

Hunters find 5,942 'rooms in annual hunt

Who ever said that the mushrooms of northern Michigan were dying out and were getting fewer and fewer each year, can lay that idea to rest. 152 contestants in this year's National Mushroom Hunting Championships found a total of 5,942 "caps" black, white morels in the two 90 minute pickings that are part of the championships.

The amount of mushrooms the contestants picked was probably due to the normal spring rains the area has gotten for the past few weeks. Mushroomers throughout the area have been getting good picks daily, including the area where the mushroom championships were held.

That area this year was near the Five Corners on Saturday and by the powerline next to Chandler Hill Road on Sunday. Both days provided better picking than last round. Sunday, the 24 entrants in the finals found another 1,700.

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The winners of the annual National Mushroom Hunting Championships held in Boyne City included: Gerry Boris, Joan Boris, Jean Allen, Candy Sabold, Non-resident winner Rebecca Kost Lancaster, OH, Non-

resident men winner, Jeff Lindsay, Belmont, MI, resident winner, Diana Peterson, Good Hart, MI, resident men winner, Stan Boris, Grand Champion Arron Boris and Harry Huntoon.

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Valedictorian

Salutatorian



Carolyn King



Kelly Copeland

Boyne City's top ten

With a 3.956 grade point average, Carolyn King was named the Valedictorian of the 1991 Boyne City High School graduating class. She will be attending Aquinas College this coming fall. She is the daughter of Doug and Denise King of Evangeline Township.

Salutatorian honors are going to Kelly Copeland with a 3.95 GPA, the daughter of Richard and Kathie Copeland of Wilson Township. Kelly will be attending the University of Michigan.

Also making the top ten of the class are: Christina May who will be attending Wheaton College, Eric Smith who will be attending Aquinas College, Kim Stadt who is still undecided at this time, Kevin Lockman who will be going to Michigan State University, Christa DeGrow who will be going to Grand Valley State University, Kristin Harvey who is still undecided, Dawn Archembault and Amy Cadarette round out the top ten and both will be attending Aquinas College.

News Briefs

The 36th annual Mancelona Bass Festival will be held on the weekend of May 31 through June 2 with activities like a parade, a black powder shoot, horse shoe throw, pony pulls, bass weigh-in contest, flea market, street dance, carnival, fireworks, barbecue and more. For more information call Mancelona Bass Festival at 616-587-8700.

The Miss East Jordan Scholarship Pageant is presenting "Da Yoopers" Saturday, May 25th at 8 p.m. in the East Jordan Civic Center for an adult show with those under 18 not admitted. Tickets can be purchased from the Chamber of Commerce, area stores and at the door.

Boyne City schools will be holding another teacher in-service day in the afternoon of May 22. The Middle School will be dismissed at 11 a.m. while the Elementary and High Schools will be dismissed at 11:15 a.m. There will be no afternoon kindergarten.

The Boyne City Elementary School will be holding their annual Book Fair May 15-16-17 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The money raised will be used to help support the RIF program. Parents can also purchase books at the P.T.O. meeting which will be held May 21st.

Charlevoix resident Scott Campbell has been offered appointments to both the U.S. Naval Academy and to West Point, a tough decision he is going to have to make shortly as he graduates from high school with a 3.98 GPA. Scott's parents are Larry and Kay Campbell.

BC schools borrowing \$2 million dollars

BC middle school program re-vamped, approved by board

Students attending the Boyne City Middle School next year will see some drastic changes in the way they learn with longer class times, team teaching and grouped subjects.

The change which was approved at the monthly meeting of the Boyne City School Board Monday night will be implemented with the students at the Middle School starting this fall.

Students will be going to classes in the core subjects for 116 minutes as the teaching staff and administrators worked out a plan for block time classes.

The schools' curriculum committee has been working on the plan for the past four years when it found that the students were just getting into a subject with some interest and the bell would sound to end the class. It was felt that the longer class periods would help the students learn more in a shorter time.

The students will be attending the core classes, english, social studies, math, at times of the school day when learning is best. Typically, a eighth grade student will start the day from a home room, then go to an enrichment type of class, move to a core type for about two hours, then have lunch, go to another core type of class and end the school day with another enrichment class.

Seventh, sixth and fifth graders will see much of the same type schedule with some modifications as to when they would be taking their enrichment classes.

It has taken four years to develop this plan with a goal based upon the research of the curricula committee with emphasis on instructional organization, staffing concerns, small student communities, a non-coercive environment, teaching teams, core of common knowledge concerns and the fact of success builds on success.

The plan will require an ongoing communication network with families about the new program and student progress. Parents will be offered opportunities for involvement, support and influence of the learning process at home and in the school.

Along with the changes in the Middle School format, the school board then approved the purchase of materials throughout the school system ranging from new textbooks for math, health, and literature.

They also approved additional classes for the high school in consumers education and a high school employability skills class.

The board then approved starting a new plan for an outcome based accreditation program being offered by the North Central Accreditation Board. The new plan

will allow the high school to conform with upcoming state guidelines on accreditation when they are mandated.

In other action, the board approved the borrowing of \$2 million to get them through the summer and fall before the school taxes start coming in. In making the request to borrow, Superintendent

Bob Nakonecny said that this was the best of times to borrow as the interest rates were so low.

He also said that he recommends that the school district apply to the Michigan State Municipal Bond Authority for the borrowing saying that he has had difficulty in the past to get the local banks to bid on the money needed to start the school year.

The board then approved the resolution for the annual election with calls for renewing the current 25.43 mills for three years. Along with the election, they discussed moving the polling place to the Elementary School but tabled the matter until after the June election due to the road construction. The current polls are set for the Middle School.

EJ borrowing \$900,000 for operational expenses

EJ board hears about program

Whole language instruction, certification of board members, progress towards meeting goals and the budget were the concerns as East Jordan's 12 member Board of Education gathered Monday for their May meeting.

The board has once again opted to work its budget within the confines of the anticipated tax revenue of the district taxpayers. The school system will borrow \$900,000 to serve as operational funds to cover the fall and winter months in anticipation of taxes.

"We will need about half that," Superintendent Chip Hansen said regarding the necessary funds required for actual operation. Hansen also indicated that the balance of the funds will be invested at over eight percent interest to create revenue towards assisting the payback of the loan.

Director of Business Ruby Dipzinski indicated that the current interest for borrowing the funds is "less than five percent but more than four."

A faculty presentation included a slide show which brought the semi-installed "Whole Language" instructional techniques to the board for close-up study. Second grade teachers Kay Farrimond referred to as "using the skills from a traditional approach and applying them in the classroom."

This "no textbook teaching" leaves each teacher the freedom to integrate learning the necessary skills into projects that lean heavily on "bringing all the lessons we have learned together in a fun kind of way," Farrimond said. Such projects have included setting up an in-class grocery store with each student having specific assignments.

ts. Also included was a trip to the waste water treatment plant that touched on conservation and measuring.

"I've never had so many kids say that they can't believe it's the end of the school day," Sivula said.

Other than the obvious enrichment in enthusiasm, Farrimond noted other assets to the program such as: a higher self-esteem of the students, improved behavior, a sense of responsibility and an increase in the ability to make individual choices within a set framework.

Upon the completion of the presentation, board member Gary Ciszewski asked how the children would adapt to the drastic change when placed in a traditional classroom next year.

Farrimond stated that she felt there would be no problems with the adaptation and that with time more classes would be operated under the new system. She noted that because of the "freedom within a very well defined structure" the students are still accustomed to maintaining an orderly schedule.

Concerns were also brought forth regarding the programs capability to deal with "special" students. "We take each child

Ray Street to become 'Party Street' Saturday

Saturday will sport a street party in Boyne City when The Station House will be blowing the whistle for Camp Quality as owner Sue Battiste and Camp Director Eleanor West team up to raise funds for the camp that offers "an experience in living for kids with cancer."

Starting at 12 noon, the fund raiser will have a different source of entertainment every hour-on-the-hour. With the action continuing until midnight, the schedule of events will include: Jelly Rolls Blues Band, Overland Express, Keystone Cops, the Harmeling Brothers as well as many others.

The main event will be an auction that will be kicking off at 8 p.m. Antiques and new items donated by a variety of shops in Boyne City, East Jordan and Charlevoix will serve as one of the main means of raising money for the camp.

The party will go uninterupted as Ray Street will be closed off from its normal traffic for the day.

Jesse Stone, a M.C. from FM 104 WLTO, will be hosting live reports periodically throughout the day.

The fund raiser will continue rain or shine, with nice weather

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The public prepares to bid at Saturday's bicycle auction sponsored by the Boyne City Police and the J.C.'s. \$1,457 was raised after expenses and will be used to start a new bicycle registration program in Boyne City.

Opinions

Let's do it right

If ever we have seen a state boondoggle, we are seeing one now when it concerns the addition of a sanitary sewer line from Young State Park to connect with the City of Boyne City wastewater treatment plant.

The state, always looking for an easy way out, has decreed that the line should come down the Boyne City-Charlevoix roadway into the city to make a connection.

The city had asked if the line could come into town along Glenwood Beach and pick up sewage from residents of Evangeline Township and city residents as well.

They were told the proposed sewer line would cost too much, and would involve putting the line through some precious wetlands.

We do not think that objection has any merit at all.

On the one hand, the state's Department of Natural Resources is trying to protect the environment of the water, while another section of the same department is saying the cost of time to get the permits necessary to build through the wetland would not be feasible.

We happen to think if the state was really wanting to protect our resources, it would put the sewer line along Glenwood Beach to help eliminate one of the more serious pollution problems of the lake.

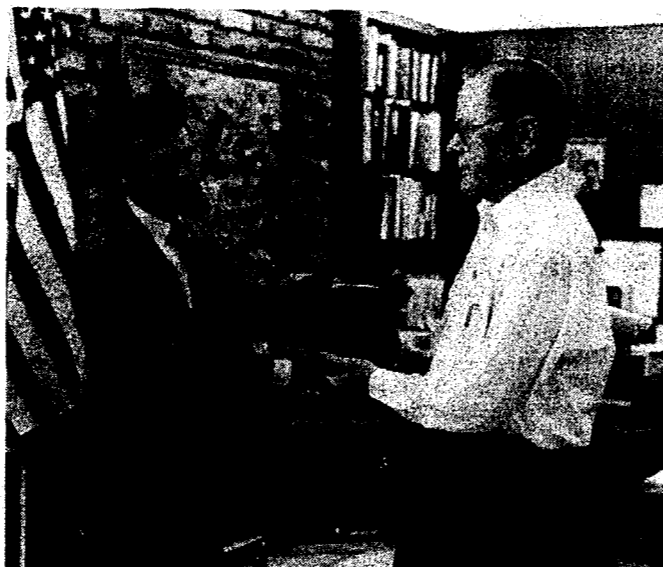
It is inconceivable to us not to do the job right. If we were the city, we would say no to any proposal that does not include those residents. We would tell the DNR that they should just build their own treatment facility, even though they have stated they do not want to be in the treatment business.

We can't understand the problems the DNR has with inter-agency actions either. Recently, the Corps of Engineers has issued a general permit allowing for public utilities to go through wetlands. We think the agency of the DNR should also.

That would help make the right decision easier, even though it appears the DNR has already made the wrong one and is trying to set it in stone.

We think residents of the area should write the head of the DNR, their representative, Ralph Ostling and our State Senator, George McManus to get them involved in making the right decision towards the environment in that area.

Fitzpatrick honored



City Manager Randy Frykberg surprised Mayor Keith Fitzpatrick at the Tuesday, noon commissioner meeting with a plaque representing 25 years of service on the city commission. Fitzpatrick has spent the last 15 years as the mayor of Boyne City. He passed the 25 year mark in April, but Frykberg did not realize his length of term in office until last week.

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Remembrances



Boyne Falls had a volunteer fire department back around the turn of the century according to this picture brought to us by Bernie Kondrat. The department served the then growing Boyne Falls

area which had lumber mills, a flour mill and other industries as well as housing for the workmen.

Jottings

WITH JIM SILBAR

All right, the truth of the story is I was again skunked in my two moments of mushroom hunting while out with the contestants.

For some reason, I can't seem to find my mushroom eyes, let alone a mushroom. It might be the fact that I travel over the same territory after the contestants have gone through, and they have picked everything within sight.

But I will say that I found things. I found two old beer bottles, non-returnables and probably from Ohio or Indiana that someone threw away several years ago, one or two empty shotgun shells and one loaded 12 gauge shell that I gave away to one of the officials.

Unlike most of the hunters entered into the contest, I did not see a mushroom at all, even counting the ones that I saw others find in

the grass near an old apple tree. As usual, I almost stepped upon them while this old hunter bent over and plucked it out of the way of my footsteps.

But this year I have resolved to find that mushroom eye, and the time it takes to go out hunting.

Stan Boris, the perennial winner of those contests, told me of a few good places near my home that I could probably walk to as they can be seen from the house.

Of course he could have been pointing almost anywhere he said seconds later, as the mushrooms can be found everywhere.

Sure, I said to myself, if I had the eyes to see the darn things.

Now that the championships have been held, I guess I could take my time and try to develop that "eye" so I could go home with

a mess, picked by that champion of never finding any, myself.

I figure that if I wait until this weekend or next, then the mushrooms will grow big enough to let me see them.

Sure, I keep hearing stories about mushroom people who can spot a black morel from a car going about 60 miles an hour down an expressway. And the mushroom they spotted was about 200 yards from the edge of the road. Through the trees and brush.

Someday, I will try to hitch a ride with one of those types, get the car to stop, and watch them go back into the bushes to ferret out one mushroom.

With my luck, he will find a dozen or so on the way back to the car. And they will all be big ones, the kind you can stuff with

other goodies from the kitchen.

But another mushroom championship season is over, and now the real mushroom hunters come out to find mushrooms in places that you would think would never hold the soils, temperment or anything.

This year, I have heard mushroomers were finding morels in the pine trees, something that usually doesn't happen in these parts. Or next to a house when the leaves were raked away from the winter during a spring clean-up.

And several people have reported finding "mutant" mushrooms. From doubles to triples and shaped in all different forms.

Folks, they say that they are out there, now all I have to do is join in the fun of an afternoon in the woods.

Boyne City to replace well pipes, valves

Boyne City will be replacing the pipe and valves on their oldest city well it was decided at the Tuesday noon meeting. The well has been in service for the last 30 years and it has been determined to be leaking with the cast iron "getting soft" from rust over the years.

The well, which produces 500 gallons a minute is one of three serving the city. "This is the last well of the three to get some preventative maintenance according to city officials. "it is sorely needed," Water Department head Mike Banfield said. "Once we get it upgraded, we should be up to par."

The city will be spending \$11,231 to replace the pipe with a contract to the firm of Lane Northern Company which has performed work on other city wells.

The commissioners then heard a presentation of Linda Behringer, Director of Retired Senior Volunteer Program which has started work cleaning up and preparing the Maple Lawn Cemetery. "We are trying to get it in shape for Memorial Day," she said, adding that the group could use more muscle.

The RSVP program is looking for some volunteers to get involved with the project and hope to recruit high schoolers along with senior citizens. The group plans on raking leaves, painting the fence and washing uncared for tombstones.

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They hope to continue with the project all summer.

Police Chief Randy Howard told the commissioners the success of the first auction of unclaimed, lost and found and confiscated material netted the city \$1,457 after expenses. He said the money earned from the auction will go towards the starting of a new bicycle registration program that gets underway Saturday in the parking lot of the Allied Signal firm.

Police, along with members of the new Jaycee Club, will be registering bikes for citizens starting at 11 a.m. in the visitors parking lot on the east side of Lake Street.

Judy Schneck, representing

Police start seatbelt tickets throughout state

Although you wouldn't know it from watching the news, our nation's biggest killer isn't AIDS, cancer, or crime. It's traffic crashes.

Traffic crashes don't make news the way cancer does, because traffic crashes aren't so interesting. They're curable, for one thing. The cure for traffic deaths, safety belts, became standard equipment in 1968, about twelve years after Jonas Salk developed a vaccine for another killer: polio.

This summer, police officers in Michigan take part in a nationwide blitz program to enforce our safety belt laws. In effect, Michigan's entire law enforcement community goes on full alert for unbuckled motorists this summer.

Dale Hufford, asked the city to consider a storm drain or a drainage ditch for a piece of property along Hannah Street. She said that since the city installed new water and sewer lines, there has been a water problem in the basement of Hufford's house.

That was reinforced by two other residents of the street who said the present drainage ditch is not doing the job, has grown con-

siderably through erosion, and has become a health hazard due to a stagnant water allowing mosquitoes a breeding place.

The matter was turned over to street head Dennis Jason to determine what could be done. One option the city is looking into is connectin: a storm drain to the State Street storm drain. The city has asked the State Highway Department for permission.

NOTICE - BIDS WANTED CITY OF BOYNE CITY

Sealed bids are now being received for a 33,200 GVW Chassis and a 350 GMP PTO driven single stage midship pump Fire Truck. Tank for truck to be 2,000 gallon elliptical stainless steel.

Specifications are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Fire Chief is also available for any questions.

Bids may be submitted on either unit or in combination. Bids shall be contained in a sealed envelope identified as follows: "Fire Truck Chassis Bid," "Tanker Fire Truck Bid," or "Complete Package Fire Truck Bid."

All bids must be received by no later than Thursday, May 30, 1991 at 10:00 p.m. at which time said bids shall be publicly opened and read.

The City of Boyne City reserves the right to accept or reject any of all bids in the best interest of the City of Boyne and to waive any irregularities and is not bound to accept the low bid.

The dealer(s) who are awarded this bid will guarantee delivery by a specified time of this apparatus as bid, or the City of Boyne City reserves the right to reject the order.

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Michigan Townships Association to hold program for area officials

The Michigan Townships Association will offer a legislative update and educational program to township officials from Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Otsego and Presque Isle Counties on May 20, 1991, as part of MTA's annual Spring District Meetings. Approximately 100 officials are expected to attend this all-day event being held at the Boyne Highlands Resort in Harbor Springs.

Beginning at 9 a.m., MTA Deputy Executive Director Larry Merrill will review current federal issues that affect townships, including the new Social Security withholding requirements, a plan to expand voter registration nationwide, national funding for local roads and environmental issues, among others. Following Merrill's update, MTA Director of Legislative Affairs Gene Thornton will discuss Michigan legislation of interest to townships, including newly signed Public Act 15, which implements a freeze on property tax assessments, and the impact of the 1990 Census, and recent state

budget cuts on state shared revenues. Rounding out the morning is the Township Officials Forum '91, which allows all township officials in the audience an opportunity to discuss common problems and work toward innovative solutions.

Following lunch, participants will be able to choose from six concurrent workshops. Gerald Adams, director of planning with Wilcox Associates Inc. of Cadillac, will discuss the benefits and administrative procedures of zoning in the three-hour Introduction to Zoning session. MTA Financial Consultant Al Blankenship will instruct attendees on investment options and policies in the Investment Strategies for Your Township workshop. The latest information in Elections Management will be presented by Dave Peterson from the Michigan Department of State's Local Elections Division. John Toth, former superintendent of Oakwood Cemetery in Traverse City, will answer questions regarding recordkeeping

in his Cemetery Records Management seminar. Collecting Personal Property Taxes will be the focus of a workshop taught by attorney David VanderHaagen of Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C., of Lansing. Finally, the Michigan State Assessors Board will conduct a three-hour assessors renewal for township supervisors/assessors.

The cost of the program, which includes resource personnel and materials, lunch and refreshments, is \$43 per person at the door. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Members of the press are encouraged to attend at no charge.

The Michigan Townships Association, based in Delta Charter Township, Eaton County, provides lobbying and educational services to more than 99 percent of the state's 1,242 townships and 6,500 elected officials. District meetings are conducted annually across the state, with spring meetings offered in the northern half of Michigan.



Cast members for "An Evening With..." are: Back row from left: Chris Kempton, Doug Flewelling, Jeff La Roux, Howard H. Ellis, Paula A. Vollbach, Emilie La Roux; front row from left: Lana Franchek, Anisa Clark.

Original Comedy Revue on stage this weekend in EJ

"An Evening With..." which opens in East Jordan this weekend, is described by its author, Charlevoix playwright James Taylor McKinney, as "a play on words and generic comedy." The forty-two skits composing the two-act comedy revue will be played against a black and white set with predominantly black and white costumes.

Even intermission will feature a black and white exhibit: photographs by Bill Huckle and clippings and old newspapers front pages provided by Jordan Valley District Library. The audience is invited to stay for an opening night afterglow to meet the playwright and actors.

Performances are at East Jordan High School at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 17, and Saturday, May 18, with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, May 19. Reserved seats may be arranged by calling 536-3385 between 9 a.m. and noon

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Tickets (\$6.50 for adults and \$4 for students) will also be available at the door.

The world premiere is being presented by Jordan River Players, the theatrical arm of Jordan River Arts Council.

"An Evening With..." pokes fun at words and their uses and misuses with dozens of fast-paced skits and parodies connected with lively musical bridges and vaudevillian shtick.

Cast members are Douglas Flewelling, Petoskey; Lana Franchek, Bellaire; Anisa Clark, Howard H. Ellis, Chris Kempton, Emilie La Roux, Jeff La Roux, Ron Postma, Sheila Rake, Ernestine Roberts and Paula A. Vollbach, all from East Jordan.

The set was designed by technical director Ron Postma and built by him and Armand Drapeau, Frank Hasseld, Mark Postma and Gerald Roberts.

Others active in the production include Lenore Bechtel, production manager; Brad Leech, stage manager; Beverly Loewe, property manager; June Marie McGrath, costume coordinator; Mike Patrick, sound manager and Robert Rousch, lighting manager.

Playwright and director McKinney has been producer/director for dozens of plays including "Music Man," "Damn Yankees," "Kiss Me Kate," "Sound of Music," "Kismet" and "Show Boat." He directed "Hello Dolly" for Traverse City's Old Town Playhouse, as well as the world premiere of "Hocus-Pocus" in Bellaire and East Jordan last May.

The production is the second world premiere sponsored by the arts council, which is dedicated to showcasing local talent and encouraging cultural awareness throughout Charlevoix and Antrim counties.

In service

Navy Seaman Recruit Steven G. Rogers, son of David W. Rogers of 07596 Charlevoix View Drive, Charlevoix, MI, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, San Diego.

During Roger's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

His studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1990 graduate of Corona Del Sol High School, Tempe, Ariz., he joined the Navy in December 1990.

Navy Seaman Brian J. Huffman, son of Sharon K. and Gerald W. Huffman Sr. of Elmira, MI, recently returned from deployment to the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Storm while serving aboard the destroyer tender USS Yellowstone, homeported in Norfolk, VA.

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Hunters



Todd Sorenson counted out a contestant at the final mushroom count. After the weekend picking competition, the judges are all that stand between pickers and the winning places.

year which was dry all spring.

Taking the first places were Diane Peterson of Good Hart, MI in the resident women class with a count of 129. Second place went to Geri Boris of Bay Shore with 80 and third was taken by Becky Holmes of Boyne City with 49.

In the resident men class, Stan Boris, of Bay Shore took the win with 84 mushrooms found, followed by his son John Boris who found 69. Third went to Josh Strzyewski of Charlevoix with 52.

Taking the first for the non-resident women was Rebecca Kost of Lancaster, Ohio who had a count of 116. Second went to Jean Allen with 83 while third was won by Candy Sabold with 65.

In the non-resident men class, former Boyne Cityite Jeff Lindsay, now from Belmont, MI took the win with 134 mushrooms beating out Harry Huntoon who found 53 for second and Mark Sturr with 48 for third.

In the Grand Champion class, Arron Boris took his second win with a two day count of 378. Second place honors went to Roger Thurow with 356 while third place went to Paul Whipple with 339.

The weather for the weekend was warm both days which made happy faces at the carnival which is part of the festival. The same weather did not help out Boyne City merchants as much as the visitors and residents either went back out mushroom hunting or went home and grilled steaks and ate their picking of the day.

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by Jim Gallup
Jim Silbar



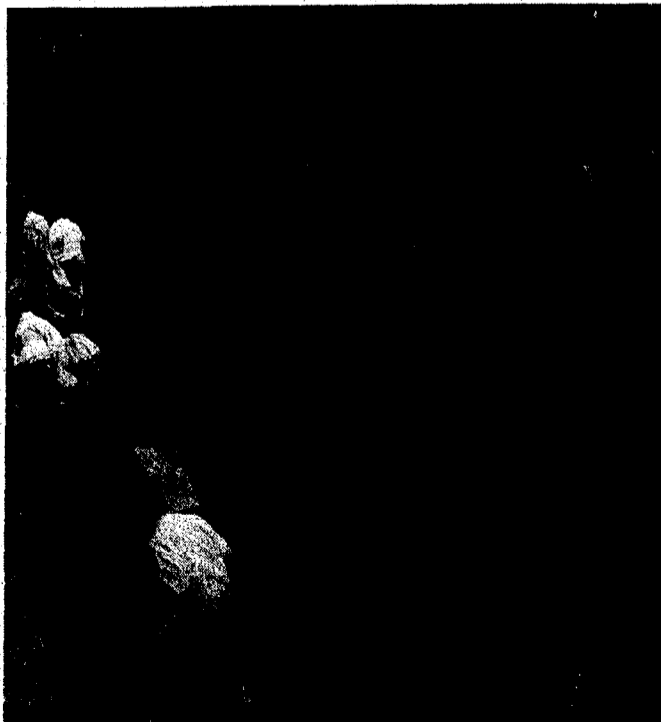
These mushrooms are different than most people would expect to find. Sue Florenski (above) and John Boris (below) hold up their double headed mushrooms with pride as onlookers photograph these rare finds. With the video camera is Bryce Kendrick, a professor of mycology from Waterloo University in Ontario.



Two young riders of the dragon wave at the camera while they are enjoying the carnival that is part of the festival.



We don't know if this man invented a new way to find morels or whether he was just trying to locate his car.



Pickers run into the woods at the sound of the siren. Each participant attempted to gather the most mushrooms in 90 minutes during last weekend's annual hunt.

Reg Sharkey's Northern Journal

The tale of a little cub bear

There's a little female bear cub being cared for by a wildlife rehabilitator in Charlevoix County that has captured the hearts of the few people who have had the privilege of seeing her.

She is the only survivor of a litter of three cubs that Robert John LaFleur, of Alpena, illegally removed from a dened sow sometime in March, according to officer David Douglas who obtained a search warrant and rescued the lone cub from starvation; the fate of the other two cubs.

The surviving cub was placed in the car of a veterinarian for a time and then was transferred to the care of the rehabilitator.

Fed a mixture of baby formula and cereal twice a day the little cub is up to a weight of twelve pounds, and is a bundle of furred energy.

Following her foster "mother" around her curiosity is insatiable, constantly climbing anything around that she can get her claws into, and sometimes that is a human leg.

The "orphanage" is the last stop before the cub will go, more than likely, to the Upper Peninsula, where, hopefully, rehabilitation and release back into the wild will take place.

And this writer's heart will go with this captivating little orphan black bear.

Addendum: the reason that the rehabilitator, or the place that the cub is being cared for is not mentioned, is simply to protect the cub, and rehabilitator, from curious people who may not realize that a steady stream of people would not be the right thing to do.



Conservation officer Tom Sweet found out you don't cuddle bear cubs no matter how sweet they look.



.....and who are you?



Mr. Officer can you help me find my mamma?



Boy this tree is made to order.

Health day to be held at Charlevoix Area Hospital

Charlevoix Area Hospital is opening its doors for health day on Wednesday, May 22.

It will be a day for a personal spring health check-up for area residents. There will be free pulmonary function tests, hearing screening tests, and blood pressure checks. For \$5 a total cholesterol test will be available.

"We have a commitment to area residents," says Richard Krueger, hospital administrator, "to provide community education and wellness programs, to help make people aware of healthy living habits and

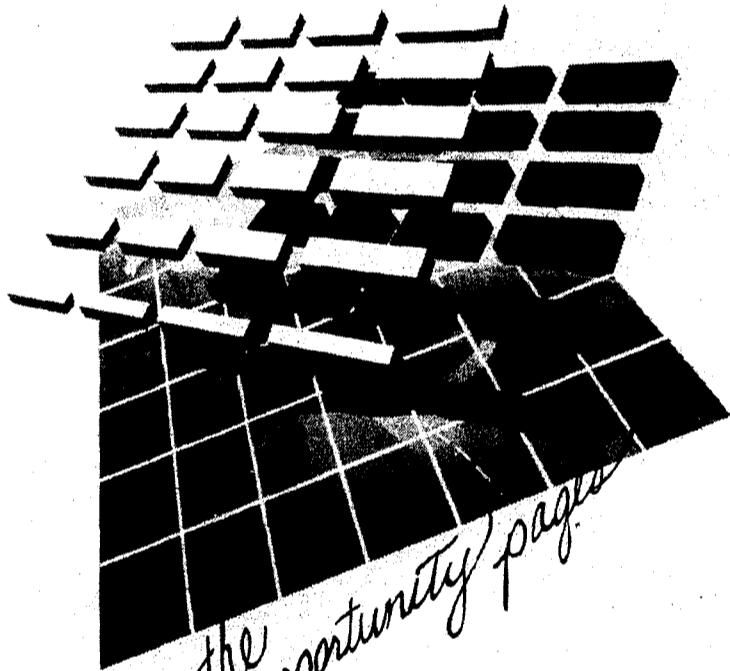
the importance of regular examinations."

The hospital will provide free colorectal cancer self test kits and information on first aid, breast care, and cancer.

Munson Medical Center's Ear Lab will be on hand for the free hearing tests from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The other tests will begin at 7 a.m. and continue to 3 p.m. Persons taking part should be 18 years of age or older.

For further information, contact Nancy Ellison at 547-4024.

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