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at a GLANCE

EJ Care and Share spreads holiday cheer

The East Jordan Care and Share Emergency Food Pantry is gearing up to fill baskets with Thanksgiving meals to give to area people who need them.

The pantry expects to pack approximately 250 baskets this year, about the same number as last year. Thirty or more volunteers will fill the baskets with turkeys, dressing, cranberries, vegetables, potatoes, rolls and deserts.

The baskets will be ready for people to pick up from 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 25.

Churches, schools, the health clinic and social services notify the pantry of seniors and families who can use a basket. If someone is not on a list from one of those organizations, they can call the pantry, said administrator Margaret Thompson. The number is 536-2206 or 536-7375.

Harbor ends Lady Red Devils' season

When it is all said and done in sports, usually the better team wins.

That's what happened Monday night when East Jordan met Harbor Springs in the first round of the district tournament in Boyne City.

Harbor walked away with an easy 74-53 win.

"We played well offensively and we hit our shots, but Harbor had too many weapons," said East Jordan coach Steve Hines.

"We couldn't stop them with man-to-man defense or zone defense, and tonight the better team won."

"Defensively we couldn't stop them. They scored inside, they hit the 3-point shot, they penetrated to the basket for points, and they pressed which caused us some problems early in the game."

As she has for most of the season, Amanda Pepin led the Lady Red Devils with 23 points.

Also in double figures was Ember Ransom, who had 14 points and eight rebounds. Dayle Looze had a strong game as well with six points and a team high 14 rebounds.



Brooke Skrocki, right, and her sister Melyssa. Wednesday is Brooke's third birthday.

Winning the battle

Community rallying around Brooke Skrocki and her family as she fights a rare form of cancer

By HUGH CONKLIN

Today is Brooke Skrocki's third birthday.

It should be a happy time for her, and her Mom and Dad, Nikki and Dennis, and her sister Melyssa.

And in some ways it is. She'll be home celebrating with her family.

But it's not the birthday celebration her parents had in mind a few months ago.

In late August life changed radically for Brooke and her family when doctors found a cancerous tumor in her abdomen.

She underwent surgery over Labor Day weekend and since then she has been undergoing aggressive chemotherapy treatments.

Brooke, according to her grandfather, Michael Burr, had a "Wilms tumor," a single tumor "that sat on and ate up her kidney." The tumor, bigger than a softball but smaller than a football, weighed 18 1/2 ounces, he said. Before the surgery, Brooke weighed just a little over 20 pounds.

The tumor was found by Dr. Roderic Tinney of the East Jordan Family Health Center. Brooke was immediately sent to C.S. Mott's Children's Hospital at the University of Michigan for a CAT Scan. The next day, Sept. 1, she had surgery.

To remove her tumor, doctors also had to take Brooke's dominant kidney. Her other kidney began working within an hour, Michael said, and Brooke should be able to live a normal life with just one.

Brooke was in Ann Arbor for about two weeks after the surgery. When she returned home doctors began an aggressive treatment program.

Her schedule now is two weeks home and one week in Ann Arbor where she receives five days of chemotherapy. At home she receives treatment five days a week from local doctors.

"It's gut wrenching," Michael said of the treatment program, which will continue until March. "The kids are struggling through it."

So is Brooke, who received an optimistic medical report last Monday. CAT Scans, x-rays, blood work, and ultra sounds were all done "and right now they can't find any active cancer cells," Michael said. "They think they might have got it."

"We're lucky, (this cancer) is curable." It is also rare. Annually, only about 7 or 8 children out of one million are diagnosed with the disease.

The toll on the Skrocki family, as you would

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DDA's first phase of redevelopment won't be glamorous

Contract signed with engineer for studies

By B. J. HETLER

East Jordan's Downtown Development Authority is getting its ducks in line for redevelopment of the downtown area to begin in the spring.

The first phase of redevelopment includes conducting water studies, said DDA chairwoman Sharon Jackson. The city must determine its water requirements for the future and design a plan to meet the requirements.

At a special meeting on Thursday, the nine-member DDA voted to contract with engineer Gary Voogt of Moore & Bruggink to conduct the studies. Jackson said she will sign the contract after it is reviewed by the DDA's lawyer.

After the studies are completed, work begins on the infrastructure under the streets, including improving the water system, sewers and storm sewers. It's not the glamorous part of redevelopment and won't be seen by people, Jackson said, but it has to be done first.

After completion of the underground work, the city begins work on the streets, sidewalks and lighting. New sidewalks are planned with some brick work, said city administrator David White. Trees will be

planted and new lighting installed. Intersections will be straightened and the streets will be repaved.

The redevelopment project includes the areas from the bridge to Second Street and from Main Street to West Garfield. The estimated cost for the first phase of redevelopment is \$1 million. The DDA financial task force will seek funding through bonds, grants and other financial opportunities, White said. The task force is made up of the city administrator and planning, city and DDA commissioners.

The DDA announced at its Thursday meeting that it has received a quit-claim deed from Gerald Burton for a building located at 104 Main St., commonly known as the Dahlquist Building. The building is more than 90 years old and the city had instituted condemnation proceedings against owner Burton because he was not maintaining it.

The city will mothball the building for the winter, Jackson said. The DDA will decide on its future in the spring. An historical architect said the building can be saved, Jackson said.

DDA meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month at city hall.

City's water system still needs some work

East Jordan has improved its water supply system in recent years, but it has 13 more items that need work in order to be in full compliance with the Michigan Department of Public Health.

The water supply system deficiencies do not affect the health and safety of the water, administrator David White told the city commission at its meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

The first two items that the city is addressing is preparation of updated reliability and engineering studies, White said. A reliability study identifies projected demands and service areas for the next 10 years. When completed, the studies will help the city with planning for its future needs and will give guidance for the other items.

White recommended engineer Gary Voogt of Moore & Bruggink to the commission and to the Downtown Development Authority for the studies, and Voogt was approved by the DDA on Thursday.

Other items that the department

of health said need attention include:

- Possible abandonment of well number one. The department has targeted the well because of its age, location and construction problems. The department also noted that the well house is susceptible to flooding and could be an electrical safety hazard to operators.

- The need for additional storage capacity on the south side of the system. The engineering study should identify the size and location for a new reservoir.

- Improvements to the booster stations so that they rely on more than a single variable speed pump. Both of the city booster stations are expensive to operate and lack firm pumping capacity.

- An update of the general plan to incorporate the many water main additions since that last update in 1985.

- An update of the contingency plan to ensure that all emergency response information is correct and complete.

Visit to Russia an eye-opening experience

By B. J. HETLER

Two area men on a mission trip to Russia learned that an engineer earns \$800 a year. That doctors often wait months for a paycheck. And that there are no stray cats and dogs because they're eaten.

They also learned that the Russians they met were hard-working, caring people who opened their homes to team members.

Jay Peck of East Jordan and Sam Buitendorp of Boyne City were part of a team that took medical supplies and equipment into the city of Solikamsk in western Siberia. The October trip took 24 hours by air and then 40 hours by train to reach the city in the Ural mountains.

Peck is a paramedic with East Jordan Ambulance and Life Link. It was the first trip to a foreign country for the East Jordan native.

"It was just so amazing," Peck said. "The things that I got to see and experience and the people that I met."

Peck was especially impressed with the host family he stayed with during the week he was there.

"These people treated us like royalty," he said. The host family had a one-bedroom apartment and the mother and daughter gave up the bed for Peck and Buitendorp. The home was one of the cleanest he had been in, Peck said. It was homey and comfortable and reminded him of his grandparents' home. They felt welcome right away.

"It was late at night when we got there and they had a meal cooked for us. Every chance they got, they were cooking food for us," Peck said.

Sam Buitendorp is a social worker with the health department and lives in Boyne City. He said the trip was revealing for him.

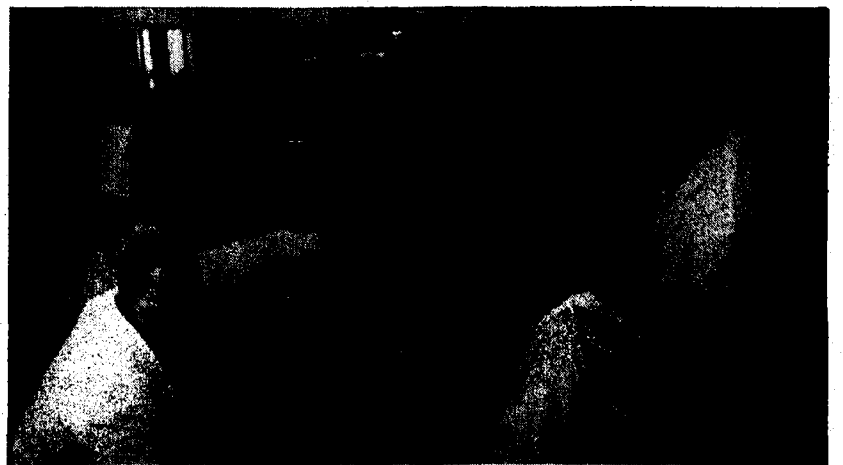
"It was a wonderful trip, something you had to experience," Buitendorp said. "It was very eye-opening for a Westerner to live with Russian common folks. These people eke out a living every day."

The mother of the host family is an engineer. Peck and Buitendorp knew her simply as "Mom." Her son, 21-year-old Sasha, is a bricklayer, and her daughter, 18-year-old Natasha, is going to college, studying psychology.

The mission was undertaken to equip a prison hospital with necessities that doctors often have to do without. The team took medications, syringes, bandages and pain pills. EKGs and heart monitors were some of the equipment taken over.

All supplies and equipment are donated by area hospitals and by pharmaceutical companies, Peck said. He helped to distribute the

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East Jordan resident and paramedic, Jay Peck, (left, front) demonstrates an EKG machine at a hospital in the city of Solikamsk in western Siberia. Viewing the demonstration is a nurse in the Russian hospital (left, back) and Petoskey paramedics Bill Drake (right, seated) and Dan Wandrie. The three area men were part of a mission trip to take medical supplies and equipment to the city.

OPINION

EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

A remarkable season comes to an end

By HUGH CONKLIN

The final chapter in the storybook season was written Saturday night.

The ending wasn't what we might have hoped, but no good book ever ends quite like you think it should.

In a way, I wish there was another chapter. Not one about football games and state championships, but one about where these players might be 10, 15 or 20 years from now.

Will they be leaders in their communities? Will they try as hard for excellence in their personal, business and professional relationships as they did on the football field?

Talk to anyone who knows these players, particularly the seniors, the leaders of this team, and they all have high praise — for their athletic abilities and personal character. They are dedicated, hard working and committed to the team.

No one knows them better than Dave Bricker, their assistant coach. "I go back with them a long

time (as their middle school teacher.) I've seen the good, the bad and the ugly and they have matured into a great group of guys."

"As I look back on it, I don't really mind losing the game. But as I was driving home after school (Monday) there was no football practice and I missed the kids.

"I know we will have the opportunity to be there again, but the first time is always the sweetest. The senior players were uniquely dedicated. We've always had great seniors, but this year there were more of them and they were more together."

After the game, as the team gathered on the field, the pain evident on their faces, coach Bricker told the players that he felt like he had died and gone to heaven. He told them of their great accomplishments, how exciting it was to be able to play in such a great setting and in front of such great fans, and how proud he was they went as far as they did.

"I get tears in my eyes just thinking about it," he said.

There were many tears from Boyne City fans as

well as they stood, cheering and applauding their team for what seemed like a remarkably long time after the game had ended. It was one way for the 1,500 or so Boyne City fans who made the trip to the Superior Dome to show their appreciation for a tremendous season.

"It was a fun season," said head coach Pat Klooster. "We set goals and we reached them all. We were really looking forward to doing something not done before."

"I thought we had a good chance to go to the Silverdome (for the state championship). It makes me have a lot of respect for the teams who win it because it's hard to do."

"It was a unique year. There was no down side to the season. We won with style and we lost with style." That they did.

FOR LOCAL fans making the trip to the Superior Dome, they had a chance to see Boyne City's Kirk Kujawski in action.

Kirk refereed the Kingsford-West Branch Class

BB game, played prior to Boyne City and Iron Mountain. And like the Ramblers, Kirk's season is over.

Kirk and his crew are the top-rated officiating crew in northern Michigan and last year officiated a state finals game. But due to certain rules, it will be a few years before they can return to the championship games. Kirk expects next year that he and his crew will be assigned a state semi-final game.

Kirk is no stranger to big games. He's been doing two post-season games a year since the playoffs began and Saturday's game might have been one of the ugliest he has refereed in a long time.

Kingsford trounced West Branch and the 41-13 score easily could have been 60-0. Prior to the game West Branch's coach told Kirk his team was going to lose. They were so intimidated by Kingsford that they were defeated before even taking the field. He was right. On their first offensive play they fumbled the ball. One of about eight for the night.

Iron Mountain, by the way, defeated Kingsford by a point this season.

IT'S ONLY LIFE

Bringing a welcome change

By ROGER HUCKLE

I look forward to the month of November. It's one of my favorite months of the year. It signifies an end to autumn and usually the beginning of another winter season.

Even though I don't look forward to dealing with the snowy weather for the next four or five months, November brings activity and change which inspire some reflection on the past year.

The month begins with Election Day — that wonderful day which brings an end to the babbling political fortune-seekers' rhetoric. When it's over I'm just happy to relegate the running of our nation to prayer once again and get on with the more important things in life — like deer season.

It's a man thing. Deer Camp. All night poker. All day in the woods. No showers. No shaving. No tele-

phones. AARR. AARR. AARR (Thank you Tim Taylor - you say it so well). It's a northern Michigan tradition — sitting in a custom made deer blind watching the tons of bait you've dumped in the middle of a shooting lane waiting for that buck to walk in for its last meal — the great American hunt.

Tongue in cheek aside, I enjoy getting out in the woods come Nov. 15 with the rest of the men AND women (30 percent of the hunters are women) hoping to bag a huge buck. I don't think there is any better activity to relieve stress and renew enthusiasm for life than getting away from the day-to-day pressures by walking in the woods. We may disagree on methods (I choose not to bait and I'm glad we still have a choice), but all hunters will agree that hunting is a basic instinct and there is nothing quite like bagging that first trophy-sized buck (of which I still

can only fantasize about — there ARE drawbacks to not baiting).

Thanksgiving rounds out the month with its wonderful food, football, and time with friends and family (not to mention a few more days to bag that trophy buck). It is a time to reminisce and give thanks for the many blessings we receive throughout the year. It's also a time to begin planning for the Christmas holidays and get some early shopping out of the way.

November, even though it means having to get everything winterized, dragging that snow removal equipment out, and getting the rest of that wood in, also means curling up next to the fire with a good book, a good friend, or both, and whiling away a cold winter evening in good company. There is a coziness to it. It's too soon to be tired of the cold and the change is welcome, at least for a little while.

A MOM'S LIFE

Community's pride raises them up

By CINDI PLACE

Being proud can be a very good thing. It can also get you in a lot of trouble. Allowing your ego to dictate how you respond to other people and certain situations can make life extremely unpleasant. Being too proud to accept advice or help from a friend can keep you from experiencing the warm feelings that come from knowing someone cares about you.

And being too proud to admit our mistakes is one of the greatest errors we can make. But it is certainly one that we can correct.

Teaching our children to be willing to accept their mistakes as just that, simple errors in judgment is not easy. Probably because we find it difficult to recognize our own mistakes as something to acknowledge, correct if possible, and then move on.

Although it's important to teach young people that being accountable for one's actions is a vital part of growing up, the need to beat oneself up for a silly mistake, or even a more

serious error, shouldn't be part of our teaching. It's okay for them to feel bad; it's even okay for them to know that they've let you down. But I have found that most kids, especially teenagers, usually do a much better job of punishing themselves than we could ever invent. The guilt that goes along with disappointing someone who has trusted them can go a long way toward correcting any inappropriate behavior.

But there is an extremely good side to being proud. Having a healthy self-respect gives you the power to make good, moral decisions without worrying about outside influences. Translation - peer pressure. And if you think that only kids have to deal with peer pressure, you've probably been living in a vacuum.

Every day someone, or some event, can influence the decisions that we make that day. Television advertising tells us that we need to feed our family healthier meals, a co-worker's new home can make us long for the same, a magazine article encourages us to work less and play

more, while employers wish we'd do the opposite.

Feeling good about one's heritage can help keep the legacy of one's ancestry alive. Knowing that you've done a good job can be a most rewarding experience. Having the self-confidence to speak up when someone else is being wronged is a truly splendid trait. These are each examples of the power of pride.

With all the different illegal and harmful ways available to us to "get high," it amazes me that more people haven't discovered that something as simple as watching a young child learn how to write her name, or finally finishing that lengthy novel, or even being a part of a community service project can give you the ultimate high.

It's sort of like the feeling you get when you've just finished watching a fine group of young men reach for their dream, find it a little out of their grasp, but with the pride of an entire community raising them up they still find the dignity to raise their helmets in salute.



Doing something significant influences whole community

TO THE EDITOR:

After assigning a newspaper editorial to my English classes, my students' response was, "Mr. Wollenberg, when are you going to write your note?!" Thus, this letter received its jump start and became an outlet for a theme I've been mulling about: "Doing something significant in your life influences everyone in our community."

An educational psychologist recently explained to me that students need to feel that what they do is significant. That a student's self-worth goes up dramatically when they know their work has a significant impact on someone or something. Boyne City has seen, first

hand, how the power of one person can positively change other people's lives. Still, there are those who say, "What can just one person do?" Boyne community members have answered this age-old "rationalization."

Lee Stadt was "significant" to our BCHS golf team this year by giving his time and course to our players throughout the fall. While doing it, Lee became a role model for our young students to emulate. Did Lee have to do it? No.

Frank Shaler significantly led the way for the sports complex — look what happened! Our football team has had an epic season and our track team will host home meets for

the first time in 10 years.

Anne and Ed Thurston work with our drama students for months building and painting sets for school productions. Are they doing something important that affects others?

1996 has been quite a year in Boyne. Will those mentioned above remember this year, with its "walk-a-thons at three in the morning"; with its incredible moonlit Friday evening, our team with their helmets held high; with the stage door closing on a completed set waiting for opening night? Yes, they will remember because they did something "significant."

Robert Wollenberg

LETTERS

Buck pole in downtown a good idea

TO THE EDITOR:

I'm writing about the buck pole. I think it is a great idea, and putting it on public land is also a good idea.

Displayed in town, the public can enjoy these trophies of marksmanship. I know from personal

experience that getting a deer is not an easy thing to do. There is a lot of skill and patience involved.

When people say that displaying the carcasses of deer makes them disgusted, I disagree.

Yes, the buck pole shows the death of a deer, but people need to

think about the person who probably worked hard to get to the hunting spot, follow the blood trail, and bring back the dead deer.

I think after all that work it should be displayed.

Mik Martin

Dead deer disgrace our waterfront

TO THE EDITOR:

We are writing to express our concerns on the buck pole in Boyne City.

We feel that the dead carcass of the deer is a disgrace to our beautiful

waterfront. We are not writing to complain about the hunters and having the pole stopped, we are merely asking to have it moved to a more appropriate place.

We know many people who also think that the buck pole located

downtown is ugly.

Thank you for listening to our concerns.

Alsayce De La Cruz
Shelly Deschermeier
Sarah Scott

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Students have a lot on their minds

(Editor's note: As an assignment for his English class, Boyne City High School teacher Bob Wollenburg asked his students to express their point of view by writing a letter to the editor. Here's a sampling of the many letters we received.)

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to share my personal views on why teens are failing and dropping out of school. First, I think that most teachers aren't taking enough time out for the kids that don't understand, to help to comprehend. A lot of teachers tell their students to sit down and they'll help them later, usually "later" never comes. Sometimes those teachers even tell us to ask someone else, usually they are just as lost, so they never end up understanding.

Second, I believe that teens drop out of school because they think that nobody cares about them, which isn't true. They think people couldn't care less if they were to "drop off the face of the earth," or even notice that they were gone.

Third, if teachers would make a subject sound more interesting then teens might be more intrigued to listen and understand. Not that it's all the teachers' fault, but they do have a lot to do with it.

There are many other reasons why they're dropping out such as drug use, home life, and living in such a small town and not having much to do. Not that the teens aren't to blame, but people are strongly influenced by their environment.

These are my views about teens and I hope that people would take these few suggestions into consideration. Personally I don't think that dropping out is the thing for me because I've worked too hard to give up now.

Katie David

TO THE EDITOR:

Our community has a Senior Center, and is trying to get an Arts Center. But, the one center we need the most is a Teen/Community Center.

Frankly, teenagers are tired of going downtown and not having anywhere to go or anything to do. Teens can't count the number of times they've been told by a police officer or a store owner to, "Leave and find something else to do." This isn't the problem. The problem is not being told where we can go. Teens have asked police officers this question many times and never once has a straight answer been given. If there was somewhere to go, something to do, there would not be anyone bothering a store owner or police officer.

Many people would agree with me that a Teen/Community Center would be a good idea. Also, there are many generous people and businesses that would donate time and money to fund and develop this project, if we had to go door-to-door collecting green slips, or donations, whatever it takes. If this Teen/Community Center became a reality, you would find many grateful teenagers, parents, store owners, and police officers.

Cory Erber

TO THE EDITOR:

I'm writing to you, the Citizen, to tell you my feelings about the paper. I appreciate how the Citizen covers topics around our area. The paper includes everything a person wants to read. As a student the sports and other topics of interest going on in our school are of admiration to me. I also like the fact that the Citizen has young people writing for the paper as well as adults. It's exciting when you include letters from people on what their opinions are of the activities going on in the area.

In my opinion, all the Citizen needs to do is add a little more to its sports section. People look through the paper and see nine pages, then come to the sports which is two pages. The Citizen should include more description of the junior varsity and freshmen team games and accomplishments.

Please consider the above because many want to know about these accomplishments. Overall, you are doing a good job on keeping the readers satisfied. Keep up the good work -- we all enjoy it.

Tiffany Zavesky

TO THE EDITOR:

The police and business owners of Boyne City tell us to stop rollerblading and skateboarding in the downtown area because we are considered a nuisance. They are always telling us we can't skate there and we will have to go somewhere else.

The problem is that we don't have anywhere else to go. There isn't a lot for a teenager to do in Boyne City, so we try to do things with our time, like skating and trying to stay out of trouble. I think the problem could be solved if area businesses would support a skate park in Boyne City. It wouldn't take much to build a skate park, just some wood, screws, and time.

I don't understand why people build tennis courts and basketball courts to fit other peoples' interests in sports, but they won't build things that we are interested in because they feel we could get hurt. You can get hurt playing any sport be it basketball, tennis, or skating. We have the right to play any sport we like, just as much as anyone else.

If downtown businesses and city police are so concerned about our safety and the disruption of their parking lots, then why don't we come together and try to solve the problem. I have been told by citizens of Boyne that we don't bother them and they wish we had a place where we could go to skate and not get in trouble.

Rollerblading and skateboarding are becoming very popular sports and I think it is time to recognize these sports. Hopefully, if everyone would donate a little time, effort, and money, we could build the skate park into a reality.

In conclusion, I would like to ask some of the businesses to sponsor a skate park for us. If we finally get a skate park, I think it would solve many of the problems between the skaters and the local downtown businesses.

Nick Riehl

TO THE EDITOR:

The leaders of Boyne City are all wrong when they say that kids shouldn't be skateboarding on the streets.

When they keep us off the streets it's just making it worse for the kids. They say that by keeping us off the streets that we don't cause as much trouble. In reality it is just getting us in worse trouble. We have no where else to go, so kids start causing trouble and start doing bad things.

If the leaders want the town to be safe, they should let us skateboard in Boyne City. The crime and drug rate would go down because the kids could actually play in the streets of Boyne City.

Joe Jones

TO THE EDITOR:

I am a 15-year-old student at the Boyne City High School. For three more years I will be affected by the curfew of downtown Boyne City. It is the opinion of many students that the curfew should not be so early.

The curfew is a good thing. It keeps kids off the streets at night. It also protects everyone. It might even bring down the violence in this small town.

There are many teenagers who don't make trouble. It's not fair that we have to be off the streets at 10:30 every night. There are a lot of adolescents who agree.

There is a solution for the question "Won't the violence and crime go up?" Boyne City isn't that big of a place; all that's needed is a couple of police to patrol the downtown area. If you're worried about too many small children being out you could produce two different curfews. A new curfew could be made for teenagers in high school until the age of 18. Younger children would keep the curfew of 10:30. For proof of age, student I.D. cards would have to be shown. With these answers a better curfew could work.

That is a small overview of Boyne City's curfew. With these solutions teenagers could be given a lot more freedom. Somebody has to understand how young people feel, here's the chance.

Nicole Foster

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing to you on some of my complaints about Boyne City.

First, and foremost, we need a place to go such as a teen center. A lot of people, especially the adults, are saying that Boyne has a major drug problem, and it does to an extent. I think that most of the reason that there is a problem is because kids have nothing to do; so they say, "What the heck," and try it. If they had somewhere to go where they could use a computer, or an organized activity they wouldn't be as tempted.

My second complaint is that the police in Boyne City will pick you up for anything. They spend more time picking up kids rollerblading in town or skateboarding on sidewalks, than on important jobs. They need to lay off us a bit and start putting pressure on the people causing the drug problem. The one place kids do hang out is at B.C. Pizza, and, now that the police have found out that they're down there, they drive by every 10 minutes. The police spend too much time hassling us and not enough time trying to reduce the drug problem.

Everyone says our generation has to change the path that America is on. If it's like this in other towns, where most of the people don't want kids in the cities and do everything they can to get rid of them, you can only guess what kind of a future we have.

In conclusion, that's what I think is wrong with our town. I truthfully think that a teen center would help. It would cut down on drugs and violence. It might even relieve a little tension between the police and the kids.

Casey Sulak

TO THE EDITOR:

It's unbelievable the way some sports are treated. There is a huge lack of attendance of spectators at girls sports in Boyne City. Why is it that way? Are people not informed of the game times or are they more into another sport? How can one sport manage to push out all of the other sports in that season? There are many more sports than one.

Right now, in this season, there are several sports going on. A few of the teams that I know about are Varsity Girls Basketball, Football, Girls Tennis, and Golf. There also are Junior Varsity Football and Girls Basketball teams along with people running for the

Cross-Country team in Boyne Falls. There are both Freshmen Girls Basketball and Football teams, too. There may be more, but as an example four different sports are going on in the fall season.

It's understandable that people are busy, but it would be nice to see many different faces at games. It's really showing bad community appreciation of the sport when the away team has more spectators than the home team. Something should be done soon to put an end to the lack of spectators at girls sports. This would boost each program and show more respect and support from the community.

Becky Higgins

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing to express my opinion over J.V. Baseball. As most of you know it is for 9th and 10th graders.

Now the reason that I am writing this is because only the Varsity program is funded by the school not the J.V. Knowing that our town is great in all the sports we play it would be a shame to see this program have to drop because then when those kids are in 11th and 12th grade they will have no experience at all.

Now I know that our town is great at helping out our school's academic and athletic programs. That is why since the school is not going to fund the program then maybe some people could get together and help raise just enough money to keep the program running. In case any of you are wondering where the money is coming from now, it has been raised by the parents of the players. Thank You.

Tim Bouters

TO THE EDITOR:

I don't believe that sophomores should have to stay at the school during lunch if they are 16 and can drive. If we are old enough to drive, then we are old enough to leave school property at lunch.

It's not fair when juniors that are 15 can leave when sophomores that are 16 can not leave. They are older so they should be able to leave if a 15 year old can.

This is why 16-year-old sophomores should be able to leave the school for lunch. They are not hurting anything.

Jeff Johnnechek

Restaurants encouraged to go smoke-free

(Editor's Note: The Charlevoix-Emmet-Antrim Tobacco Reduction Coalition asked students in Char/Em ISD to help promote Thursday's Great American Smoke Out. Students were asked to write a letter to an area restaurant requesting that it go smoke-free. Each school then selected the best letters. Following are letters from East Jordan Middle School sixth grade students.)

I am writing this letter in recognition of the Great American Smoke Out. I hope you consider this letter to stop the smoking in your restaurant.

As a concerned student, I am writing this letter in hopes that you would reconsider your policy that allows smoking in your restaurant because smoking is very dangerous. It could give you cancer, and is very annoying to your nonsmoking customers.

Please stop the smoking in your restaurant for the Great American Smoke Out.

Thank you for your time and please consider this letter.

Dustin Sadowski

I am writing this letter to ask you if you could please join us in the Great American Smoke Out. Our sixth grade goal is to get East Jordan restaurants to become smoke-free.

My reason for asking you this is because smoking doesn't just affect the person that is doing it, but also the people around them. What smokers do to their own body is fine with me, but what they do to others' health is not for them to decide.

So please, help make our environment safer and cleaner by making your restaurant smoke-free. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Krystal L. Birgy

I am requesting that you no longer allow smoking in your restaurant. I am sure many people would agree.

Smoking is bad for your health. It can cause cancer, lung disease, and un-happy customers. I myself have asthma from other people smoking. I urge you to prohibit smoking.

This is a class project in favor of the Great American Smoke Out. I hope you consider this letter.

Thank you for your time.

Ashlie M. Bennett

I am writing about the 1996 Great American Smoke Out. I am asking you to turn your restaurant from a smoking restaurant, into a non-smoking restaurant.

Smoking can turn your lungs from white to black, and it can cause lung cancer.

It is hard going to a restaurant when people are smoking, especially when you want to order food. Your food could collect the smell or even the taste of smoke.

Please help us fight for our restaurants to be smoke free.

Thank you for your time.

Lisa Talboys

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EVENTS

EAST JORDAN CHAMBER of Commerce Business After Hours is Wednesday, Nov. 20, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Big Meadow Excitement Center, M-66 Hwy. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served. The cost is \$3 for chamber members, \$4 for non members.

HOLIDAY MOVIES for children and their parents are shown at 10 a.m. every Saturday through Dec. 21, as Boyne Cinema hosts its first annual Christmas Film Fest.

The cost is \$1 per person, per movie, or \$4 per person for all movies. Each show is sponsored by an area merchant that has donated prizes to be awarded after the showing. Also, look for a visit from Santa after each show.

"All I Want for Christmas" (rated G) will be shown this Saturday, Nov. 23, at 10 a.m. It is sponsored by Radio Shack.

EAST JORDAN Elementary School will hold its annual Dinner with Santa from 4:30-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the school cafeteria.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will welcome students and families. Craft supplies will be available for kids to make crafts that they can take home with them.

Dinner with Santa is sponsored by the PTO and benefits the Reading is Fundamental program.

Dinner prices are \$2 for children, \$3 for adults or \$10 for a family. Call 536-7564 for more information.

RAVEN HILL Discovery Center will sponsor Early American Craft classes on Saturday, Nov. 23 from 12-4 p.m. Make and take crafts for yourself or for Christmas. Cost is \$10 per person. To pre-register for classes, call 536-3369. The center is located on Fuller Road, approximately 3 1/2 miles from East Jordan.

BOYNE DISTRICT LIBRARY is hosting a "Fall Family Night" Thursday, Nov. 21, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Activities will include storytelling and crafts. Refreshments will be served. Prizes donated from area merchants will be given out throughout the evening.

Everyone is encouraged to wear comfortable bedtime clothing and bring a favorite stuffed animal or blanket. There is no admission fee. For more information, call the library at 582-7861.

QUILTING CLASSES sponsored by the Apple-Bee Coterie will be held Mondays, Nov. 25, Dec. 2 and Dec. 9 at the First Presbyterian Church in Boyne City from 6-9 p.m. For more information, call 582-9208.

CONCORD ACADEMY BOYNE will sponsor a craft show Saturday, Nov. 23 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the school on Dietz Road.

GRACE BAPTIST Church of Gaylord will present its fourth annual "Live Nativity" Dec. 20 and 21 from 7-9 p.m.

The "Live Nativity" presentation will consist of a cast of 100 characters with live animals. Characters will be performing a rendition of the birth of Christ. On the half hour it will present a live musical program. Everyone who comes will be served free refreshments.

TINY TIM'S ART & CRAFT SHOW is Dec. 14 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Boyne City.

Applications for the show are available by contacting the chamber of commerce office at 582-6222 or Lucy Hartlove at 582-0017.

Coffee, hot chocolate and rolls will be served by the American Legion Auxiliary.

The Legion Hall is located at the corner of Main and Lake streets.

THE WREATHS OF CHRISTMAS and Silent Angel Auction is Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Lakelake Square Mall, 202 S. Lake St.

Individuals, clubs, businesses and organizations are encouraged to donate a wreath or angel to the auction.

All proceeds go to the Boyne City Food Pantry in memory of Judy Kelts Kuheana, its founder and former director.

Items for the silent auction should be dropped off at Kelts Travel or the chamber office by Nov. 30 for display in the window at Lakelake Square Mall. For more information call the Boyne City Chamber of Commerce at 582-6222 or Jerry Kelts at 582-5576.

WALLOON LAKE Community Church will host a home grown concert of praise and thanksgiving on Sunday, Nov. 24, at 6 p.m. It will be featuring its own church musicians. For more information, call 535-2288 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

THE BOYNE CITY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION will sponsor a community Thanksgiving service on Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 401 Park St. A special offering of canned food and cash donations will be collected for area food pantries.

THE BOYNE CITY Chamber of Commerce will hold Business After Hours from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Tannery Restaurant. An open forum is scheduled from 4-5 p.m.

The event provides a chance to socialize and network with local business people. It is open to chamber members, friends and business associates. The sponsor this month is NBD.

The first drawing for the Trip of the Month Club raffle will be held at the event. This month's prize is a New York Holiday Getaway.

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Trip

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supplies and set up the equipment at the hospital.

"I visited with the staff. They were all pretty receptive and happy we were there," he said. "These people work in not very good conditions, but are skilled, caring people. They work with what they have."

More than 800 of the 1,000 patients are infected with tuberculosis, but the hospital has no medicines for its treatment. "We took six months of tuberculosis medication," Peck said. "After it's gone, it's gone, unless someone brings them more."

Buitendorp and several team members traveled to a remote village where former prisoners lived. People who had served time in prison were treated like dirt in the city, he said. They are outcasts whom no one will hire or associate with, so they form their own communities.

"It was a remote village of prisoners and it was like 100 years ago," Buitendorp said. "There were no sidewalks or streets."

When the people were given free medications, a school principal questioned why someone would do such a good thing for them. Buitendorp explained that the team was there to help. The principal said that they had no gifts to give back, which is a strong tradition in Russia. Instead, the school children sang songs to the team. "It was beautiful," Buitendorp said.

The 15-member team went to Russia as a part of AIRO Ministries, directed by the Rev. David Behling, chaplain of Northern Michigan Hospital. The Christian medical mission teams provide a practical demonstration of the Gospel and the heart of God through medical ministry, Behling said.

Behling coordinates and leads the teams. "The purpose of AIRO Ministries is to partner hospitals in the states with Third World hospitals. Through this outreach we

'Through this outreach we provide medical teaching, badly needed equipment and supplies, and we build friendship while sharing the word of God through our action and nightly church services.'

--The Rev. David Behling

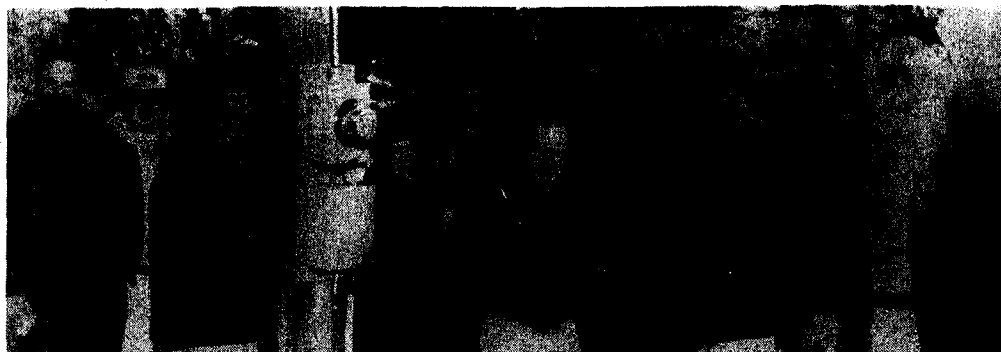
provide medical teaching, badly needed equipment and supplies, and we build friendship while sharing the word of God through our action and nightly church services, and believing the words of Christ: 'If you have done it to the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto Me,'" Behling said.

Peck and Buitendorp raised the \$2,000 each needed for the trip through donations from family, friends and area businesses. They are grateful for the support and encouragement they received.

Would they go again? "At the drop of a hat," Buitendorp said. "I'd like to take my oldest son. He has so much and he needs to see how most people in the world live. We just don't have any idea how blessed we are to be Americans."

The Russian people don't have the things we have, Peck said. But they seem to be happy.

"They walk and take public transportation everywhere. I come home and we have two vehicles," Peck said. "Americans have more, but many are unhappy, where Russian people don't have the things we take for granted, and seem happy. I've gained an appreciation for what I do have."



East Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce board members and city officials attending the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the renovated ice rink and new warming hut on Thursday are, from left: chamber board candidate Tom Griffin, chamber president Mark Postma, city clerk Kathy O'Rear, city commissioner-elect Jeanette Norton, city administrator David White, chamber director Mary Faculak (in back), city commissioner Lyle Etcher, chamber board member Jean Pardee, city commissioner Ruth Gee, Mayor Russell Peck, and St. Nick (alias city commissioner Ron Klooster).

Warming hut added to ice rink

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the East Jordan ice rink's new warming hut was held on Thursday.

The heated and lighted hut was purchased by the city for \$1,600 at Wolohan's of Charlevoix, which gave the city a \$400 discount, said

administrator David White.

The ice rink was reworked to give it a better surface and a sledding area has been added. The wiring for lighting was installed underground. The improvements were made possible by the city and the chamber of

commerce.

The rink will open as soon as weather permits.

The city is looking for an attendant to take care of the rink and hut on Fridays and Saturdays. Anyone interested should call the city offices.



Tickets for trees like this are \$5 each.

Chamber holding holiday tree raffle

The East Jordan Chamber of Commerce is holding its second annual Decorated Tree Raffle.

Five Christmas trees are on display at the Senior Center. Tickets are \$5 each or six tickets for \$25. They are available at Busy Bridge, E.J. Shoppe, FMB-Westside, the Senior Center and at the chamber office.

The raffle is sponsored by J.V. Accounting, Korthase Insurance, Busy Bridge, Glen's Market and East Jordan Iron Works.

The drawing will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 26, at the chamber. All proceeds go to benefit the chamber.

Brooke

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imagine, has been significant. Dennis works at Circuit Control Company and the management has been very supportive and accommodating. Michael said. Nikki had to leave her job to be with Brooke full time.

While the family's health insurance covers most of the medical expenses, the cost of traveling back and forth to Ann Arbor and other living expenses are mounting up.

To help with these expenses, the community of East Jordan is holding a benefit chili supper Friday, Nov. 22, at the Evangelical Lutheran Church from 4-7 p.m. The church is located at 7855 Rogers Rd.

Desserts are being provided by many area residents and donations from area businesses will help offset the cost of the dinner so that all money

raised from the evening can be given directly to Dennis and Nikki.

"Loss of work, gas and other expenses, staggering medical bills are all adding up and this is how we can help Dennis and Nikki during this very stressful time in their lives," said Ginny Carey, who along with Peggi Carey and Marilyn Goebel are organizing the dinner.

Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. They are available at CB North Bank, Gemini Lanes, Vincent's Yamaha, Four Corners IGA, Glen's, Tinea's Casual Cuts, Jordan Valley Pharmacy, FMB Northwestern Bank, Busy Bridge, and John Kempton, D.D.S. They can also be purchased at the door.

Those unable to attend the dinner can send get-well cards to Brooke at 03888 Mt. Bliss Road, East Jordan.

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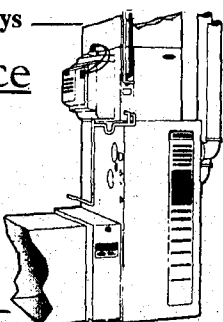


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Students learn about the way it was and is

By B. J. HEFLER

Boyer City Middle School seventh-graders celebrated Boyne City's Founders' Day on Thursday by touring the museum, city hall and the site where the first settlers set foot on the soil.

The day was filled with learning about Boyne City's past and present: discovering museum artifacts, having the chance to get locked up at the police station, learning how to get the seeds out of cotton, sitting inside an ambulance and talking with the mayor.

The students found many advantages to the tour and learning about the early days of Boyne City. Tim Wellert said he loved the tour and explained why.

"I don't have to go to class," Wellert added that he had moved here from Ohio a couple of years ago, and that it was fun to learn about the history of this area. He enjoyed the museum.

"I liked the cool artifacts, like the sleds and skis."

Founders' Day celebrates the arrival 140 years ago of Boyne City's first permanent residents, John and Harriet Miller. Harriet Miller had dreamed of a bear-shaped lake with an abandoned cabin at its eastern end, when the couple lived in upstate New York. She convinced her husband to head West in search of this place. The lake turned out to be Lake Charlevoix, known at the time as



Erica McIntre intently follows the skilled fingers of craft guild member Kelly Shively as she works with lace during Boyne City Founders' Day on Thursday. McIntre was part of the seventh-grade classes that toured city hall and the museum to commemorate the day founders John and Harriet Miller first arrived in the area.

Pine Lake. The Millers found the abandoned cabin and moved into it.

John Miller came to this country from Ireland in 1833, and had lived near a river called "Boyer." After moving to this area he discovered a small stream that he named the "Boyer River."

Volunteers from the North Country Fiber Crafts Guild helped the students understand the times 140 years ago, by demonstrating weaving techniques, wool spinning and lace making. Students were able to pick out a piece of cotton to feel the seeds, and were given a piece of wool

to find out what it felt like before it was spun. Blocks of soap as it was made in the 1800s were set out for the students to touch and smell.

Back to the present, a tour of city offices gave students the opportunity to find out how Boyne City manages its day-to-day activities. Mayor

Thelma Behling, city manager Randy Frykberg and employees explained their jobs to students and showed them their offices.

D.A.R.E. officer Ken Schrader gave students a first-hand feel for a jail cell when he ushered volunteering students into the cell for a momentary lock-up. The ambulance crew helped the kids into an ambulance and explained their operations.

A last stop on the tour was the site where the Millers landed, near the spot now occupied by "The Landings" condominiums.

Founders' Day was attended by 118 students and everyone seemed to learn something, said teacher Susan Vrondran. The middle school wanted to make a connection between the history of the area and the local government of today.

"I think they got a lot out of it," Vrondran said. "I think they acquired an appreciation for the community, and for how a person with a dream was fulfilled."

Student Erica McIntre's comment was more succinct. "Awesome," she said.

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The Charlevoix County Humane Society Shelter is bursting at the seams. It has been for years. Last week at the Charlevoix County Commissioners' meeting a major step was taken to ease the overcrowding and set the wheels in motion to build a new shelter.

The commissioners designated a piece of property, just north of the Charlevoix County Transit office and garage in Boyer City, as a new site for the shelter.

The Humane Society shelter is now in Charlevoix in a building behind the sheriff's office. It's been there for the past 20 years.

And a lot has changed over the years and the shelter is no longer meeting the demands of the county's pet population.

"The pet population of dogs and cats has increased as the population increased," said Trish Wright, a member of the Humane Society's board. She has worked closely with County Commissioner Phil Johnson and Sheriff George Lasater to make

plans for building a new shelter.

"There are more and more animals that we are taking care of," Wright said. "We are putting small dogs who should be in kennels in carriers because we don't have room."

Lack of space isn't the only problem with the current shelter. It also has an inadequate ventilation system and old drains that create an unsafe environment. Many diseases, like Parvo, are air borne and the shelter does not have an isolation room, Wright said. "We should keep new animals isolated in shelter for five days. Now there are mixed together."

There is also a need for a euthanasia room. Now that is done out with the other animals. "Animals do know and can sense what is happening," Wright said. "We are having to put down more animals than ever before."

"We would also like to have a larger area for cats. Right now our cat cages are very, very confining and the number of cats we have is incredible."

While the need for a new shelter is clear, and the land has been set aside, one major challenge remains: raising the money to build a new facility.

Wright estimates anywhere from \$100,000-\$150,000 will be needed to build a shelter "that we think will be useful for years to come."

"We're just trying to be clean and efficient and provide the animals in our care with a humane habitat."

To raise the money, the Humane Society board plans to organize fund-raising committees in each community in the county. "This is a job that is bigger than the board of the Humane Society can do alone, but it is certainly doable."

Committees will be set up in East Jordan, Boyer City, Charlevoix, Walloon and Boyer Falls to solicit donations and organize fund raising events.

Past fund raising events for the shelter have been successful, Wright said, but that money has been used for day-to-day expenses, like buying food, assisting new pet owners with the cost of neutering or spaying their animals, and vaccines.

"We have had fund raisers in the past but that was just to keep things going. Now we need them for a building fund. No gift is too small. Whether its volunteering to take dogs for walks, dropping off a toy or a generous financial contribution, we

welcome every bit of help we can get."

The Humane Society's goal is to have enough funds to start building the shelter this spring.

For information about the shelter call Wright at 582-7971.

County okays full-time animal control officer

In addition to designating a site for the animal shelter, Charlevoix County Commissioners also approved the hiring of a full-time animal control officer.

Expected to be hired by January, the animal control officer will be moved out of the sheriff's department and put under the supervision of the Humane Society director and county board.

One duty assigned to the full-time position will be more enforcement of dog licensing in the county.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

BOYNE FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

NAME: Jaremi Diesenroth
PARENTS: Dan and Sharon Diesenroth
GRADE: Junior
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Honor roll
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Martial arts, blacksmithing, hunting
FUTURE PLANS: "I would like to become a computer engineer or a virtual reality technician. I am going to De Vary University after high school."

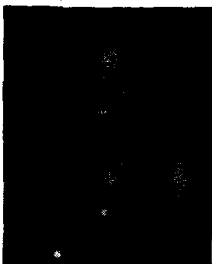


Jaremi Diesenroth

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Jaremi is a great influence on his peers, has a great sense of humor, and excels in his class work," said Mr. Rice. "He is most pleasant to be around because of his good-natured manner."
 "Jaremi is a hard working student who is always prepared," said Mr. Beyer. "He does a great job of asking questions and is not afraid to seek out help."
 "Being creative, doing his best, helping others are all qualities Jaremi possesses," said Mrs. Rozycki. "He is a good student and a good role model for others."
 "Jaremi is a great young man that works very hard in class," said Mr. Tippett. "He is friendly to all of his classmates. He is an asset to Boyne Falls."

EAST JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL

NAME: Jessica Moore
PARENTS: Rhonda and Steve Moore
GRADE: Freshman
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I like to read books, write letters and spend time with my family. I like to play football and basketball with my brother."
FUTURE PLANS: "I want to go to a police academy and become a police officer."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Jessica is highly motivated and puts a lot of effort into being organized," said Brad Jones. "Her work is on time and well prepared."



Jessica Moore

"Jessica always displays a positive attitude, is ready to meet a challenge and is always performing at a quality level," said Roxanne Zell.
 "Jessica is a model student," said Kathy Stangis, "hard-working, well-behaved and sensitive to the needs of others."
 "Jessica is a wonderful student to have in class," said Matt Inman. "She works very hard in class and gets along with everyone. She is one of those students that you look forward to having in your classroom."
 Merri Sue Cardwell said, "Jessica is a good worker, a sweet girl, takes advantage of corrective and retakes, and is motivated and curious."

BOYNE CITY HIGH SCHOOL



Megan Neidhamer



Maria Matelski



Kelly Sweet

NAME: Megan Neidhamer
PARENTS: Tom and Debbie Neidhamer
GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: "I am on the freshman girls basketball team and on the BCHS Student Council. I am also a member of the Smoke-Free Class of 2000. I am planning to keep stats for the varsity boys basketball team. This girls season I have been keeping books for the JV and varsity teams."
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I like watching basketball, football and hockey. I also enjoy downhill skiing and biking in the summer. I like music and being with my friends."
FUTURE PLANS: "I plan to graduate from Boyne City and go to college. After that I am not sure what I will do."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Megan is a super student who is always a hard worker," said Mr. Ewald. "She is as dependable and pleasant as students come. Congratulations, Megan!"
 "Megan is a very hard-working, dedicated individual on our freshman girls basketball team," said Ms. VanDamme. "Always giving her all, she is a joy to have on our team."

NAME: Maria Matelski
PARENTS: Debbie and Louie Matelski
GRADE: Senior
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "My interests include fishing with my Grandma Ruth and Ted, playing cards with my Grandma and Grandpa Kaurich, camping, hanging out with my friends, reading, and skiing."
FUTURE PLANS: "My future plans include going to college but setting a certain destination for what I want to do hasn't been easy. Child care has been a goal that I have set for myself to do in the future."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Maria has been in my classes for the past several years and has always had a positive attitude and a smile on her face," said Mr. Ewald. "Also, she has been a great student."
 "Maria is a pleasure to have in class, she has a positive attitude and works hard in her studies," said Mrs. Neidhamer. "Keep up the good work, Maria."

NAME: Kelly Sweet
PARENTS: Mel and Kay Sweet
GRADE: Freshman
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Freshman girls basketball, band, plan to try out for softball
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "Play electric guitar, ski, like to draw, listen to music, hang out with friends, tennis, and all sports."
FUTURE PLANS: "Plan to graduate from high school and attend college. I'm not sure what I want to study yet."
NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Kelly works hard and is a pleasure to have in class," said Mr. Parsons. "She is an excellent student and always shows a positive attitude toward school and her fellow students. Good for you, Kelly, we are very proud of you."
 "Kelly always puts extra effort into everything she does," said Mr. Lockman. "She has a pleasant personality and a very inquisitive mind. Good job, Kelly!"
 "Kelly has done a great job both on the basketball court and in the classroom," said Ms. VanDamme. "Her dedication and success in both areas is a real tribute to her as an individual."



Doing their part

East Jordan's Girl Scouts met recently and as part of a service-area project, brought canned goods with them which were delivered to East Jordan Care and Share.

Concord hosting arts and crafts fair

While many local artisans are reserving tables for Concord Boyne Association's first annual craft show, students of Concord are making their own preparations for the Nov. 23 event. The show will be held at Concord Academy Boyne, on Dietz Road, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Local crafters will come together Saturday to host an interesting show, a little unusual from standard craft shows. The community is invited to begin their holiday shopping and see first hand what Concord students are accomplishing.
 Items will include stained glass, dolls, ornaments, hats and angels, among many other hand crafted items. The parents of Concord will also be making and selling baked goods and other donated projects.
 Students at Concord Academy are busy with their own tables for the show. Eighth grade students will be selling crafts to raise funds for their

spring trip to Toronto while another group of students will be selling the student-published "Peace Paper," with highlights of Concord accomplishments.
 From the art department, Mrs. Stoppel's classes will be selling student-designed 1997 calendars, note cards, gift bags, greeting cards and other projects they have been busy making in art classes. Art work will be on display through the hallways.
 Mrs. Stoppel's students will also be selling coffee, donuts and other refreshments.
 The proceeds will benefit the phase two construction of Concord's playground and the art department. The public is encouraged to come and see what Concord Academy is all about. If anyone has any questions they may call Karen Meads at 582-2456 or Concord Academy Boyne at 582-0194.

Boyne Falls 1st quarter honor roll

- Grade 7**
 Nicole Blackwell, Kristina Clark, Michael Dunlop, Stephanie Dzwik, Jessie Goldsmith, Tabitha Hart, Jennifer Kuhn, Stephanie Musgrave, Kurtis Reynolds, Aaron Stackus, Adam Utley, Kim Wagner, Jesse Washburn.
- Grade 8**
 Samantha Dowson, Rene Fiel, Amanda Giem, Brooke Grobaski, Jessica Kondrat, Julie Korthase, Jennifer Newson, Samantha Werden.
- Grade 9**
 Sharon Bearss, Nathan Dzwik, Jennifer Fox, Scott Giem, Billie Jo Goff, Amanda Jarema, Chris McNew, Amanda Skop, Sarah Skop, Jenny Utley, Daniel Washburn.
- Grade 10**
 Ben Britton, Rebecca Brown, Jason Doty, Ryan Fiel, Amber Giem, Heather Grobaski, Paul Howard, Nathan Howell, Brad Matelski, Amy Newson, Clyde Payton, Dan Wagner.
- Grade 11**
 Lindsay Justin, Justin Cleary, Monica Conklin, Jaremi Diesenroth,

- Tony Dowson, Carrie Hansen, Rebecca Kuhn.
- Grade 12**
 Amy Anthony, Mark Bearss, Sarah Brown, Amanda Conklin, Trisha Denise, Karen Giem, Peggy Grubaugh, Curtis Hansen, Sandra Kohler, Patrick Overmyer, Jessica Skop, Courtney Tousley, Brian Webb.

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Members of the middle school Aquarium Club show off one of the newly-renovated fish tanks that they and other seventh-graders have fixed up. The students are in Scott Smith's science class. They are, from left: Eunice Genson, Cassandra Moyer, Terri Rose and Laura Saunders.

Cleaning house for the fish

Students in Scott Smith's seventh-grade science class at Boyne City Middle School are getting their hands dirty cleaning fish tanks, and are proud of it.

The kids feel a sense of ownership with the aquariums after working to fix them up and then seeing the end result, Smith said. Students participating in the project do better in class because their interest level is high, he said.

Many of the tanks needed heaters, filters, water pumps and light hoods. Smith is asking parents and other members of the community to save Glen's and Carter's grocery slips to help pay for the equipment. The slips should be designated to the Aquarium Club and are being collected at the Middle School.

Smith formed the after-class Aquarium Club for students who want to fix up the aquariums in his classroom. About a dozen students scrub, rinse and polish the aquariums and wash the gravel. Approximately seven of the 10 tanks have been restored and are new homes to many fish.

Boyne City Boosters are matching funds raised by the donations of grocery slips. Little Critters provided a discount on the equipment, Smith said.

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NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

SUPERSEDING MOST ALL Boyne City news over the weekend was the Rambler football game in Marquette on Saturday night. Even though they didn't win, they surely rated "tops and winners" in community pride of the many supportive fans attending or tuned in on the radio... a fantastic and exciting season of football!

DAVID AND BEVERLY PAQUETTE of Boyne City returned late last Monday night from Davisburg where they spent an extended weekend visiting their son Scott, wife Mary and daughter Danielle. While there, all enjoyed ice skating at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

THE BOYNE CITY HOUSING Commission is honoring their retirees, executive secretary Dolores Barnhart, and part time custodian Don May, with an open house retirement party on Friday, Nov. 22, from 6-9 p.m. in the community room. All are welcome to attend.

ON THURSDAY, a group of students of the Boyne City Middle School, led by teacher Sue Vrondran, got a V.I.P. tour of City Hall, the Police Department and the Boyne City Historical Museum. Students were impressed the many artifacts. The museum is commemorating the 140th year since the arrival of early settlers, John and Harriet Miller. They learned more of the reality of what "Pioneer life" was like, as the tour was enhanced by the volunteer skills and old time crafts of a group of area Friendship Spinners. They experienced the sights, sounds, smells, and feel, demonstrated by the Celtic harp music of Kelly Shively of Petoskey, the making of bobbin lace by Debbie Harold of East Jordan, quilting and the making of soap by Diane Strzelinski of Advance, and the spinning of cotton by Darlea Matthew of Walloon Lake. A true picture of pioneer life, how they survived, the recycling methods - making use of all they had, and a step

by step sheering of the sheep, was enjoyed by all.

PICKLES PRICE of Litzenger Place is temporarily residing at the Payton Adult Foster Care on Camp Ten Road. She recently fell and broke her ankle.

BETTY AND GREG BOSWELL of East Jordan have returned from spending several days this past week at their place on the Au Sable River.

CLAUDE MCGEORGE of Traverse City and the Rev. Douglas McGeorge of the Soo spent several days here visiting their sister and Aunt Ramona McGeorge at her Boyne City home. They also did some hunting and returned to their homes late Saturday night, happy but unsuccessful hunters.

KATHRYN SPANIAK of Boyne City returned to her Litzenger Place apartment last week after having spent a couple of weeks with her daughter, Esther, after her recent heart attack. Slow, but surely, she's on the mend.

KAILANI NAGUAS will be flying out to her home in Honolulu, Hawaii after a 2 1/2 week visit in Boyne City with her parents Jo and Andy Kipapa and family.

A BIRTHDAY SURPRISE visit for mom, Antoinette Gunderson of Boyne City, came a day early. Her son, Larry and Sue Gunderson of Petoskey and their children Trevor and Tracy arrived on Sunday and took her to Sunday Mass at St. Matthews, and then all surprised Grandmother Catherine Howe with a visit. Antoinette's daughter, Jennifer Renaud, who is a teacher in Japan, made a rare call by telephone and, "Sounding like she was right in Boyne City, wished me happy birthday!" Jennifer and her husband will be having it a little easier now as they just moved into an American made home on base, near Atsugi.

(To submit items to Nancy please call 582-9174.)

CLUBS

East Jordan Garden Club

East Jordan Garden Club members are taking orders now for their Christmas wreaths, a popular item at their Christmas Greens Market and Bake Sale.

The Greens Market is Friday, Dec. 6. It will be held at the main branch of FMB in East Jordan from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Orders can also be placed with Evelyn Gidley (536-7522) or Margaret Tompkins (536-2794). The wreaths can be picked up at St. Joseph's Hall in East Jordan on Monday, Dec. 2.

The costs for pre-ordered wreaths are \$10.50 for 14-inch and \$15.50 for 20-inch.

American Legion

The Boyne City American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary met for a potluck dinner to honor veterans on Nov. 7. A cake was served with red, white and blue roses decorating the top.

There were 14 veterans and 15 auxiliary members present. After the meetings, bingo games were enjoyed by all.

Friendship Club

The Boyne City Friendship Club will meet Monday, Nov. 25, at noon at the city hall auditorium.

Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share and their own table service. Anyone over 50 is welcome to attend.

Church Directory



BOYNE CITY

Bay Shore Presbyterian
Worship 9 a.m.

Christ Lutheran Church
1052 E. Division St. 582-9301

Worship 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene
225 W. Morgan St. 582-9611

Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Episcopal Church of The Nativity
209 E. Main St. 582-5045

Eucharist Service Sun. 9 a.m.

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church
Wilson & Behling Road 348-2633

Worship 11:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church
875 State St. 582-9561

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wed. Service 7 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church
401 S. Park. 582-7983

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. Nursery provided.

Free Methodist Church
839 State St. 582-6843

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wed. Eve. Family Night 7 p.m.

New Beginnings Chapel
(Assembly of God)

509 N. East St. 582-6022

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Reorganized Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter Day Saints

777 Vogel St. 582-6846

Sunday Christian Ed. 9:45 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m.

Wed. 7 p.m. prayer service.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
228 East Cedar St. 582-0089

Saturday Sabbath School 9 a.m.

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

St. Matthew Catholic Church
1103 E. Division St. 582-7718

Saturday Worship 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 11 a.m.

Trinity Fellowship
(Pentecostal Church of God)

401 State St. 582-2551

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

United Methodist Church
324 S. Park St. 582-9776

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m.

BOYNE FALLS

St. Augustine Catholic Church
Grove and Maple. 549-2350

Sunday Worship 9 a.m.

United Methodist Church
4047 Mill St. 582-9776

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

HORTON BAY

United Methodist Church
4961 BC-Charlevoix Rd. 582-9262

Worship 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

EAST JORDAN

Baptist Church
407 Water St. at McKenzie

536-7155 or 544-8144.

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m.

Church of Christ
812 Erie St. 536-7945

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. Wed. Worship 7 p.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Church
7855 Rogers Rd. 536-7566

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church
207 Williams St. 536-2941

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Sunday School 10:50 a.m.

Full Gospel Truth
613 Fourth St. 536-0003

Christian Ed. 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m.

2nd/4th Tues. Food Pantry 6 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.

Bible Study 7 p.m.

Grace Bible Church
County Rd. 624 & Finkton Rd.

544-6671.

Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m.

Eve. Service 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer 7 p.m.

Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall
4925 E./BC Rd. 536-2841

Missionary Church
07826 Rogers Rd. 536-2128

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Worship 11 a.m.

Prayer & Praise 6 p.m.

Pleasant Valley Free Methodist
3055 W. Old State Rd. 544-8100

Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m.

Eve. Service 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer 7 p.m.

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Jesus Christ

202 Jordan St. 536-2141

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Sat. Worship 5 p.m. Sun. 10:30 a.m.

St. John Neponucene
M-32 536-2934. Worship 8 a.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church
207 Nichols St. 536-2934

The Harvest Barn Church
301 Nichols St. 536-2870

Worship 10:30 a.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m.

Thurs. 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

United Methodist Church
201 4th St. 536-2161

Church School 9:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

ELLSWORTH

Ellsworth Wesleyan Church
Corner of Park & Elm 588-7455

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

WALLOON LAKE

Walloon Lake Community Church
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Boyne chamber's first trip of the month drawing has good odds

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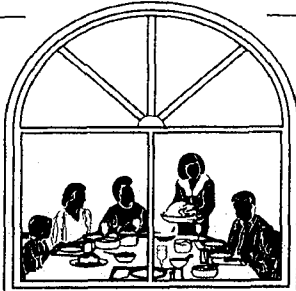
Tickets sales are a little slow, making for more of a chance to win, Thompson said. Sales pick up after the first drawing. Thursday's drawing is for a weekend New York City

holiday getaway.

The second annual raffle has 12 drawings and prizes are weekend trips. Chicago, Toronto and Nashville are some of the trips ticket buyers may win. All prizes may be exchanged for area purchases.

Tickets are \$75 each and the chamber is selling 300 tickets. Drawings are held at the chamber's Business After Hours each month.

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WHAT'S COOKING

Recipes designed in the kitchen of Debbie Chappuies, with East Jordan cooks in mind.

Baby it's COLD outside! While we toughen up for the long winter months, our families really appreciate good hearty comfort food. One of my favorites is stew and in particular a recipe called "Christmas Stew." So called because one of the ingredients is chestnuts and it is the only time of the year we can buy them. Another prime ingredient is my favorite Acorn Squash. The chestnuts take a little effort, but they add such a wonderful rich flavor, the effort is well spent.

To prepare the chestnuts, place them in a saucepan with enough water to cover and bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium, cover and cook 15 minutes. Remove about four at a time and cut each open with kitchen shears. Peel off the shell and skin discarding any that have a strong smell or are discolored. Continue until all are peeled. Now that wasn't so bad; here is the rest of the recipe.

Christmas Stew

3 slices diced bacon	1 tsp sugar
1 pound small white onions	1 tsp salt
2 pounds beef cut into 2" chunks	1 1/2 oz. bag carrots
1 1/2 oz. can of beer	1 large acorn squash
1 tsp beef bouillon	1 pound chestnuts
1 tsp dried thyme	1/2 pound green beans
3 Tbl. all-purpose flour	

Allow about 2 1/2 hours to cook. This makes 8 main-dish servings at about 475 calories per serving.

Cook bacon and onion in an 8-quart Dutch oven over medium-high. With a slotted spoon, remove bacon and onion to a plate. In drippings, cook beef one-half at a time. Once all beef is ready, stir in the beer, bouillon, thyme, sugar, salt and 1 1/2 cups of water. Heat to boil, then reduce heat, cover and simmer 30 minutes. Add onions and bacon, cover and simmer 30 minutes more. Chop carrots and prepare squash by slicing it in half, remove seeds and pulp, then chop into chunks. Yes, leave the skin on, it will be very tender when cooked. After beef has cooked one hour, add carrots, squash, chestnuts and beans. Cook another 30 minutes until meat and vegetables are tender. Mix flour and 1/4 cup water, stir into stew and continue to cook while it boils and thickens. Crusty bread and a hearty red wine would be all you need for a warm, cozy evening.

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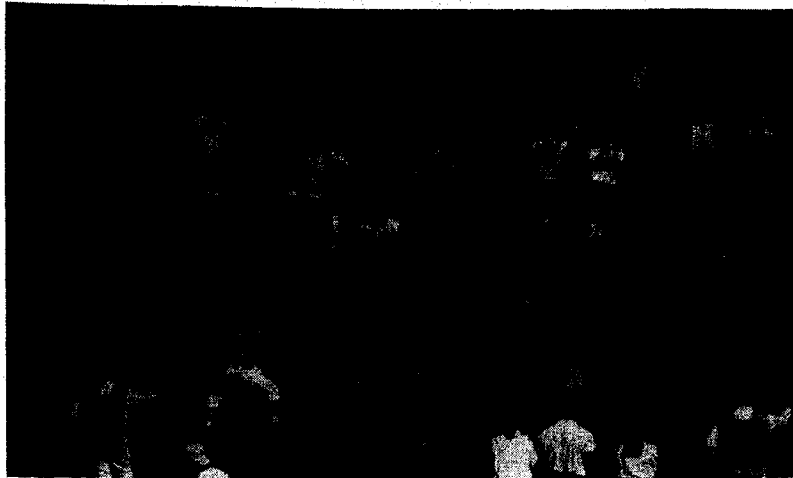
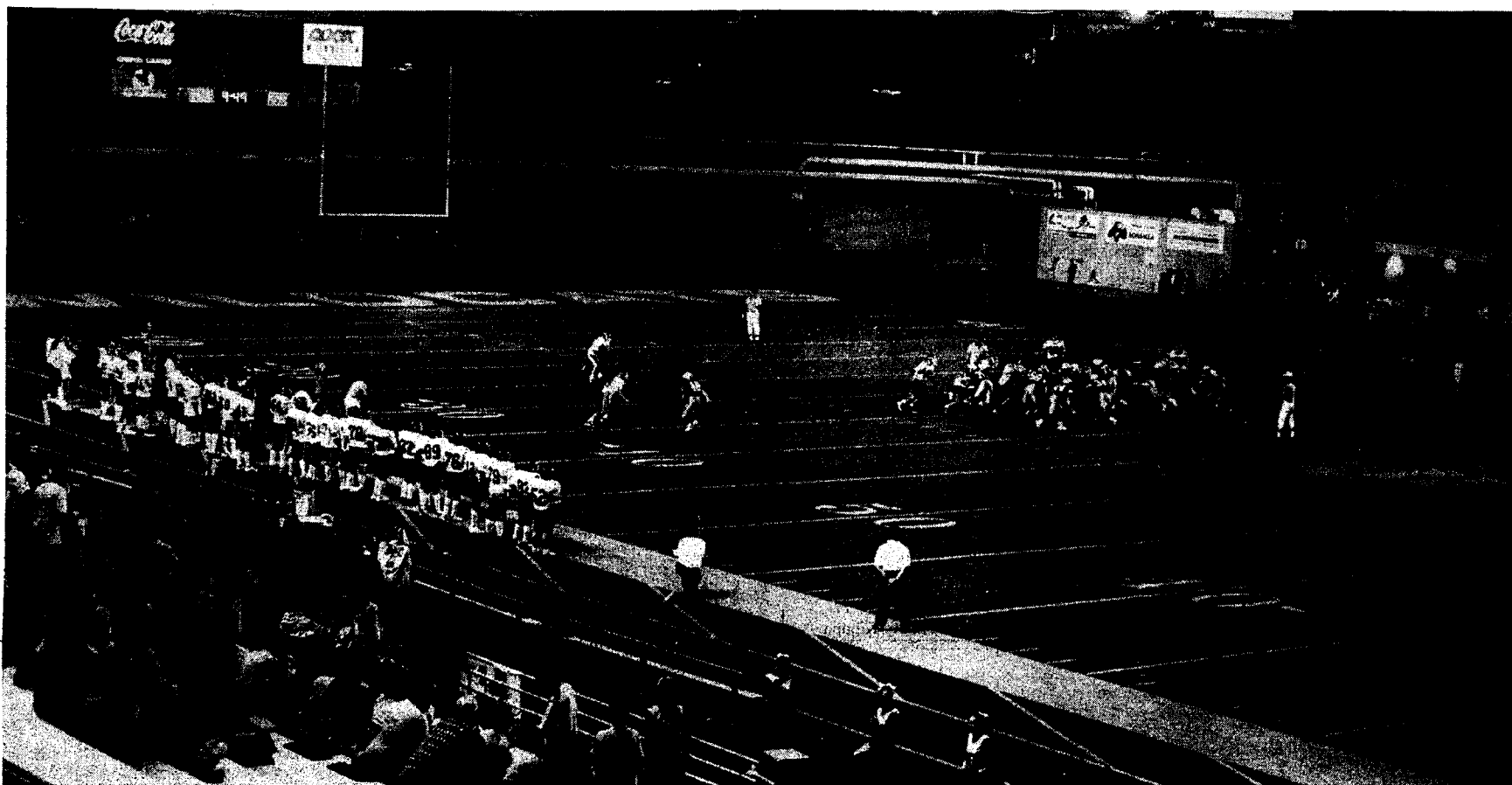


Photo by Mike Wolf

It looked like the momentum might have been swinging back to the Ramblers midway through the third quarter when they stopped Iron Mountain's drive on a fourth down incomple-



Leading the cheers for Boyne City from the stands were, from left: Treana Fiel, Alison Polack, Heidi Cass and Heather Bingham.



Photos by Hugh Conklin

It may not have been the big dance, but playing in Northern Michigan University's Superior Dome was pretty darn close, and although on the short end of the score, the Ramblers played a good game against the number-one rated team in the Upper Peninsula.

Giving it their best shot

By TED KARASZEWSKI

With heads held high and their helmets raised, the Boyne City Rambler football team left the field at the Superior Dome in Marquette, defeated by a better team.

Their efforts did not go unnoticed by the huge contingent of fans as they gave the team a standing ovation to show their appreciation for a gallant effort and a fine season.

The Ramblers lost to Iron Mountain 30-15, but their accomplishments this season will forever be etched in their minds as well as the many fans who supported them this year as they closed with a 10-1 record:

- The first team in the conference to beat Traverse City St. Francis;
- A conference championship;
- An undefeated regular season; and
- A first round playoff win over Whittemore-PreScott that sent them to the regional final game in Marquette.

"Two more wins and it would have been a great year," said coach Pat Klooster. "But it was a darn good year. We felt going in that if we could get by Iron Mountain we would have a good shot at the state finals."

"We just got beat by a better team. They were a hard-hitting team but they were good sportsmen too. They didn't talk trash, they just played football."

That they did. The Mountaineers controlled the line of scrimmage throughout the game as they seemed to make first downs at will. Iron Mountain made 19 first downs compared to only six for the Ramblers. Time of possession for the Mountaineers was more than double that of Boyne City as they held on to the ball for over 32 minutes while Boyne's time of possession was just over 15 minutes.

"Their offensive line come off the ball really fast," Klooster said. "Our defensive back (Jeremy Andrews) led us in tackles with 12 so that sort of tells the story on how they penetrated our front line."

"Most games are won on the line of scrimmage," said Iron Mountain head coach Tom Wender. "I thought we won the line of scrimmage. It was a hard fought game and Boyne City's players are scrappy."

It was the fifth time in the last six games Iron Mountain played an undefeated team and its strategy each time has remained the same. "Our package is to play aggressive defense," Wender said. "Our



Dave Bricker had nothing but praise for the Ramblers as he talked with them after the game.

defense hasn't been giving up many points so we don't have to take many chances on offense. We play aggressive and put a lot of pressure on teams."

The Ramblers did strike first, on their second possession of the first quarter, giving fans hope for an upset. Quarterback Matt Johncheck set up the score with a 46-yard pass to Brian Mapes to the Mountaineer 30 yard line. Five plays later Iron Mountain bit on a fake hand-off by Johncheck to Josh May. Johncheck then found Mapes in the end zone for an 11-yard touchdown pass. After an Alex Berti extra point, Boyne had a 7-0 lead.

The Ramblers were playing tough defense at the time as they turned back Iron Mountain on their first two possessions. Once early in the second stanza Boyne's "D" stuffed the Mountaineers on a 4th and 1 on Boyne City's own 20 yard line.

Iron Mountain did not panic, though, as it stuck to its game plan and got on the board with 7:04 left in the second quarter. Quarterback Zack Leonard found receiver Jason Raiche for a 46-yard touchdown pass to bring the Mountaineers to 7-6 and steal the momentum from the Ramblers.

Boyne was forced to punt the ball away on its next possession only to have the ball blocked, giving Iron Mountain good field position at Boyne City's 37-yard line with 4:07 left in the half. Ten plays later, Mountaineer halfback Jayme Petschar scored from six yards out, putting Iron Mountain up

12-7. After fullback Luke Seldon added the two point conversion, the Mountaineers took a 14-7 lead into half-time.

The Ramblers weren't about to throw in the hat as they came out in the third quarter and stopped Iron Mountain at Boyne's 24-yard line after a long Mountaineer drive that took 15 plays and more than 9 minutes. Later in the quarter the Mountaineers were forced to punt again from their own 45 yard line with 1:15 left in the quarter.

This time the punt was a line drive that was difficult for Boyne's punt returners to handle. When it finally stopped rolling inside the five, the Ramblers had their backs to the wall. After a couple of miscues, Boyne was faced with a 3rd and 11 and attempted a screen pass. Iron Mountain read it perfectly and tackled the receiver in the end zone. With the safety, the Mountaineers took a 16-7 lead as the quarter ended.

The Mountaineers took just three plays after the ensuing kick-off to score again when Raiche hauled in a 46-yard pass from Leonard setting up a three yard touchdown run by Petschar. After Lucas Martel kicked the extra point, The Mountaineers led 23-7. Iron Mountain stopped Boyne on its next possession resulting in loss of downs at the Mountaineer 26-yard line. Iron Mountain's next drive took the wind out of the Ramblers as they drove 14 plays in five minutes putting up its final tally after Petschar

scored again from the 3 yard line. After Martel's extra point, Iron Mountain led 30-7 with 4:37 left in the game.

Boyne refused to roll over, though, as Chuck Stanek set up the Ramblers' final score with a 33-yard run to the Mountaineer 42-yard line. On the next play Johncheck found Mapes in the end zone for a touchdown with 3:05 left in the game. Johncheck ran in the 2-point conversion bringing Boyne City to 30-15.

The onside kick attempt by Boyne was covered by Iron Mountain, ending the Ramblers' marvelous season.

"Our boys never quit," Klooster said. "Sure they were disappointed but they held their heads up. They put up a good scrap. We made some mistakes that really hurt us but with a couple of breaks it might have been different."

"This was the best group of seniors that I've worked with, a really fine group of young men."

Iron Mountain piled up 384 yards of total offense led by Jayme Petschar's 129 yards on 27 carries. Luke Seldon carried the ball 25 times for 111 yards.

Boyne had 253 total yards led by Matt Johncheck's 5 of 13 passing for 130 yards. Brian Mapes caught three passes for 99 yards while Jason Richards caught one for 28 yards and Don Richards

'We made some mistakes that really hurt us, but with a couple of breaks it might have been different.'

--Pat Klooster

added one catch for 3 yards.

Chuck Stanek was the leading rusher with 44 yards on 3 carries. Dean Fiel carried 10 times for 31 yards while Josh May gained 26 yards on 7 tries.

Defensively, Jeremy Andrews was the leading tackler with 12 while Jason Richards and Wade Liest each had 8. Cliff Bates added 7 tackles. Liest also had a sack.

Iron Mountain (11-0) advances to the state semi-final game against Muskegon Oakridge (11-0) Saturday at the Superior Dome.

Lady Ramblers lose a nail-biter to Charlevoix

By CHRIS WINKLER

The setting couldn't have been better for the Boyne City girl's basketball team, with its largest crowd of the season at home to see it battle rival Charlevoix in the first game of the district tournament.

The Lady Ramblers played a good game, despite the fact that the 55-51 thriller did not turn out to be a Boyne victory. The Rayders won the game on a three-pointer and a trio of free-throws with less than a minute remaining. The heartbreaker left the Ramblers with a 6-15 record after closing out the regular season with a win at Mio and a loss to Kalkaska.

In the Mio game on Nov. 12, Katie Bernthal led the scoring with 13 points, while Treana Fiel had 12 and Sarah Bobowski 10 in a 46-39

triumph. In Kalkaska on Friday, Boyne went down 73-40. Fiel was half of Boyne's offense, putting in 21 points.

The Ramblers came out fired up, got after the ball, and played tough defensively. Charlevoix's largest lead was nine, and at the half, it led 26-19. Throughout the third quarter, Boyne was in a position that it did not want to be in, playing catch up. But that's exactly what it did.

With just about five minutes to play, Bobowski nailed two shots to put the Ramblers up 40-39. The real kicker for Boyne came with the score tied at 50 and less than a minute left. The Rayders' Lyndsay Blechel sunk a trey, her only points of the night, to give Boyne City only one last chance. After not being able to hold onto the ball, Boyne was forced to foul, and

just could not get back possession to take a shot.

Charlevoix's top scorers all year continued to put up points. Lisa Parrish did most of the inside work, making 20 points, while Amanda Eaton scored 19. Coach Tom Neidhamer realized that these players needed to be held in check in order to have a chance.

"We knew we had to stop Lisa Parrish and Amanda Eaton," said Neidhamer. "They scored 20 and 19, respectively, and my hat's off to them. We gave it our best shot, and Erin Fry did a good job on Lisa. She was solid right on through."

Fry wasn't just solid, she was outstanding. In playing the best game of her career, Fry showed senior leadership and plenty of heart and determination. She put in 15 points,

grabbed 11 rebounds, and made four steals, all while setting up against Parrish.

Sophomore Bernthal played well, and will have plenty more chances to beat Charlevoix. She finished with 14 points and six rebounds. Fiel had nine points and six boards, while Bobowski scored seven, snatched eight rebounds, and made three steals.

"We're in the same situation where we've lost six or seven close games this year," Neidhamer said. "We're competitive, we play with heart, we play with character, we play with determination, but we're coming up short on the scoreboard."

A look to the future shows that the mental toughness needed to win close games may be on the varsity level soon. "We've got some talent

coming back with our junior varsity. They were 14-6, and our freshmen were 13-5. It really hurts to lose game after game after game by close situations, and we didn't really capitalize on learning from those. The challenge for the program is to take it to the next level."

With the number of underclassmen on this team, experience will not be a problem next year. Junior Bobowski, and sophomores Bernthal and Katie Jo Dhaseleer were in a starting role at some point during the season, and others got decent playing time.

This group of seniors looked to be having fun on the court, and despite wins or losses, grew as a team. Said senior Fiel, "We had the skill to be a lot better, but I had a lot of fun. I've never had more fun in my life.

Good luck to the girls next year." A tearful Sarah Vincent also was looking ahead. "I just want all the underclassmen coming up to put all your effort into every game, don't slack off at all."

Or, in essence, play like Fry who stepped up her game when it counted most. "I just wanted to beat Charlevoix," she said. "So I gave it all I could."

B-ball league starts Saturday

The day and time for men's recreational basketball in Boyne City has been changed to Saturday, Nov. 23, from 6-9 p.m.

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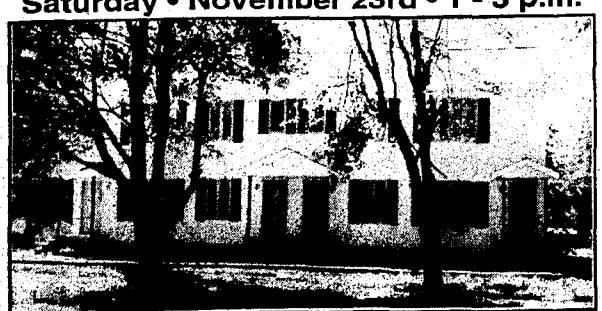
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Drama students will rise from the floor to the stage for Sunday's performances.

Show time BCHS drama students present children's theatre

The Boyne City High School Drama Department presents Children's Theatre song and dance show tunes for kids and adults on Sunday, Nov. 24, at the elementary school stage.

Two hour-long shows at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. will be filled with up-beat and fast-paced entertainment.

The shows are directed by Bob Wollenberg. Student director is Becca Kouska. Jackie Wollenberg is assistant director and costume manager. Bill and Dee Kelly manage the music and vocals.

Organizers say the response has been good in past years and they expect a sell-out in the auditorium.

Tickets are \$2.50 and are available at the high school office between 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., or through drama students.

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Commissioners take steps to create finance authority for Boyne's industrial park

City commissioners took the first step in creating a way to distribute taxes to Boyne City's industrial park when they unanimously passed a resolution on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

The resolution announces the intent to create and provide for the operation of a Local Development Finance Authority.

The authority would be able to redistribute new taxes to provide funds for the industrial park. Only government taxes would be used. The redistribution affects land zoned industrial and commercial/industrial.

Residential or commercial land would not be affected.

The millage will stay the same for residents, but for industry, any additional tax increase will go to the authority for industrial park expansion. The authority will have a specified time for its existence and will be set up according to state requirements. The authority board will consist of members of the community.

The commission will post and hold two public hearings on the resolution. The first hearing is Dec. 10.

BUSINESS

Chamber has three board openings

The Boyne City Chamber of Commerce Nominating Committee is now accepting applications for three volunteer board position openings in 1997. Terms are for three years.

Members in good standing are invited to pick up an application at the chamber office at 28 S. Lake St.

Board members stepping down are Steve Hufford of Hufford Vision & Eye Care, Rae Ellen Brazier of Reh Acres, and Steve Baker, CPA.

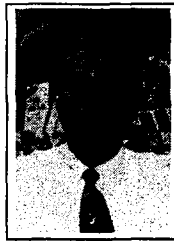
The deadline to submit applications is noon on Dec. 4.

Glen's has new operations manager

Joe Pace is the new operations manager at Glen's Market in Boyne City.

Pace has been with Glen's a little over a year and spent time with the Cheboygan, Lewiston and Mancelona stores.

He replaces Larry Kessler who is semi-retiring. Larry will be working at the Petoskey north store.



Boyne students have half day Wed.

Boyne City Public Schools are holding staff development meetings on Wednesday, Nov. 27, and students will have classes in the morning only.

The middle school will be dismissed at 11 a.m. and the elementary and high school will be dismissed at 11:15 a.m.

Students who attend kindergarten in the afternoon will attend in the morning that day. Students who normally attend kindergarten in the morning will not have classes. Kindergarten students will ride home on the buses with the older students.

Breakfast will be available for all students.

OBITUARIES

Adam T. Prawdzik

Adam T. Prawdzik, 78, of Boyne Falls, died Nov. 15, 1996 at Tender Care Health Center of Rogers City.

He was born June 4, 1918 in Boyne Falls, and attended school there.

Mr. Prawdzik was the son of Andrew and Francis (Kiekotka) Prawdzik. He was a veteran of World War II. He retired from Boyne Falls Log Homes in 1980.

He is survived by a cousin Mary Blaine, husband Larry and son Christopher of Elmira; eight nieces and eight nephews; and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Burial was in Boyne Valley Cemetery in Boyne Falls.



Arrangements were handled by Beck Funeral Home of Rogers City.

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