

Fire safety taught at Boyne Falls

Boyne Falls Schools held their annual Fire Safety Week last Thursday and fireman Dave Carson along with others from the department showed Kindergartners and First graders what they should do to put out a fire on their bodies. The firemen brought special felt flames they put on the children and had them "drop, cover and roll" until the fire was out. The children were going to inspect a fire truck but the rains kept them in the classroom for the day.



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Costs may kill Antrim-Charlevoix 9-1-1 system

Costs may become the big factor with the proposed 9-1-1 emergency phone system if the planned addition of Antrim County is brought into the system with Charlevoix County.

Officials working with the combined plan have determined that it would cost an additional \$93,000 to bring the two counties together

with the Boyne City, East Jordan and Boyne Falls phone exchanges as well as the others serving Antrim County. The exchanges are important because funds which will operate the system will have to come from raised phone bills for all of the exchanges involved.

County officials are now thinking it may not be worth it

because of the added expense it would be on the customers within the county.

The additional money charged telephone customers on their monthly bill would pay for the operation of the system while the counties would have to pay for the setting up of the system with equipment that makes it work.

Both would be used to set up the system while the local equipment and personnel to run it would have additional, separate costs.

Those "one-time" costs for a joint Antrim-Charlevoix County plan figure out to \$145,000 said Larry Sullivan the County Planner. He said that could be spread over 10 years on the monthly bill

to pay it off. Sullivan said the largest portion of the one time fee would be to set up Antrim County where GTE is the dominate phone company.

If just Charlevoix were to set up a 9-1-1 plan, Sullivan figures the costs would be lower, especially if the 582, 549, and 536 phone exchanges were included with the

547, 535, 448 exchanges. He said if the 582, 549 and 536 exchanges were not in the plan, the costs would be slightly higher.

The problem was started when Antrim County decided to include those three exchanges in their system as they did not have enough phone numbers to effec-

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Boyne debates plowing sidewalk to school grounds

To plow or to ask the residents to keep clear is just one of the questions Boyne City Commissioners are considering as they try to resolve a safety question concerning the clearing of the new sidewalks on the rebuilt Boyne Avenue from downtown to the high school.

The commissioners have been working on trying to find a solution to the clearing of the sidewalks so students going to the

elementary and high schools can walk in safety off of the roadway on the new sidewalk that lines the street.

Of the four options being considered by the commission, the one they do not want to try is to find money in the tight budget that will allow them to use city personnel and equipment to plow the walk.

Other options include asking the residents to clear the sidewalks on

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Board approves Alliance-MSU merger

All that has to be done now is to get approvals from Charlevoix County, Emmet County, Antrim County and Michigan State University as the Board of Directors of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance agreed to merge at a meeting held last Thursday.

The merger will give the Alliance more resources to work with in helping to locate firms to the area as well as additional funding.

Presently, the Alliance is being funded by several economic growth agencies in the three county area.

The partnership between the Alliance and Michigan State University will still be based in Boyne City and Charlevoix County will be asked to become the fiscal agent for both the Alliance and the University.

The vote by the sixteen member board was almost unanimous with the exception of East Jordan City Superintendent Mike Dionne and Charlevoix's City Manager Mike Wiesner.

Both had expressed some reservations about the partnership, saying the merger would or could allow the loss of local control. Charlevoix earlier that week voted to withdraw from the Alliance if the move was approved.

Dionne said his concerns are over the losing of the original focus the Alliance was set up to provide. He thought the Alliance would be better if it were to stand alone and work on providing new jobs and focusing on industrial development. He didn't see the need to join with Michigan State University as there are no financial problems in the Alliance and doesn't need the money the university will provide.

Wiesner was following his city's vote which was based on the Industrial Development Committee and approved by the city commission. Their concerns were based on the loss of local control.

The majority of the Alliance Board agreed with the merger saying it will put the resources of a large university at the disposal of the Alliance. The partnership will be between the MSU extension service, which has in the past been primarily responsible for agriculture but has itself, changed the direction of the scope to help fulfill the needs of the community regardless of the agricultural base or manufacturing base.

1991 Boyne City Homecoming Queen



Boyne City High School Homecoming Queen Anjan King for the homecoming was named at the dance Kubeana was all smiles shortly after she received her crown at ceremonies held during the halftime break of the Boyne City-Charlevoix football game last Friday. King for the homecoming was named at the dance which is held after the game and this year James Matson was chosen by the students.

News Briefs

Consumers Power Company announced they will be giving refunds on their November electric bills, an average of about \$26, based on the amount of electricity a customer used between August 5, 1987 and May 7, 1991. The refund reflects the effect of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 on the utility's abandoned Midland nuclear plant.

East Jordan Chamber of Commerce will be holding a "Business After Hours" get-together at Willie's Up North located just outside of town on the Advance Road November 7 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce announced that the Ghost Ship will be back in Charlevoix just in time for Halloween. The ship, actually the Coast Guard's Acacia, is being transformed and Coast Guard personnel have been working hard to come up with all of the things to get the heart going for children on Halloween evening between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. There will be treats for those brave enough to tour the Ghost Ship in the Charlevoix Harbor.

All plastic flowers and decorations must be removed from the Maple Lawn and Division Street Cemeteries for the winter, according to officials at the Boyne City Hall.

Only two people are up for election for the Boyne City Commission, both incumbents and a single ballot question that will help clarify rental property at the Boyne City airport in the November 5 election. The incumbents, Thelma Behling and Sandra Stanley are running unopposed in the election and have served the community for several years.

Halloween Trick or Treat hours were established by Boyne Commissioners and are between the hours of 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday evening. Be sure to watch out for small ghosts, goblins, witches, and Ninja Turtles that may be darting out into traffic.

Opinions

It all comes down to money

With the tough economic times that we are supposedly facing, we wonder if the additional expense of a 9-1-1 system is really necessary.

Especially when you consider that both East Jordan and Boyne City have the means in place to provide almost all of the emergency services that may be required for the area.

The current proposal to include the Boyne City, Boyne Falls and East Jordan phone exchanges into the Antrim County system is just a means of grabbing additional money so the residents of Antrim County won't have to spend as much for their system.

Basically, it boils down to money. Money that could be used to pay the phone bills, the heat and light bills as well as the school city and county taxes.

We just don't feel that a 9-1-1 system will be worth it to residents of this area. Even if Charlevoix County cares to "go it alone" and set up their own system.

We can't see the emergency response being any faster, anymore cost effective than what is presently in place in Boyne City and East Jordan. All we can see is additional time spent on phones to do the same thing one call is presently serving.

The only reason Antrim County wants to include our phone exchanges in their system is that it would provide 9-1-1 service to maybe several hundred homes in Antrim County and give them border to border coverage, not to include the phone exchanges that were grabbed by Kalkaska and Grand Traverse Counties when they set up their 9-1-1 systems.

Of course, all of the other homes within the 582, 536, and 549 exchanges would be providing money every month to support the system. That would be added to everyones phone bills every month. Those folks with phone numbers already are paying for the emergency services through cooperative efforts of the County Sheriff's Department, the city police, fire and ambulance departments.

In any case, it appears to be setting up another layer of bureaucracy the residents will have to pay for through additional costs on phone bills for many years.

About the only people who will make out with this sort of arrangement will be the phone companies who will share the "profits" from such a system.

Even if our county goes it alone, and includes all of the phone exchanges within our county, we wonder if the additional costs would be worth it. Is the county 9-1-1 system going to get better results for services than what is presently being used? Will they agree to provide full-time emergency services using full time operators, drivers, EMT's and firemen?

We don't think so as they don't want to spend the money if would cost for full time people. And we don't think it would pass muster if it were placed on a ballot so we residents could vote on the idea either.

Letters

Doesn't approve of Halloween

Editor,
'Tis the season to worship satan?

Halloween is his high holy day. Some people think Halloween is a cute kids holiday and allow ghosts, bats, jack-o-lanterns, witches, spiders' webs and other satanic signs to decorate their property.

As I drive thru Boyne City and the surrounding area, I see evidence of the need to rid this area of demons and other evil things.

I wonder how many, who allow their children to participate in

Halloween activities, really know that they are opening up their lives to satan worship and possibly human sacrifice.

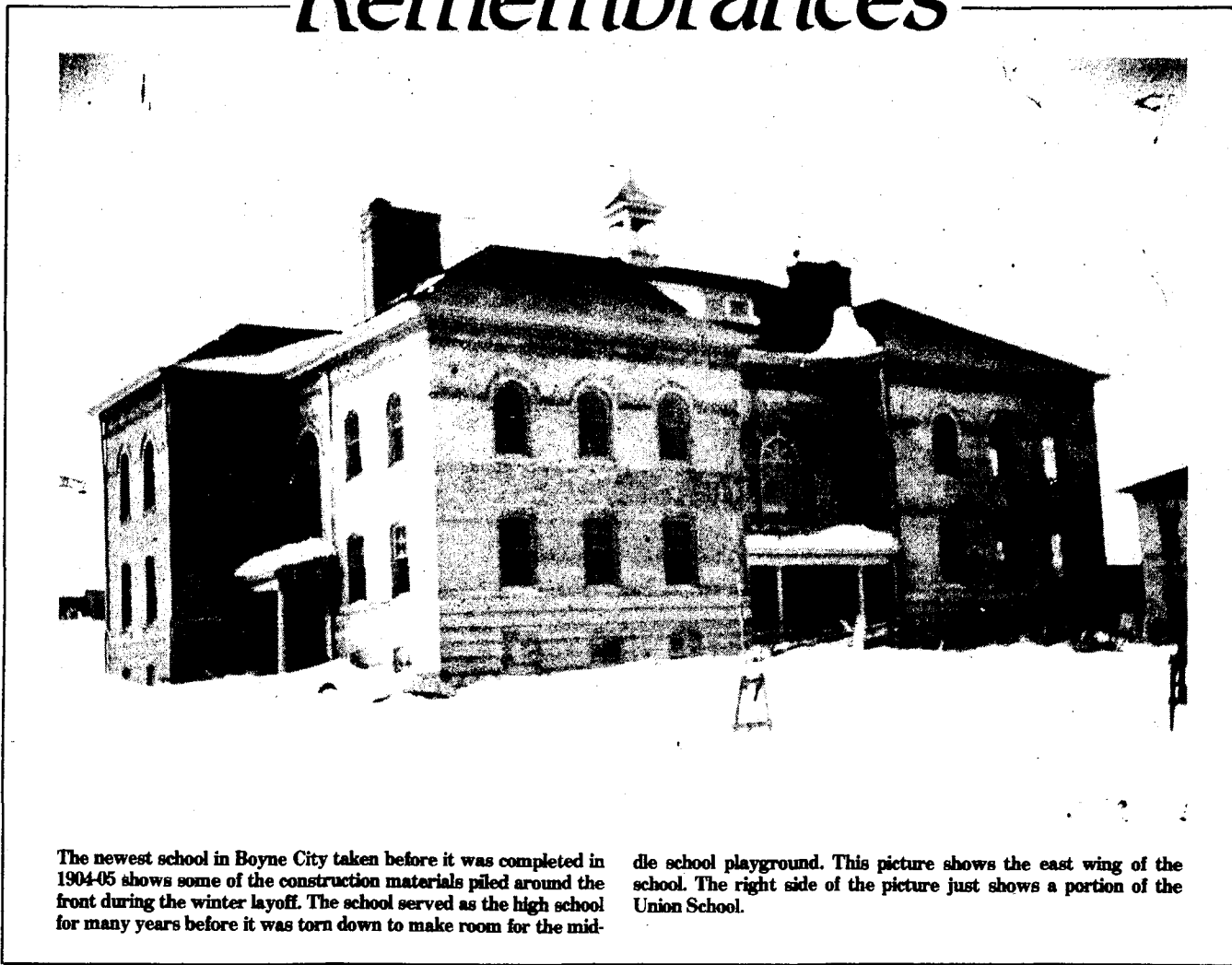
There will be many human and animal sacrifices on October 31st.

I urge all who claim Jesus as Lord to fight the evil in this area especially on this one night of the year. Let's put a stop to satan's actions and let God have full affect.

Pray and take authority over the works of the demons, in the precious name of Jesus, our redeemer.

Nancy Dunham

Remembrances



The newest school in Boyne City taken before it was completed in 1904-05 shows some of the construction materials piled around the front during the winter layoff. The school served as the high school for many years before it was torn down to make room for the mid-

dle school playground. This picture shows the east wing of the school. The right side of the picture just shows a portion of the Union School.

Jottings

BY JIM SILBAR

After driving around Boyne City these past few days, I am starting to think the entire town has gone pumpkins. Not just crazy, but slightly worse in a colorful way.

It's all because of the many, many pumpkins on everyone's doorsteps and porches.

I think it all happened when some semi truck or two came to town and said here, everybody this year needs to have some pumpkins to dress up the town for the Halloween evening.

Some of those pumpkins were carefully carved with toothless smile faces by little children, while others were carved with mean faces by some of the adults.

Even those who missed out on all of the real pumpkins, seemed to go to the stores and bought plastic ones to put next to the porch. Some even went further and bought the trashbag pumpkins and filled them with leaves.

We all know what goes into a carving. Seems like the adults in the family get to do the dirty work of cutting out the top and digging out the seeds. Then the children get to cut in a face under the watchful eye of a mother, who then gets to clean up all of the mess made by the ordeal.

And of course, there are those who think it is great fun to try to destroy the great work it took some little boy or girl by either kicking in the pumpkin, or just plain stealing it to throw out of some passing car.

Those pumpkin people are some we can do without, as far as I am concerned, and I know the local police are all tuned up to try to catch some of those types.

At our house, we have found a cure for all of that kind of stuff. We didn't carve a pumpkin this year... just plastered on a sticker face. But even our house has pumpkins.

One member of the family, who will go unmentioned due to my safety, has carved pumpkins ever since the kids were about one year old. As the years progressed the carving was transferred over to the kids when it was felt they were safe enough to handle a knife without killing each other.

Another member of the family decided to grow pumpkins this year in an unused spot of the garden. Of course he has some of the giant variety that he tried to give away to members of the family.

I am glad I didn't take one, only because I would probably put the back out and get a hernia trying to lift it into to the car.

And there was no forklift in the area to do the job for me.

I think a pumpkin bigger than 18 inches too heavy for my lifting ability, and these were all in the two-foot and bigger range.

Some of them were bigger than the "Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin Contest" in Gocha's window. But having seen pumpkins about the same size, I guessed the weight to be somewhere in the

range of "too big to lift" and a 1,000 lbs. If I am lucky, my guess will become the winner.

If not, I am sure there will be plenty of pumpkin pies available to eat around this community after October 31.

Which brings up another question. I wonder what the costume of the year will be this year? Last year it seemed to be Ninja Turtles, followed by witches and angels. That was closely in front of G.I. Joes.

Of course I am speaking about the best parade in the community, baring the Fourth of July and almost as good as the Horton Bay wonders. I am talking about the Boyne City Elementary School Parade around the football field tomorrow at 1:15 p.m.

The children will be showing off what they intend to wear when they go out to see who can get the most candy for the year.

Some day, all of the people are going to get smart and only hand

out goodies that are healthy. Like maybe granola bars, apples and other things that don't cause the children to become hyper for at least a week and a half.

I say a week and a half because it takes that long for all of the candy to disappear. Some of by eating, while still more by the parents who wanted to put it away so the amount of cavities won't be overwhelming when the child goes to the dentist.

And to eat it themselves.

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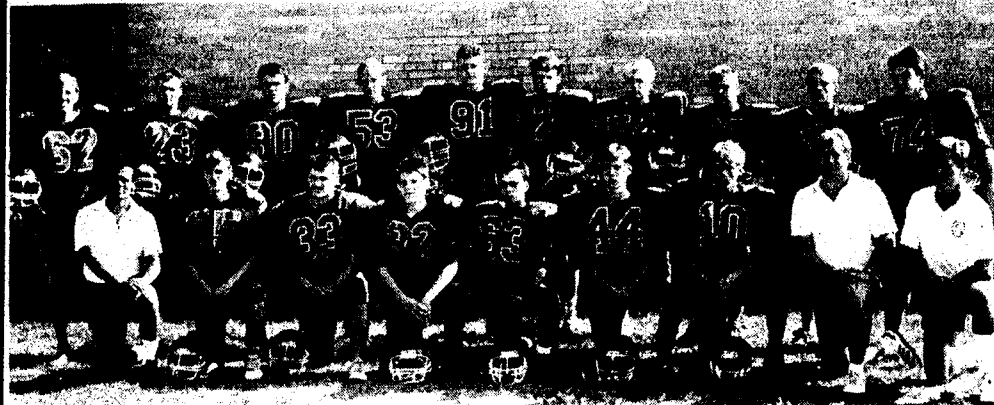
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East Jordan Varsity Football



Front row, left to right: Assistant Coach Dave Bricker, Nick Sharp, Roy Angel, Josh Hadix, Mike Babbitt, Luke Hansler, Brandon Stadt, Assistant Coach Mark Ameel, Head Coach Pat Klooster. Back row: Dan Polleys, Kevin Smith, Jason Joles, Bill

Brown, Steve Seelye, Bill McCullough, Ken Ordiway, Nate Matelski, Andy Vondra, Shawn Williams. Not pictured: Paul Hardy, Tim Jankowski, Mark Reynolds.

Sept. 6	Fri.	Onaway	L 0-8
Sept. 13	Fri.	Rogers City	L 6-49
Sept. 20	Fri.	Mancelona	L 6-20
Sept. 27	Fri.	Harbor Springs	W 29-8

Oct. 4	Fri.	St. Ignace	L 0-40
Oct. 11	Fri.	St. Francis TC	L 0-47
Oct. 18	Fri.	East Jordan	W 34-20
Oct. 25	Fri.	Charlevoix	L 6-41
Nov. 1	Fri.	Elk Rapids	H 7-30



Back row: Head Coach Bob Rebec, Mike Noirot, Joe Brennan, Tom Reid, Ross Miller, Steve Poole, Mark Rubling, Matt Diller, Al Anderson. Middle row: Herb Pines, Kent Gilmore, Mike Muma, Enos Bacon, Cliff Russell, Juan Quintanilla, Ken Hansen.

Front row: Jessie Johnston, Rob Chittick, Lyman Harris, Damon Blum, Dava Meads, Keith Hansen. Assistant Coaches are: Dave Sprick and Len Dyers. Not pictured are: Chris Chittick, Tom Zipp and Scott Chanda.

Sept. 7	Sat.	Inland Lakes	W 27-6
Sept. 13	Fri.	Charlevoix	L 0-45
Sept. 20	Fri.	Elk Rapids	L 20-33
Sept. 27	Fri.	Onaway	L 0-14

Oct. 4	Fri.	Mancelona	W 34-20
Oct. 11	Fri.	Harbor Springs	W 30-6
Oct. 18	Fri.	Boyne City	L 20-34
Oct. 25	Fri.	T.C. St. Francis	L 0-69
Nov. 1	Fri.	Bellaire	A 7-30

Boyne City Girls Basketball

East Jordan Girls Basketball

Boyne Falls Girls Basketball



Back row, left to right: Jessica Johncheck, Daphne Crozier, Abby McCrumb, Aulani Kuheana, Melissa Williamson, Kris Crozier. Front row, left to right: Wendy LaCroix, Krista Snyder, Kathleen Johnson, Ricka Casper, Jamie Reinhardt. Not pictured, Katie Drury, Coach Karen Hubbard.

Sept. 5	Thurs.	Boyne Falls	Home
Sept. 10	Tues.	Elk Rapids	Home
Sept. 12	Thurs.	Charlevoix	Home
Sept. 17	Tues.	Petoskey	Home
Sept. 19	Thurs.	Grayling	Home
Sept. 24	Tues.	St. Francis	Away
Sept. 26	Thurs.	Elk Rapids	Away
Oct. 1	Tues.	Mancelona	Away
Oct. 3	Thurs.	East Jordan	Home
Oct. 8	Tues.	Onaway	Home
Oct. 10	Thurs.	Kalkaska	Away
Oct. 15	Tues.	Harbor Springs	Home
Oct. 17	Thurs.	Charlevoix	Away
Oct. 22	Tues.	Grayling	Away
Oct. 24	Thurs.	St. Francis	Home
Oct. 29	Tues.	Open	
Oct. 31	Thurs.	Mancelona	Home
Nov. 5	Tues.	Petoskey	Away
Nov. 8	Fri.	East Jordan	Away
Nov. 12	Tues.	Kalkaska	Home
Nov. 15	Fri.	Harbor Springs	Away



Left to right: Carrie Gee, Margaret Worgessa, Danielle Looze, Coach Steve Hines, Kellie Barber, Tina Metcalf, Kristine Ostrom and Angie Chase.

Sept. 10	Tues.	Gaylord St. Mary	Away
Sept. 12	Thurs.	Kalkaska	Home
Sept. 17	Tues.	Pellston	Away
Sept. 19	Thurs.	Elk Rapids	Home
Sept. 24	Tues.	Elsworth	Away
Sept. 26	Thurs.	Harbor Springs	Away
Oct. 1	Tues.	Charlevoix	Away
Oct. 3	Thurs.	Boyne City	Away
Oct. 8	Tues.	Gaylord St. Mary	Home
Oct. 10	Thurs.	Mancelona	Home
Oct. 15	Tues.	T.C. St. Francis	Away
Oct. 17	Thurs.	Kalkaska	Away
Oct. 22	Tues.	Cheboygan	Home
Oct. 24	Thurs.	Elk Rapids	Away
Oct. 29	Tues.	Harbor Springs	Home
Oct. 31	Thurs.	Charlevoix	Home
Nov. 5	Tues.	Cheboygan	Away
Nov. 8	Fri.	Boyne City	Home
Nov. 12	Tues.	Mancelona	Away
Nov. 15	Fri.	T.C. St. Francis	Home



Back row: Yvonne Gies, Joan Bearss, Coach Ken Doty, Becky Carson, Jamie Lewis, Jill Groh. Front row: Monica Sevanski, Shari Hawes, Christina Barnadyn, Cheryl Wasylewski, Shawn McNew, Veronica Smith. Not pictured: Laurie Murray.

Sept. 5	Thurs.	Boyne City	Away
Sept. 10	Tues.	Pickford	Home
Sept. 12	Thurs.	Vanderbilt	Away
Sept. 17	Tues.	Alanson	Home
Sept. 20	Fri.	Mackinaw City	Home
Sept. 24	Tues.	Leelanau	Away
Sept. 26	Thurs.	Alba	Home
Oct. 1	Tues.	Harbor Light	Away
Oct. 3	Thurs.	Wolverine	Away
Oct. 10	Thurs.	Elsworth	Home
Oct. 15	Tues.	Leelanau	Home
Oct. 17	Thurs.	Vanderbilt	Home
Oct. 22	Tues.	Harbor Light	Home
Oct. 24	Thurs.	Mackinaw City	Away
Oct. 29	Tues.	Alba	Away
Nov. 5	Tues.	Gaylord St. Mary	Home
Nov. 8	Fri.	Wolverine	Home
Nov. 15	Fri.	Elsworth	Away

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