

Boyne completes transient dockages

Workers put the finishing touches on the new shoppers docks that were installed last week. The docks will be used by those wanting short term boat parking while they go to dinner or see what the stores are offering.

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Marina hearing cancelled by DNR

A public hearing called to express concerns over the proposed One Water Street Marina has been cancelled, said Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officials. The reasons for the cancellation was that the applicant, One Water Street and Company, withdrew the request.

The original request was to build a semi enclosed marina with a permanent break wall out in front of the One Water Street Restaurant that would house 65 boat slips of varying length. The slips would have been sold on a condominium basis to boat owners wishing to locate in the Boyne City basin.

Rick Smith, the spokesperson for the One Water Street and Company group, said the group

thought going for a permit would be foolhardy in light of the opposition the project faced.

The opposition, a group calling itself the "Save the Lake" committee, organized early after it was found the project up for review by the DNR several months ago.

They quickly organized into a group that has gathered signatures on petitions, asked for public hearings in front of the city's Parks and Recreation Board, and the Planning Board. The group asked county and other statewide organizations to become involved. They requested a public hearing from the DNR.

The group also started attending almost all of the board meetings as well as the City

Commission meetings, asking the city to ask the denial of the project.

The city did express their concerns and passed a resolution which would have denied ingress or egress of their riparian rights for the project at a meeting in late May.

Smith expressed disappointment over the cancellation, saying that they thought the project would have been a good thing for the community. "I thought everyone would benefit," he added. "It would have cleaned up the last vestiges of the heavy industrial use that was formerly on the waterfront. It is where all the junk is located in the water."

Smith also said that he doubt if the company will come back

with another plan for further development of the property. He said without a marina the One Water Street project area development is probably zero, meaning there may be no more development of the property the group owns along the lake front.

Members of the opposition were also disappointed the development firm withdrew the application. They said they were planning to bring up many concerns they had over the development and wanted to make them part of the record that would have been developed at the hearing.

The hearing was slated for the Boyne City High School Gym, Thursday evening.

Boyne schools hold line on lunch costs

Boyne City students will find their lunch prices remaining the same this school year as school board members voted to keep the prices the same. They did say that they will have to look at lunch prices for the next few years to determine whether they can keep them or have to raise them to keep up with rising costs.

Presently, the lunch program is not breaking even. Superintendent Bob Nakoneczny told board members at the monthly meeting held Monday night. He said the general fund will be having to contribute about \$10,000 this coming school year and about \$15,000 next year.

He said the commodity food program which in the past has been supplying low cost items is not operating like in the past as fewer foods like cheese and read meats are available.

Because of the lack of commodity foods, the school system is having to purchase those items like a restaurant operator for profit and is costing the system more each year.

The board then went into the awarding of bids for the hot lunch program as well as other bids that are awarded each year. They decided to approve the bids for gasoline and diesel fuel after Nakoneczny has an opportunity to talk with the firms making the low bids. The bids reflect a moveable price structure depending upon the cost of the product to the suppliers.

The board then heard a report concerning the transportation of students. New laws have been enacted that will require the school system to only bus the number of students for which the bus has seats.

This will require some of the bus runs to be adjusted or split into two bus runs until such time as the district can get additional busses. The district has new busses on order, but they will be

replacing present buses the school system is currently using.

Nakoneczny suggested the board look into purchasing an 85 passenger bus at some time in the future which could be used to bus students within the city. It could also be used for sports events and field trips.

In other action, the board approved the purchase and

financial arrangements for the new computers the district will be getting from the state under the Classrooms of Tomorrow program. The state will be purchasing the computers.

They then approved Board President Robin Hissong as the board member to place the voters for upcoming Michigan Association of School Board (MASB) board of directors.

Faculty and students handbooks were given the Boards' approval with the exception of the transportation manual as the new laws affecting the busses may cause some rewriting of areas on how the buses will be run.

With all of the work completed in short order, the board is prepared for the opening of the schools which will come in about two weeks.

City to start sidewalk program

Boyne City announced the start to replacing sidewalks throughout the city at their Tuesday noon meeting. The sidewalks being replaced are all those where the city has torn them up while they were doing infrastructure repairs.

"The repairs to water and sewer mains are just about completed," said Tom Garlock, City Clerk. "Now we are starting on the top of the ground where improvements to the city can be seen."

The program is available for

residents throughout the city as well as those areas where the infrastructure work was done.

Where infrastructure work was involved, the city will be paying the entire cost of the replacement. Where residents

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While some were looking at cars, dealers said they had a successful sale of thousands of others were looking for deals the many items each carries from show to the annual flea market that is part of the show. old car show. This year, almost 11 of the



While members of the second group of Lake Charlevoix Swimmers wait for their start, the first group of swimmers took off from Young State Park last Friday morning as the Boyne City Swim School held their annual Lake Swim.

News Briefs

Boyne City Merchants will be holding their second big sale of the summer when they host the annual Boyne City Moon-light Madness sales Friday, August 17th between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. The merchants will be providing entertainment by Tom Tropic, Willie's Up North and the Country Kickers.

The Michigan Department of Labor has set up a special toll-free hotline for workers to complain about unsafe working conditions, injuries and deaths. The hotline number is 1-800-TOMIOSHA. All inquiries are confidential. Labor officials said. The hotline is one of several new initiatives the state will use to help protect Michigan workers.

Boyne City Elementary School has set registration hours for new and incoming students August 23. Parents who have not enrolled their children for the school year are asked to come to the school between 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Children will need a birth certificate and an immunization record. Any record from other schools will be helpful for children in the first thru fourth grades.

The Humble Farmer

BY ROBERT SGOGLAND

When a tank car carrying cyanide flipped over in Ohio last week, the civil defense people didn't quickly evacuate 3,000 people from the immediate neighborhood. Instead, they controlled the poisonous gasses with a modern technique which has been proven to be 100 percent effective in restaurants and airports. Donning respirators and other protective gear, firemen surrounded the leaking wreck with large signs that read, "NO CYANIDE GAS IN THIS AREA."

Had this elementary scientific principle been discovered only a few years ago, the radioactive fallout from Chernobyl could have been easily contained.

Dozens of other practical applications for controlling poison gas leap to the inquiring mind, but, as one who once taught fourth grade, I see the control of air currents by posted signs as a science project.

The experiment would be set up as follows.

Materials Needed: 1 cardboard box. Anything a hamster could live in comfortably would be about the right size. 1 roll of white adhesive tape. 1 sharp pencil. 1 sheet of clear plastic. 1 small fireplace bellows. 1 oily rag. 1 match. 2 clean white handkerchiefs.

Procedure: divide the box into two separate areas with the white tape in the following manner. Starting at the top of the inside of the cardboard box, run the tape down one side, across the bottom, and then up the other side of the box. If done properly it should look like the white line painted down the middle of a highway. Cut off 2 chunks of tape as long as your thumb. Use the pencil to print "NO SMOKING" on one of them. (Do this as neatly as possible—this might be exhibited as the first place winner at the all-state science fair.) Stick the little NO SMOKING sign on the inside of one end of the box. Write "SMOKING AREA" on the other tape and stick it on the other end of the box. Make sure the signs are on opposite ends of the box in their respective compartments as delineated by the white tape in the middle. Also make sure the signs

are on the inside of the box and not the outside. This is most important, as the validity of the entire experiment hinges on the positioning of the signs. Then use the pencil to punch a hole in the SMOKING end of the box. Here again we urge caution: A hole punched in the NO SMOKING end of the box would render the entire experiment meaningless. Place one handkerchief in the NO SMOKING section of the box and the other in the SMOKING AREA side. This "sniff test" part of the experiment, being subjective, is optional. Place the clear sheet of plastic over the top of the box and tape it down securely. Use the match to ignite the oily rag. When the rag is burning with a satisfying, refreshing, rich, black smoke, suck up some smoke with the bellows. Insert the business end of the bellows into the hole in the box and pump in the smoke. Repeat the previous two steps several times, being careful to watch what the smoke does when you squirt it into the box. (Now you see the need for the clear plastic.) Place your thumb over the hole in the box (like the little Dutch boy) to keep the smoke in.

Discussion: The results of this experiment are obvious to anyone with a modern scientific mind. The smoke injected into the SMOKING AREA half of the box will swirl about and stop at the white line in strict observance of the NO SMOKING area.

The bellows can then be used (in reverse) to suck the smoke out through the hole in the smoking end in the box. Upon removing the clear plastic cover, the walls of the SMOKING AREA end of the box will be found to be coated with soot. The end of the box protected by the NO SMOKING sign will be fresh and clean. Further proof of the effectiveness of the NO SMOKING sign can be found by sniffing the two handkerchiefs. One will smell of smoke and will cause heads to turn should you pull it out in a crowded room before laundering. The one protected by the NO SMOKING sign will smell like the seashore on a spring day.

Teachers who subscribe to a

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Remembrances



Watching boat races is nothing new to residents of the Walloon Lake Area. This picture, taken from the roof of the Merrill Boat Livery located near the foot of the lake about 1910, shows the boats in the background trying to determine who would win the

bragging rights for the summer on the lake. Most of the boats raced back then were live steam and early gas engine boats. Sailboats had their own races which continue today at the lake.

Jottings

By Jim Silbar

I see where our large neighbor just south of us dropped out of being part of a national survey that figures out the cost-of-living for the area.

Seems they did not like the results of the survey which showed that Traverse City was a large cut above the norm as far as expenses versus income.

So what else is new. I ask. Around this community, the only people being paid a decent wage are those that work for some sort of governmental agency. Like city, county workers, DNR employees, political officials, bureaucrats, hangers on, and the like. If you include school teachers and administrators into the picture, they also are at the level of what I call a decent wage.

That level is where you can afford to go to the grocery store and now have to worry about having enough money in the checking account when you buy your weekly amount of food. It is also enough so that you can enjoy some of the recreational activities that abound in the area.

We all know that there is never enough money in the savings account, the check book or the credit union, so that we can go out and spend frivolously. But not many of us do that anyway.

We are too concerned with having enough money to be able to pay the normal bills that come in every month. As the survey co-ordinator said, a gallon of milk in Boyne City, or East Jordan doesn't depend on whether the person buying it is rich, middle income, or poor. It still cost the same.

If the survey results are not appealing to those in Traverse City, then let the survey folks come to Boyne City and set up shop.

They will find out our community is probably higher than the nine percent Traverse City showed.

After all, there is an old adage that says you have to take a cut in pay for a view of the bay.

Only residents in this area seem to be too proud to admit that they are not getting a decent wage. We grin and bear it and decide we can do without some non-essential to having a better life.

In order to pay county, city and school taxes, some families have to go without having a decent meal for weeks, I suppose.

I guess the problem is not the cost of living, it is really the cost of income.

I have always said that if a manufacturer came to this area and offered the same wages as, let's say, a General Motors plant, there would be a line several miles long of people wanting to get one of the jobs that would be offered.

Even if a new plant came into the area and was paying just a little above the average, they

would have the pick of the litter of workers from which to choose for positions available.

And if that happened, then the other plants which wanted to keep their best workers from

transferring, would up their wage scale in order to keep workers.

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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF BOYNE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHARLEVOIX AND ANTRIM COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of Boyne City Public Schools, Charlevoix and Antrim Counties, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the school district on Tuesday, September 25, 1990.

TAKE NOTICE that the following proposition(s) will be submitted at the special bond election:

BONDING PROPOSITION

Shall Boyne City Public Schools, Charlevoix and Antrim Counties Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twelve Million Four Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$12,410,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

- erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to the high school building, to include a new auditorium and a middle school facility and partially remodeling and partially re-equipping the high school facility;
- erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to and partially remodeling and partially re-equipping the existing elementary school for lower elementary school purposes (grades K-3);
- erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to and partially remodeling and partially re-equipping the middle school facility for upper elementary school purposes (grades 4 and 5); and
- constructing and equipping improvements for school sites and constructing and equipping improvements to the playgrounds, athletic and physical education facilities?

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1990, IS MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 1990. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 1990, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL BOND ELECTION.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Boyne City Public Schools, Charlevoix and Antrim Counties, Michigan.

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Reg Sharkey's Northern Journal

That buzzing may be cicadas

by Reg Sharkey

This is the year of the cicada; that winged critter that looks similar to an overgrown horsefly, except for larger wings and sings it like a buzz saw.

As a youngster living downstate I remember hearing the voice of the cicada grinding out of the shrubs and trees in late summer. Grandma called them locusts. She said their complaining meant lots of hot weather. Unknowingly Granny was right 'cause August, the time of the cicada, is usually a hot month.

But it only happens every seventeen years. So I've heard them for the last time.

Up here in the northern boonies we don't hear the mal cicadas love song in chorus because we're on the northerly fringe of the unusual insect, hearing only an occasional lone romancing male.

If you are lucky enough to hear the voice of the cicada you might get a kick out of this old Greek wisecrack that declares:

"Happy be the cicadas' lives, For they have voiceless wives."

How does this romancing male cause that loud rasping, come hither sound? Well there is an abdominal membrane sound chamber near the ventral surface which the insect vibrates in order to produce the rasping call. I could liken it to a human snare drummer beating out a drum roll.

Now let's take a female cicada and go through the seventeen year cycle.

With her sharp oveste she inserts eggs into the twigs of trees or shrubs. She then partially severs the twig near the base by repeatedly puncturing it with her beak in order to check the growth, thereby keeping the growth of the plant from sealing



The seventeen year cicada shows off the almost transparent wings the adult males use to make noise to attract females.

the eggs. Then in late summer the hatching larva drop to the ground and immediately burrow into the ground. Located a tree rootlet it sinks its beak into the tissue and starts its seventeen year's existence underground.

Burrowing by means of its powerful shovel-like front feet, it travels from root to root, feeding until it is full grown, and at seventeen years of age has a coming out party, emerging at night to avoid predators.

Crawling up the nearest tree trunk for a short distance its skin splits down the back and out wriggles a pale looking creature with shriveled wings. Soon, however, the wings expand, the body darkening as vital juices flow through the veins and colors darken: reds yellows, browns, and greens.

The transformation takes several hours. During this time they are helpless, subject to predation. But if they survive, females find the "crooning" males and the whole scenario begins all over, and seventeen years later the voice of the cicada is heard once again.

It is just one of the intriguing things that happen in nature. All you have to do is sit up and take notice.

Nature's miracles are all around us.

In service

Army National Guard Pvt. Carl M. Bowen has completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Bowen is the son of Betty Irish of Williamsburg and Fred Bowen of East Jordan.



Members of the second place winning team of Boyne Pizza included, front row, Amy Harry Hibbler, Tim Hardy, Dave DeNise, Weeks, Karen Winters, Pam Puroll, Stacey McGeorge and Ruth Hibbler. In the back row are Kevin Fitzpatrick, Jeff Hibbler, Harry Hibbler, Tim Hardy, Dave DeNise, Brian Price and Pat Anzell.

Picture courtesy of Denny Krugel.

BC Pizza takes 2nd in annual Co-ed tourney

Boyne City Pizza placed second in the Annual Co-ed Tournament held recently at Rotary Park in Boyne City.

In their first game of the tournament, they went down to defeat at the hands of Rosinski Construction of Traverse City by a score of 10-5. The second game

they beat the Beer Shed Team out of Mancelona 22-4.

On Sunday they beat Tom's Glass by a score of 9-8 and immediately turned around and beat L & R Well Drilling of Gaylord by a score of 13-1.

In their last game between Rosinski Construction and Boyne

City Pizza, the contest was called after one full inning of play because of the rain. It was a decision by the Tournament Officials to call the tournament and assume the Rosinski Team as the winners because they had been undefeated to that point.

The Sportsman Ship Trophy

went to Tom's Glass out of Gaylord. The third place trophy went to L & R Well Drilling out of the Gaylord area.

Most valuable female player was Cindy Tulpa out of Rosinski Construction and most valuable male was Kevin Fitzpatrick out of Boyne City Pizza.

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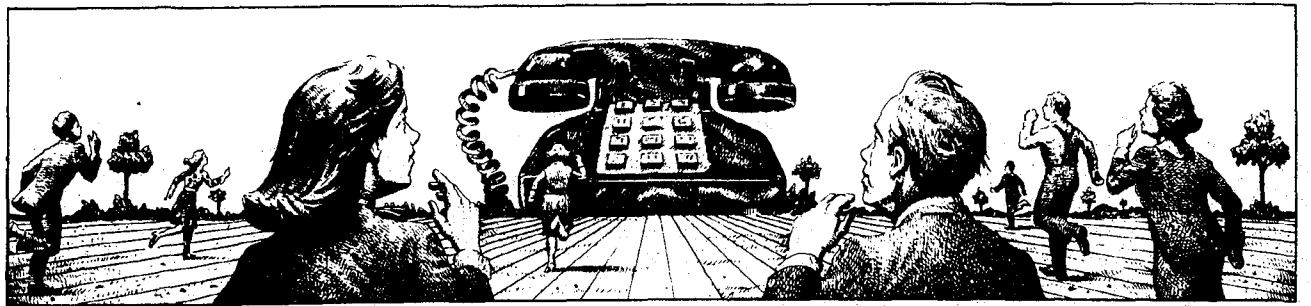
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