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East Jordan, Michigan

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-- Amy Mickey



East Jordan twins Amy Mickey (left) and Julie Mickey were home on semester break from Belmont College in Nashville.

Nast Jordan twins share a SHVILLE DREAM

By B. J. HETLER

t 21 years of age, Amy Mickey and Julie Mickey have already learned some of life's most famous axioms.

It's who you know, don't burn your bridges, use the talents God gives to you, and don't forget the things that are important in life.

Knowing these pointers keeps the twins' feet on the ground in a heady, wishful environment.

The 1994 East Jordan High School graduates live in Nashville, Tenn., where they hope to break into the country music business as recording artists.

Amy and Julie began singing when they were three years old. Margaret Thomson gave them voice lessons

when they reached the age of nine.

Daughters of Gene Mickey, minister of the Church of Christ, the twins sang in church with the congregation.

"But we sang loud enough that everyone could hear

They performed in high school musicals and spent some time at Interlochen. A high point for them was singing the National Anthem at the boys' basketball state finals at the Palace in 1992.

Their parents, Gene and Nancy, have always been supportive of their singing goals, but their father is active enough to be their promoter or agent, Amy said.

"Every time friends or relatives came over, he would make us sing for them," Amy said. Amy didn't mind, because she has loved to sing from the time she can remember. That's not true for Julie.

"As soon as someone was at the door, I'd run into the bedroom to hide," Julie said. "Back then I didn't want to sing." Even as she became older, her desires were to study psychiatry and perhaps become a doctor.

But that's changed now and Julie as well as Amy is determined to give a singing career a real chance.

They arrived in Nashville to begin the first semester at Belmont College in the fall of 1996. Belmont has a strong music business program.

"We're close to Music Row, right in the middle of things happening," Amy said.

The twins don't let the excitement of the city take them

out of reality.

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"Everybody and their brother wants to be a country singer," Julie said. "The whole thing about Nashville is who you know."

"Everyone has a demo and we're working on one," Amy said. "But we're more interested in a live audition." The trick, they say, is getting those auditions. "Belmont opens the door," Amy said. But singers have to work hard and be smart to get anywhere.

"You can't sit around," Amy said. "You have to be a go-getter. You have to make contacts. And you don't burn any bridges in Nashville, because you never know who knows who."

Both Amy and Julie obtained an internship with Decca Records through connections. The internships don't provide singing opportunities, but they are getting experience in the music business. Famous singers such as George Strait and Reba MacIntyre are known to occasionally have business in the building where the twins work. They keep an eye open for a glimpse of the stars.

"It's a good opportunity," Amy said. "We're in the same building with people who can help us in our career."

The twins chose a singing career in country music because it fits their voices and their style.

"I like the genuineness of country music," Amy said. It's different from rock music where performers feel they have to be outlandish with their clothing and must have a gimmick, she said.

But the twins want their music to be unique. "There is so much assembly-line Nashville music," Julie said. "One hit comes out, then you hear a million songs just like it. We want to do smarter music and not have it sound like everyone else."

Amy and Julie are both learning to write songs so their music is their own, and because the music industry is looking for people with that talent.

The two students recently returned to college after a semester break brought them home to East Jordan.

"We don't get home often, that's the hard part." Julie said. "We both have long-term boyfriends and friends that we miss." They had some good opportunities in high school, and got a taste of what they could do. Both think that small towns are better because people aren't nameless or faceless.

They miss East Jordan, but are happy in their choices and determined to give themselves a chance.

"It could happen tomorrow," Amy said. "It could never happen, but we'll do it as long as it feel right. God gives people different talents and they should use the talents God gives them."

The twins' talents gave them a call-back at their audition for Opryland Theme Park. They were excited to get that far and are waiting to hear if they will be hired to perform at the theme park during the summer.

In the meantime, student life keeps them busy. Amy is taking 17 credits this semester and Julie is taking 18 credits. In addition to the full course loads, they play college softball, practice the piano and guitar, take voice lessons, and work.

"Basically, we plan on never sleeping or eating," Amy said. Through it all, they make the effort to remember what is really important in life, like friends and family, Julie said.

Chamber handing out awards

Annual meeting is Saturday at JVX

The East Jordan Chamber of Commerce holds its annual meeting this Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Jordan Valley Express.

The event begins at 6 p.m.

The meeting is drawing the largest attendance that chamber president Mary Faculak remembers. "We have 155 people coming," she said.

The large number of attendees is partially due to the growth of the chamber, she said. Members see the benefits of being involved. But it's also because "it's a good kick-off for the new year." The event is a time of networking for the business community.

"It's going to be an exciting evening," Faculak said. "The auctions are always fun." The event includes a silent and a live auction. The auctions are a major fundraiser for the chamber of commerce. All items and services are donated by chamber members.

Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be offered and music and dancing follow the auctions.

An award will be made for Citizen of the Year, and there will be a President's Award and an Ambassador's Award.

The chamber encourages people to come early and stay late and enjoy the dancing.

Ready for a sno-blast

Winter's big event just a week away

East Jordan is getting ready for the annual Sno-Blast weekend on Friday, Jan. 17 through Sunday, Jan.

Parade entries are needed for the parade on Saturday and people may call the chamber of commerce for more information at 536-7351.

Candidates for Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight are out with their canisters, asking for votes in the form of quarters. The Belle and the Knight are elected by the most number of quarters collected, and will be crowned on the city hall steps following the parade on Saturday.

The Snow Sculpture Contest begins the week before Sno-Blast. Participants may call the chamber for information and to obtain a sculpture building tip sheet.

Some of the upcoming activities on Friday, Jan. 17, include the Second Annual Sno-Blast Ice Fishing Derby, a snowmobile safari and a chili supper at the snowmobilers clubhouse.

On Saturday, Jan. 18, start your day with an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast at the American Legion Hall. Activities include the parade, Winter Encampment at Sportsmen's Park, snowmobile drag races; sleigh rides and a pig roast.

The fun continues on Sunday, Jan. 19, when activities include Sno-Lovers Breakfast at the snowmobilers clubhouse, a snowmobile slalom, a snowmobile raffle and continuation of the fishing contest.

A complete listing of activities and times will follow. Call the chamber at 536-7351 for more information, and to obtain a Sno-Blast weekend schedule.

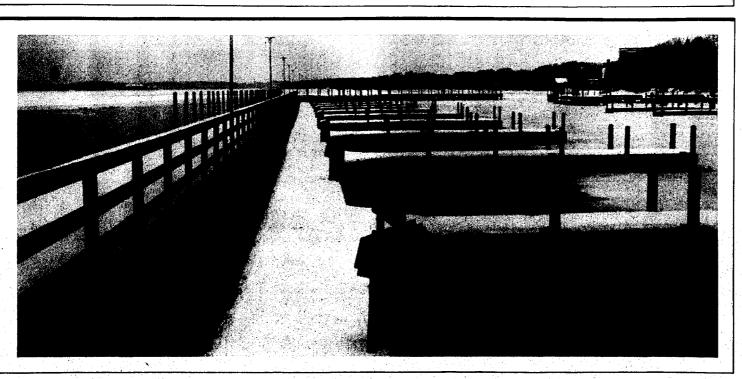
A place for your Christmas tree

It's about time for that lovely Christmas tree that graced your home and warmed your families' hearts so well, to go to the big transfer station at the end of Nichols Street to rest with other Christmas trees.

East Jordan residents may drop off their Christmas trees at the transfer station on Tuesdays and Saturdays between 9 a.m.-4 p.m.



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OPINION

Snowmobiles are no longer welcomed at Avalanche

Did you know there is a city ordinance that prohibits snowmobiling anywhere in Avalanche Park?

Chances are you didn't. Neither did some members of the city commission and city staff until Police Chief Randy Howard did some investigating after receiving several complaints about snowmobilers not always using good judgement when in the park and travelling city streets.

So now there is a problem. Most everyone thinks snowmobiles are allowed in the park. They buzz through the parking lot. You meet them on narrow ski trails. You see them everywhere. The city in some of its literature also mentions that snowmobiling is okay in the Avalanche area if it's used to connect with other trails

But it's not okay. And anyone who has come face-to-face with a snowmobile on a narrow ski trail on the backside of Avalanche knows why.

So what the city and police decided to do at Tuesday's meeting is to inform snowmobilers that Avalanche is off limits. From now on no snow machines are allowed in the parking lot, near the sled hill or anywhere in the park.

Signs have been ordered and will be put

up when they arrive. In the meantime, the city will spread the message that no more snowmobiling is allowed in Avalanche. In a week or so, the signs will be up and enforcement will begin. Those caught will pay a \$100 fine on the first offense.

The ordinance, by the way, was passed n 1978.

Sensitive of the importance of snowmobiles to the local economy, the commission has not ruled out in the future amending the ordinance to allow a snowmobile trail in the park. With more than 300 acres, some commissioners believe a safe trail can be made.

It probably can. But the problem with Avalanche is it just is too appealing. It's great for skiing, sledding, skating, snowshoeing, walking, and snowmobiling. But not all these uses always blend.

It's been said before and it will be said again, Avalanche is one of the city's greatest assets. It not only needs a possible trail for snowmobiles, it needs a master plan that will guide future uses and make the place even more spectacular.

Now about that sledding hill....

Hugh Conklin

IT'S ONLY LIFE

One final look at the year that was

By ROGER HUCKLE

It's the beginning of a new year and before we let 1996 retire to the history books, I thought I might offer up a few comments on the past year.

I have to thank David Letterman for his inspiration and for my use of his format. Even though I haven't got his permission, I hope he won't mind.

It's up to you to decide what adjectives to use to describe my humble attempt at authoring East Jordan's Top Ten for 1996. I couldn't nail it down. I hope you all take it in the tongue-incheek spirit in which it is offered. So without further adieu, from the home office in Boyne City, Mich., here's The Top Ten Reasons Why (I like/dislike) East Jordan (is a unique place to live).

NUMBER 10. The view of the bay is the ONLY pay - especially if you're a Main Street merchant

NUMBER 9. East Jordan's waterfront is condo-minimum - which is why we have such an unobstructed view. Another reason is that the largest lakefront property owner (besides the Iron Works) is the city itself. East Jordan needs another motel/hotel and a condo-hotel might be the answer if a good location could be had.

NUMBER 8. Lakefront property taxes are pay-per-view — another reason the city might want to sell a chunk of lakefront property — think of the increase in tax revenue! On the other hand, whatever happened to owning a piece of property? With today's tax rates, all we own is the right to rent our property from the powers that be.

NUMBER 7. A six-figure city reserve fund still means we're broke — might be another reason to sell some city property. If we had a seven figure reserve, maybe budgeting wouldn't be such a problem.

NUMBER 6. East Jordan's City Manager is user-friendly. Hike David White and his door is always open.

NUMBER 5. City Commission meeting minutes are politically corrected — especially when they include comments that have no basis in fact.

NUMBER 4. Adult entertainment is for women only — I heard a few negative comments about the All-Male Revue, I wonder what would happen if an All-Female Revue came to town!

NUMBER 3. The old five and dime isn't

NUMBER 3. The old five and dime isn't worth a plug nickel, due to a negligent property owner, the city now has something to spend part of its reserve fund on.

NUMBER 2. Regular gas is always at a premium — as I travel around the north country I find it interesting that self-service gasoline prices in East Jordan are always two to three cents a gallon higher than anyplace else. Is there some sort of collusion going on here?

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AND THE NUMBER ONE reason why I (like/dislike) East Jordan (is a unique community). A cheap suit is hard to find – and I'm not talking about the lack of a local haberdashery, I'm talking about the legal kind.

I guess that sums it up, my apologies if anyone is offended. One man's humor is another man's insult — I think. Don Rickles said that and if he didn't, he should have. It's really no big deal anyway ... it's only life.

SHARING EXCELLENCE

LETTERS

'Heartfelt thanks' to all who helped

TO THE EDITOR:

You did it again. You touched the lives of over a thousand people. More than 600 children in the Boyne City-Boyne Falls area had a brighter Christmas because of all of us.

Our heartfelt thanks to all the students, churches, scouts, service organizations, businesses and individuals who gave so generously of food, money, toys, games, hats, mittens, etc., to make all of this possible.

Blessings to each of you who gave of yourselves to work, pack boxes, deliver and spread the love of Christmas. We reached 332 families with Community Christmas and 82 people were remembered with fruit boxes.

May each of you have a Happy New Year because you shared in this beautiful project.

Ardith Hawley, Secretary and the Community Christmas Committee

A MOM'S LIFE

Even when bored on vacation, they want more

By CINDI PLACE

We almost had a snow day Monday. When the kids went to bed the dire weather predictions included heavy snowfall and high winds, so they were sure that school would be canceled. And they were excited.

What baffles me is that they had just concluded a two week winter vacation and should be anxious to return to their daily routine, academic studies and after school activities. For the last several days, they used the "B" word at least every five minutes. (The "B" word being "bored.")

The penalty for invoking the "B" word around here is usually a lecture from mom about using their imagination and then a list of ways in which to do just that, including cleaning their rooms and straightening the house. On one hand, I get awfully tired of having our children look to me to be their activity director, but their boredom usually results in a clean house so I've learned to live with it.

But now their long Christmas holiday was coming to an end, and I for one was all for it. They had missed their friends so much that our telephone the last few days rarely heard its own dial tone. A few days ago, our eldest son actually began cleaning out his backpack in anticipation of his first day back at school. (That activity of course reminded me to check out the rest of our children's school gear for very old, leftover lunches, gym clothes which hadn't seen the light of day for an unspeakable amount of time and the school memo that needed a response sometime last October!)

In spite of our children's hopes for an extra day of vacation. I was certainly ready for them to return to school. Thank goodness the school system felt the same because much to the disappointment of children everywhere and to the delight of almost every parent I know, there was no snow day!

But the incident made me reflect on how often some activity which we look forward to suddenly becomes something for which we wish a postponement would happen. The first day of Little League, although both kids and parents look forward to with great anticipation, suddenly finds us wishing for a rain-out. With such a short soccer season, we should relish each game day but many times we find ourselves rushing through dinner with the fervent hope that a heavy thunderstorm will give us our evening's freedom.

About the only thing that our family anticipates with the sincere hope that there will be no delays is a vacation away from home. And that, of course, rarely happens.

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BUT DON'T HOLD YOUR BREATH

Big plans on the drawing board for old barbershop site

TO THE FINE CITIZENS OF BOYNE CITY,

By now, you have noticed, that the old Don's Barber shop is gone. We have had many inquires about the building's past and the future plans of the property. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of our findings.

According to an old reliable source, you know who you are, the building was moved to 207 Water Street over 90 years ago, so the exact age is un-

The building had been burned extensively on the inside walls and most of the original roof.

The demolition contract was awarded to the Korthase Implosion and Demolition Co. Work was to be started earlier, but crews were busy in Las Vegas until after the first of the year. The crews were briefed to be on the lookout for any interesting artifacts of historical nature.

It was rumored there was an ancient burial ground on this site, but no bones have been found except for a squirrel skeleton in the attic. One of the most exciting finds was a clump of hair found in the basement believed to be that of the famous author Ernest Hemingway. That actually is not that hard to believe for he had to get his hair cut, and why not here? The hair is being tested at DNA laboratories. Results should be forthcoming.

Special care was taken to prevent looting during the dismantlement. Thanks to the city for their assistance, although some mementos were discovered missing from the dumpster one morning.

Some of the valuable antique wiring junk was preserved by Ed Reeves and is now being displayed at Ed's Electrical Museum. That is the big box on the upper left hand corner shelf at Ed's shop, or the glove box in his truck

Now for future plans, an 87 unit hotel complex is now being planned for this location. Because of the small lot size, it won't be very big, but it will be REAL TALL! Along with the hotel, there will be a convention center, being catered exclusively by the Dairy Oueen. No hotel would be complete without a pool, and the D.Q. Hilton is no exception. The unique design for this pool includes a water slide down into the Boyne River. Extensive dredging of the river will be done to accommodate the 40-foot drop from the slide to the river.

One of the most exciting features of this complex will be the observation deck at the very top. Tourists will travel from many states to view the beautiful skyline of Boyne Falls and to be able to see the "falls" from a different angle. And at this time, we are not sure, but may be able to see the lights of Elmira on a clear night. The exact view is still not known as we have not found a step ladder tall enough.

Parking for the new complex will not be a problem, for the old barber shop had a basement. Traffic flow designs are being studied to best utilize this area for underground parking. This area should be of ample size to relieve the rest of Boyne's parking problems as well.

This new complex will certainly add to the employment opportunities of the greater Boyne area. With all the requirements of a full service hotel, at least 14 jobs are being anticipated. Applications will be available at the Dairy Queen.

So far, all plans have been received very well by



A scene from early day Boyne City shows two boys with a goat pulling a sled on Water Street. In the background to the far right is the old barbershop building. Behind the boys is the old post office, far left, and a clothing store. The Dairy Queen is now on the site. The photograph was taken sometime between 1910 and 1913.

the general public, says Dairy Queen head maintenance engineer Dave Korthase.

Although, there have been some concerns raised by neighbor Karen Guzniczak, who is located downwind from the proposed petting zoo. Size, variety, and number of livestock have not yet been determined at this time.

So far, all plans are proceeding nicely. Construction of the complex will begin as soon as funds are available. Until then, an outdoor garden patio enjoyment area is being planned

> Sincerely, Dave and Betty Korthase, members of the 207 Water Street Beautification Committee

LETTERS

Childhood memories of East Jordan

(Editor's note: L. McKeage read about the drive to "update" East Jofdan's city logo which brought back memories of growing up in the city. His family moved away when he was almost 16, but he still remembers his time in East Jordan.)

TO THE EDITOR:

It was back in '32 when I left my mother's knee To roam through the grass to see what I could see I fed the ducks and looked at the graceful swan Way up north where a young child belongs.

And when I grew up and went to school I had to walk across that bridge when it was sooo cool It was the place of beautiful girls and wise mothers But we behaved ourselves because of the fathers

It was in '46 that my family moved away from the sticks Oh the fond memories and joys of being just a hick This city on the Jordan will never fade away

It is the people who live here that make it that way.

This city is the land of dreams and fond fantasies And for most it is the land of opportunity It was a city graced by pine and the white swan Oh how sad it is to hear that somehow they are all gone.

Now you want to change the seal and logo to something else at last And leave behind the image of this beautiful city's past Wouldn't it be better to plant a lot more pine And see to it that the swan returns to these climes?

The people here are up to it, I'm sure To create a rainbow of opportunity that will endure To use the orchard, the farm and mart, the river and lake Make it something the whole country can appreciate.

> L. McKeage Lake Jackson, Texas

United Way drive closing in on goal

With more than 80 percent of this year's goal collected, the CharEm United Way still needs your help. This year, 36 agencies have applied for funds totaling more than \$195,000. The United Way needs community support to ensure agencies will receive needed funding.

The CharEm United Way was able to fund 30 organizations in 1996. Services ranged from child abuse and neglect prevention, domestic violence shelter, substance abuse treatment, day care for the elderly, youth development programs, adult mentoring programs, and hospice

"The United Way can raise funds for area non-profit agencies more cost effectively than most recipient organizations," said board president Ellen Zienert. "We are very proud to maintain a low administrative cost, one of the lowest for a United Way our size in the nation. That enables us to provide more of our donors' contributions directly to the agen-

Many local companies and individuals have already pledged their support for 1997. This year's Pacesetter companies increased their campaigns to meet the challenge of a larger goal and increased need for funds. The 1996-97 Pacesetter organizations were Boyne City Public Schools, CB North, the City of Charlevoix, FMB Northwestern Bank, JC Penney Company and United Parcel Service.

Anyone interested in contributing to the 1996-97 campaign may. contact the United Way office at 347-

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Community steps up to ease burden

TO THE EDITOR:

The holiday season creates enough anxiety and pressure at best, yet for those in a financial bind this is magnified tenfold.

Fortunately, the community steps up to the plate and eases the tension at what should otherwise be a festive occasion. Donors, both families and businesses, made the difference between a disappointing holiday and a happy holiday.

The Charlevoix County Family Independence Agency would like to thank the families, individuals and businesses who put together a mountain of effort to spread cheer and joy to many families and children.

There were 118 referrals received for assistance during the holiday season totaling 342 individuals.

There was an army of volunteers, employees and customers involved with the area businesses, organizations and families. It's amazing what can be accomplished with all the spirit and enthusiasm the community has to offer.

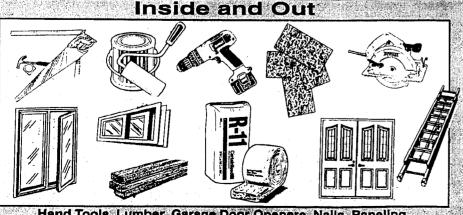
A special thanks to Ray Ecker, FIA volunteer, who delivered packages to families unable to pick them up. From all of us and to all of you a very well earned THANK YOU and we hope you had an enjoyable holiday season.

Terry A. Salacina, Director Charlevoix County Family Independence Agency

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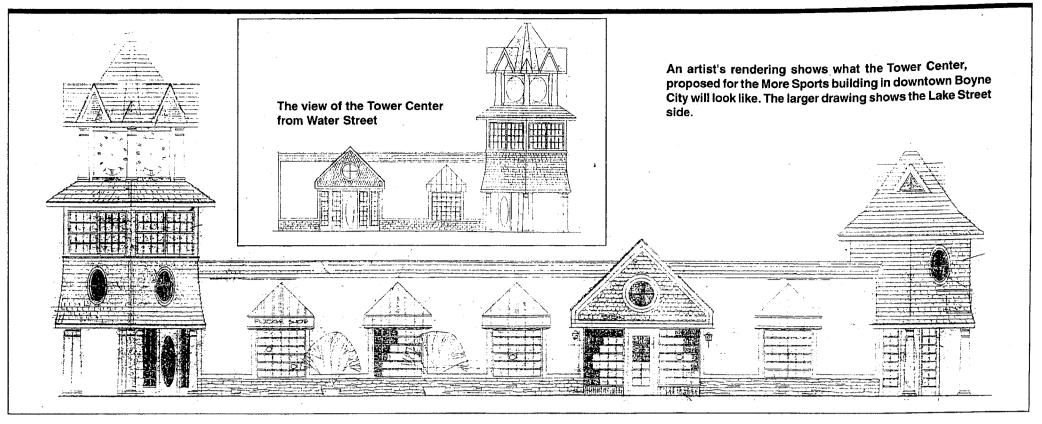
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COMMISSION APPROVES EASEMENTS FOR TOWERS

Tower Center passes first test

liked what it saw and voted Tuesday to allow two easements for the proposed Tower Center project in downtown Boyne City.

REAP Inc., has submitted a plan to the city to totally renovate the More Sports building on the corner of Water and Lake streets into the Tower Center. The building was purchased in early December from Bob Hammontree by REAP, Inc., whose owners are Gary Deters, Becky Voice and Jeff Wellman. They are also owners of the Boyne City Re/Max office.

Under the plan, the exterior of the building will be completely renovated and the interior divided into four retail spaces, each with its own outside entrance. The focal point of on the northwest corner. That corner of the building will also be cut back to allow a better view of Lake Street from the intersection. There would also be a tower on the southwest corner of the building.

The clock tower required approval by the city commission for an easement to allow the pillars of the tower to be built approximately 4'9" from the property line on the northwest corner of the building. Approximately a 3' easement was allowed for the tower on the southwest corner of

Police Chief Randy Howard said he found no public safety concerns with the design and Public Works Director Denny Jason said there would be no problems with utilities.

Due to the pedestrian node at the corner of Lake and Water streets, there will still be 20 feet of sidewalk between the pillars and the street as well as the area under the tower. At the corner of the alley and Lake Street there will be 6 feet of sidewalk re-

The commission was unanimous in support of granting the easements, although some concerns were raised about the tower next to the alley, which Commissioner Bill Grimm felt could easily be damaged by a semitruck turning out of the alley.

In addition to the city commission's approval, the project requires a site plan review by the planning commission and approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 2' height variance to accommodate the town clock

The planning commission will consider plans for the Tower Center when it meets Monday, Jan. 20, at 5

"The goal of the project is to bring more retail business to our downtown area," said Gary Deters. "We will try to pull in new businesses that will make shopping in Boyne City exciting."

If its plan is approved, REAP hopes to begin construction this spring. More Sports is currently renting the building from the new own-

"We will have a Victorian style as much as possible to blend in with the rest of downtown," Deters said. 'We visualize it as the main corner of downtown and we felt it needed to be a focal point of the community.



OBITUARIES

Catherine Eileen Brennan

Catherine Eileen Brennan, 91, of East Jordan died Sunday, Jan. 5, 1997 at Grandvue Medical Care Facility in East Jordan.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997 at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan, The Rev. William McKeon will officiate. Burial will be in St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery, East Jor-

Mrs. Brennan was born on Sept. 2, 1905 in East Jordan, the daughter of Arthur and Estell (DeFord) Farmer. On Oct. 31, 1927 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan, she married John B. Brennan. He died on June 6, 1985.

She owned and operated her own beauty shop for many years. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and St. Ann's Altar Society. She played piano during silent movies at the Temple Theatre in East Jordan. She had been the organist for St. Joseph Catholic Church for 50 years, retiring in 1985. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and reading.

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dren; and one daughter-in-law, Joanna Brennan of Paradise. She was also preceded in death by one son, Jerome "Jerry" Brennan; two sisters, Joanne Dennis and Marahleigh Clark; and one brother, Richard

Memorials may be given to St. Joseph Catholic Church.

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WHAT'S COOKING

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

If your family is stuck on the green beans with mushroom soup, you really need to try this. It is different enough to cause a little excitement, but similar enough to convince everyone to try it. I found it to be even better the next day if you are lucky enough to have leftovers, so I think next time I make it, I will assemble it the day ahead, and do the cheese and bread crumbs just before baking. Just don't let the name of the recipe sway you, you don't need to wait for a special occasion.

Special Green Beans

- 2 10 oz. packages frozen, French-cut green beans
- 2 Tbl margarine
 1 Tbl chopped fresh parsley
 1/4 tsp white pepper
- 1/4 tsp freshly grated lemon rind 1 Tbl dry sherry 1/2 cup buttered bread crumbs
- 1 small onion, minced 1 cup sour cream

1 cup grated sharp cheddar (Yield 6-8 servings)

Cook beans according to package directions. Set aside. In a saucepan, melt margarine and saute onion and parsley for 5 minutes. Add salt, pepper, flour, lemon rind, sour cream and sherry and cook for another 3 minutes. Add beans to mixture. Pour into a buttered 1 1/2 quart casse. role. Sprinkle with cheese and bread crumbs. Bake uncovered at 350° for

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To the qualified electors of the City of East Jordan notice is hereby given that a Recall Election will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 1997, for the purpose of:

voting to recall City Commissioners, Brian K. Sweet and Russell A. Peck.

The Polls of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

Kathy O'Rear, City Clerk

Charlevoix Garden Club

"Designing with Drieds" is the topic of the next Charlevoix Area Garden Club meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 14.

The program will be presented by Alice Dunkel of Wintergreen Herbs & Potpourri beginning at 1 p.m. at the Charlevoix Public Library in Charlevoix

Members will have an opportunity to learn how to use dried flowers, seed pods, vines and other materials to design decorator pieces for home or office. A business meeting will follow the program.

Anyone interested in membership in the club should contact Joan Knecht at 547-5072. Membership is open to men and women and applications are currently being accepted for the club. Prospective members

should live in the Charlevoix area and be interested in gardening, flower arranging or related topics.

Master Gardener Association

The Northern Michigan Master Gardener Association (NMMGA) will hold its annual dinner and awards banquet at the Terrace Inn in Petoskey on Thursday, Jan. 16, at 6:30 p.m. Cost of the dinner is \$17 per person. The dinner is open to all Master Gardener graduates and their

The program will be presented by Steve Edwards from Boyne City, who will talk about his experiences growing ginseng and goldenseal for the commercial market. Edwards has been growing the herbs since 1980.

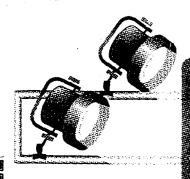
Dinner will be served at 7 p.m., followed by a brief report on the

Teaching Garden from Steve Fouch, MSU Agent and NMMGA instructor and advisor. Steve Edwards will then present his program. After the program there will be installation of new officers, presentation of the 1996 Master Gardener of the Year Award and a brief business meeting.

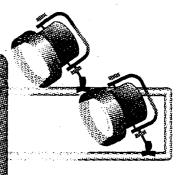
There are over 300 graduates in northern Michigan of the MSU-E Master Gardener program. Members are from Antrim, Charlevoix,

Cheboygan, Emmet, and Otsego counties. Master Gardeners must complete 40 hours of training and 40 hours of community service to receive certification.

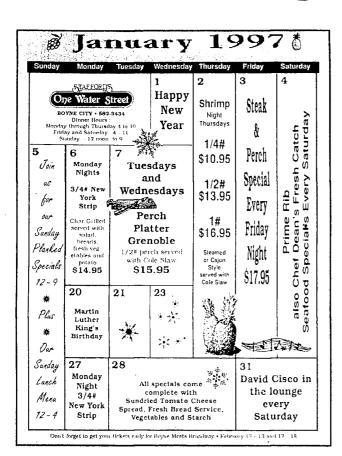
Anyone interested in joining the NMMGA or in receiving more information about the Master Gardener Program or the dinner should call 582-2715.



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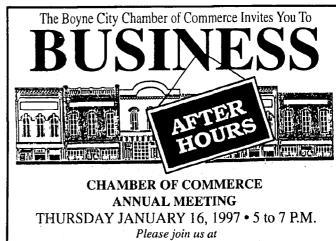
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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Boyne Falls High School

NAME: Nathan Dzwik
PARENTS: Al and Sue Dzwik

GRADE: Freshman SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, 9th grade class president

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I like a lot of different sports especially basketball and baseball. I enjoy camping and I collect baseball cards."
FUTURE PLANS: "I intend to go to col-

lege after high school. I'll probably attend NCMC for the first two years. I'm really undecided about what I'll do."

Nathan Dzwik NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Nate is very motivated in class," said Colleen Rice. "He shows genuine concern about his school work and is an active participant."

"Nathan is a fun student to have in class," said Doug Tippett. "He is working hard and helping others with their work. I had a good time with him in World History.

"Nathan is a fine student and was a great help as the student coach for junior high boys basketball," said Ted Beyer.
"Nathan works especially well in groups," said Bernie Corpe. "His leadership abilities make him very effective and he has a great sense

of humor. I really enjoy having him in class. "Nathan is a real class leader," said Jeff Garver. "He goes out of his way to do a fantastic job in class."

Boyne City High School







Nick Amato

Corey Lockman Don Richards

NAME: Corey Lockman

PARENTS: Don and Jackie Lockman

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: "I am involved in football, tennis, band and HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "I enjoy lifting weights, skiing, football,

and many other sports and outdoor related activities." FUTURE PLANS: "I plan on attending Michigan State University, however my major is undecided."

NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Corey is an outstanding individual," said Elizabeth Forfinski. "His assignments are always of the highest quality. Corey is a conscientious student with a strong work ethic, positive attitude and I enjoy having him in Advanced Placement Biology. You're doing a great job - Congratulations!"

"I have had the pleasure of having Corey as a student in one of my classes and in my E.O. for the last four years," said Mrs. Ruhs. "Corey is not just a conscientious, hard-working, dependable person who strives for excellence in all that he does both in the classroom and out. He is also an asset to our school and community. Congratulations, Corey.

NAME: Don Richards

PARENTS: Don and Loretta Richards

GRADE: Senior

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Football, basketball, baseball, journalism and

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Playing sports and fishing. FUTURE PLANS: "To go on to college and major in physical therapy." NOMINATING COMMENTS: "I enjoy having Don in A.P. Biology,"

said Elizabeth Forfinski. "He is very enthusiastic and has an outgoing personality. Don is responsible, motivated and works cooperatively with others. He is doing a fine job and it is a pleasure to have him in class. Congratulations, Don!'

"Don has shown a great deal of dedication in the classroom," said Ms. VanDamme. "It is a joy having him in class. Congratulations,

"Don is a top-notch student with an upbeat attitude," said Ken Parker. "In class and out, he has a good work ethic and is a positive impact. Congratulations!

NAME: Nick Amato PARENTS: Dave and Lynn Amato **GRADE:** Sophomore

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: Snowmobiling, sledding and most sum-

FUTURE PLANS: "Go to college to become an accountant." NOMINATING COMMENTS: "Nick Amato takes pride not only in the work he does, but in helping others do their best as well," said Ms. Marsh. "During class, Nick takes the time to tutor other students while keeping on top of his work. Students know that Nick has the patience and ability to help them out when needed."

"Nick is a fun young man to be around," said Pat Klooster. "Respectful, honest, and courteous are qualities he has and puts forth. Very deserving of student of the week."

"Nick is an excellent student," said Elizabeth Forfinski. "He is doing outstanding in Biology. Nick is self-motivated, cooperative and I like how actively involved he is in Science class. He has a strong work ethic - I enjoy working with him. Nick is a pleasure to have in class. Congratulations, Nick."

East Jordan High School

PARENTS: Elaine and Tom Birgy **GRADE:** Freshman SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: Basketball, baseɓall, cross country HOBBIES AND INTERESTS: "Mountain biking, snowmobiling, ping pong, golfing, love music and my cats, 'Bobby' and 'Toodles'." FUTURE PLANS: "Go to college but I don't know what for yet." NOMINATING COMMENTS: Patti Anthony said, "I enjoy having Matt in class. Friendly, easygoing and hard working are all qualities that describe Matt."



Matt Birgy

"Very good student. Good sense of humor," said Bob Panoff. "Matt's attention to detail and pride in his work are major reasons for his success in drafting," said Ted Jeffery.

"Matt is a pleasure to have in class," said Sean Ferguson. "He is highly motivated to succeed. He shows a strong desire to put forth the extra effort in the classroom as well as on the basketball court." "Well behaved - eager to learn - considerate of others," said Kathy

CRADLE CALL

ANN ESTELLE DURBIN was born Nov. 26, 1996 at 8 a.m. to Mike and Liz Durbin. She weighed 8

pounds, 12 ounces, and was 20 1/2" long. She joins her sister Margaret at home.

Parents, students question school's attendance policy

By B. J. HETLER

A group of parents convinced the Boyne City School Board to take a look at the school attendance policy and consider making changes

Parents and several students attended the special meeting of the board on Monday to talk about the fairness of the policy that deducts a percentage of grade points when students are absent, whether or not the absence is excused.

Jerry and Linda Van Treese's daughter was absent from school because she had both legs in casts. When she was able to return to school, she had the misfortune to become ill with the flu, said her mother Linda Van Treese. Although the absences were unavoidable, her daughter's grade dropped from a "B" to a "C+"

High school senior Joe Richter told board members that the policy was a lose-lose situation.

"My mom has had a serious illness so I've been out of school." Richter said. "I have to make up work and then I'm penalized again.

Parent Susie Johnson pointed out that the students shouldn't be pressured to attend school when they're ill.

'Ill children go to school to avoid an absence and then spread germs," Johnson said. "These kids shouldn't be penalized when they're absent for a good reason.'

Board members Jerry Kelts and Kathy Anderson agreed that it is wrong to penalize students for an excused absence

"I don't think we should reward students for coming to school sick," Anderson said. "I don't think everyone has to be here every day at all costs. That's not what it's all about."

Students also need to be absent for appointments with the doctor or dentist or for family emergencies,

Many doctors and dentists have Saturday hours, said board member Renate Smith.

But Johnson said that it's not always possible to schedule everything on a Saturday. "I'm working too," she said. "You can't always coordinate everything."

The board will review the policy and decide whether or not to make changes. If changes are to be made,

> "My mom has had a serious illness so I've been out of school. I have to make up work and then I'm penalized again."

it will draft a new policy that will be presented for readings at future board meetings.

Also at Monday's meeting, the board discussed a ban on smoking on all school property and at all school

New board member Linda Simpson argued for allowing smoking in designated areas. But At-Risk coordinator Karen Jarema said allowing any smoking sends the wrong

message to the students. The ban on smoking received a first reading on Monday and will be up for a second reading at a future board meeting.

The board approved access to electronic information and use by students, faculty and staff and members of the public. The board's position is that Internet access promotes the use of electronic information technologies in educational endeavors.

Attorneys elect officers

The Emmet-Charlevoix Bar Association recently elected officers for the new year.

New officers include Jim Murray of Petoskey, president; Robert Banner of Boyne City, vice president; Stefan Scholl of Petoskey, secretary; and Tom Schraw of Boyne

The association consists of attorneys from Emmet and Charlevoix

Murray, who works for the firm of Plunkett and Cooney, is the city attorney for Boyne City.

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NEIGHBORS

By NANCY NORTHUP

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER Steven Bridge and family visited his parents, Mae and Bill Bridge in Lehigh Acres, Fla., where they are spending the winter. Steven expects to be sent overseas in the new year. He is on the food inspection team for the Navy.

A WARM "WELCOME!" goes out to Phyllis Shehy, who moved into Boyne City's Litzenburger Place Apartments this past week.

MRS. ELLA NULPH started out the new year by enjoying visits at her Hobby Acres home in Boyne City with her nephew and his wife, the Rex Clutes of Bay City and their sons Jacob and Austin, and another nephew, Roger Clute, of Petoskey and his sons Roger, Jr. and Mat-

FLORINE DAVIS has returned to her Boyne City home after having spent the holidays in Durango, Colo., with her son Jerry Davis and wife Sara. The family was joined by her only granddaughter, Jill Davis, a student at Fort Collins, Colo. Florine said, "I enjoyed the nice weather, with just a smattering of snow, and was thankful for great travel connections, even though I lost my luggage over night!"

WORD HAS BEEN RECEIVED that former Boyne City resident, Phyllis Davis Tooley, still remains in a coma following open heart surgery in late December in Lansing.

EUGENE SMITH and two of his daughters returned to their home in Niles this past Sunday after having spent the weekend here with his mother, Rosemary in East Jordan, and his father, former pastor, the Rev. Elwyn Smith, who is a patient at Northern Michigan Hospital. Eugene and girls also visited in-laws and grandparents Leroy and Betty Nicloy.

GENE HANDCOCK and wife Barbara Jo of Muncie, Ind., were here over the weekend for a Saturday meeting with the builders of their new Boyne City home. They also brought their son Jeff along with them for a look at the new homesite as well as a tour of the town, since it had been quite a while since he'd been here. The family enjoyed dinner with Thelma Behling before the icy and snowy trip

TOMMY STANICH of Boyne City is recuperating at his home, apartment #3 at Parkview Apartments on East Division. A temporary health problem is keeping him from his job and friendships at Bergmann Center in Charlevoix. Friends might like to help him pass the time of day by calling him at 582-3614.

TED AND CAROL TRAVISS returned on Saturday night to their Boyne Falls home after having spent the holidays in the warm 80 degree temperatures of Lakeland and Frostbite, Fla., with Ted's sisters, En route home, they visited Carol's sisters, Wilma Niller and Sandy Putman in the Louisville area of Kentucky.

ON TUESDAY NIGHT, Fay and Jean Limron and Versa Fineout, all of the Boyne City-Walloon Lake area were the dinner guests of Jackie and Jim Bates. All enjoyed a good visit as well as a delicious meal at Shelde's in

BONNIE URMAN of Walloon Lake has been transferred to Boulder Park Terrace in Charlevoix for therapy following her recent

ROBERT AND MARIE STOLT returned to their Camp Daggett Road home on Thursday after having spent the holidays in Kansas City with their daughter Carol Higley and husband Tim and their daughters, Carrie and Anne and then flew on to Los Angeles, Calif., for a visit with their daughter Linda and also a visit with Robert's sisters in Bakersfield.

VERSA FINEOUT of Walloon Lake spent several days of the holidays at the Traverse City home of her son Jim Fineout and wife Jan. They were joined by Jan's daughter, Natalie, who was also visiting relatives in the Wolverine area during her 10 day trip from San Francisco, Calif.

(To submit items to Nancy, please call 582-

WEDDINGS

Burke-Schaible



Dick and Janine Schaible

daughter of Ward and Kay Bearss of Grand Rapids. The

groom's mother is Ila Schaible who resides in Los Gatos, Calif.

Janine was escorted to the altar by her parents. She wore a floor length, white satin beaded gown with a holiday bouquet of red and white roses and carnations.

Reggie Howchin of Boyne City served as the matron of honor. The best man was Kurt Kreibich of Kokomo, Ind.

A reception was held at One Water Street with many friends to help celebrate the occasion. Hors d'oeuvres and champagne were

Dick and Janine took a trip to San Francisco prior to the wedding and celebrated the Christmas holidays with Dick's family including his mother, his twin brother, his sister, and their families.

Dick is the national accounts manager for Weight Watchers Gourmet Food Company and lives in Boyne Falls. Janine is a purchasing buyer of prototype parts for GM, Truck and Bus Corporate in Auburn

They will reside in Boyne Falls when Janine establishes a new job position and relocates up north.

ENGAGEMENTS

Hausler-Vondra

Theresa Marie Hausler and Charles Lynn Vondra of Boyne City announce their engagement. The wedding will take place on June 21 at St. Matthew's Church in Boyne City.

The bride-elect's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hausler of Boyne City. Her fiancé's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vondra of Boyne City.

Theresa graduated from Boyne City High School in 1991 and North Central Michigan College in 1994. She is currently completing her student teaching in the Bay City Public Schools and will graduate in 1997 with a degree in elementary education and a special education endorsement to teach the emotionally impaired.

Charles graduated from Boyne City High School in 1988. He attended North Central Michigan College and North Eastern Police Academy, graduating in 1991. He currently is a deputy for the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Department.



Charles Vondra and Theresa Hausler

East Jordan Rotary serving chili for dinner on January 17

The East Jordan Rotary Club will hold a chili supper on Friday, Jan. 17, from 4-7 p.m. at the East Jordan Snowmobile Club.

The snowmobile club is a couple miles south of town on Old 66 (Mt. Bliss Road). The menu will include chili, salad, beverages, and desserts.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 years of age.

The proceeds from the supper will help fund Rotary's community

East Jordan Rotarians are selling tickets in advance. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. For more information, call Bob Tambellini at 536-2440.



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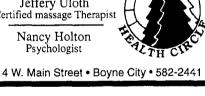
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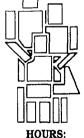
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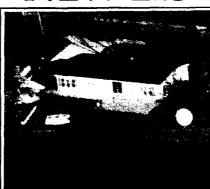
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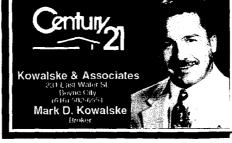
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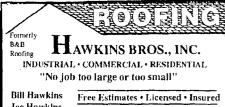
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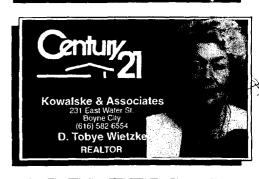
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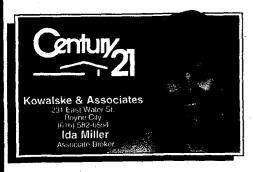
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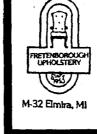
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National ski magazine features Boyne Mountain

(Editor's Note: Boyne Mountain and its founder, Everett Kircher, are featured in the January issue of Snow Country magazine. Excerpts of the story, written by Jim Neff, are reprinted here. The article was headlined "Scientist of Ski.")

By JIM NEFF

My favorite Everett Kircher story is about the time, as a young man, when he went skiing near Lake Placid. This was in the days before chairlifts, when skiers had to hike up a mountain in order to slide back down. Kircher had just bought a pair of wooden skis, maybe 210s or 215s.

After a frustrating day spent trying to make the balky boards turn, he sought help from a local ski shop. The proprietor assured Kircher he could shorten the skis, which would make them easier to handle.

When Kircher went back the next day, his new skis were indeed shorter: the man had lopped off the front tips. "To this day, I'm not sure that was really a ski shop," says Kircher. "But I do know it was a shop with a saw." That was the last time Everett Kircher left anything ski-re-

Skiers outside the Midwest may never have heard of Boyne Mountain, the resort Kircher founded almost 50 years ago. With a 500-foot vertical drop, it's unassuming by most standards. But chances are, Boyne has impacted your ski experience. As early as 1948, the resort was one of the first in the country to offer a five-day, midweek learn-to-ski package, now a staple at most destination resorts. If you hate waiting in liftlines, thank Kircher for helping design and debuting the triple chair (1963), the quad (1965) and the highspeed six-seat chair (1992) in the United States. If you've ever skied on manmade snow, you may have interiors and public areas at Boyne competitors will tell you that keepbenefited from Boyne's pioneering efforts: Kircher holds several patents for snowmaking and grooming equipment. And if you've ever marveled at a smooth Stein Eriksen turn, give a tip of the ski hat to Boyne, because it was Kircher who enticed the legendary Austrian to take his first job here.

In many respects, Boyne has been one of America's ski laboratories, and Kircher its ski scientist. And from modest beginnings, Boyne Mountain has become Boyne USA, one of the real dynamos in the ski

Last year, the Boyne USA resorts sold 1.1 million lift tickets and the company's total sales were in excess of \$85 million, making it one of the top resort operations in the country. The Boyne umbrella includes four ski resorts: Boyne Mountain and Boyne Highlands in Michigan, Big Sky in Montana and Brighton in Utah. Negotiations are underway that will add a fifth resort, Crystal Mountain in Washington. Boyne also owns eight golf courses in Michigan, one in Big Sky and one in Naples, Fla., plus a scenic chairlift ride near Gatlinburg, Tenn.

These numbers are not as impressive as the ski-industry giants: Vail Resorts (if it gets permission to acquire the Summit County trio) will do 5 million skier-visits this year, followed by the American Skiing Company (seven Eastern resorts) with 3.5 million and Intrawest (its holdings include Backcomb and Stratton) with 2.5 million. But it's not bad for a corporation whose 'board of directors' often makes decisions around the kitchen table. The eldest Kircher son, John, is general manager at Big Sky. A daughter, Kathryn, heads the Boyne Design Group, which is responsible for the

properties. And another son, Stephen, is vice president of Michigan operations. Together with longtime CEO Art Tebo, they form the core of Boyne USA.

"When I started Boyne in 1947, I knew all the skiers by name, and I have a bad memory," Kircher says. We charged \$5 for a lift ticket and you had to help pack the hill before I'd let you ski. We had about 2,000 skiers all winter."

These days, a typical Saturday at Boyne Mountain will draw more than 3,500 skiers. The annual St. Patrick's Day bash is one of the biggest ski parties around, luring 8,000 skiers or more to the slopes. "The Mountain," as locals call it - together with Boyne Highlands, 20 miles north - offers a combined total of 82 ski runs, 23 lifts and accommodations for 1,800 guests. The sheer magnitude of the Boyne operation sets it apart from most ski resorts in the

While all of the Boyne USA properties play a part in making the machine go, Everett Kircher is still the soul of the company. He's not your typical exec: You could pass him in a Wal-Mart and figure he was just a regular guy, out shopping for a radio or some birdseed. He is irascible at times and always straightforward; beating around the bush is not his way. When it comes to business, he's a black diamond - tough and demanding. Above his desk is a plaque that reads, "He who dies with the most toys wins.'

At 80 years, what fascinates Kircher now is what fascinated him a half-century ago: how to get skiers up the slopes, put more snow on the hill and show his guests a good time. He figures if something works at "The Mountain," it will work everywhere else, too. Even his fiercest

ing up with Boyne has made Midwest resorts better, because it sets standards other ski areas are obliged to follow. "he's one tough son-of-agun," says a Midwestern ski-industry colleague. "Boyne is like the Dallas Cowboys. You love to hate them, but they force you to raise your level of play if you want to beat

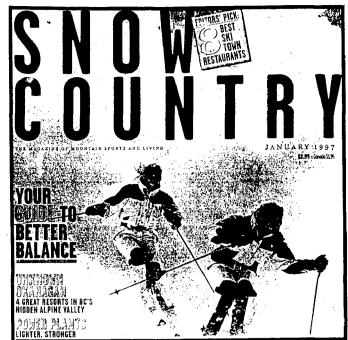
Another competitor had a similar view, but with a different twist. 'Sometimes I think Kircher does things just because he can, not necessarily because Boyne needs to. He has the money to put up a new lift anytime he wants, so it gives Boyne a competitive advantage. You're almost forced to follow suit, even if you don't want to. Sometimes I imagine him sitting in his office, smirking: 'Try to beat that one, boys.'

The Everett Kircher story is classic Americana, the tale of a young, ambitious man who made it big. As a college student in the 1930s, Kircher had to drop out of the University of Michigan to help run the family business on the east side of

His passion was skiing, and his favorite resort was Sun Valley. In fact, Kircher was the sixth person to win the Sun Diamond Award for skiing Mount Baldy from its summit to the bottom. "No one in my family skied," recalls Kircher, "but I had friends who did. We went to Sun Valley because it was the first resort out West, it had a swimming pool and the girls were pretty.

After selling the family business and gaining some success as a Studebaker dealer, Kircher pursued his dream of finding a piece of land in Michigan that he could turn into the "Sun Valley of the Midwest."

The land he chose was near



Boyne Falls in northwestern Michigan. Ernest Hemingway, who spent his first 22 summers near there, called this region "the priceless place" and immortalized it in his Nick Adams stories. Kircher was able to acquire 40 acres in the heart of Hemingway country for the princely sum of \$1, from a farmer who had no use for the hilly terrain. "Boyne was on a dirt road in the middle of nowhere, so I knew we'd need something to attract skiers," recalls Kircher. "Sun Valley was replacing its one-seat Dollar Mountain lift, so I bought it for \$2,000 and had it shipped to Michigan. No one else in the Midwest had

Boyne was also the first Michigan ski area to create a ski village at the base with an out-door pool, a restaurant, shops and accommodations. A skier could spend five days at Boyne on the American plan (which included room, meals, lift tickets, lessons and the heated pool) for \$59. This Monday-Friday learnto-ski week made Boyne Mountain the prime place to ski in the central

Just after the 1952 Winter Olympics, Kircher heard that the world's best skier, Stein Eriksen, needed a car. So Kircher offered him a deal on a new Studebaker and the skischool director job at the Mountain. Eriksen declined, but after winning three gold medals at the 1954 World Championships decided to take Kircher up on the offer. Eriksen spent two seasons at Boyne before moving on to Aspen Highlands.

NOW FOR THE CONFERENCE SEASON

Red Devils are 5 and 0

It didn't take long after the Christmas break for the East Jordan Red Devils to find the groove last Friday as they started fast, built a big lead, then went on to easily defeat Onaway 68-36.

The Red Devils built a 28-6 lead after the first quarter, and never really looked back, even though they played a little ragged after their impressive

The win kept the Red Devils' early season record perfect. They are now 5-0 as they head into conference play.

The Red Devils played Kalkaska, picked by many to be in the thick of the race for a conference championship, Tuesday night. Then next on the schedule is Boyne City next Tuesday at East

The game promises to be one of the best, most hard fought games played since the two

teams met last season. "This is what it's all about," said East Jordan head coach Del Ingalls.

'We're going to try to play our style of basketball and we have to do all the little things right, create turnovers and not give up any easy

The Red Devils played their game against Onaway, at least for the first quarter, putting the game away before it really got started. It was a good thing, since "we didn't play that great," especially in the second quarter, Ingalls said.

East Jordan had a balanced attack against Onaway, with nine players scoring. Leading the way were Parke Bluhm and Jim Malpass, with 13 points each, followed by Scott Haley and Mike Mazzella with 9, David Miller with 8, and Matt

Ski Express coming to Boyne Mountain Jimmie Heuga's Ski Express

schusses into its 10th season at Boyne Mountain with title sponsor, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A.

Skiers and snowboarders from the Boyne Mountain area will be among the more than 1,200 skiers from coast to coast who will take to the slopes to ski with skiing legends, have fun and raise money for people with multiple sclerosis (MS). The Boyne Mountain event is Monday, Jan. 13, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Terry Ahola, Cary Adgate, Doug Lewis and Jimmie Heuga, all former U.S. Ski Team members, will be present at the Boyne Mountain event to ski with the participants and cheer them on during the day-long challenge. Also attending will be Sandy Blumenfeld, who is a past participant of a Jimmie Heuga Center (JHC) medical program. He will be available to talk about the program.

Olympic star Jimmie Heuga was diagnosed with MS at age 26. Through the Heuga Center he has dedicated his life to overcoming his own physical challenges and helping people with MS do the same.

"Our goal at the medical center is to help people with MS find out what they can do rather than what they can't do," Heuga said.

At the Boyne Mountain event, eams of three skiers with at least one female, will compete in a four-hour marathon on South McClouth slope and a giant slalom race on Aurora. Winners are determined by total vertical feet skied, performance in the

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giant slalom and funds generated for the event. Each team is required to raise a minimum of \$1,000 in sponsorships to enter.

For more information, contact local Ski Express administrator Dale Hardy at (616) 775-5877.

SCHEDULE

BOYNE CITY Jan. 9 - Skiing at Boyne Highlands starting at 5 p.m. Jan. 9 - JV & Varsity Volleyball, Charlevoix, home - 6 p.m. Jan. 9 - Freshman Basketball at Charlevoix - 7 p.m. Jan. 10 - JV & Varsity Basketball at Charlevoix - 6 p.m. Jan. 11 - JV & Varsity Volleyball, Johannesburg Tournament - 9 a.m. Jan. 13 - JV & Varsity Volleyball, Jo-burg, home - 6 p.m. Jan. 13 - Freshmen Basketball at Inland Lakes - 4:15 p.m.

Jan. 14 - Skiing at Boyne Mountain - 12 p.m. Jan. 14 - Freshman Basketball at East Jordan - 4 p.m. Jan. 14 - JV & Varsity Basketball at East Jordan - 6 p.m.

BOYNE FALLS Jan. 10 - Boys Basketball, Ellsworth, home - 6 p.m Jan. 14 - Boys Basketball, Central Lake, home - 6 p.m.

EAST JORDAN Jan. 9 - Freshman Basketball Jan. 13 - JV & Varsity Volleyball, Pellston, home - 6 p.m. Jan. 14 - Freshman Basketball, Boyne City, home - 4 p.m. Jan. 14 - JV & Varsity Basket-

ball, Boyne City, home - 6 p.m.

Showdown should be a classic Boyne City-East Jordan. That's all that needs

It may have begun back when the districts were combined for a short time, but this crosscounty rivalry is as fierce as ever, and will be reignited Tuesday, Jan. 14, in East Jordan.

metition can be evidence. last season's basketball games. The first meeting, in Boyne, the Ramblers had no trouble with the Red Devils, walking away with a 94-75 win. Roles were reversed when Boyne traveled to East Jordan, and fell 75-60.

And finally, the district draw found the teams meeting in the first round of playoffs, held in Boyne City. Home court advantage again prevailed, as the Ramblers came out on top 84-70.

East Jordan is led this season by senior center Jim Malpass and juniors Scott Haley and Parke

"East Jordan has the makings of a very fine ball team," Rambler Coach Kevin Fitzpatrick said. 'Thise three (Malpass, Haley, and Bluhm) really give them a good nucleus. They seem to work well together with Haley and Bluhm both being juniors."

In recent scrimmages down state with two Class A schools and a Class B, the Ramblers held their own. "For the most part," said Fitzpatrick, "we played real even with the teams that we played. I think throughout the rest of the year it's important for us to control the inside play. Although we're not that big, I think we can do that."

Boyne will have to in order to hold off Haley and Malpass on Tuesday. But first, both teams have to concentrate on Friday's contests. The Ramblers will be in Charlevoix for the start of conference play, and the Red Devils played Kalkaska Tuesday. They are off Friday.

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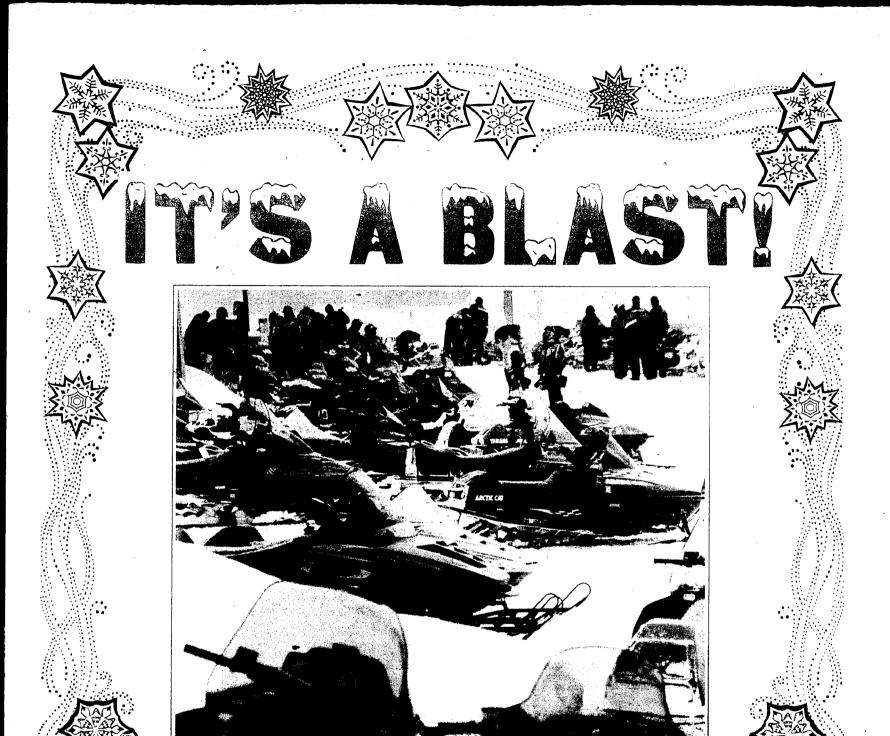
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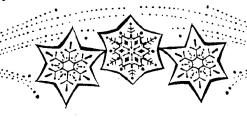




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Rolling out the white carpet

East Jordan has made itself a mecca for snowmobiling

By CINDI PLACE

In most northern Michigan communities, the beginning of the winter season is heralded by new snow, colder weather and icy roads. But in East Jordan the first real hint that winter has arrived is a faint buzzing noise followed by the legion of snowmobiles and their riders who come every winter and make themselves at home.

East Jordan has proclaimed itself "snowmobile friendly" and every year this small town rolls out the "white" carpet to warmly welcome snowmobile enthusiasts. The "Sno-Blast Festival," a city-wide winter celebration, is held each year on the third weekend in January. Snowmobile races and other winter events gather residents and tourists together to participate in activities centered around a sport they both enjoy.

But simply being invited to a community festival is not why so many snowmobilers come to East Jordan. City officials have opened the city up to the use of snowmobiles. Specific routes are mapped out so

that riders have the freedom to travel along selected city streets. Designated snowmobile routes throughout East Jordan are well marked with highly visible, green and white signs.

"I think that having the proper signage has really helped us keep both the snowmobile users and others safe," said East Jordan Police Chief Jerry Alward.

According to Alward, most snowmobile users are polite, law-abiding citizens who are very concerned with safety. "We want to stay snowmobile friendly. We are always interested in ways to help the riders, especially when it comes to keeping everyone safe," he said.

Snowmobiling has been a popular recreational sport in East Jordan since the early 1960's. According to Tom Galmore, Sr., a snowmobile enthusiast and founder of Galmore's Inc., one of the reasons East Jordan has remained a mecca for snowmobiling is that currently all four snowmobile manufacturers have dealerships in East Jordan, in addition to several local parts and repair

"East Jordan was one of the first areas in northern Michigan to have available a quantity of snowmobiles for sale," Galmore said.

East Jordan Auto Parts sold the first snowmobiles, the "Trail Maker." A few years later, Galmore brought Ski Doo to East Jordan. The growth of sales surprised everyone. "We sold about 25 to 30 machines in 1965. With the 1966 model, we doubled the number of sales. When Ski Doo offered their 1968 models, we sold over 200 machines that year," he said.

The effect snowmobiling has had on the economy of East Jordan is immense. Statistics show that any money spent in one place usually goes around that area at least eight times before leaving, according to Mary Faculak, executive director of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce.

"I had a woman in my store a few weeks ago who was a waitress in a local business. She was looking forward to the arrival of the snowmobilers so that she would be able to make some new purchases with the additional money she would be earning, "Faculak said.

Another reason snowmobilers find East Jordan so convenient is its close proximity to popular, well maintained trails. The Jordan Valley Trail System is known to many as one of the most scenic in northern Michigan. Snowmobilers can ride their machines from their front door, through the city of East Jordan and connect to trails in the Jordan Valley, without once having to trailer their machine.

And what may be even more unique is that they can stop for break-

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"All the work that has been done on these trails involves the help of an awful lot of people"

-- Lee Symonds, Charlevoix County Snowmobile Council president

fast on the way, get gasoline and supplies and even pick up a pizza, all the while using their snowmobile as transportation.

There are several local snowmobile organizations that help maintain these trails, conduct weekend races and safari rides, and generally promote the sport of snowmobiling as a fun family activity. The East Jordan Snowmobile Club is very active in the Sno Blast Festival as well as many other activities throughout the year. Its clubhouse is located on Mt. Bliss Road, just outside the city limits

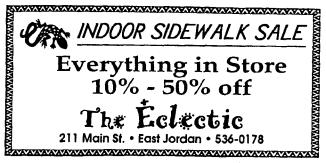
A recent project of the Charlevoix Snowmobile Club has been the creation of a Michigan Department of Natural Resources approved snowmobile trail connecting East Jordan and Charlevoix. This approximately 19-mile trail is groomed, marked and awaiting final DNR approval. Once approval is received, which sponsors hope will occur sometime early this year, trail maps will be available to interested riders.

One other organization, which includes representation from the East Jordan, Charlevoix and Antrim clubs, is the Charlevoix County Snowmobile Council. This group is responsible for maintaining both the new East Jordan-Charlevoix trail as well as the Jordan Valley Trail System. The group owns several pieces of grooming equipment.

"All the work that has been done on these trails involves the help of an awful lot of people," according to Lee Symonds, council president. "Our maintenance coordinator, Clarence LaCross, has designed a special drag implement that has helped to make these trails some of the finest in northern Michigan."

With safety a concern of both snowmobilers and law enforcement officials, emergency medical treatment is an issue that both of these groups agree is of major importance. Fire departments in both East Jordan and Mancelona are equipped with ambulatory sleds that can be brought into a trail area that is not easily accessible. Accident victims can then be transported safely to a waiting emergency vehicle.

But having all the conveniences, safety policies, marked trails and routes available to snowmobilers is not the most important reason that East Jordan has remained such a popular snowmobiling area. What strikes visitors the most is that they are truly welcome. Residents and business owners alike seem to genuinely appreciate both the sport of snowmobiling and the people who come to enjoy the area. They are proud of where they live and don't seem to mind sharing a little of the beauty that surrounds them.



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Rotary Club serving up chili supper

The East Jordan Rotary Club will hold a chili supper on Friday, Jan. 17, from 4-7 p.m. at the East Jordan Snowmobile Club.

The snowmobile club is located a couple miles south of town on Old 66 (Mt. Bliss Road). The menu will include chili, salad, beverages, and desserts.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 years of age.

The proceeds from the supper will help fund Rotary's community projects.

East Jordan Rotarians are selling tickets in advance. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. For more information, call Bob Tambellini at 536-2440.



Old Man Winter (Ron Klooster) crowns last year's Belle of the Blizzard (Cheryl Rebec) and Winter Knight (Rich Clark). The new Belle and Knight will be crowned following the Sno-Blast parade Saturday

Crowning the Belle and the Knight

It will happen immediately following Sno-Blast parade

Those who have yet to cast their ballots have until Thursday evening to vote for the Belle of the Blizzard and the Winter Knight. People vote for their favorite candidate by dropping a monetary donation in the canisters being passed around by the candidates.

The Belle and Winter Knight candidates with the most money collected are chosen to reign for the year. The voting proceeds go to the chamber of commerce and the Sno-Blast Winter Festival event.

The Belle and Winter Knight contest is part of East Jordan's annual Sno-Blast. The votes will be counted on Friday, Jan. 17, and the winners crowned on the city hall steps following the parade on Saturday. The reigning Belle and Knight participate in East Jordan parades and other events.

This year's contestants for Belle of the Blizzard are Debbie Chappuies, Ronda Klomp, Mary Ann Roberts, Meg Fowler and JoAnne Smith. The contestants for Winter Knight are Dick Hoffman, Mike Burr, Scott Harper, Larry Farmer and Bill Chase

The Belle of the Blizzard contest began 57 years ago when a huge snowstorm kept people confined and complaining about having nothing to do. George Secord and Cyril Dolezel came up with the idea of a Belle of the Blizzard contest.

Contest rules stated that the contestants had to be at least 16 years old and not over 21 years old, that no contestant having false teeth, fallen arches, or hang nails would be eligible, and that contestants had to have been seen skating on the mill skating pond at least once during the year, keeping their balance with the help of no more than three people.

The winner of the first contest in 1936 was Eva Dennis, now Healey, who competed in a field of 12 contestants. Her title read, "Miss Eva Dennis, Her Majesty, Miss Aurora Borealis, Belle of the Blizzard, Supreme Ruler of Winter Storms, Defender of the North Winds and Guardian of the Northern Lights.'

This impressive list of titles was carried honorably by Eva for more than 50 years. The contest was not held again during that time. It was revived several years ago by the chamber of commerce and the Sno-Blast Winter Festival committee. Eva crowned the new Belle, Cathleen King, who crowned the reigning Belle, Cheryl Rebec. Cheryl will crown this year's winner.

Eva rides in the Sno-Blast parade each year with Old Man Winter, Ron Klooster.

The Winter Knight contest began several years ago and the reigning Knight, Rich Clark, will crown

Contestants are nominated by the Sno-Blast Committee and the committee also decides on the criteria that the contestants must meet. This year's criteria states that the contestants must be under six feet. nine inches tall, have been seen within the last two years packing a snowball with no more than two hands, and must be a member of the East Jordan community.

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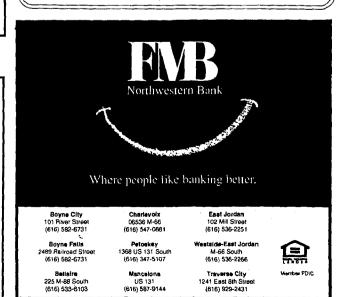


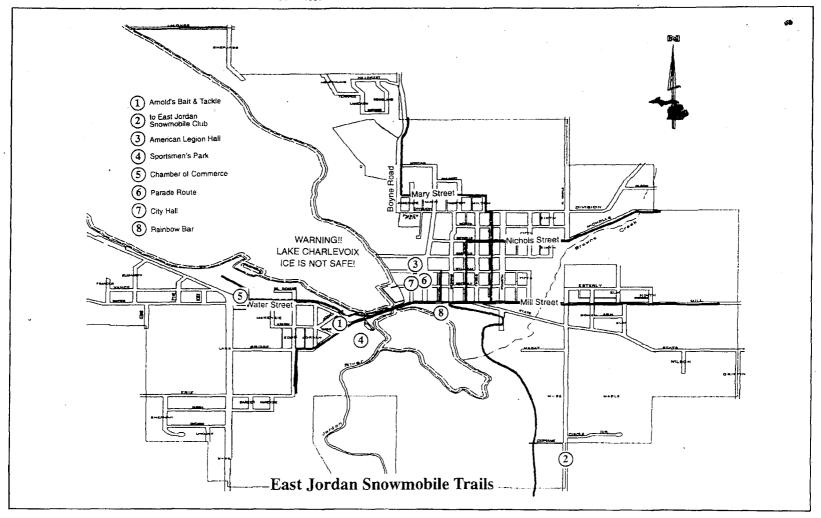
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1/2 cup chopped or cubed ham 6 oz. shredded cheddar cheese

1/4 tsp. pepper 5 eggs 1/4 cup melted oleo

1/4 cup chopped onion 1/4 cup chopped green pepper

1/4 tsp. salt 3 cups milk

1/2 cup crushed corn flakes

Grease 9 x 13 pan. Put ham, cheese, onion and green pepper in bottom. Combine eggs, bisquick, salt & pepper, add milk. Beat with electric mixer 3 minutes. Pour over ham mixture. Sprinkle corn flakes over egg mixture and drizzle oleo over corn flakes. Bake at 350° 50 to 60

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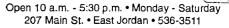
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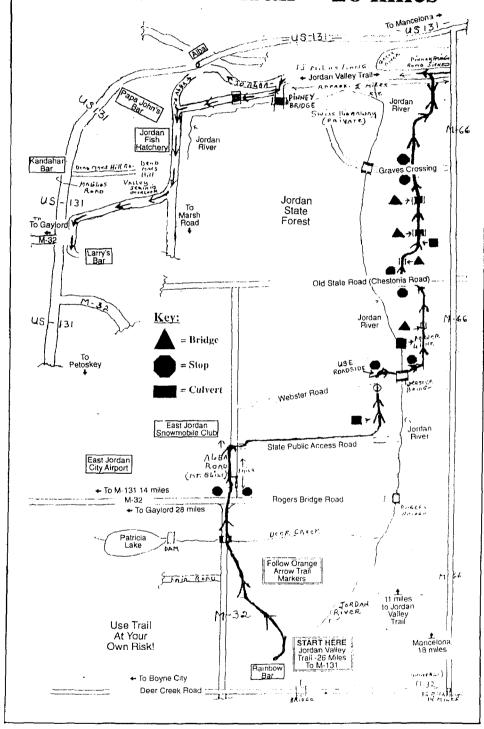
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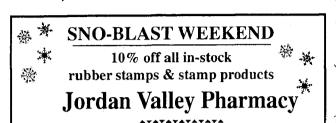
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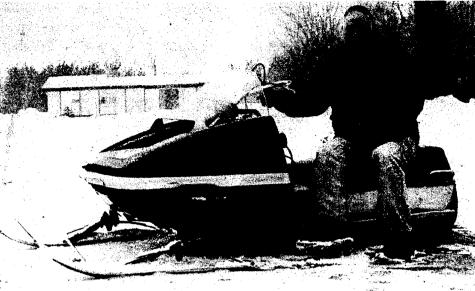






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One of the more than 50 snowmobiles owned by Dick Clark is this 1973 440 Magnum Rupp. Clark is president of the East Jordan Snowmobile Club.

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Dick Clark, president of the East Jordan Snowmobilers Club, collects Rupp snowmobiles. Rupps were built between 1965 and 1978, Clark said. He has more than 50 sleds, many of them bought for parts to restore other sleds. Currently Clark is restoring a 1966, the oldest snowmobile in his collection

The difference between the older snowmobiles and today's snowmobiles is tremendous, Clark said.

"The major difference is that you used to ride for one hour and then you worked on them for three hours."

Now you can ride for much longer periods of time with very little maintenance. The ride is much smoother and the seats are softer than earlier sleds, Clark said. Manufacturing of high-tech snowmobiles began in the mid-1970s.

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The Roberts family took first prize in the snow sculpture contest with this display.

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Snow sculptures created by residents and businesses are a big part of the Sno-Blast Festival. The sculptures are judged and first, second and third place winners are awarded certificates and prizes.

The last day for judging sculptures is Wednesday. Judges are Duane and Dolly Aleo. Pictures of the entries and their locations are available at East Jordan's Little Caesars, this year's sponsor of the snow sculpture contest. Winners will be announced at city hall on Saturday, Jan. 18, following the parade.

Judging is based on originality, workmanship, colors and decorations, Dolly Aleo said. The coloring of snow is made with food coloring.

First place winner for last year's residential contest was Connie Roberts with an elaborate circus tent and Dumbo the elephant sculpture. CB North took the first place for last sculpture of Old Man Winter.

The snow sculptures began in 1992. Sculptures from years past include a five-foot high turkey, a snowmobile, an eagle and a deer.

Families and co-workers get out their spatulas, knives and other helpful materials and make their own creations. It's one more way to enjoy the snow this season and to join in the Sno-Blast festival.





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Snow Sculpture Contest - Little Caesar's Sno-Blast Sno-Sculpture Contest. Contact Chamber Office at 536-7351 for locations of sculptures.

Friday, Jan. 17

2nd annual Sno-Blast Ice Fishing Derby-Sponsored by Arnold's Bait and Tackle. Starting time 7 a.m., Jan. 17 - last fish must be in by 5 p.m., Jan. 19. Sign up at Arnold's with bait purchases, hook and line only, no frozen fish, contest boundaries are Antrim and Charlevoix Counties. Prizes awarded for largest (length only) Walleye, pike, perch, blue gill and trout. For further information contact Arnold's at (616)536-3521 or 536-7351.

4-7 p.m.: Rotary Chili Supper - at East Jordan Snowmobiler's Clubhouse, Mt. Bliss Road off M-32. "Same cook-new recipe" chili, salad, dessert, beverage. \$5 adult, \$3 children under 12 years old. One meal free with each raffle ticket purchased.

7 p.m.: Snowmobile Safari - Departing from East Jordan Snowmobiler's Clubhouse. Sponsored by East Jordan Snowmobilers Club. Coffee, hot chocolate and s'mores, on the trail. Bring the entire family! Optional distances.

Saturday, Jan. 18

7-11 a.m.: Pancake Breakfast - all you can eat. American Legion Hall, Main Street. Sponsored by East Jordan Firemen. Stop in before the Sno-Blast '97 parade and enjoy pancakes, hash browns, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs prepared by E.J. Firefighters.

Winter Encampment - Sportsmen's Park. Take a step back in time and experience winter living on the frontier in the early 1700's. Members of the Jordan Valley Sportsmen's Club will be camped in the day and evening in authentic 1700's clothing, gear, etc. Sponsored by the Jordan Valley Sportsmen's Club.

Antique Snowmobile Club of America - Members of the Antique Snowmobile Club of America will be in town for the parade and then will have their machines on display at the East Jordan Snowmobiler's Clubhouse.

9 a.m.: Snowmobile Drag Racing
Registration - Located at the East Jordan
Snowmobiler's Clubhouse and grounds. For more
race information, contact Ren Graham at (616) 536-

9 a.m.-5 p.m.: Concessions - East Jordan Snowmobiler's Clubhouse.

10-10:30 a.m.: Sno-Blast '97 Parade Registration - City Hall. Pre-registration encouraged. Call Chamber office at 536-7351. Celebrate winter - have fun! Decorate your snowmobile, build a float, etc.

10:30 a.m.: Sno-Blast '97 Parade - Join Old Man Winter and all the fun entries as they parade down Main Street. Parade Grand Marshalls "Captain Sno-Blast" Bob and Cele Malpass.

Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight Crowning Ceremonies - Belle of the Blizzard and Winter Knight will be crowned following the parade on City Hall steps. Sponsored by East Jordan Chamber of Commerce Sno-Blast Committee. Candidates for the Belle of the Blizzard: Debbie Chappuies, Rhonda Klomp, Mary Ann Roberts, Meg Fowler, and JoAnne Smith. Winter Knight candidates are Dick Hoffman, Mike Burr, Scott Harper, Larry Farmer, and Bill Chase.

11 a.m.: Snowmobile Drags: (SATURDAY ONLY) - East Jordan Snowmobiler's grounds, sponsored by East Jordan Snowmobiler's. Drivers MUST be at least 18 years old.

11 a.m.-1 p.m.: Sleigh Rides - Country Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides sponsored by Bacon Acres. Departing from Bacon Acres located on Norwegian Road. \$2 per person. For more information, contact Bacon Acres at 536-2137.

11:30 a.m.: Sno-Shoe Follies - Sportsmen's Park - Age groups 10-15 years and 16 and up. Prizes awarded, nominal entry fee. (Some shoes available) For more information, contact Lee Symonds at 536-2674.

Merchants Indoor Sidewalk Sales - All



weekend participating merchants hold special clearance sales.

2:30 p.m.: Sno-Blast '97 Pig Roast - The Rainbow - serving to start at 2:30 p.m. and runs until gone. Half of the proceeds will go to Sno-Blast Festival Committee. Sponsored by The Rainbow of East Jordan. Free coffee and soft drinks will be offered to designated drivers - compliments of The Rainbow crew.

2nd Annual Sno-Blast Fishing Contest - continues all weekend.

SUNDAY, JAN. 19

7 a.m.-12 noon: Sno-Lovers Breakfast -Sponsored by East Jordan Snowmobilers Inc. at Clubhouse on Mt. Bliss Road off M-32.

11 a.m.: Sno-Blast Snowmobile Slalom, back by popular demand. A true test of your snowmobiling skills. Speed is not the key, your ability to control your snowmobile at all times is your advantage. Must complete the course twice without disqualifying. Class - Junior 12 years - under, Class A - up to age 54, Class AA - 55 and up. Plaques to be awarded. Entry fee is \$5.

1:15 p.m.: Snowmobile Raffle - East Jordan Sno-Mobiler's Clubhouse, sponsored by East Jordan Rotary.

2nd Annual Sno-Blast Fishing Contest -Continues all weekend ending at 5 p.m. on Sundày. För more information, contact Arnold's at 536-3521.

Contact the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce for lodging or event information at (616) 536-7351.

