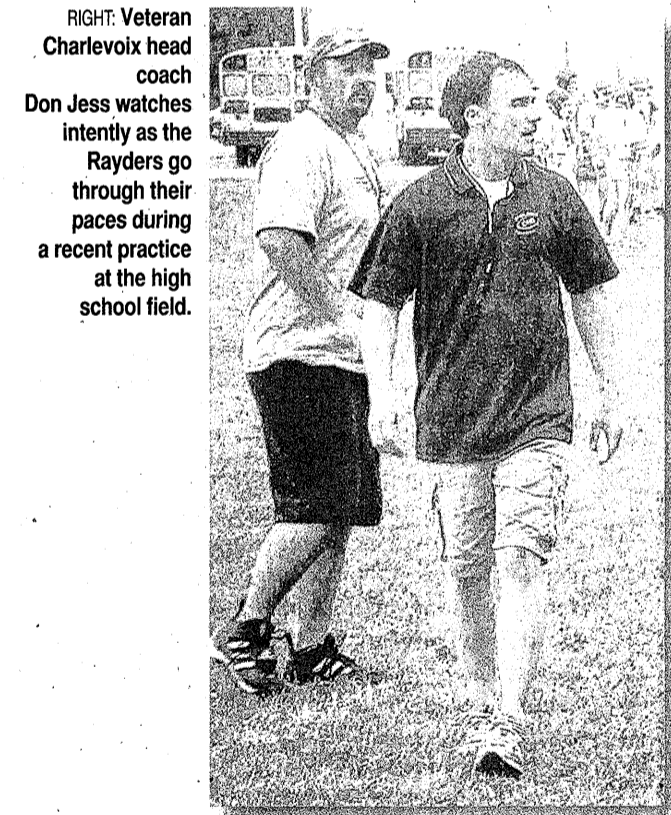
The next issue of the paper (Aug. 27) will feature season previews for Charlevoix, Boyne City and East Jordan.



LEFT: Agility drills are part of the early conditioning for Boyne City football players last week at the high school.



RIGHT: This Boyne City runner has the ball safely in his grasp as he sweeps to the outside during a dry run last week at the high school.

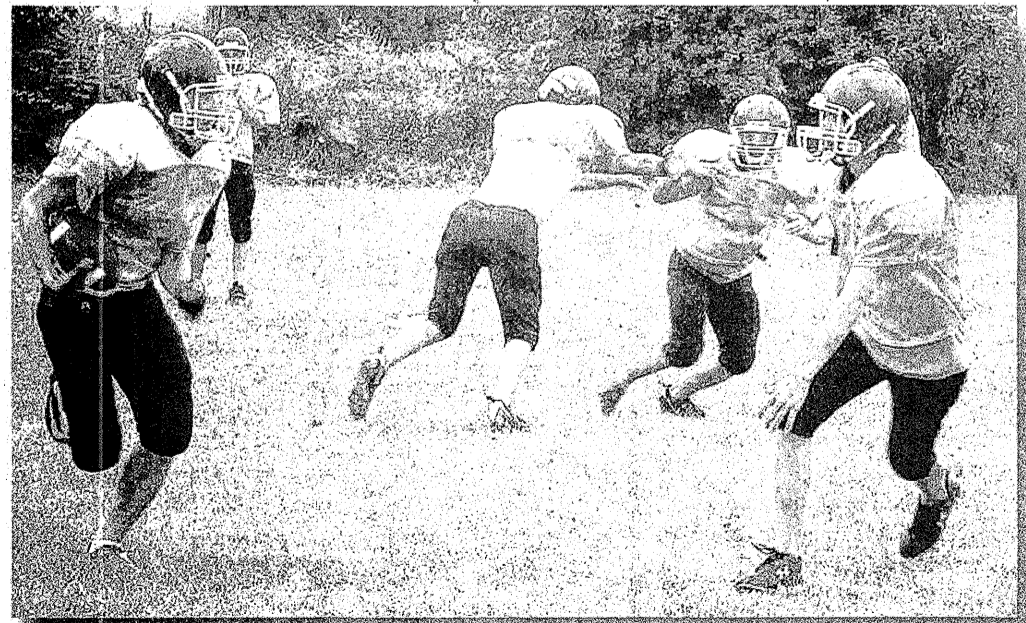


RIGHT: Veteran Charlevoix head coach Don Jess watches intently as the Rayders go through their paces during a recent practice at the high school field.



LEFT: It's what's up front that counts for football teams everywhere. Here, the Rambler linemen work on their technique during preseason blocking drills.

BELOW: Charlevoix players hustle back to the field after taking a short water break during the grueling two-a-day practice schedule



ABOVE: This Charlevoix receiver is in the clear after hauling in a pass from quarterback Clayton Mitchell during a practice session last week.



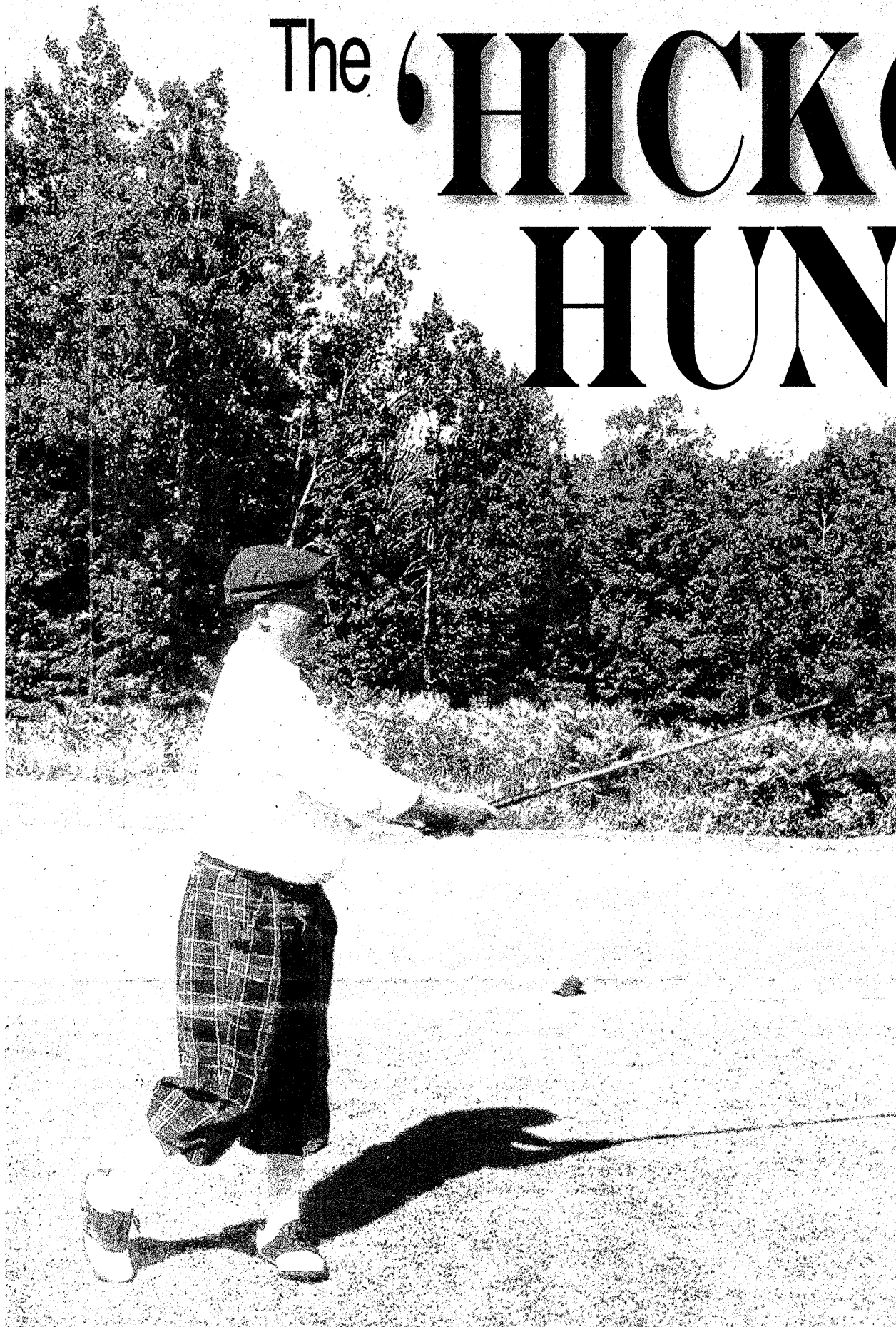
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The 'HICKORY HUNDRED'



Belvedere pro to shoot 100 holes in a day

Marty Joy uses old-time hickory clubs while continuing Junior Golf fundraising event

EVENT AT A GLANCE

WHEN: Monday, Aug. 24

WHERE: Belvedere Golf Club of Charlevoix

Belvedere head pro Marty Joy to shoot 100 holes in a single day to raise funds for the Charlevoix County Junior Golf program. First hole tee off slated for 6:30 a.m.

Spectators are welcome during the day. Marty will use old-time hickory clubs and wear 1920s-era garb.

To make a tax-deductible pledge, contact Marty at the Belvedere Club, (231) 547-2611 or Dean Davenport at (231) 547-6433.

Belvedere Golf Club head pro Marty Joy will use hickory clubs and dress in 1920s-style garb Monday as he shoots 100 holes to raise money for the Charlevoix County Junior Golf program. (photo courtesy of Dean Davenport)

BY MIKE DUNN

CHARLEVOIX – Marty Joy knew he wanted to continue the tradition established by Steve Braun, his predecessor at the Belvedere Club. Marty wanted to put his own stamp on the endeavor, however.

Braun, who served as the Belvedere head golf pro for many years, spearheaded an annual fundraiser for the Charlevoix County Junior Golf program in which he shot 100 holes in a single day, accepting pledges for each of the holes completed. The event was always successful in generating revenue for the program.

Now that Joy is standing in Braun's shoes, he wanted to keep things going. So Joy will be participating in his first 100-hole adventure on Monday, Aug. 24, at the club. The unique aspect to the event, though, is that Joy will be using old-time hickory clubs and wearing the same style of garb that Walter Hagen appeared in when Hagen took on the Belvedere course during the Great Lakes Open of 1934.

"This was something Steve Braun had been doing and I wanted to keep it going because it helps the Junior Golf program," said Joy, an active member of the Society of Hickory Golfers and Braun's assistant pro for 10 years. "Steve made a lot of money for the program in the past and it goes to a very worthy cause. Some of the kids get to go to golf camp at Ferris State and others get season passes at the City course. The money that's raised does a lot of good."

Dean Davenport, the executive director of the Junior Golf program, is very appreciative of what Braun has done and what Joy is

doing.

"It helps kids and that's the bottom line," Davenport said. "We used to do a big tournament every year to raise money but that required a lot of people and volunteers. Steve was a pro at Belvedere and a volunteer teacher in our program and he had the idea of doing the 100 holes as a fundraiser. We went with it and it was a big success."

Money brought in from the event goes into the Junior Golf scholarship fund and finances six or seven young golfers from the area attending a week-long golf camp each summer at Ferris State University in addition to the "Steve's Kids" program where 20 to 25 season passes are purchased at the City Golf Course in Charlevoix and distributed to young people who otherwise would not have the opportunity to play. The 100-hole event also finances an annual \$500 book scholarship for two college-bound graduating seniors who have participated in the Junior Golf program.

"We give the \$500 book stipend to two seniors who have a good clean slate and who are good role models," Davenport said.

This summer, 158 young people were part of the Junior Golf program, Davenport reported. For its proactive approach to men-

toring young people and its emphasis on building character as well as developing golf skills, the Charlevoix County program has been ranked among the top 15 junior golf programs in the country.

Braun's fundraising efforts are a chief reason why the program has been able to achieve what it has. Joy's willingness to accept the baton and take on the 100-hole challenge will assure the program continues its scholarships.

This year's event is called the "Hickory Hundred" in recognition of Joy's use of the old-time clubs.

"The response has been great," Joy said. "People can't believe I hit with these clubs but it's something I love to do. And I've never broken a club yet."

Joy joined the Society of Hickory Golfers about five years ago and has participated in events across the country, including the famed Pinehurst course in North Carolina where he finished as runner-up following a playoff in a recent national tournament.

"In the next few years, we're hoping to host the National Hickory Championship (at Belvedere)," he said.

Playing with hickory clubs "is basically the same game," except that it's less forgiving than the technically-advanced clubs used by present-day golfers.

"The modern equipment is made to improve your misses," Joy explained. "With the

Playing with hickory clubs "is basically the same game," except that it's less forgiving than the technically-advanced clubs used by present-day golfers.

hickory clubs, you have to hit every shot dead on or the results are noticeable right away."

Joy acknowledges that playing the hickory clubs – with names such as the niblick, the mashie and the blade putter – will add to the challenge of completing 100 holes in a day, especially during the last 25 or 30 holes when fatigue becomes a factor.

"It's more of a mental challenge because you have to focus more on every shot," he said. "But that's part of the fun of it, too. It's a different type of club but you can still hit your drives up to 250 yards with the old woods."

Joy hopes to start Monday around 6:30 a.m., if the course is not too wet, and be done in about 12 hours. That would require averaging two-and-a-half hours for each 18 holes.

Though Joy has never shot more than 54 holes in a day before, he is optimistic that things will proceed smoothly.

"I'm hoping to shoot somewhere in the 70s for each 18 holes," said Joy, who has shot as low as 74 with hickory clubs during competition and has finished as runner-up in six national events. "The biggest challenge will be the heat. If it's a hot day, I'll have to stay hydrated. If it's a little bit overcast, like they're predicting, that would be perfect."

Joy said he'll play if it rains, as long as there is no lightning or the water doesn't come down in buckets.

"If that's the case, then I'll have to do it on Tuesday," he said.

Spectators are welcome to watch Joy take on the 100-hole challenge. Those wishing to make a tax-deductible pledge for Junior Golf may contact Marty at (231) 547-2611 or Dean Davenport at (231) 547-6433.

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DNR seeks input about future of state campgrounds

In preparation for the possible closure of more state forest campgrounds due to budget cuts in the Department of Natural Resources' Fiscal Year 2010 budget, the department announced this week it is seeking public input to identify which campgrounds should be considered for closure or management by others.

State forest campgrounds are within state forest lands in Michigan, and are not state parks. State forest campgrounds offer a more rustic setting for primarily tent camping. Basic campsites are \$15 per night or as posted at the campground information stations. State forest campgrounds are not staffed and are not a part of the DNR's online reservation system.

Currently, the DNR manages 145 state forest campgrounds, though 12 were closed earlier this year due to budget cuts. Historically, the state forest recreation program, including the campgrounds, received General Fund support in the state budget, but has seen a steady dwindling of those funds due to budget cuts.

"We anticipate we will receive further General Fund reductions in the 2010 state budget," said Lynne Boyd, chief of the DNR's Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division. "With those cuts, we will not be able to sustain the state forest campground system at its current level."

A questionnaire has been posted on the DNR Web site at www.michigan.gov/dnr. This questionnaire will provide feedback on the importance of six criteria that DNR officials have identified, and three additional criteria that the respondent can suggest for use in evaluating campgrounds and cabins for closure or management by others. The questionnaire may be filled out and returned via e-mail to DNR-RTS@michigan.gov, or by U.S. mail to DNR-Forest, Mineral and Fire Management, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7952. It is requested that only one response per individual be submitted. All responses must be in the hands of DNR officials by close of business, Sept. 14, 2009, in order to be included in the evaluation process.

Two PowerPoint presentations will be provided on the DNR Web site to help citizens understand the issues that impact this decision. The first PowerPoint presentation will provide background information on the state forest campground program including why campgrounds were first developed, how they are managed, and an explanation of how past budget shortfalls have been addressed. The second PowerPoint presentation will detail the specifics of each of the six criteria.

All information gathered from this input will be compiled and reviewed for any new criteria that should be included in the final decision-making process. This input will also help define the ranking of each criteria used. Results will be announced once the process is complete and the fiscal year 2010 budget is approved by the Legislature and Governor.

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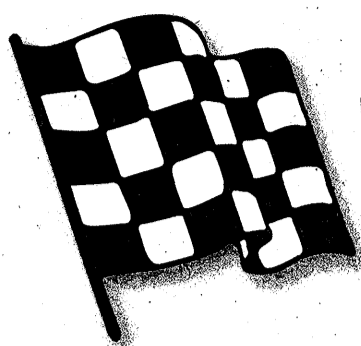
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Northern Michigan Speedway:

**Ward repeats in Factory Stock finale
Topinabee driver takes lead on lap 9;**

**Bernadyn of Boyne Falls is
heat winner in Pure-4 division**

By **MIKE MATHU**

ELMIRA — After a two-week absence due to inclement weather, action resumed under full summer conditions Saturday night at Northern Michigan Speedway.

The return of the IMCA-style Modifieds provided the only thunder the crowd would endure on this evening. The 20-lap feature saw four car dash and heat race winner John Clawson maintain the early lead with pressure applied by Jim DuBois, until he was overtaken on the outside by James Brown of Gaylord on lap 11. Brown pressed onward on the high side and nosed ahead of Clawson with just five laps to go, but the Sault Sainte Marie driver held firm to the inside to regain the lead and ultimately finished first by the length of a bumper.

Corey Ward of Topinabee claimed his first Factory Stock feature race win last time out and proved it was no fluke. Tyler Noeske won the dash and held the early lead in the 20-lap finale. Ward sat fourth on lap 3 but then inched up. He took the lead on lap 8, then surged to the front on the next lap. Tod Fer-

guson notched second at the halfway mark but was no match for Ward, who won decisively. Ward also won the heat.

There were three lead changes in an active 15-lap Pro Stock feature. Josh Hutchinson led but then gave way to Dale Britting on lap 7. Three laps later Hutchinson exited to the pits and Jim DuBois took his shot. He passed Britting with six laps to go and went on to win. Michael Evans of Wolverine overtook Britting on lap 13 and finished second. DuBois also won the heat. The dash went to Britting.

Len Ferry passed Mike Benner for the lead on lap 2 of the 25-lap Pure Stock V8 showcase. Brad Leach tailed him for two laps before he staked himself to the lead on lap 6. Andy Noeske moved in behind Leach on the next lap but Ryan Zimmerman then came on strong. He passed Noeske on lap 9, then got by Leach for the lead on lap 14 and went on to win. Leach held steady for second and Ferry took third as Noeske faltered and dropped out with four laps to go. Leach won the heat. Jon Clancy won the dash.

A 20-lap pit stop race was the highlight in the Pure-4 di-

vision. Gaylord's Jennifer Blanz passed Chad Bernadyn of Boyne Falls for the lead on lap 4, but Ty Phillips went to the front two laps later and held the top spot for the mandatory tire change at lap 10. He had a poor stop, though, and sat fifth for the restart while second-running George Finney moved up to first. Finney held off Mark Tompkins down the stretch until Daniel Loshaw popped into second with three laps to go. Loshaw took the lead with just over one lap remaining and Finney's attempt to regain it on the final circuit brought out a caution and a checker flag, giving Loshaw a dramatic win. Tompkins finished ahead of Scott Norman for third. Norman and Bernadyn won the heats. The dash went to Loshaw.

A full show and lawn-mower races are slated for this Saturday's program. Time trials begin at 5:30 p.m. with racing at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Seniors are just \$8, children 5-to-12 are \$5, and under 5 are free.

N.M.S. is located 8 miles west of Gaylord on M-32, then 4.5 miles north at Camp Ten Road and Huffman Lake Road.

Results from August 15

***20-Lap MODIFIED Feature:**
1. John Clawson, Sault Ste Marie; 2. James Brown, Gaylord; 3. Jim DuBois, Indian River. Heat: Clawson Dash: Clawson. Time: DuBois (15.29)

***20-Lap FACTORY STOCK Feature:** 1. Corey Ward, Topinabee; 2. Tod Ferguson, Onaway; 3. Tyler Noeske, Vanderbilt. Heat: Ward. Dash: Noeske. Time: Ward (16.42).

***15-Lap PRO-4 Feature:**
1. Jim DuBois, Indian River; 2. Michael Evans, Wolverine. Heat: DuBois. Dash: Dale Britting, Gaylord. Time: Evans (16.42).

***25-Lap PURE V8 Feature:**
1. Ryan Zimmerman, Gaylord; 2. Brad Leach, Wolverine; 3. Len Ferry, Gaylord. Heat: Leach. Dash: Jon Clancy, Harbor Springs. Time: Andy Noeske, Vanderbilt (17.29).

***20-Lap STOCK-4 Feature:**
1. Daniel Loshaw, Vanderbilt; 2. Mark Tompkins, Gaylord; 3. Scott Norman, Frederic; 4. Jennifer Blanz, Gaylord. Heats: Norman; Chad Bernadyn, Boyne Falls. Dash: Loshaw. Time: Tompkins (18.83).

DNR FISH REPORT:

**Lake trout fishing has been good
Use of colored spoons in top half of water
has been effective**

Anglers in the northern Lower Peninsula have had success going after lake trout, pulling in a number in the 6-8 pound range. Fishing the top half of the water using yellow, green or silver spoons has been effective. Fishing for salmon is still hit and miss, though, depending on the area. The salmon fishing has been better in the Presque Isle and Rogers City area than around Charlevoix.

Presque Isle - Some nice chinook and lake trout have been taken in 60 to 95 feet of water fishing the top half of the water column using spoons. Good colors were yellow, green and silver, blue and silver, green yellowtail and white. An occasional walleye, coho and steelhead have also been caught.

Higgins Lake - was producing good numbers of perch using perch minnows and wax worms. Those trolling for lake trout were using body baits or rapalas. Some small mouth bass were caught on leeches and crawlers. Night anglers were catching smelt using wax worms.

Houghton Lake - Anglers were still catching walleye, bass and pike along the weed beds in 6 to 8 feet of water. Bluegill action was found near the Middle Grounds.

Mullett Lake - Anglers are targeting perch, bass and pike, with a few rainbow trout being taken. Some walleye were caught near the Sunken Islands and in 50 to 75 feet of water when trolling crawler harnesses.

Rogers City - Anglers are marking salmon straight out west towards 40 Mile Point or east towards Swan Bay and Adams Point in 50 to 100 feet of water fishing the top half of the water column. Good colors have been green and silver, green, blue and silver, white and black, or anything that glows.

Charlevoix - Fishing for salmon is still hit and miss. Warm water has most anglers running spoons and dippy divers down to 100 feet and deeper. An occasional steelhead has also been taken running high lines. Lake trout fishing has been good with many 6 to 8 pound fish. A few nice smallmouth bass have been taken in the Pine River Channel on worms and lures.

Lake Bellaire - Walleye anglers have been trolling near the Fisherman's Paradise Public Access and in the northwest arm and narrows with crawler harnesses, spoons and stick baits, as well as jigging leaded and floating jig heads with leeches and crawlers in 10 to 80 feet of water. Those targeting bass have been casting with spinners and crank baits in 7 to 20 feet of water in the northwest arm and near the Intermediate River mouth. Effort for northern pike increased with anglers drifting and trolling crawler harnesses and artificial crayfish near the Intermediate River Mouth

in 15 to 20 feet of water. A few small perch have been taken.

Traverse City - Salmon fishing is starting to pick up in West Bay with most fish being taken out from the Boardman River in the hole, around and north of the red buoy, and near the entrance to Suttons Bay. Fish have been taken on a variety of spoon and flasher/fly combos. Most fish have been 60 to 90 feet down in 100 to 120 feet of water. In the East Bay, salmon fishing has been slow, with fish being scattered around the Bay. Lake trout action has been fair when fishing near the bottom in 100 to 120 feet of water.

Rockport - Salmon and lake trout were found at the bottom in 90 feet of water around Middle Island. Unsuccessful anglers have returned from waters around Stoneport and Presque Isle. They have indicated that there are many nets in these locations.

Alpena - Anglers are fishing for catfish and small-mouth bass in the Thunder Bay River with worms and leeches. Hot-n-tots are also working. No walleye catches on the river but action has been good in the bay fishing close to the shoreline in front of the cement plant in 20 to 30 feet of water. The most successful anglers are trolling with crawler harnesses but others have done well with reef runners and perch colored body baits.

Harrisville - Boat anglers are catching salmon, lake trout and steelhead in 150 to 200 feet of water, fishing toward the bottom.

Tawas - Some good catches of larger walleye have been taken north of Tawas Bay, in the direction of Au Sable Point, from 50 feet of water on spoons. Some of these fish have run 5 to 7 pounds. Trollers are also getting some bigger walleye down toward Alabaster on crawler harnesses. Pier fishing and shore fishing in the Tawas River is generally slow, with an occasional drum, smallmouth bass, rock bass or small perch taken.

Au Gres - Walleye fishing is still good on the right day, but trollers are going anywhere from 8 to 15 miles south of Au Gres, down into inner Saginaw Bay, fishing in about 30 feet of water.

Leland - The weather kept most anglers away but those that ventured out caught chinook around North Manitou Island. In the early morning, fish in 140 to 155 feet of water on glow J-plugs and spoons. As the temperature rises drop to 165 to 175 feet and switch to a blue or green fly or a herring rig with a flasher. Fish around twenty pounds were reported at the Leland docks. A few coho have also been taken.

Glen Arbor - South Manitou Island is the best

Frankfort - Salmon fishing has been good when boat anglers could get out. Heavy winds and thunderstorms hampered fishing over the weekend. Pier fishing has been poor.

EJ hosts 'Meet the Team' dinner

AUG. 24 DINNER
FEATURES SILENT AUCTION
AND PUNT, PASS AND
KICK COMPETITION

EAST JORDAN - On Monday, Aug. 24, there will be a "Meet the Team" dinner for the East Jordan varsity and JV football players and coaches. The dinner starts at 6 p.m. and will be held at the

football field (or in the high school if it rains), and features hotdogs and brats with salad, chips, drink and dessert. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors, or \$20 per fam-

ily. There will be a silent auction from 5:30 to 7:15 and a punt, pass and kick competition after the dinner. Tickets are available at the door.

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POST SCRIPT



By **MIKE DUNN**

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Back when football was really 'football'

Watching a recent football practice at Boyne City High School ushered in some memories of my former playing days way back when. Actually, what stuck out to me was the contrast between the way coaches do things these days and the way things were done back in the early 1970s.

The difference in philosophy and approach is quite striking, as many who lived through that era can attest.

These days, the players have the opportunity to take water breaks during practice. That was simply unheard of back in the fall of 1970 when I was a member of the Cardinal Dougherty High School Cardinals in northeast Philadelphia.

Back then, you loaded up on water before practice because you knew there was no stopping for water during practice. The hotter and drier it was, the better it was to go without water because going without water made you internally much tougher. And football was all about toughness. Water breaks in the 1970s were activities for cheerleaders or chess club members, not football players.

Something else I noticed. When a Rambler player told one of the assistant coaches he wasn't feeling well, the coach actually allowed him to take off his helmet. Back in the day, you never dared tell a coach you weren't feeling well because you knew the "remedy" would usually entail extra laps. Nothing like quality time jogging with full pads under the friendly sun to clear the head of any negative thoughts.

I remember a teammate named Jefferson who got the call to enter a game at tailback. "Coach," Jefferson lamented, "I have a cramp in my leg." The coach glared at him. "I'll never forget the coach's response.

"Jefferson," he yelled, "you have a cramp in your brain. Get in the d--- game!"

Jefferson, who no doubt had a cramp in his leg because he was dehydrated, did enter the game but time has robbed me of any details beyond that. He must have worked through his cramp somehow. At least I don't remember him being carried off the field.

Another contrast between coaching philosophies of yesterday and today can be seen in the sophistication of the offense. As I recall, we had about a half dozen plays or so. Not many of them involved the anything as adventurous as the forward pass. I was a full-back and my duties were pre-determined 90 percent of the time. If Chief, our quarterback, went to the line and said "odd" before accepting the hike, then I had to switch my blocking assignment. If he didn't say "odd," my blocking assignment stayed the same.

I guess you could say we put the "plain" in plain vanilla. But we weren't alone. It was straight ahead, grind-it-out football in those days and it was basically the same for everybody. The biggest influence of the day, at least in Philadelphia, was still the Lombardi sweep. The flamboyance of a player like Joe Namath was somewhat frowned upon, at least publicly.

Anyway, taking everything into consideration, I think today is a much better era to play prep football. Especially if you happen to develop a cramp in your leg.

This week's trivia trip ...

Here are a few more tasty morsels from this week's entries in my trusty Bathroom Sports Almanac ...

- On Aug. 21, 1914, Walter Hagen won the first of his two U.S. Open titles, edging out amateur Chick Evans Jr.
- And here's another bit of interesting trivia concerning Hagen. Did you know he also has the record low score at the Belvedere Golf Club of Charlevoix? He shot 65 there while competing in the Great Lakes Open of 1934, in spite of two bogies. It was the first time Hagen ever laid eyes on the course, too.
- Some mid-August birthdays of note: Wilt Chamberlain (Aug. 21, 1936); Bill Parcells (Aug. 22, 1941); Cal Ripken Jr. (Aug. 24, 1960).
- On Aug. 23, 1936, 17-year-old Bob Feller made his Major League debut for Cleveland, striking 17 St. Louis Browns en route to a 4-1 victory.
- Did you know that the first error in the All-Star game was committed by the Yankees' Lou Gehrig?
- Pitcher Diego Segui was the only player to appear on the roster of both the Seattle Pilots and the Seattle Mariners.

EAST JORDAN 5K RUN/WALK THIS SATURDAY

EAST JORDAN – The first-ever East Jordan "South Arm Shuffle" 5K run/walk is slated for this 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 \$20 registration fee includes a T-shirt to the first 100 who register.

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.

BINGHAM MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNEY SEPT. 12

EAST JORDAN — The fourth annual Bingham Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Mallard Golf Club in East Jordan. The event, held in memory of Jeremy and Nick Bingham, features a 9 a.m. shotgun start and a 1 p.m. shotgun start with a scramble format for men, women and mixed teams.

The registration fee of \$50 per person or \$200 per four-person team includes a cart, 9 holes of golf and prizes for the longest drive, the longest putt and closest-to-the-pin. There is also a \$5,000 prize offered for a hole-in-one.

To golf 18 holes, there is an additional \$25 fee and that also includes dinner at noon.

The dinner featuring hamburgers, hotdogs, salad, dessert and drink is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 5-12.

There will be a silent auction from 3-5 p.m., a 50/50 raffle, and a money raffle at 4 p.m. with a \$500 first prize, \$300 second prize and \$200 third prize.

Proceeds from the event go to the endowment fund for the annual Bingham Scholarship. Winners of the 2009 scholarship award were Andrew Boyer and Hailey Crick.

To register, contact the Mallard Golf Club at (231) 536-3636. For information about donations or the benefit, call (231) 536-7668 or (231) 350-0810.

Donations may be sent to 2487 Adams Road, East Jordan, MI 49727.

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@tcsenior-center.com.

BETSIIE 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.

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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

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MOVIE REVIEW

The Time Traveler's Wife a Very Long Distance Romance

Taking a New Spin on a "Timeless" Theme

BY JIM AKANS

Time travel has long been a fascinating topic. Wikipedia reports nearly 150 film titles that have dealt with some aspect of moving through time, including two movie renditions of the H.G. Wells classic *The Time Machine*, several *Back to the Futures*, to such recent journeys as *Star Trek*, and *Click* starring Adam Sandler.

This time around, *The Time Traveler's Wife* (based on a novel by Audrey Niffenegger), centers on a Chicago librarian, Henry DeTamble (played by Eric Bana), who has a genetic disorder that causes him to travel through time at somewhat random moments. During one of his journeys he meets a young Clare Abshire (played by the gorgeous Rachel McAdams when the character matures), and the two strike an unlikely friendship that spans the space-time continuum.

For some reason, Henry routinely returns to select physical locations when he makes the leap through the years, so he visits Clare often as she grows older, and eventually the two are married (I'm not spoiling anything

here, it is the title of the film after all).

So how does this all play out on screen?

First of all, it's not as confusing as it may seem. The producers do a good job of defining the various moments in time Henry is traveling to...or from, special effects are certainly adequate, and the acting believable. But there is a lingering feeling that something is missing here.

Perhaps it's Henry. I found myself feeling sorry for Henry and the characters in Henry's life, as his inability to control his exit from the present constantly leaves his wife, father, and best friend, Gomez (played by Ron Livingston, the legendary lead character from *Office Space*) staring at Henry's empty clothing.

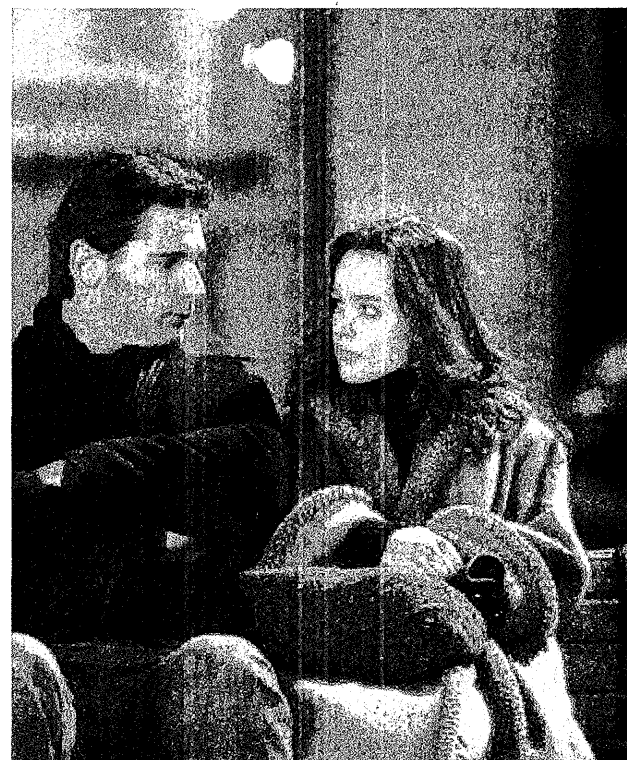
Oh yeah, when Henry travels through time, he leaves his clothing behind, thus arriving at his next destination in the nude. It a huge inconvenience, and is basically the reason the film has earned its PG-13 rating (there are a few sexually oriented scenes that also have some brief, rear nudity).

Overall, this film may lean a bit toward the "chick flick" category, but the interesting manifestations and implications of time travel presented here will keep anyone with a



slight interest in the topic (and apparently Hollywood thinks that is a substantial audience), keeping tabs as the movie clicks through its 1 hour and 48 minute run time.

It's also a decent long distance love story...I wonder how many movies there are that explore that topic...



EXIT COMMENTS:

- "I followed the story, just found it to be neutral," *Carol - Roscommon*
- "A Kleenex movie, I want to read the book," *Rebecca & Katie - Gaylord*
- "I liked it, good acting and story, believable," *Julie - Gaylord*
- "It's a great book, but not enough time in the movie to fully tell the story," *Tracy - Alpena*
- "I liked the love story," *Cori - Higgins Lake*

Movie; 60% **EXIT POLL** Which Did You Prefer? Popcorn; 40%

AREA MOVIE LISTINGS

Gaylord Cinema West

AUG 21-27

Shorts - PG

Starring: Jimmy Bennett, Devon Gearhart
2:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00

The Time Traveler's Wife - PG13

Starring: Rachel McAdams, Eric Bana
2:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00

Inglorious Basterds - R

Starring: Brad Pitt, Eli Roth
1:30, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30

Bandslam - PG

Starring: Vanessa Hudgens, Alyson Michalka
9:15

G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra - PG13

Starring: Dennis Quaid, Channing tatum
2:00, 4:15, 7:00

District 9 - R

Starring: Jason Cope, Nathalie Boltz
2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

Julia & Julia - PG13

Starring: Meryl Streep, Amy Adams
2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

Kingston Theatre,

AUG 21-27

District 9 - R

Starring: Jason Cope, Nathalie Boltz
1:00, 3:15, 7:00, 9:15

Bandslam - PG

Starring: Vanessa Hudgens, Alyson Michalka
9:00

The Ugly Truth - R

Starring: Katherine Heigl, Gerard Butler
1:00, 3:00, 7:00

Shorts - PG

Starring: Jimmy Bennett, Devon Gearhart
1:00, 3:00, 7:00, 9:00

G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra - PG13

Starring: Dennis Quaid, Channing tatum
1:00, 3:15, 7:00, 9:15

The Proposal - PG13

Starring: Sandra Bullock
1:00, 7:00

The Hangover - R

Starring: Bradley Cooper
3:15, 9:15

Petoskey Cinema,

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District 9 - R

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12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

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Starring: Katherine Heigl, Gerard Butler
5:30, 9:30

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Starring: Rachel McAdams, Eric Bana
12:00, 2:15, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

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11:45, 2:30, 6:45, 9:30

G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra - PG13

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Spacious Ranch on 3.5 Acres Has Over 300 Feet of Sandy Beach Frontage.



By JIM AKANS

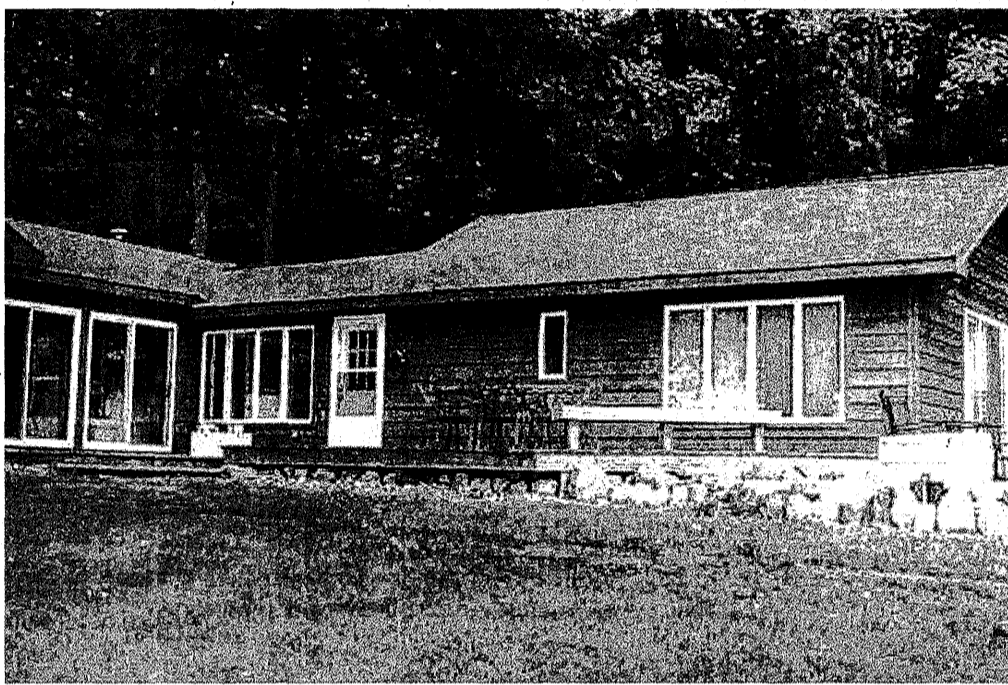
This is an absolutely awesome offering!

Let's start with the spectacular Lake Charlevoix setting, with over 300 feet of gorgeous sandy beachfront on one of Northern Michigan's premier inland lakes. The lakeside area is complete with, dock, classic style boat house and sunbathing (or entertaining) deck right at the water's edge.

And while it may be hard to imagine leaving this incredible beachfront retreat area, there is so more to this package.

The property itself embraces approximately 3.5 acres of peaceful, wooded serenity. There is an endless canopy of towering mature trees spread about the grounds, including a mighty Oak in the front yard that takes three people to get their arms around.

In addition to the boathouse at the lake



shore, there is a large 30' by 50' Pole Barn on the property, (plus a two car attached garage at the main home), so adequate storage capacity for land vehicles, watercraft and other outdoor gear is certainly not an issue here.

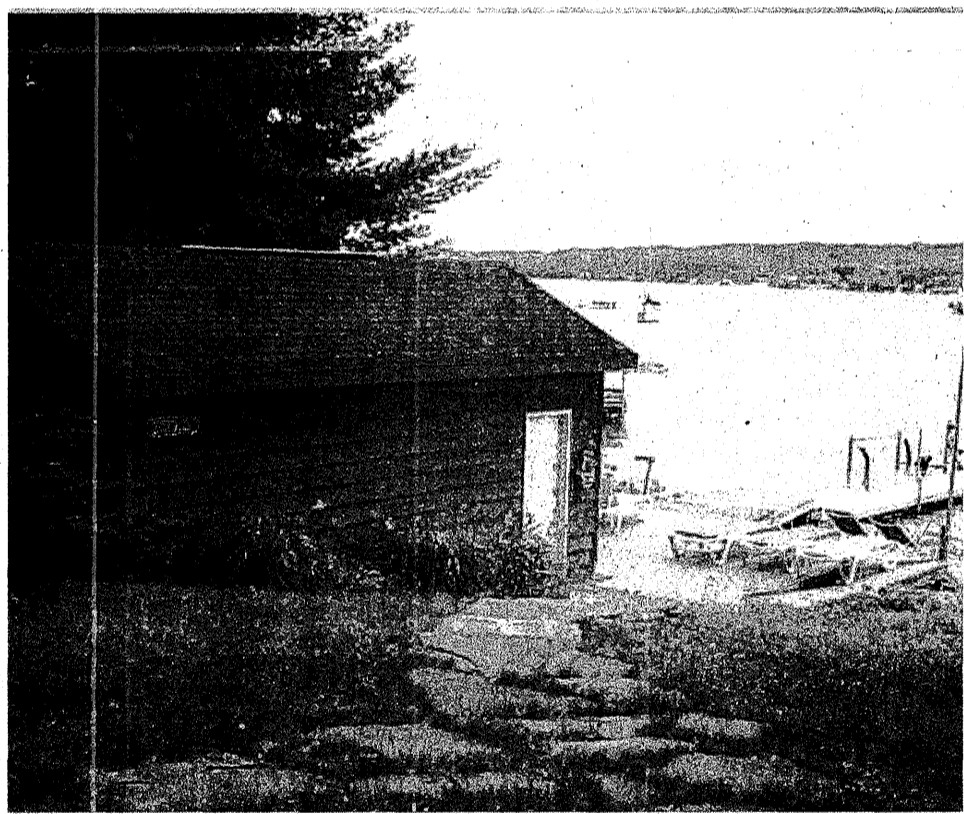
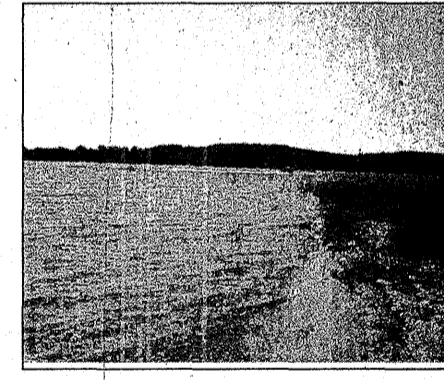
The main home has an incredible 2,652 square feet of living area. That includes five well-sized bedrooms, three full baths, two kitchen areas, dining areas, a huge living room and an enormous family room. There are plenty of accommodations in this home to keep two families comfortable, which makes it a great place to bring the in-laws, siblings and friends for an extended stay. Get ready for visitors, because this is certain to become highly desirable get-away destination.

There are numerous amenities in the home as well. The original structure (the residence was nearly doubled in size several years ago) features knotty pine walls and woodworking, and a wood-burning fireplace, evoking a warm and nostalgic "cottage" ambience. The more recent addition has more contemporary feeling with features such as vaulted ceilings and efficient wood stoves.

Of course, the home comes with a full compliment of appliances, including range/oven, refrigerator, washer and dryer.

This home has a very alluring price tag of \$999,000 which is a wonderful value when just considering the million dollar view and location alone. Plus, the new owners have the possibility of splitting the property...that is, if they can bear to part with any of it!

For a more information or to arrange for a tour of this home, please call Pat O'Brien at 231-582-1700 or email at pat@patobrien.com



Opportunists or Opportunities?



Brett Binkley is a Realtor at Pat O'Brien and Associates in Boyne City.

By BRETT BINKLEY

The other day I heard someone bemoaning the "vultures" that are circling the foreclosure market right now. But while I empathize with the sentiment, I just don't believe that folks hoping to capitalize on the glut of foreclosures are just greedy opportunists.

Today - this number changes almost daily - there were 124 foreclosed properties in Charlevoix and Emmett counties. These range in price from a low of \$7,500 to a high of \$1,900,000.

Certainly there are investors looking for the best possible deal while others are in financial distress. Historically, fortunes have been made in exactly that way. The morality of such investing is a matter of individual opinion. It is probable that, as in any endeavor, there are some people who are more altruistic and others who are less, and we are not often privy to which are which.

They represent only a segment of the investors in this market in any case.

There is another segment: The first-time homebuyer. Young families or people whose working lives have been invested in lower-paying jobs are suddenly finding opportunities to purchase property they never dreamed of. A little elbow grease and good credit goes a long, long way in this market.

Two dozen years ago, a lower income family could buy a decent home for \$35,000, but would expect to pay an interest rate that bordered closely on extortion. A dozen years ago, \$35,000 wouldn't have bought

an acre with a shed on it, no matter how reasonable the interest rates may have been.

Today an enterprising investor could find a home and perhaps even some land at that figure, and, while they may not be at all-time lows, interest rates are still excellent. While lenders are understandably more cautious about lending practices (i.e.: you'd better have good credit), a qualified buyer might reasonably expect to be able to buy a home he or she could not afford even five years ago.

It's important to get away from the image of circling vultures, and begin to see the mortgage crisis for the opportunity it is. For the first time in many years housing is affordable again - not subsidized, but truly affordable. We have heard about "affordable housing" a lot, and it has meant low-income apartments buildings and subsidized rent payments.

Now affordable housing can mean a home in the country with a little plot of land and some pride of ownership.

If you are looking at the foreclosure market, set your expectations realistically. A \$35,000 home is unlikely to be in move-in condition. It may literally have everything but the kitchen sink - or it may be missing the cupboards as well. It will take some hard work, generally, to make it completely livable.

And there's a process. Price is generally somewhat negotiable, and interested buyers should consider making a realistic offer. Any offer to purchase will be more labor-intensive than usual - you will need to have a "pre-approval" letter from your bank in most instances, assuring the bank/owner that you have either cash on hand or the ability to get a mortgage.

A foreclosure generally takes much longer to close than a conventional sale. Start the process full of

patience, and expect glitches. That way if it goes smoothly, you will be pleasantly surprised. And if there are roadblocks along the way, you will be prepared to meet them.

Finally, if you are in the market for low-cost real estate, don't hesitate to ask your realtor about privately owned homes. The current economy has influenced the entire market, and there are great deals to be had on homes not in foreclosure as well.

Find a realtor you trust, identify a location where you would like to live, and investigate the market. Talk to a variety of lenders - know what kind of a loan you can get ahead of time. Be prepared and realistic.

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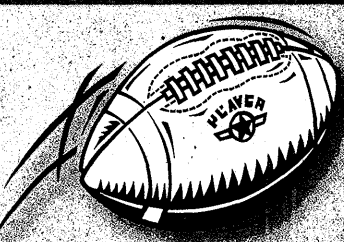
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The "Breezeway" is Open!

Ribbon Cuttings held along C-48 from Atwood to Boyne Falls on August 17th.

By JIM AKANS

"This is the beginning of a very bright future for the communities and businesses along the Breezeway route," states Mary Faculak, East Jordan Chamber director. "We believe this will not only create an identity for the region, it will also help retain and promote growth in the area."


The Breezeway is a gorgeous, scenic route that extends along C-48 from

Atwood at the west end, through Ellsworth, South Arm Township, East Jordan, Wilson Township, Boyne Valley Township, and on to Boyne Falls.

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Mary Faculak states, "The Breezeway is a name our task force, which began meeting two and a half years ago, came up with and it just stuck. We encourage businesses along the route to use the logo, with the only stipulation that it must be displayed as is and not altered. A digital file is available through the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce by calling me at (231) 536-7351."



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In South Arm Township (left ribbon holder); Hugh Campbell, Anita Stephens (township clerk), Bob Christensen (township supervisor), Mary Faculak, and (right ribbon holder); Shirley Tornga



In East Jordan (far left); Chip Hansen (school superintendent), (left ribbon holder) Caroline Lavanway, David White (city manager), Ron Klooster (cutting ribbon) and Cheltzi Wilson at right.



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