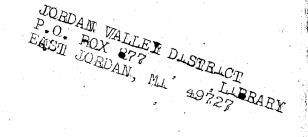
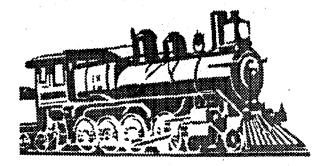


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Festival of the Bells decorating winners listed on page 11







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EAST JORDAN, MICHIGAN

### DDA hearing generates strong opinions

BY DEB SAYGERS HOBBS Contributing Writer

The East Jordan City Council, solidly in favor of a Downtown Development Authority, listened to both supporters and detractors of the proposed ordinance at a Dec. 14 hearing.

Many business owners and residents affected by the DDA took the opportunity to voice their opinions. Several who could not attend sent letters.

There was an obvious division between east and west-side property owners.

Many east-side and downtown businesses seemed to be in support of the new DDA, while west-side owners wondered what it could do for them, other than cost more in taxes.

"A DDA is an investment to stop the trend of declining property values," explained mayor pro tem Greg Chappuies, who conducted the meeting.

Chappuies repeatedly emphasized that he believes all East Jordan property owners will benefit from the revitalization of the blighted downtown area.

Newly elected council member Brian Sweet agreed. "We'll see increased traffic to this town because of a better downtown," he said.

But several west-side owners remained unconvinced.

"How can you support this and not hold back development of the west side?" asked Jim Donaldson. "When are we gonna stop paying for a dead horse?"

The objections were based on the inclusion of westside businesses and residences in the DDA zone.

Several persons suggested that the west side is being used as a source of revenue for revitalization of the east side, with no benefits for the west.

City Superintendent Bob Johnson denied the charge. "From the start, projects will be proposed for both sides of the river. This isn't about east against west,"

Bob Malpass, manager of the marina, also spoke.

"It's a shame the first thing visitors see are the deteriorating downtown buildings. If the downtown were improved, we would get more repeat traffic at the marina"

"If the marina were full because there was something to do in EJ, all would benefit," said Jordan Valley Pharmacy owner Debbie Chappuies. "We're glad to see the city willing to reciprocate in our investments in the downtown."

Another point of contention are the residential areas included in the DDA zone.

Glendora Gettel wondered why her home should be included She was told that as part of an office-professional zoned waterfront area, she has the option to develop a business at the site.

"If that area were left out of the DDA zone it could still be developed commercially, gaining benefits of the DDA without contributing," said councilman Chappuies.

Chappuies explained that the ad hoc committee designed the boundaries and wanted to include all waterfront property and the parks in the district.

The council did decide to reconsider the inclusion of residential blocks to the DDA zone, though.

"I'm 100 percent in favor of the DDA, but let's either exclude the residential or take the whole town," said council member Russ Gee.

Audience members also expressed concern on how the East Jordan Iron Works is divided by the proposed continued on back



SPEAKING PASSIONATELY about the need for a DDA is Jordan Valley Pharmacy owner Debbie Chappuies.

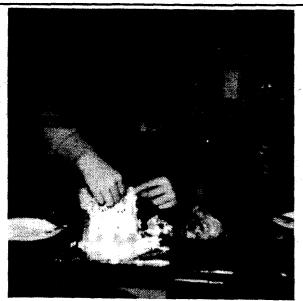


Community Christmas

The earnest faces of young believers. (Santa gifts and hot chocolate and goodles at the East Jordan Senior Center were provided by the East Jordan Lioness Club.)



A SPIRITED Ginny Carey entertains the crowd of Santa watchers during Community Night in East Jordan with her accordion and tunes of the season.



CAREFULLY PLACING a finishing touch on his gingerbread house, second-grader Jeremiah Palmer completes the candied roof.

### Students make houses of candy

The kindergarten, first and second-graders made gingerbread houses on Dec. 10 at Ebenezer Christian School in Ellsworth. Mothers of the students helped the kids out with this holiday project and all the materials were donated by the parents. Jeremiah Palmer's mother, Glorya, made all the frosting. The children enjoyed putting the gingerbread houses together. They were beautifully decorated with a variety of candy. The students were very proud of their work and the houses were on display at their Dec. 16 school Christmas program for family and friends to see.



GOOD ENOUGH to eat is this house of candy designed by first-grader Michelle Hizelberger.

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### Simple gifts are the best

BY PRISCILLA ARCURE Contributing writer

The decision to retire to a resort area was a good one for us as there is no problem getting our children and grandchildren to visit. It's always a special thrill to see them drive into the driveway. The plan is always to "keep it simple" but it takes them close to half an hour to unload their big vans.

In addition to the equipment necessary for the various seasonal sports, many other treasures are unloaded. Puzzles, crayons (I keep a large box handy here – but not that large!), Nintendo and video tapes (in case one of our local video rental places happens to close and someone has a video tape attack), dolls and favorite stuffed animals fill the house. After all, we do have to prepare for bad weather!

We raised our children as we wished and we try to afford our daughters that same privilege. But secretly we wish we could get across the idea that some of the simple aspects of life are really the most important, and more isn't necessarily better.

One summer during their visit there was a lull in the activity and I became activity chairperson! "How would you like to play Hide the Thimble?", I asked the group of 4-and 5-year-olds.

"What's a thimble?" they all questioned. First I explained the purpose of a thimble, then how the game worked. It didn't take long for them to love it and I think they would have played all day if I hadn't had to take time off to cook! For that vacation, playing Hide the Thimble was their favorite activity and they even forgot about the swimming, fishing with Grandpa, and roller skating.

Our home, at the time of this vacation, was still a vacation spot for us too, though it has since become our permanent home. For the last Christmas we had downstate we had one nostalgic Christmas Day in "the old homestead." Living in that area also, our grandchildren opened Santa's gifts early Christmas morning in their own homes and then everyone planned to congregate in our home.

They all arrived at the same time and were quite a sight. Carrying their newly-opened, life-sized dolls, the granddaughters looked more like dolls themselves with their rosy cheeks framed by long brunette curls that floated out over their brand new white fur

Our older granddaughter helped carry the overflow as she was wearing all hernew gifts and beaming with pride. The only grandson and his parents entered heavily laden. His arms were full and a long antenna shot out over one shoulder. Santa had brought him a remote-controlled car among other things. Without putting anything down he came over to me as I stood in front of the kitchen sink (where I had been all day!) and said, "Grandma, can we play Hide the Thimble?"

We had a wonderful day. There was a discussion about whether we would eat first or open our gifts. I didn't feel that I should enter the discussion as I had already had my best Christmas gift ever.

Wishing you tidings of comfort and joy!

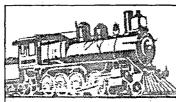




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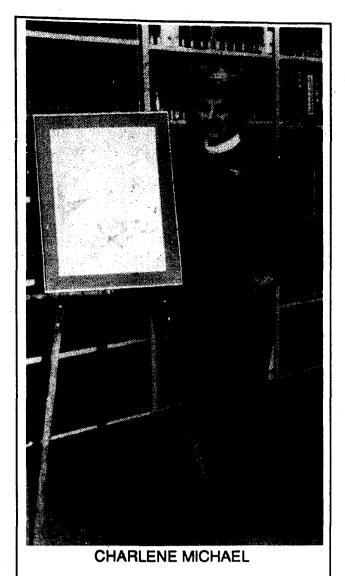
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## Area woman is featured artist

The Jordan Valley District Library has implemented an art policy which will feature local artist's displays for a two-month period in the library. Charlene Michael's watercolors, pencil drawings, and mixed media will be on display and for sale until February. No sales will be handled through the library.

Michael is a resident of East Jordan. She has taken art classes at NCMC. She paints, and draws for personal enjoyment. Seeing and observing the world from what's within her heart inspires her painting. She has donated and sold her paintings and drawings to the Women's Resource Center "Women's Work" auction for the past three years. A member of the Jordan River Arts Council, she is also a freelance writer. Her most recent article, "East Jordan's Engine No. 6" was published in November/December 1993 issue of *Michigan History* magazine.

# Discount card serves dual purpose

Public libraries are now selling the right stocking stuffer for that person who has everything. It's called the "Discount Card." It not only offers a year's worth of savings, but helps bring large print reading enjoyment to your community through your local public library.

For a cost of \$5, the large print Discount Card contains savings that can be used through Dec. 1, 1994. Participating businesses include Burger King, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Wendy's, Glen's Markets, Carters Food Centers, Video USA, Subway, Holiday Inn, and Hunan Chinese Restaurant at locations throughout the 12-county area. The card cannot be used in conjunction with other offers, and is valid only only to the signee of the card.

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The \$8,000 target will fund large print services in 24 public libraries in northern lower Michigan. Large print books are delivered free of charge to low vision individuals, seniors, reading disabled adults and children in Alpena, Alcona, Arenac, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, Ogemaw, and Presque Isle counties through the Northland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped large print books service.

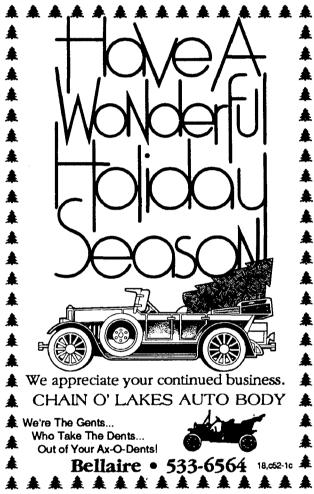
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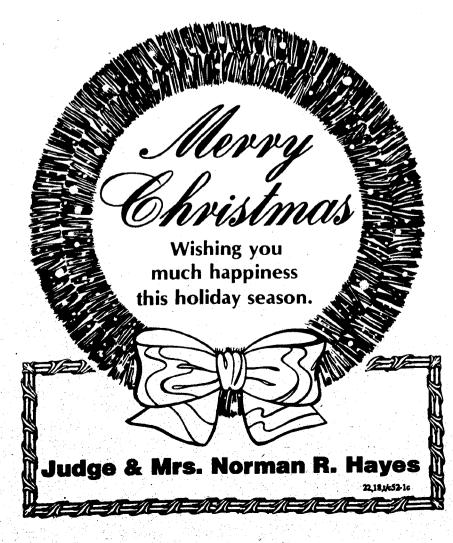
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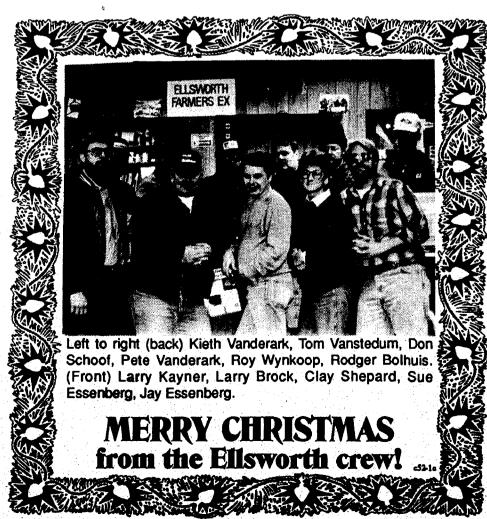
#### Holiday Deadline!

To allow our employees time to enjoy the Christmas holiday, all Up North Publications offices will be closed Fri., Dec. 24, and reopen Mon., Dec. 27. All editorial material for the Dec. 29 issue (letters, announcements, coming events, etc.) must be submitted no later than Thurs., Dec. 23, at 5 p.m. (Classified deadlines remain unchanged.)









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### CALENDAR

### Area grad gets national recognition

Denise Becker has been chosen as an "Outstanding Student" at Western Michigan University. Becker, a 1990 Central Lake High School graduate, was one of 46 students chosen by Western Michigan University for the 1993-94 "Who's Who" for American universities and colleges.

The "Who's Who" award is one of the most prestigious and long-standing honors program in the nation.

Besides this award, Becker has been inducted into the Golden Key National Honor Society and Phi Theta Kappa Society, is on the National Deans list, and has won the Distinguished Community College Scholarship Award.

Becker graduated from Northwestern Michigan College in 1992 with an associates degree. She will graduate this coming April from WMU with a degree in Broadcasting and cable productions and will pursue a masers degree in organizational communications.

Denise is the daughter of Ginny and Rick Rusnell of Central Lake. Her parents and grandparents, Kate and Hap Willson, traveled to Kalamazoo on Dec. 11 to see Denise receive her "Outstanding Student"

#### Remember When...

... Bachmann's Variety had the "U"-shaped candy counter in front, attended by Francis Bozman or Jackie Arnold? As younger kids, we always got a welcome from three girls.

Prior to Bachmann's, the store was run by Margaret Springstead, around 1940-41. My grandparents lived in the apartment upstairs. I remember the long stairs and breaking walnuts in the back room.

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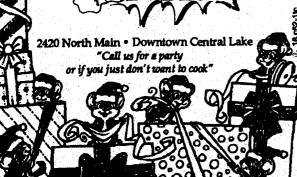
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### East Jordan grad to | New Years Eve receive doctorate

Kelley D. Smith of East Jordan is a degree candidate for a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Michigan's Rackham School of Graduate Studies. Smith is among the 2,000 students expecting degrees during the winter semester.

### C.L. library news

At the Dec. 13 Central Lake Township Library board meeting, a resolution was passed for the establishment of a permanent endowment fund. Also passed was a contract with the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation to establish a fund for the future growth of the library. Contributions to this fund are eligible for both federal and state tax credit.

#### Holiday hours at EJ pool

The East Jordan Community Pool will be closed Dec. 24-26. It will be open regular hours December 27-31, with two additional open swims from 1 to 3 p.m. on Dec. 28 and 29. The pool will also be closed Jan 1 and 2, 1994.

Remember . . . all Up North Publications offices will be closed Fri., Dec. 24, and reopen Mon., Dec. 27.

### fun slated The Ellsworth Lioness Club will be hosting a

New Year's Eve Country Dance Fri., Dec. 31. beginning at 7 p.m. at the Banks Township Hall. Cost is \$5, a dish to pass and your own bever-

age, and a piece of firewood (to help heat the hall). Table service and coffee will be provided. All ages are welcome. Come dance to your favorite tapes and CDs.

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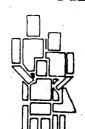
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### JO'S NEWS &

by Jo Somerville 544-6347

WMrs. Marie Kring of Petoskey spent Sunday afternoon visiting hersister Mrs. Violet Thier. A son, Allan and Mary Thier of Bay Shores came to visit and put up her Christmas tree.

WMr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold of DeWitt spent the past weekend here visiting their mothers Hattie Arnold in Eastport and Decima Wilson, and brother Truman and Wilma Wilson and Aunt Ruth Spence in town.

John & Eloise Litwaitus were visitors in Bangor, Mich. on Monday with an old priest friend, Father Joseph Dievel. They enjoyed the area and all the season's trimmings.

**T** Sharon and Pat Scheihofer, Alice and Sarah of St. Clair came on Friday morning to spend the weekend visiting their parents Lloyd and Ella Burns and grand-

SERVICE NEWS

### Area grad in Japan

Marine Pfc. Donald M. Everett, son of Mary E. and Donald M. Everett Sr. of Central Lake, recently reported for duty with Marine Wing Support Squadron 171, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan.

The 1992 graduate of Central Lake Public High School joined the Marine Crops in November 1992.



mother Cecile Neuman and brothers and other relatives in the area.

\* Philip Kolhruss of Arlington, Texas has spent a week here visiting his father John and mother Doris in the hospital. She returned home and doing well.

W Mary (McKay) Oliver and her daughter Linda Tracey and granddaughter Krissie of Cheboygan and a cousin Imogean Fowler of Saulte St. Marie, spent Monday afternoon and enjoyed tea with their brother and cousin Allan and Mary McKay.

W Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bradford of Bellaire recently visited their friends Mary and Allan McKay and brought a delicious dinner to them and had nice visit.

Y John and Laurie Springstead, Heather, Brandon and Josh spent the weekend in southern Michigan where Brandon raced in Moto Cross races and won 1st place, at Detroit Fairground. On Saturday they visited with Jenny Miller and her father and brother Tony. She is progressing slowly

and was up in a wheelchair for a few minutes. This week she was looking forward to a short shopping experience, with some of the nurses, by report from her father.

WMr. and Mrs. Gerald Telgenhof of Elk Rapids spent the weekend visiting his mother Marian Telgenhof and sister Joyce and Everett Tharp. Trip

A group of senior citizens from Central Lake, Bellaire, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Elmira and Gaylord, traveled by Northwest Bus tour on Thursday evening to Grayling to the Methodist Church and enjoyed a 6 p.m. turkey dinner with all the trimmings. It was very delicious and all were given a cute crocheted Christmas sock for tree hanging. Later they were taken to John Stipe Auditorium in Grayling High School. They enjoyed a beautiful Christmas concert given by the Mich Singers, the Marquis Theatre Childrens Group, and the Livonia Civic Chorus. It was truly a beautiful evening, as were all the Christmas

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songs. The big crowd joined in a Sing-A-Long - "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." One young girl sang "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth." It was very pretty in red and white and green theme. All players looked beautiful. As we were leaving we all were presented with a candy cane. The ride home was very beautiful with most business and homes all decorated up for the holidays. A fun evening was enjoyed by a huge crowd.

**Party** 

The Philathea Class Group of the United Methodist Church enjoyed their annual Christmas party Wednesday evening at Marion Telgenhofs' home, all so beautifully decorated for the season.

After a short business meeting, new secret pals names were drawn and a gift exchange was enjoyed. A collection was taken for the Children's Village in Detroit. Later a Christmas Hymn Sing was enjoyed with Joyce

Tharp as musician. A delicious luncheon was served after a prayer by Eileen Sage. A fun ending for 1993.





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### The Banks Account

**Banks Township News** By Linda Record

**□** Joan Clow of Charlevoix called to say she will not be making her weekly visits to Ellsworth for a brief spell as she is flying to Missouri to visit her sister.

□ Saint Lucia Day, Dec. 12, was the beginning of the Christmas season in Sweden. To celebrate the occasion, Gerry and Myrna McGraw of Antrim Lane held a Swedish feast for 21 guests.

Their beautiful home was decorated with fresh greens and Tomte, a cute troll, watched over the festivities. The Great Room table held a Julbot (Swed-



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ish goat) as a centerpiece, and was laden with Swedish potato sausage, cheeses, shrimp, ham, rice pudding, tomato aspic, limpa, and cardamon coffee cake.

Christmas carols were sung as everyone gathered around the piano.

Myrna is very proud of her Swedish heritage and plans to make this an annual event.

Alice Vandenberg trimmed her Christmas tree while Jake attended his history class.

Beautiful strains of music emanated from the Ells worth High School gymnasium as the sixth-grade, junior high and senior high bands under direction of Jim Schoensee presented a Christmas concert Mon., Dec. 13. The band needs financial help to purchase new uniforms for 36 band members. Coats and trousers will cost nearly \$5200. Everyone who enjoys the bands can show their appreciation by contributing to the fund 588-6104.

May the Joy & Celebration of Christ coming be with you and yours.

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#### MSU hosts grape seminar

Michigan State University Extension and Depart. ment of Horticulture are hosting a nine-week seminar for those interested in grape production. The series. from Jan. 5-March 2, will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Wednesdays at Northwestern Michigan College

MSU faculty specialists will provide a review of topics, including: grape physiology, photosynthesis. carbohydrate production and partitioning; water relationships, stresses and rootstocks; vineyard design and trellis construction; cost and production analysis for northwest Michigan; nutrition; and, entomology. diseases and viruses. Seminar registration is \$150. Reservations must be made not later than Thurs.. Dec. 30 by calling MSU North at 929-3902.

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ATWOOD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH Rev. James Evenhouse. April thru Nov: Services 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.; School all ages 11:15 a.m. Dec. thru March: Services 10 a.m. & 4 p.m.; Church School, all ages 11:15 a.m. 599-2581.

BELLAIRE COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST Rev. Richard A. Powell. Church School 10 a.m., Morning Worship 11 a.m., Youth Fellowship 7 p.m.

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CENTRAL LAKE BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Tom Hunter. Sun. School 9:45 a.m., Sun. Morn. Worship 11 a.m., Eve. Serv. 6 p.m., Bible Study & Prayer Fellowship Youth Hour, Awana Club, Wed. 7 p.m., affiliated with GARBC.

CENTRAL LAKE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Richard Smiley, Pastor. Church School 9:45 a.m., Worship 11 a.m. (June-Aug.), Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Church 544-6878, Parsonage 544-3608

CENTRAL LAKE GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Estel A. Clark, Pastor, South Main, Non-Denominational. Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship 11 a.m., Evening Worship 6 p.m., Mid-Week Service Wednesday 7 p.m. CENTRAL LAKE 7TH DAY ADVENTIST

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In the least likely place of all, an obscure manger in Beth-lehem, God's love became flesh. This was God's way of telling the world that true love is measured in terms of simplicity and sincerity and not in terms of size and power. So often we place our trust in the tangible things such as material possessions and jobs, and fail to realize the power of simple acts of love. Because God loved us so powerfully in giving us His Son, we can love one another. As we give ourselves away to one another in small gestures of loving kindness, we incarnate God's love to others. May the birth of the Christ Child in a manger in Bethlehem empower you to give away God's love to others in simple but meaningful ways. When this happens, you will be experiencing the incarnation of God's love!

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### Memories

by Pam Kirts

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Dec. 22, 1955

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■ The orange and blue of Central Lake rallied to

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win from Bellaire High School Friday night at Bellaire 56-50.

The stores in Central Lake will be closed all day

The stores in Central Lake will be closed all day Dec. 26. The following stores will be open until the usual time Saturday night: Dingman's Grocery; Bachmann's; James Hdwe.; Smallegan, Smith & Co.; and Huntly's Drug Store.

■ The Pa and Ma Club met Tuesday evening with Harold and Alice Nyland. Small crowd because of weather and roads, but a good time was reported.

Mrs. Joe Ayotte accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Dodge of Petoskey to Cadillac where they spent the weekend with Marion Dodge family and heard Ken Dodge sing the lead in *Desert Song* at Cadillac High School. Mrs. Ayotte also visited Mrs. Annie Ison at the hospital in Cadillac.

■ Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brace will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary Christmas day.

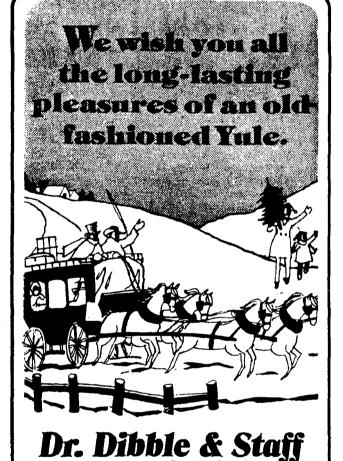
■ Don Holland left Saturday for Indian River, Florida, to drive a trailer down there.

■ Cheryl Ann Harbaugh and her dancing partner of Charlevoix went to Traverse City with their respective parents to entertain at the Park Place Hotel where Bill Marsh was master-of-ceremonies at a party given

for employees of the Traverse City Iron Works.

Frozen cranberry-orange relish makes an interesting salad. Chop 4 cups fresh cranberries and 2 oranges. Add 2 cups sugar and mix well. Freeze in ice trays; cut in squares and serve on salad greens.









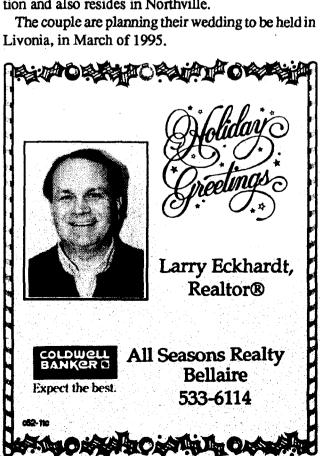
JUSTINE and KURT

### Gass-Houslander plan to wed

Errol and Betty Gass of Central Lake are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Justine to Kurt Houslander. Justine resides in Northville.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Central Lake High School. She is employed at St. Mary's Hospital in the radiology department and is pursuing her college degree at Schoolcraft.

Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Lutheran High School Northwest and received his bachelor of science degree in 1991 from Lawrence Technological University. He is an engineer for Chrysler Corporation and also resides in Northville.





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> Sarah Van Pelt Age 4

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Dear Santa,



Dear Santa,

I love you very much. I know your elves can make a lot of toys. Someday I would like to be one of your elves Too. And maybe I will. I want a new pogo stick and a scooter.

> **Bobby Hoose** Age 5

Dear Santa. We would like a vacation some where Quiet.

> Chris & Kim Aged

Dear Santa,

I like Santa. I wish I could go to your work shop someday and see your elves. I want a talking Barney. I want a phone that you can call people and I want baby walker.

> Jessica Miedema Age 5

Dear Santa, I want a Christmas tree. Mika Kleymeer Age 2 Dear Santa Claus,

Santa brings toys. I want a toy. I want a cop. and a mommy, and a Cop. an ambulance and a Cop. a police Car and a Cop. a tree and a Cop.

Rex Van Pelt Age 2

Dear Santa,

I would like a super nintendo and a Jurassic park dinasaur that roars. Robbie Moffat Age 8

Dear Santa,

I want a drumset and a batman car.

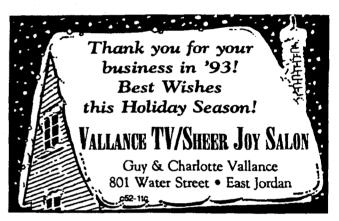
> Brian Allen Age 4

Dear Santa,

I want a batman car, a batman boat, a Batman House and batman cake. I'd like to say "Hi" to

> Cody Rogers Age 4





Is this weather for real? Little Heather Wolgamott, granddaughter of Bud and Wanda Wolgamott, picked some pansies out of her grandmother's garden on East Torch Lake Drive on Dec. 13! Wanda brought them into the Torch office for real proof and the vibrant purple and yellow brightened editor Lynn Geiger's desk all day!

Who says you can only decorate trees and houses? Vic Bloom of Central Lake has one of his John Deere tractors lit

up for the holiday season. Now that is some creative Christmas spirit!

Heard over the scanner at the Torch office last Wednesday morning . . . calling for help in tending to a"field on fire!" In December? In northern Michigan? Imagine that.

What's the news? Well, according to Up North Publications employee John Ruth, the news is "It's not going to snow this year." Hope Mother Nature can prove him wrong. So does he.



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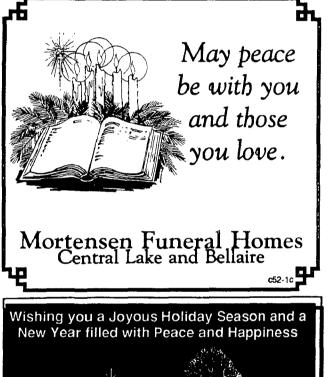


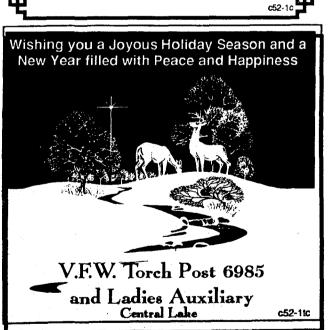
### Heat Bank puts warmth in winter

The Nation's largest utility funded fuel assistance program, Michigan Consolidated Gas Company's (MichCon) Heat Bank, has pledged \$1.87 million in energy assistance funds to help customers keep the heat on this winter. Heat Bank is a one-time per heating season, energy assistance program. It is a last-resort measure, aimed at helping customers who reside in MichCon service areas and are not eligible for state or federal aid — specifically, seniors age 60 and over, the handicapped, the unemployed and employed, low-income customers. The program is funded from company earnings and does not increase customer's rates.

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by using pledge cards that are enclosed with their gas bill, or customers may enclose a separate check, made payable to "Heat Bank," mailed to Heat Bank, Box 140, Detroit, MI 48269-0140. MichCon has pledged to match private contributions up to \$170,000.

Beginning Jan. 4, 1994, Heat Bank will accept applications from qualified families in need of energy assistance. Applicants should contact the local Heat Bank administrator in their area; applications are not available at MichCon offices. Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency, 1-800-632-7334, is the administrator of the program in northern Michigan.

### OBITUARIES & DEATH NOTICES

#### Harriet J. Dustin

Harriet J. Dustin, 90, of Central Lake, died Thurs., Dec. 16, 1993, at Meadow Brook Medical Care Facility in Bellaire.

She was born March 15, 1903, in Ellsworth the daughter of Harry and Lillian (Sinclair) Hyde. She was raised in Banks Township, later moving to Flint, Central Lake, and Alaska. On Sept. 30, 1922, in Banks Township she married Ezra Dustin who preceded her in death in 1991. Also preceding her in death were brother Leo Hyde and sister Bernice Risteau.

Surviving are a son William (Jeanette) Dustin of Central Lake, two daughters Bernice (Russell) Pierce of Central Lake and Norma (Leo) Bevis of North Adams; a foster son David (Eleonore) Hyde Dustin of Ironton; 11 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Sat., Dec. 18 at the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes. The Rev. Estel Clark officiated. Interment is in Southern Cemetery, Central Lake Township. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation or the Antrim County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

#### Myrtle Touchtone

Myrtle Touchtone, 103, of East Jordan died Sat., Dec. 11, 1993, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan. She was born on Sept. 18, 1890, and she was a homemaker. Funeral services were Dec. 15 at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan with Elder Gilbert Fox officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.

#### Permelia E. "Pam" Kamradt

Permelia E. "Pam" Kamradt, 72, of East Jordan died Sat., Dec. 11, 1993, at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

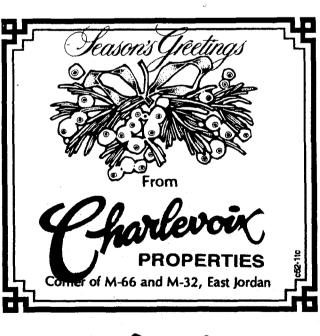
Mrs. Kamradt was born April 18, 1921, and she was a homemaker. Funeral services were held Dec. 14 at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan with Rev. Peter A. Elliott officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.















### All of these folks who produce your local newspaper wish you the Merriest Christmas and the Happiest New Year.

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#### Angelic creations

One of the unique collections at the Angel Show at Jordan River Arts Center was this box designed by South Arm Township resident Peggy Midener.

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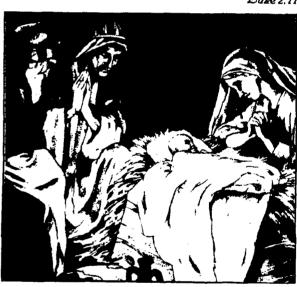
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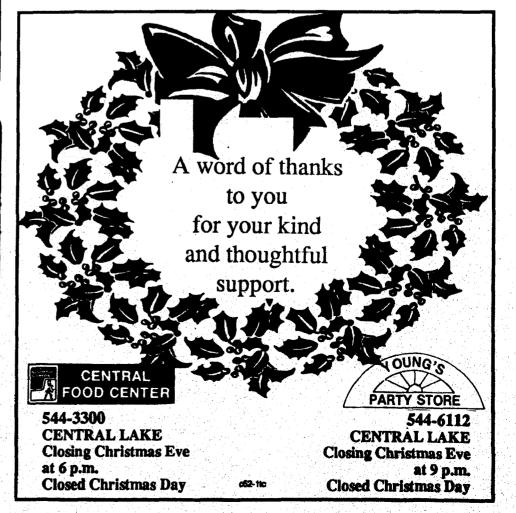
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### Thinking of "untaxing" yourself? Take care...

"Does "untaxing" yourself sound too good to be true? It is! Today's "untaxing" packages contain false information that if followed, could result in a huge financial burden for many years to come," said IRS district director John Hummel.

"People who followed advice on "untaxing" themselves are now paying back taxes, penalties and inteÅrest. Some had their assets seized, and others faced criminal prosecution. They got a lot more than they bargained for." Hummel said.

"Let me give you some examples: In July, a Wayne County businessman had all five of his muffler shops for not paying taxes, after he followed advice on how to "untax" himself. Another 11 individuals around the state were indicted this year for failing to file tax returns. Ten of those pled guilty and the other was found guilty after a jury trial. Four are currently serving jail time and the others will be sentenced soon," he said.

Taxpayers can tell the difference between legitimate financial advice and tax protestor claims.





#### Special holiday giving

Stacked high in Bachmann's Variety Store in Central Lake are dry and canned goods which will be divided into baskets and distributed to 26 needy families this holiday season. Area organizations and individuals donated money or goods to this year's food drive, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. The baskets were made up on Thursday and delivered to the families Saturday morning.

Claim: Paying income taxes is voluntary, and no civil or criminal penalties will result if not paid.

Fact: As citizens, we voluntarily comply with the law of the land - from following traffic signals to paying taxes. If you fail to live within the guidelines of these laws, whether it's running a red light or failing to pay taxes, you will be penalized. The Internal Revenue Code and regulations clearly outline filing requirements. People may voluntarily calculate their tax liability. However, the obligation to pay is not optional.

Claim: No law has been enacted ordering the payment of income taxes, and it is legally possible to permanently remove oneself from the income tax system.

Fact: The U.S. Constitution, which gives Congress the "power to lay and collect taxes," applies to all. The ratification of the 16th Amendment authorized the enactment of an income tax. This law was tested in court as early as 1916 and has repeatedly been upheld since then.

Claim: The IRS is not part of the U.S. Treasury, rather a private Delaware corporation.

Fact: The Internal Revenue Service was created in

1862 as an office of the Department of Treasury during the Civil War.

Claim: IRS employees do not have to pay taxes, why should you?

Fact: IRS employees are subject to the same laws and rules as any other U.S. citizen and must file and pay all taxes timely.

"Tax protestors often claim they don't pay taxes and haven't for years. We know at least one person in western Michigan who is currently promoting the "untaxing" packages and just happens to be paying all taxes due," said Hummel.

"We are very familiar with these, and other, tax protestor schemes," said Hummel. "Some border on outright fraud. However, the First Amendment guarantees the right of free speech to all — even these shysters," Hummel said. "But I want to warn lawabiding taxpayers that no court in the United States has ever accepted any of the arguments that protestors use. Claiming to dissolve your tax liability won't hold up in court.

Don't get ripped off by paying \$5,000-\$7,000 for advice on becoming a tax dodger. It has never worked and it never will.

### Devils beat Trojans to reach 3-0

BY S.F. PUCKETT Sports Writer

Central Lake and East Jordan squared off in a nonconference basketball duel Tuesday night, and each had chances to excel, with East Jordan doing what it needed to take away the win and a 3-0 record early in the season.

Steve Wiltfong started off the Red Devil effort with a triple, Chad Raymond a pair of free throws, for a sudden 5-0.

David Henry got Central Lake on the board, with Damien Smith connecting twice as well to pull Central Lake close, 9-8. Smith added three more shots, and Henry one as both squads went scoring happy to finish the first period in East Jordan's favor, 26-18.

A Jim Lord trey and Wiltfong field goal in the second boosted East Jordan ahead by 12, Central Lake whittling off a piece of that by the half, 43-32.

The third quarter was another scoring boom, with Central Lake cutting the Red Devil supremacy to just 60-56 with a quarter to go. East Jordan inched the gap to 65-60, but Chad Pletcher followed one Trojan score with a great pass to Henry underneath for a lay-

in to cut the gap to 65-64.

Jim Lord and Chris Eldrington traded baskets to up the score to 67-66, but with under four minutes to go, Steve Wiltfong sank a trey, Karl Redmer added a free throw, then Jim Lord popped two free tosses to surge the Red Devils to a 73-67 lead.

Forced to play catch-up, Central Lake got within four, 78-74, when Wiltfong got fouled and watched as his deft touch ladled the ball to the rim and into the net for a goal and free throw combo that put Central Lake down for the final count, the game ending at 84-74.

Jim Lord finished with 22 for the visiting Red Devils, Steve Wiltfong a single point behind at 21. Then came Cory Chambers with nine, Nate McWatters with nine, Yaro Middaugh with eight and Karl Redmer with seven.

Central Lake's power came from five double-digit scorers. Chad Pletcher with 17, Chris Eldrington had 15, Damien Smith and David Henry each with 14 and Cain Derenzy with 10.

East Jordan won the JV contest 61-39, Andy Otis with 20, Troy Dunson with 15 and Josh Spears seven for the Devils. Brad Klooster scored 12, John Trojanke nine, Jeff Murray eight for the Trojans.

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### 4C Council sets workshops

The Northwest Michigan 4C Council will sponsor two workshops during the first week of January. In the first workshop on Jan. 4 from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m., participants will learn about early intervention services for SPE-CIAL NEEDS children from birth to three years of age. Identification, eligibility and referral process for children will be

discussed.

Parents, day care providers, human services professions and early childhood teachers are invited to attend. Location will be at the Grand Traverse Commons, 720 S. Elmwood, Suite #4. Traverse City. Call 941-7767 or 1-800-968-4228, to register or for more information.

The second workshop,

on Jan. 6, is designed for child care providers. Donald Herrman, C.P.A. and Shaunna Bradford, C.P.A. will hold a Tax and Record Keeping Workshop. The workshop will be held from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. at 720 S. Elmwood, Suite #4, Traverse City.

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#### Prize bull!

Not knowing whether to laugh or cry, the big hunt ended for Carolyn Juracko Dec. 12 when she filled her elk license with this 6 x 6 bull. She shot the 12-point elk with a 30-06 gun, northeast of Gaylord. The bull weighed 528 pounds dressed.



#### First-timers

Even though rifle season is over and bow and arrow hunting ends in a week, we couldn't pass up this opportunity to recognize the young hunting talent in the area. Andrea Evans, 18, of East Jordan, shot this 10point buck (her first!) on opening day while hunting with her father, Joel. And Mike Losee, a Central Lake 12year-old, used his bow and arrow skills to take down this five-point buck, making his first deer season one to grow on.



### Lancers win conference game with Vanderbilt

BY S.F. PUCKETT Sports Writer

What began as a woeful week turned into a moment of joy as the Ellsworth Lancers shrugged off a forgettable non-conference game Tuesday and won their Northern Lakes opener with the Yellowjackets of Vanderbilt.

### Trojans upend Warriors

BY S.F. PUCKETT Sports Writer

The Trojans, 0-2 in non-conference action so far, picked up a Ski Valley win over Forest Area Friday night, 81-53, to temporarily hold a share of second in the conference behind Johannesburg-Lewiston. Forest Area, having played both Ski Valley games its first two outings, is 0-2.

Central Lake came out of the box scoring big time, hauling down a 22-16 first quarter break. Forest Area slowed the Trojan onslaught down in the second, giving up two more to the lead at the midpoint, 34-26.

Central Lake made an adjustment at the half, and it worked to the tune of a 26-8 third quarter spree, forcing Forest Area to accept an 81-53 finale. "We pressed well and created turnovers off the press. Damien Smith had a great game, and Chad Pletcher scored 21 with 13 assists to make things happen," commented coach Quinn Barry.

Damien Smith scored 28 for Central Lake, Pletcher 21, and Chris Eldrington 10.

Central Lake resumes play after the holidays.

"We didn't play well at all," summed up coach Hugh Campbell of his Lancer game with Leland and its Comets Tuesday.

The Lancers stayed close for a half, trailing 23-20 with 16 minutes to go, only to get caught up in a 19-5 run in the third quarter that led to a demise of 60-36 at game's end.

Shane Chellis picked up 11 to lead the Lancer effort, Jeremy Peterson, Pat Zeitler and Mike Warner also adding to the team effort.

The JV Lancers did better, pulling out a thrilling 60-

59 win with just 10 seconds to go.

Friday at Vanderbilt, coach Campbell and his Lancer brigade got the win, but it came with a mere 14 of 44 shooting. The Lancers gladly took the win, 55-50.

Jeremy Peterson scored 19 this game, Mike Strange with 18.

The JV squad won for Ellsworth, but no score was reported.

Ellsworth closed out the pre-holiday portion of the schedule Tuesday with a trip to Alanson to face the Vikings.

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On Christmas Eve around 1920, we kids always hung our largest stocking in anticipation of a visit from Santa. As Dad heard us stirring around early Christmas morning, he arose and built up the fire in the wood stove.

We generally got a stocking full of oranges, bananas, nuts and candy, plus one present. By the time mother had breakfast ready, there wasn't a hungry child in the house. I don't think a modern child can visualize what a treat an orange or a banana was to those who only saw them once or twice a year.

At Echo Township #5, our old Pleasant Valley School, Christmas was not forgotten either.

During the first week in December, three or four large eighth-graders left the school with an ax and saw to look for a suitable Christmas tree. They usually came back around closing time, dragging a 10 or 15foot tree of very nice proportions.

There was a section or two of cut over land up the Intermediate River that had thousands of trees to chose from. In fact, Dad, Uncle Harrison, and the Spence Boys rented a couple of box cars and packed them with trees for shipment to the city. Of course, arrangements were made with the East Jordan Lumber Company for the tree cutting.

On the following day, the eighth-graders brought up the heavy tree base from the basement. Some time in the past, a large dome-shaped knot or gall had been sawed from a pine tree. It was about three feet in diameter at the base and with a suitable hole in the top, and with its natural bark covering, it made a beautiful and safe base for the tree.

The teacher and children spent noon hours and recesses decorating the tree with tinsel, strung pop corn and other suitable items. Colored red and blue tin dishes about three inches in diameter, with clips attached were fastened to the tree and candles were inserted. Because of fire hazard, they were placed with no branches directly above. A couple of buckets of water were kept near. You might call them rustic fire extinguishers.

The finer things were not forgotten. Lizzie Barns, two grades ahead of me, played the organ for the singing sessions we held each week. Time was spent learning poems and practicing skits for the Christmas program. Names were drawn for the exchange of presents. One year my cousin Irma recited the poem. "What little girls are made of." Irma said little boys were made of snakes and snails and puppy dog tails. I seem to remember that little girls were made of sugar and spice, and everything nice.

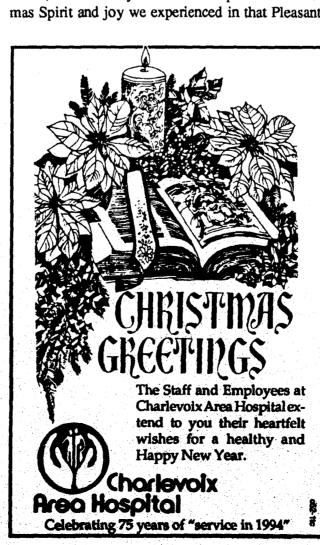
Yes, I don't think you can ever recapture the Christmas Spirit and joy we experienced in that Pleasant Valley School of the early '20s. EDITOR'S NOTE: Floyd Churchill is a former area resident who frequently shares his memories with Torch readers.











#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### CENTRAL LAKE VILLAGE **COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

The regular meeting of the Council, Monday, December 13, 1993 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Pres. Seifried, with all members present. Also present for the meeting was Dean Bachelor with Hyde Equipment of Petoskey

Minutes of the November 8th meeting were read and approved as printed in the Torch.

There was a discussion on the Budget and the November cashflow statement. The Bids received for a truck and equipment were opened and discussed.

A motion made by Don Smith, supported Russ Guild to accept the equipment bid from Hyde Equipment of Petoskey. Motion

A motion made by Harry Pletcher, supported by Harry Smith to accept the bid from Grand Traverse Ford of Traverse City pending further verification of items on the truck. Motion carried.

There was a discussion on the sale of some former Railroad Property, now owned by the Village, and that bids should be accepted for the sale of this property. Also discussed was a taxpayers overpayment of property tax due to an error in property description. A motion made by Harry Pletcher, supported by Harry Smith to accept the Board of Revenue's decision on this matter. Motion carried.

A motion made by John Young, supported by Harry Smith to pay the bills in the amount of 52,725.29. Motion carried.

A motion made by Harry Pletcher, supported by John Young to have the Street Committee meet with the property owner regarding property for a gravel site for the village. Motion carried.

A motion made by Harry Pletcher supported by Harry Smith to purchase a VCR and TV for use at the DPW Garage for viewing Health and Safety Regulation tapes as required by State Law. Motion carried.

Mr. Donaldson briefed the Council on various on-going projects in the Village many of which are near completion.

A motion made by Harry Pletcher, supported by Don Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried.

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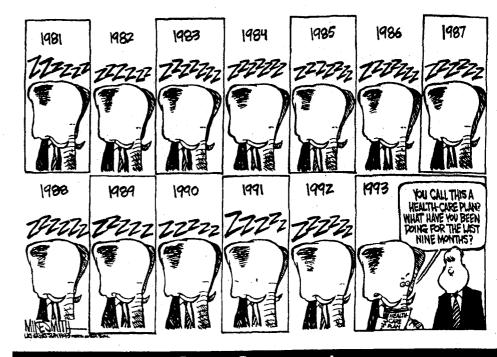
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### East Jordan celebrates the season



At the Senior Center



At the Elementary School

Christmas with friends

"MERRY MUSICALS," the East Jordan Senior Center choir, entertains the crowd during the Christmas Dinner at the Charlevoix Senior Center Dec. 14.



CHOIR MEMBER Lorna Beishlag wrote a creative, poetic script to accompany the songs.



Photos by Deb Saygers Hobbs





A special dinner guest

FULLY ENJOYING their dinner with Santa at East Jordan Elementary Dec. 14, are Nathan and Nina Peters.



ADULT FOSTER care director Vasco Zucchiatti hands out materials for a "Christmas spider" to go along with "A Cobweb Christmas."



SANTA AND the Mrs. in a quiet moment. Rumor has it that Santa is none other than a well-known city government official.

### Hearing generates strong opinions

continued from front

boundaries.

The office building of EJIW is included, while the plant has been placed outside the boundary.

In discussions with the ad hoc committee, EJIW expressed a desire to benefit both the DDA and the school district. Improvements in 1993 on both facilities will reap tax increment windfalls.

After listening to two hours of pros and cons on the issue, council closed the hearing and went on to consider adoption of the ordinance.

Though it appeared council would adopt the resolution, several members requested time to personally re-examine the area to be zoned.

Gee moved to table the resolution until the Dec. 21 meeting for the purpose of reconsideration of the actual boundaries outlined for the DDA.

Council agreed and the meeting adjourned.

"I was stunned that there was this much animosity against a DDA," said attorney Richard Joseph, owner of the Walker building on Water Street. "I'm 110

percent for it even though it will raise my own taxes."

Joseph has been involved with the Charlevoix DDA and calls the city a good example of the accomplishments of a DDA.

"The fact of the matter," said Joseph, "is the heart of any community is its downtown."

If the DDA is adopted, a nine-member board, including the mayor, will be appointed by council. All members must have a direct financial interest in the district.

Members will be chosen from both the west side and downtown area of East Jordan.

The board will have to present all plans to the city council for final approval. This includes a plan for financing the district.

According to the ordinance, the district will have four options for funding: a personal property tax, increment financing which captures new taxable growth and improvements, a levy of up to two mills, or by selling bonds.

### Red Devils race to 4-0 start

BY S.F. PUCKETT Sports Writer

Kalkaska came to town Friday night, hoping to spoil the East Jordan run of undefeated basketball games, but instead found a dominating defense, a team-concept offense, and a loss to take home with them.

Coach Del Ingalls summarized, "It was a nice defensive game, and we controlled the game. We pressured them, didn't get a lot of turnovers, but we got them out of sync."

Other than the Blue Blazers getting off to a hot first quarter, Ingalls was happy with the result. The Red Devils led 17-14 after one, inched the gap to 28-24 at the half, and found a way to stifle the Kalkaska offense.

"After Hansen's big first quarter (11 points), we put Todd Loviska on him, and Todd limited Travis to four in the second quarter and six in the second half total," explained Ingalls.

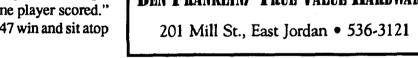
The third quarter was an East Jordan boost, the Red Devils offense pushing out to a 15-7 period and a 43-31 lead with a quarter to go. "We were tentative, but we played team offense enough, and just didn't capitalize all the time. Everyone but one player scored."

East Jordan went on to post a 57-47 win and sit atop the Lake Michigan League.

Chad Raymond scored 10, Jim Lord was held to nine, Karl Redmer came along with eight, and Cory Chambers had nine for East Jordan.

East Jordan won the JV contest 54-51, Ed Hettig, Josh Spears, Andrew Otis and Josiah Middaugh collaborating on some interesting highlights.







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