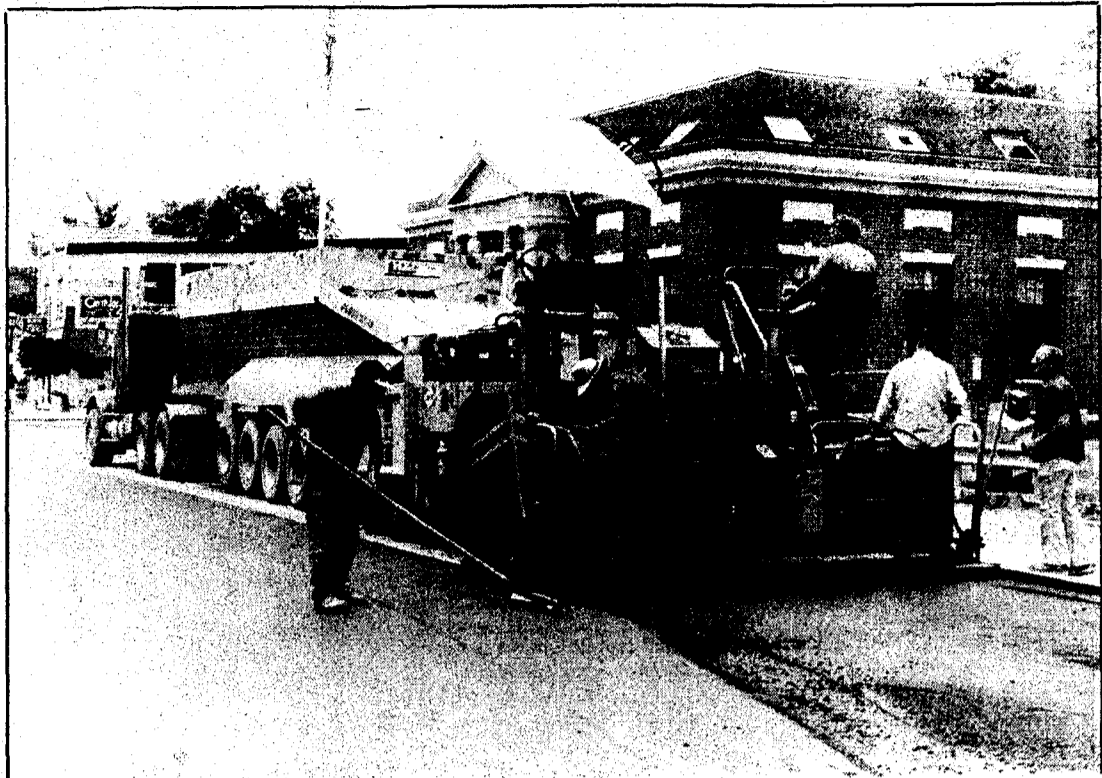


## Another stage opened

H & D workers laid down the first layer of asphalt and opened up another section of M-75 by the post office last week, much to the cheers of Century 21 Kowalske realtors who held a small celebration in front of their offices to honor the workers paving. The finish coat of asphalt will be applied when the entire road project of rebuilding M-75 is almost completed. The next section will see curb and gutters installed, perhaps as soon as next week. Contractors say the remaining mile of roadway will be completed faster than the first quarter mile as they do not have to dig out the old road.

## Vacationeer included in this issue



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## Boyer City to provide water, sewer to Hawkridge

Boyer City may be providing water and sewer service outside of the community to the developers of Hawkridge, city commissioners decided, after details between the development company, the city and the township are worked out.

The decision followed a discussion at the noon meeting Tuesday as the commissioners first had to decide whether the proposed development would have

enough water capacity for the number of units that could be constructed.

Developers told the commission the maximum number of dwelling units that could be built on the 28.8 acres in Evangeline Township was 144. They are proposing to build considerably less units, approximately 95, when they have finished the project over the next ten years.

Presently, the developers have installed enough water capacity for the 20 units they plan on constructing within the city. In an agreement the developers have with the city, the development firm will upgrade the pumping station so as to provide enough water to meet fire and safety specifications. Developers said they anticipate having to install 25 to 30 horsepower pumps to serve the area.

The developers also told the commissioners that they designed the system and paid for it just so it could be expanded in the future.

Commissioner Sandra Stanley told other commissioners that they should go slowly on approving the expansion, wanting to make sure the developer gets permission from the township which would allow for both single family and multiple family dwellings on the property.

The development is located on the edge of town on a ridge overlooking the city. Five acres of the development are within the city and are the location for the first of four condominium buildings that have been approved.

Commissioner Thelma Behling pointed out that the city does have a written agreement with the developers which allows for the expansion of the utilities. She said the city shouldn't hold up the project and asked that the three groups work out the details and report back to the commissioners. The commissioners would then approve the request.

In other business, the commissioners approved a resolution allowing Consumers Power to modify the streetlighting

agreement so the city could remove a streetlight near the Park Street Bridge. The light will be reinstalled after the new bridge is completed.

They also approved a resolution asking for support for the employees of the soon to close United Technologies plant in Boyer City.

### Sets budget at 7.7 million

## Charlevoix schools end VanWieren era

From the 73 applicants, the Charlevoix School Board has narrowed the list down and interviewed eight as they continue to search for a new Superintendent to take over administrating the Charlevoix School system.

Monday night was the last Board of Education meeting of retiring Superintendent Gordon VanWieren. After 14 years of service, VanWieren said he is planning on mixing business with fun and sun as he sets out in the boat chartering business.

Business Manager Richard Kelly was appointed as interim superintendent for the Charlevoix school system. Kelly noted that he expects to perform both jobs through July and August at which time the new superintendent will assume the responsibilities.

Appreciation and thanks were expressed to VanWieren by the board members for the job he has done and the standards he has set for future superintendents.

The board then approved the new school budget for the 1991-1992 school year with \$8,777,356 of expected revenue and \$7,730,950 expenditures. These estimated budgets are proposing nearly a 12 percent revenue retention at the end of the school year. "25 percent would be ideal," VanWieren said.

Two big bites out of the budget are the normal operational expenses for the elementary, middle and high schools and the operation and maintenance fees. Included in the \$816,250 allocated for maintenance fees, is the replacement of a portion of the high school roof.

In other action, the board agreed to rent the old Ironton School, which has been vacant for several years, to the Northwest Michigan Human Service Agency for their Head Start program. "It's better to have it used and used productively than let it sit," board member Scott Beatty said. A \$250 per month plus utilities rent has been agreed upon for the next two years.

Hot lunch prices will increase for students next year. The Parent-Student Hot Lunch Advisory Committee has set the prices agreed upon by the board. Elementary students will now pay \$1.15, Middle and High school students \$1.40 and adults \$2.00. These fees for food had not been increased since the 1988-89 school year.

The proposed revenue will help

tabled a request for a liquor license transfer until the police chief has completed his report and agreed to borrow money at a 6 percent interest rate from First State Bank of Charlevoix for three years with payments to be made semi-annually.

The money will be used to pay

for the new fire truck and dump truck that city is purchasing this summer. A portion of the truck and firetruck will be paid out of money accumulated over the past several years. The loan will cover the rest of the purchase.

## Drug bust finds 25 lbs. of marijuana in county

Approximately 25 pounds of marijuana was seized in a drug bust last Sunday when officers from the Michigan State Police Criminal Investigation Division out of Gaylord and Traverse City, along with members of the Straits Area Narcotics Enforcement (S.A.N.E.) arrested Alan Craig Smith, 42, of Charlevoix at his home in Hayes Township.

There were assisted by the Charlevoix County Sheriff's department.

This was the second arrest of Smith, who was indicted previously by the grand jury back in 1988. He served time in jail for that offense.

Also seized in the raid was drug trafficking paraphernalia and other assets acquired from the sale of narcotics valued at over \$7,300. The street value of the marijuana was set at about \$50,000 according to arresting officers.

Smith was arraigned Tuesday, June 25, and bond was expected to be set at about \$25,000.

Smith's arrest came from information leading to a search warrant by detective Whale from the Traverse City Narcotics Team.

If found guilty, Smith could be facing double penalties because of the second offense.

## UTA offers workers jobs in T.C.

United Technologies Automotive has informed hourly employees of the Boyer City plant, which is due to close this year, that they will be given an opportunity to fill available jobs at the company's switch assembly plant in Traverse City, Michigan.

The switch assembly plant, located at 1567 South Airport Road in Traverse City, plans to hire 50 employees immediately and an undetermined number of employees in the near future in response to an upturn in the plants' business with original equipment auto manufacturers.

UTA sent letters June 21 to all

hourly employees at the Boyer City Plant, stating they can apply for the available jobs at the Traverse City plant, and that they will be given preference in filling job openings at the TC facility.

UTA announced June 17, it will close the Boyer City facility this year, affecting 255 hourly and 34 salaried employees and will consolidate its input controls operations. Salaried employees at the Boyer City plant will also be given an opportunity to apply for positions at the Traverse City plant as well as other UTA facilities, if they become available.

## B.C. man injured, jailed after roll-over on M-75

A one car accident at the curve of M-75 north and State Street early Tuesday morning left a Boyer City man in jail pending the posting of a bond for operating under the influence of liquor and other counts.

Dale William Gardner, 22, apparently lost control of his GMC Jimmie on the curve, overcorrected, veered across the road and rolled into a ravine.

The vehicle then caught on fire and was completely destroyed according to County Sheriff's reports.

Gardner was also cited for attempting to resist a police officer, no insurance, and invalid license plates.

He was transported to Northern Michigan Hospital where he was treated and released to authorities.

The incident involved the Sheriff's department, Boyer City police, Boyer City fire and Boyer City ambulance departments.

## News Briefs

Boyer City's annual Independence Day race will see some differences this year as organizers will try to cope with the weather. An additional watering station has been added and if the temperature is above 80, the race will be canceled. Those wanting to run in the 2 mile or 10 K races can sign up early at the Boyer City Chamber of Commerce. Proceeds from the race will be given to the Boyer City Ambulance fund to honor the work they did last year to save the lives of three runners.

In Charlevoix County, Veterans Affairs expenditures were \$1,319,905 during the fiscal year ending September 1990 according to Gordon Clowney, the director for the state.

## Funsters say Thursday good as any for annual Horton Bay Parade

Thursday is as good a day as any for a parade in Horton Bay. So, on Thursday, July 4, the annual Fourth of July parade will begin in the village at 1 p.m.

This year's slogan, "Make Horton Bay the 51st State", has inspired such entries as the 51st state's "Sock Exchange", with Betty Kelts as the "Sockbroker"; the "51st State's All-Star Ball Team", made up of the Ripstra family and friends; campaign to elect "Inita Wall" to Horton Bay Border Patrol Commissioner; "The 51st State's

Meals on Wheels", with Paul Bricker and selected crew; "The Horton Bay Not-So-Rapid Transit", a llama-drawn cart, by John & Barb Danly; the Horton Bay Pony Club "Coming to the Rescue of Horton Bay"; "Merrell Staffel's 51st State Political Campaigners"; "Corky Price's Clydesdales pulling a cart with the slogan, "Horton Bay Will Never Go to War for Oil"; and the Bradley family's float, "Horton Bay: 51st State of Confusion", with

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### Still promising great weekend

## E.J. cancels jet ski event

East Jordan Freedom Festival's fight to hold the July 6 jet ski competition has suffered a knock out after event organizer Kevin Steely made the final decision last Wednesday to cancel the competition due to the lack of time available to obtain sanctioning and insurance.

"Everyone was disappointed," Gloria Carl, Assistant Executive Director of the East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce said. "We're hoping to try again next year."

Time was the main constraint the Freedom Festival Committee faced due to the denial of the initial permit from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). "It was

just too late to get the event together," Carl said. "None of it would have happened if we would have gotten our permit."

When the first sanctioning committee, the International Jet Ski Association, turned down the competition due to the lack of promotional time, Steely began the bleak investigation into private insurance by the Freedom Festival Committee. "Not even Lloyd's of London will insure an event like this without more time," he said.

Even through the lost time, energy and money, Carl is still looking forward to the remainder of events that will take place at East Jordan's Freedom Festival. "We still have a great Freedom Festival going," she said.



# Opinions

## Traffic problems are cause of comparison

We don't want to say Boyne City is becoming like Charlevoix, but this year we have had to stop and wait at intersections, traffic lights and corners more than ever before.

Perhaps it is due to the increase in tourist traffic within the community or just because of all the construction work that has narrowed down the choice of roads you can take to go from one side of town to the other.

In any case, we aren't up to the traffic flow problems that Charlevoix faces every summer, not being located on a major highway with only one way through town. But it sure does seem like it, especially when the plants let out in the afternoon.

If the increased traffic flow is from tourists, then the merchants should be happy. They will probably be happier if all of the construction work were completed this week instead of sometime in August.

In the meantime, those of us who have to use the roads everyday, will just have to sit and wait, appear to be calm, before making that turn to downtown or wherever.

The construction this summer is the most this town has seen over the years, as the road crews continue to rebuild the major trafficways in and around the community.

Sure, all of the work previously done was completed in the fall, after the tourist season, but last year, contractors were caught short due to the weather and had to leave the job until this season.

One thing we will all be happy about though, is when it is all over and done.

Then we will have a "bright new face" we can show to the many visitors coming from the cities to enjoy our water, our scenery, and our many attractions.

So while we can damn the construction now, we only have to wait a few more weeks before it is all completed as then we can go back to normal business.

## Parade

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everything upside down or backward.

Other entries include the Jelly Roll Blues Band; the S.F.B. Club, a patriotic float with red, white, and blue ribbons and banjo music, featuring Vasco Zucchiatti, Denny Peck, and Bill Heiermann; The Charlevoix Senior Citizens' Wizard of Oz, with Frank Zednick as the Scarecrow; Barb Cook's Petoskey Firebells, the Clown Precision Lawn-Chair Drill Team; Gary Gray portraying VanGogh on a print-by-number canvas; Scott Moody's usually "insane group"; "The Bay-tels", a take-off on the Beatles, with Dale Owens, Richard Hartwell, and Dan Nakonczay on their '91 tour; the Banana Republic's question, "Where Do You Go When the Volcano Blows?"; Britany Markham riding on Fred Gondzar's 1952 Page garden tractor, "Bo, the Pizza-Eating Goat", and many more.

A special treat this year will be

nine-year-old Marie Essenberg of Ellsworth singing "God Bless the U.S.A." from the steps of the Horton Bay Store. Marie has become famous for her patriotic renditions at several events, including a Pistons' ball game.

Bob Munn, well-known local tenor, will open the ceremonies with the National Anthem, and The Harmeling Brothers will provide music before the parade begins.

Parade organizer Jon Hartwell and his committee report there will be at least as many entries as last year's 60. The road through Horton Bay will be closed shortly after noon, so early arrival is suggested. Sheriff George T. Lasater will lead the parade and Dr. Michael Engel will be on hand to take care of any possible emergencies. An ambulance will also be parked next to the Red Fox Inn.

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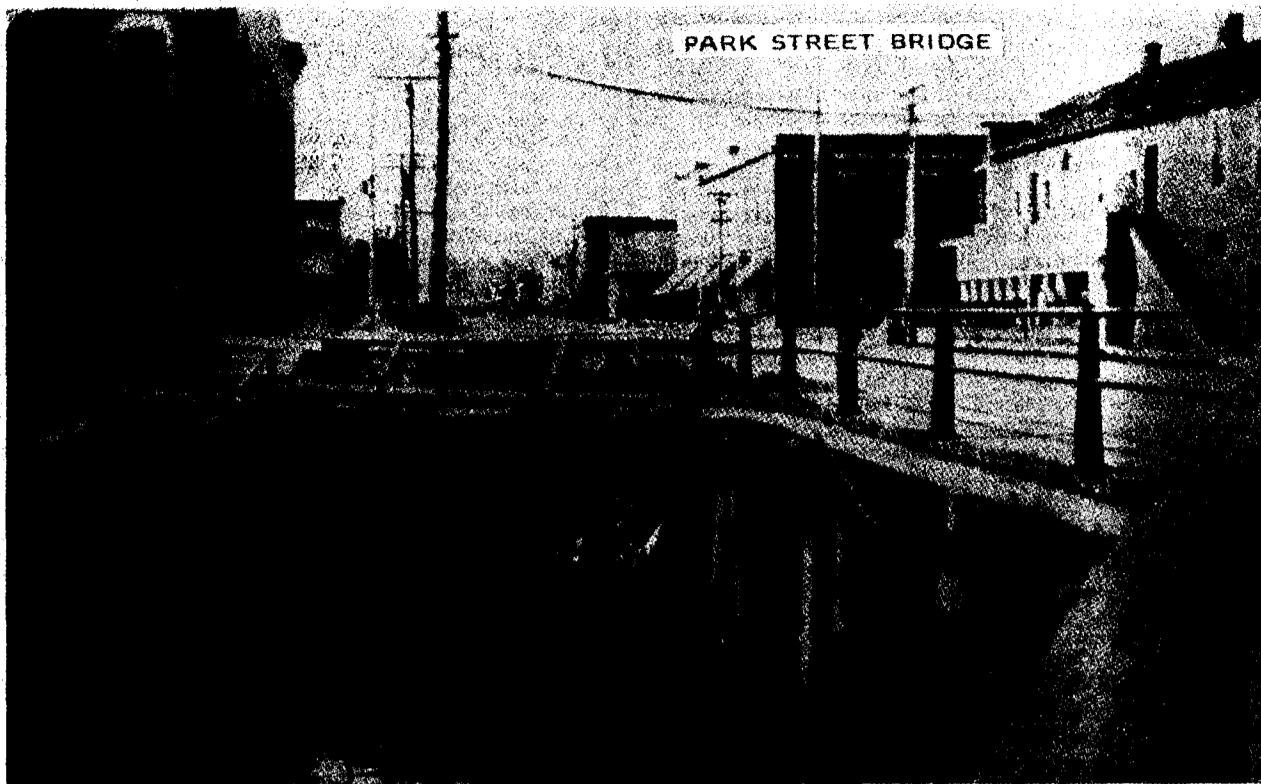
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# Remembrances



With workers replacing the second Park Street Bridge this summer, we thought you readers should see what the first one looked like. This postcard was lent to us for a Remembrance picture by Major Keith Fitzpatrick who asked at a noon commission meeting if the completed bridge would look the same as the first bridge. He then passed around the postcard and was politely told the bridge would be a lot different than the old wood structure the recently

dismantled bridge replaced. This picture shows the bridge looking toward Water Street. The building in the right background was a hardware store at the time and is now the Boyne Country Party Store. This picture is from around the turn of the century in Boyne City. If you have any old pictures you would like to share with our readers, bring them to the office and let us copy them.

# Jottings

WITH JIM SILBAR

If there is one thing I can't stand in the summer time is a summer cold.

Yes, I came down with one over the weekend. And I have been spending a lot of time blowing the nose, sniffing, walking around bleary eyed, and all of the many symptoms that are developed when you have a cold.

One of the problems with a summer cold is finding a store that has all of the cold remedies still on the shelves, I am finding out. As if I am the only one who could come down with a summer cold and the stores evidently think that no one catches a cold in the summer so they put all of the remedies away

until fall.

Of course, my old tried and true remedies haven't worked, but that is because I haven't had time to try them out. Things like spending the week in bed sleeping the cold through, eating a few dozen oranges, popping Vitamin C, and trying almost all of the cold remedies on the market.

That is one thing about a cold, I have found out, the medicine bought for the last cold won't work on the one you just came down with.

I think it is because the virus or something is different than any other cold you may have picked up over the years.

It must be something like that, or else the medicine is out of date and not as potent as it was when it was new.

Now, I figure that I can catch a cold at least once a year, usually in November, and that cold stays with me until about May. I get used to having one since I spend a lot of time outside during the winter. Or at least, I used to before I started catching colds every year.

So during the summer, you can't just bundle up with clothing, or else you would sweat to death, especially this summer when we have not had very much rain or cold weather changes.

Maybe that was it.

The weather did change recently, for a couple of hours or so, and dropped the temperature down to the forties.

Yah, that's what I blame it on. Not anything else like staying up late or not getting enough asleep, not getting over-stressed or any of the other things that can cause a cold. It was just the temperature change, you see, that caused all of this commotion.

About the only good thing about a summer cold is that it will least about a week and then go away.

And I'll be able to enjoy the summer like everyone else.

## EJ Iron Works proposes addition to foundry

A proposal for an addition at the East Jordan Iron Works to be located on the west side of the main foundry was discussed during Superintendent Mike Dionne's report to the East Jordan City Council last Tuesday. According to Dionne, the only complication he sees to the addition is that a sewerage lift station, owned and maintained by the city, must be moved.

Commissioner Russ Gee expressed a desire to inspect the site of the proposed building and lift station before voting to let construction begin. The board decided to agree to the foundry's proposal contingent on the review of the site by the council members.

The addition will serve as an enclosure for dust collection equipment. "It will give a better view from the lake," Plant Engineering Supervisor Al Hettig said.

Like Boyne City and Charlevoix, East Jordan city commissioners have voted not to hold a presidential preference

primary for future elections during the last weeks meeting.

City Clerk Kathy O'Rear feels that since 69 percent of the registered voters are ineligible to vote in the primary that it's "a big waste of time and money." To vote in the primary, each registered voter has to have expressed a party preference on their voters registration card.

Replacement of the city water mains is complete Dionne reported. The 3600 linear feet of piping has been installed. This completion of this project offers those driving the streets of East Jordan uninterrupted passage he said.

In other action, clearance was given for the city to pay C.H. Smith Company \$27,217.28 for the roofing job done on part of the Civic Center and the City Hall. The council agreed to hold the check until the sub-contractor liens of C.H. Smith have been proven paid.

The East Jordan Tourist Park will receive new fencing as the council members voted to accept

the low bid of Apple Fence Company for the installation. According to O'Rear, the fencing will serve as a means to prevent excess traffic.

To help beautify the city, Dionne has pitched in to enclose the

dumpster at the Senior Center. "I told them I would buy the lumber," Dionne said. Last years zoning ordinance to enclose dumpsters only effects new buildings, but the improvement of such an enclosure is catching on.

## Evangelical and Lutheran churches hold worship at Elm Pointe

Evangelical Lutheran Church and First Presbyterian Church, both of East Jordan, will hold their Third Annual Worship at Elm Pointe. Service will be at 11 a.m. on Sunday, June 30. A patriotic theme will be observed. A Choir with singers from both congregations will sing several anthems. The Rev. David Downton, pastor of First Presbyterian, and

the Rev. Robert Herbon, pastor of Evangelical Lutheran, will conduct the worship and join in preaching the sermon. Bob Bryan, organist and choir director for both churches, will play and direct.

There will be a Pot Luck Picnic after worship at the park with time for visiting and enjoying the outdoor setting. Anyone who wishes is invited to join in the service and picnic.

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## EJ bridge team donates \$740 to area groups

Three local organizations will gain from the proceeds of the 1990-1991 East Jordan Bridge Tournament. Members voted at their annual luncheon meeting held at the Jordan Inn to donate \$286 each to the East Jordan Ambulance Fund and the East Jordan Fire Department. The Reading is Fundamental program of the East Jordan Public Schools will receive \$150.

Number one team was Martha Matthews and Jean Muha, with 37,750 points. Coming in only 300 points behind to take second were Ruth Bell and Edna Nielsen. Third place went to Cygred Riley and Gladys Sattler with 36,870.

The rest of the top ten teams included: 4 Evelyn Gidley and Hope Tyrrell with 36,170; 5 Gayle Gotts and Barbara Worgess with 35,240; 6 Betty Rison and Alice Sherman with 33,980; 7 Barbara Adams and Pat

Ruhlman with 33,410; 8 Deanna Hurwitz and Marguerite Stokes with 33,200; 9 Betty Boswell and Marge Smith with 33,020; and 10 Mary Glenna Malpass and Esther Porter with 30,920.

A total of 17 teams competed in the tournament.

Committee members appointed for the 1991-92 tournaments are: Ruth Bell, Edna Nielsen, Fran Pletz, program Shirley Etcher, Jean Pardee-projects; Barb Adams, Gladys Sattler-luncheon; Joanne Schenck, Betty Rison-nominating; and Hope Tyrrell-Secretary/Treasurer.

The East Jordan Bridge Tournament is a non-profit social and charitable organization and membership is open to anyone who wishes to play. Anyone interested in participating next year may call Hope Tyrrell at 536-2417.

## U.S. Coast Guard accepting applications for Cadets

The United States Coast Guard Academy is now accepting and processing applications for appointment as Cadet, U.S. Coast Guard, Class of 1996.

Applications are being accepted for both men and women. Appointments as Coast Guard Cadets are tendered solely on the basis of annual nationwide competition with no congressional nominations or geographical quotas. Applications must be submitted to the Director of Admissions prior to December 15, 1991. Candidates must arrange to participate in either the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing Assessment (ACT) prior to or including the December 1991 ACT and SAT test administrations.

Appointments as Cadet are tendered based on the candidate's high school record, performance on either the SAT or ACT, and leadership potential as demonstrated by participation in high school activities, community affairs and/or part-time employment. Most successful candidates rank in the top quarter of their high school class and have demonstrated proficiency in both the mathematical and applied science fields.

Candidates must be unmarried at the time of appointment, have no legal obligations resulting from a prior marriage, and must have reached the age of 17 but not 22 by July 1, 1992.

All candidates must be assured of high school graduation by June 30, 1992. All candidates must have completed a minimum of three years of English, and three in mathematics to include algebra and plane or coordinate geometry

or their equivalents, and must fulfill basic physical requirements.

Coast Guard Cadets obtain an excellent undergraduate education at no personal expense. In addition, they receive pay and allowances fully adequate to fulfill their ordinary living expenses. The constantly updated Academy curriculum leads to a Bachelor of Science degree with a strong academic emphasis on engineering and science. The selected major studies, when combined with varied elective courses, establish a solid foundation for a challenging career. Graduates of the Academy

are commissioned as Ensigns in the United States Coast Guard. Selected officers may pursue further postgraduate education and specialized training at many leading civilian and military graduate or professional schools, in such fields as aviation, business administration, electronics, engineering, law and oceanography.

The young Academy graduate can look forward to a varied, exciting, and demanding career as a regular Coast Guard Officer. Under the Department of Transportation, the Coast Guard performs a variety of missions. These include

search and rescue operations by ship and plane, maintenance of advanced electronic and other aids to navigation around the globe, operation of icebreakers which clear the way for all polar expeditions, and enforcement of marine law and all aspects of merchant marine safety. In addition, the Coast Guard has responsibility for boating safety and marine environmental protection.

To obtain an application or further information write: Director of Admissions, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, 15 Mohegan Avenue, New London, CT 06320; or call (203) 444-8501.

## Can you retire early?

If you dream of calling it quits before the traditional retirement age of 65, you better start planning early, advises the Michigan Association of CPAs.

The first step is calculating how much money you will need in retirement. A rule of thumb is that you will require about 70 percent of your current gross income to maintain the standard of living you now enjoy.

How will you obtain that 70 percent goal? The keystones of most people's retirement plans are Social Security, an employer pension, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA), Keoghs, 401(k) plans and personal investments.

If you plan to retire early, you should be aware that the youngest age at which you can collect Social Security is 62. You should also know that your age at retirement

affects the size of your Social Security benefit. If you begin to collect at 62, your monthly check will be permanently set at 80 percent of the full benefit. You receive your full benefits only if you wait until you are age 65 or older to retire.

The maximum monthly benefit a retired worker could expect to receive in 1991 is \$1,022. For an estimate of how much you can expect to receive in your monthly benefit check, call the Social Security Administration at 800-224-5772 and ask for Form SS-7004, the Request for Earnings and Benefits Estimate Statement.

Pension payments vary from company to company. To get an idea of how much you can expect to receive when you retire, you should ask your company benefits counselor to figure this amount for

you based on the job tenure you anticipate.

Another important source of retirement income will be one of the tax-favored investment vehicle - including IRAs, Keoghs, and 401(k) plans. Although IRAs no longer provide a tax deduction for everyone, they still allow you to defer taxes on interest or dividend income in your plan. Keogh plans provide similar tax advantages for the self-employed. CPAs recommend employees take full advantage of 401(k) plans whenever possible. The salary you contribute reduces your current taxable income and tax is deferred on investment earnings. Bear in mind that IRAs, Keoghs and 401(k) plans all come with stringent withdrawal restrictions that discourage you from suddenly deciding to use your retirement savings

## State Police say safety belts are better than dry cleaning

Safety belts, some people say, will wrinkle your clothes. But consider this: unbuckled motorists rarely walk away from an accident with neat, pressed clothing. Motorists who do buckle up, on the other hand are twice as likely to walk away uninjured and unwrinkled. So safety belts actually save your clothing.

They save you money as well. Let's say you're involved in a low-speed crash a few blocks from home (the most common type of crash). You're wearing your \$400 suit, but not your safety belt, and you suffer a few minor injuries. The emergency room visit, plus maybe some x-rays, costs around \$600.

For \$600 you could dry-clean your suit 30 times. Or you could by another suit and dry clean it 10 times.

There's another cost, a fine and court costs of up to \$50. Police in Michigan are blitzing the state this summer, looking for unbuckled motorists. Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death in America. Safety belts cure that killer. Don't ignore the cure-buckle up!

## Area resident named Co-chairman to 400 club

David Burch, son of long-time Charlevoix County residents Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harchis, was recently named Co-Chairman of the Kent County Republican 400 Club.

As Co-Chairman David is responsible for the maintenance of current members and the recruitment of new members.

The Kent County 400 Club with a \$400 per year membership, has one of the largest memberships of any such club in the United States. The money raised is used in Kent County to help elect national, state and local Republican candidates.

For additional information call Kent County Republican Headquarters, (616) 459-0141.

## Golf scores

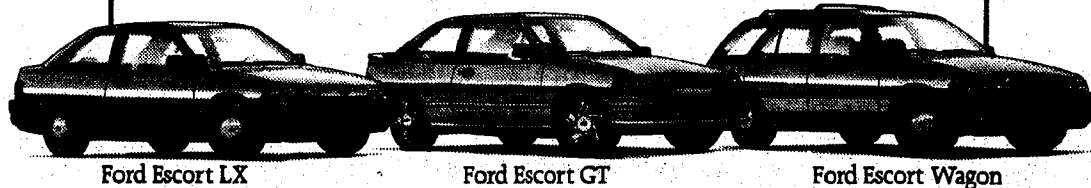
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Week of 6-19-91

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| D. Clark        | 54 1/2 |
| B. D'Aigle      |        |
| A. VanDusen     | 53     |
| D. Toffolo      |        |
| R. Janisse      | 51 1/2 |
| L. Kowalske     |        |
| M. Laurie       | 51 1/2 |
| T. VanAlstine   |        |
| T. Nowakowski   | 49 1/2 |
| H. Ahlborn      |        |
| R. Looze        | 48 1/2 |
| D. Shay         |        |
| R. Renaud       | 48 1/2 |
| H. Watson       |        |
| M. Cummings     | 48 1/2 |
| J. Goebels      |        |
| J. Wright       | 46     |
| B. Higgins      |        |
| J. Clark        | 44 1/2 |
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| R. Grogan       | 44     |
| A. Kapanowski   |        |
| K. Mueller      | 43 1/2 |
| J. Fallot       |        |
| J. McDonald     | 43 1/2 |
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| M. Ameal        | 42 1/2 |
| B. Starback     |        |
| V. Ayers        | 40 1/2 |
| E. Robinson     |        |
| S. Sanders      | 40 1/2 |
| D. Hewitt       |        |
| B. Bobowski     | 38 1/2 |
| D. Farrand      |        |
| J. Bunting      | 38     |
| K. Kleinschrodt |        |
| D. Peck         | 37 1/2 |
| R. Towne        |        |
| C. Pollock      | 37     |
| T. Lankley      |        |
| J. Stackus      |        |
| A. Barden       | 34     |

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Intentional Retake



Reg Sharkey's Northern Journal

# Primitive birds surviving

Again, this year, the Round Lake (Emmet County) loons have been able to hatch a pair of chicks despite the press of lakeshore development and increasing boat traffic.

Up to this point there are very few bodies of water, similar to Round Lake, that have been able to boast about having these primitive aquatic birds continuing to survive in the face of encroaching humans and their activities.

Perhaps this year's hatching success can partially be attributed to the concern of a member of the Round Lake Club Condominium Association who purchased four marker bouys placed in a perimeter away from the loon nesting platform, warning boaters not to enter the area. Now these markers are costly and must surely be appreciated by the loon lovers of this area.

As a Round Lake loon watcher since 1947, I would like to extend my personal thanks to this gentleman.

I did, early the other morning, put my small john boat in near the marked area with the intention of photographing the female bird on the artificial nesting raft. This raft solved the problem of fluctuating water levels that had wiped out nesting attempts in the previous year.

Screened by dense advection fog I made a silent approach, drop-

ped anchor and waited for the fog to burn off while being strafed by hungry mosquitos intent on penetrating clothing, or finding an area of flesh bereft of mosquito dope.

With rising temperatures and sunlight the fog was dissipated then with my long lens I was able to shoot a dozen frames without alarming the old bird.

I spent a good hour observing the old birds and believe I witnessed the hatching of one chick, and the male bird swam over from the middle of the lake to give me the once-over, then went over to his mate for a security check. That's when I saw one wobbly-headed chick peeking out from the oldsters feathers.

Slowly pulling the anchor line I eased away from the vicinity. Upon reaching shore I saw both old birds in the water with two chicks.

I'll make regular checks on the loon family to see if everything seems to be OK with them. And I hope when fall comes, before the big freeze, there will be two adults, and two juveniles leaving for warmer climes.

God willing I'll be looking for oldsters again come next spring.

Addendum: Recently the Little Traverse Conservancy was able to purchase the swampy area that encompasses the nesting site, thus helping to preserve a priceless natural inheritance.



This male loon circled the boat in order to protect his mate who was shouldn't be disturbed while on the nest using a floating nesting site. Loons are very cautious when nesting and



The mother loon and what might be a little baby loon sticking its' head out from under a wing are just one of the many treats writer Reg Sharkey enjoys during the summer nesting season. The area of the lake has been protected by floats someone installed that help protect the loons from waterskiers and others using the lake.

## Radio Clubs held contest in B.C.

Two amateur radio clubs, the Straits Area and the Chain O-Lakes, joined together over the weekend in Boyne City for a national contest to try to reach as many other amateur radio stations as they can during a 24 hour period.

The two clubs reached over 500 other stations throughout the United States, U.S. Territories and Canada during the timed period that started at 2 p.m. Saturday.

The clubs arrived early Saturday morning at the Veterans Memorial Park in Boyne City to set up for the contest using some Boyne City equipment to help hold up antennas and make connections to the portable trailer the club uses for emergency and training exercises.

The purpose of the contest is to train amateur radio clubs so they can help out in the case of an emergency situation by keeping the area in contact with the rest of the world, one club member said.

There were about 85 members of the two clubs working the event with members coming from across northern Michigan.

## Equal access comes to Boyne Falls

On June 21, 1991, Century Telephone of Michigan customers in the Boyne Falls area were successfully converted to equal access.

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## Reward for conviction of poachers

The Coalition of Michigan Sportsmen has instituted a \$1000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of game law violators in the State of Michigan.

In keeping with its goal to uphold and protect the privileges of Michigan sportsmen, the Coalition wants to make a clear distinction between honorable, law abiding, outdoorsmen vs. the

criminal poacher.

A poacher is a game thief, and is not considered worthy of the designation hunter, trapper, or fisherman. We encourage sportsmen to help put an end to this type of activity.

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